

- 4 Read the text and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.



Driving across the US is a classic American pastime, but perhaps the first road trip (1) place in 1903. It all started when Horatio Nelson Jackson was sitting in a club in San Francisco, discussing cars with his friends. Cars were a recent invention at the time and someone (2) a comment that they were too unreliable to drive across the country. Jackson bet his friends \$50 that he could do it.

He bought a new red car and set (3) from San Francisco on 23rd May. He had little experience of driving and he didn't have a driver's licence because in those days you (4) one. There were no road signs and no petrol stations so he was (5) a big risk. Not surprisingly, the car broke (6) several times on the way. At one point, he had to (7) use of a horse to pull him to the nearest town. On another occasion, he was given bad directions and got lost for 36 hours on a road that he (8) not have taken.

In spite of all the difficulties, Jackson (9) his best to remain optimistic. He was helped when people heard that he was (10) an attempt to cross the country and came out to support him.

Finally, after 63 days, Jackson arrived in New York. He'd won his bet of \$50, but spent \$8,000 in the process.

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| 1 A did | B took | C made | D had |
| 2 A told | B made | C did | D said |
| 3 A on | B up | C off | D away |
| 4 A needn't have | B mustn't have | C shouldn't have | D didn't need |
| 5 A taking | B making | C doing | D having |
| 6 A up | B down | C away | D off |
| 7 A take | B do | C make | D have |
| 8 A must | B ought | C had better | D should |
| 9 A did | B took | C made | D had |
| 10 A trying | B making | C doing | D taking |