UNIT 1 - READING 2

Read the following passage and circle the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Isaac Newton (1643-1727) and Albert Einstein (1897-1955) are regarded as two of the most important scientists of all (1) _____. They also share some similarities.

(2) _____ Einstein and Newton were described as lonely children who lacked social skills, but had a passion for complex topics. Einstein dropped out of school at the age of 15 (3) _____ he felt bored and didn't like the teaching style. (4) _____, Newton didn't excel in school, although he completed his secondary education and managed to enter Cambridge University.

Both worked in the field of physics and maths, but in different time periods and contributed to our (5) _____ of gravity. Newton was the first person to describe gravity and discover the basic laws of mechanics and motion. While Einstein agreed with some aspects of his theory, he showed that Newton was (6) _____ about time and space, and came up with a new theory of gravity. Einstein also established the foundations of modern physics.

The scientific (7) _____ of both Newton and Einstein are impressive, and there is still a(n) (8) _____ about who made the bigger contribution to humankind.

1. A. times	B. time	C. men	D. world
2. A. None	B. Either	C. Neither	D. Both
3. A. afterwards	B. because of	C. because	D. despite
4. A. Similarly	B. Of course	C. By contrast	D. After that
5. A. understanding	B. knowing	C. learning	D. contrasting
6. A. better	B. clever	C. right	D. wrong
7. A. accidents	B. decisions	C. events	D. achievements
8. A. agreement	B. debate	C. competition	D. contrast

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