

**Read the following passage, then answer the questions by circling A, B, C or D. (1.0 point)**

If you enjoy cycling for pleasure, doing it in London can be a shock. There are not enough lanes, especially for bikes, and making your way through the traffic can be very risky. But if you have a great passion, cycling in London can be exciting, and **it** is an inexpensive way of keeping fit if you live there. Some cyclists don't mind spending a lot of money on expensive bikes. However, if you just want a basic bike that is only for occasional use, there are many cheap choices. Several markets have cheap bikes on sale, which may not be impressive to look at but should be satisfactory. You should buy a cycling helmet if you want to cycle in London. Wearing a cycling helmet is not compulsory in Britain, but it is a good idea to wear one for protection.

1. What is the main idea of the passage?  
A. Cycling helmets                      B. Cheap bicycles  
C. Bicycle markets                      D. Cycling in London
2. According to the passage, cycling in London is \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. easy                      B. difficult                      C. tiring                      D. boring
3. The word "it" in bold refers to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. cycling                      B. passion                      C. excitement                      D. doing exercise
4. The difficulty of cycling in London is described in lines \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. 2-3                      B. 5                      C. 5-6                      D. 8-9
5. According to the passage, all the followings are true EXCEPT that \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. there are not many lanes, especially for bikes.  
B. some bikes in London are cheap.  
C. it is compulsory to wear a helmet when cycling in Britain.  
D. some cyclists don't want to buy expensive bikes.

**Rewrite each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the first one. (2.0 points)**

1. Saving electricity is very important.  
=> It's \_\_\_\_\_
2. They will decorate the house next week.  
=> The house \_\_\_\_\_
3. I spent three months finishing the project.  
=> It \_\_\_\_\_
4. Plastic bottles are recycled to make new items like bags and clothing.  
=> People \_\_\_\_\_
5. I'm very sad that I wasn't accepted to the theater.  
=> I'm very sad not \_\_\_\_\_
6. It's three years since I last spoke to her.  
=> I haven't \_\_\_\_\_
7. Tam doesn't type as fast as she used to.  
=> Tam used \_\_\_\_\_
8. " Please turn down the radio for me", said my father.  
=> My father asked \_\_\_\_\_
9. Lan is interested in learning about whales.  
=> Lan is keen \_\_\_\_\_
10. How long is it since you went to a party?  
=> When \_\_\_\_\_ ?