Main Idea HW Practice 1

Directions: Read the following paragraphs and choose the best main idea for each.

Wilbur and Orville Wright were brothers who were inventors, even from a young age when they built kites and bicycles. Many people credit the Wright brothers with designing and building the first successful airplane. In 1903, their first flight only lasted 12 seconds, but it continues to inspire people all over the world to learn about science and math, to work hard to realize their dreams, and to use imagination to achieve success.

1. The main idea of this passage is:

A. The Wright Brothers worked hard.
B. The Wright Brothers were inventors who have inspired many people.
C. Inventors build kites and bicycles.
D. The first flight was 1903.

2. Complete these notes about the article.

The First Successful Airplane
• 1903
• Wilbur and Orville Wright
• _____
• Inspired people

A. The Wright brothers built kites and bicycles.
B. The first flight only lasted 12 seconds.
C. Wilbur and Orville were brothers.
D. Realize your dreams and work hard to achieve success.

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If you are feeling sad, you can make yourself feel better by doing a few simple things. You can take a walk or get another form of exercise, you can talk to a friend, or you can write down your feelings. Writing down the good things in your life will help too. Doing something good for someone else will also help you feel better. If you still feel a little sad, act happy. It works like magic to make you feel better!

3. The main idea of this passage is:

A. If you feel sad, there are ways to cheer yourself up.
B. Exercising is good for you.
C. If you still feel a little sad, act happy.
D. Never feel sad, always act happy.

4. Complete these notes about the article.

Ways to Cheer Yourself Up
• Act happy
• Do something good for someone
• _____
• Talk to a friend

A. You can take a walk.
B. Magic tricks make you feel better.
C. Make a funny face.
D. It is not simple to make yourself feel better.

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