Complete the text with the words from the box.

place	distance	built	visit	capital	attractions

Winchester is considered to be the first capital of England. It was (1)_____ about 70 AD as a Roman town. This was a market place with many shops and public buildings and the forum in the centre.
The last Roman soldier left Britain in 407. Town life then broke down.
Late in the 9th century Alfred the Great, the first king of all England, was crowned here. He revived the old Roman town. It then became and remained the (2)_____ and the most important city in England until the 11th century and the arrival of William the Conqueror. However, by the 14th century the city had lost its (3)_____ as the second most important city and began to change into what it is today — a small, sleepy, provincial town.
At present Winchester combines the best of city life with the freshness of the surrounding countryside.
With popular tourist (4)_____ and architecture including magnificent cathedral, award-winning pubs and restaurants and a variety of shops, Winchester is a popular tourist destination.
Most of the things to see and do in Winchester, and the places to eat, drink and sleep are within an easy walking (5)_____ from each other and the rail station.
Winchester is surrounded by picturesque Hampshire villages and beautiful countryside of the South Downs National Park. So, you can take a walk towards Twyford along water meadows, and on St Catherine's Hill.
On balance, Winchester is a beautiful historic city not far from London, and it is surely worth a (6)_____.

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1 **Read the texts. Match the statements (A—E) with the passages (1—5).**

1) The activity of **the Natural Resources Defense Council** (NRDC) is focused on saving wildlife and wild places and to ensure a healthy environment for all life on the Earth.

2) The **Earth Liberation Front** (ELF) is an environmental group well known for its «extreme» actions, that's why anonymous and independent. They have no office or press contacts and many environmentalists prefer to distance themselves from it.

3) **The National Wildlife Federation** is aimed at preserving wild animals within the United States. The organisation was actually set up by a cartoonist named Jay Darling in 1936 with the support of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

4) Dedicated to saving wildlife, **the Wildlife Conservation Society** is focused on connecting humans with wildlife as it can lead to the preservation of endangered species.

5) The **National Geographic Society** (Nat Geo) is one of the largest, most well-funded and most important world environmental organisations. The society bases its activity on scientific research, and tries to increase general interest towards such problems as conservation, prevention of wasteful use of resources, saving endangered species, etc.

A Other environmentalists don't want to be associated with the activity of this organisation.

B The task of this organisation is to help to connect people and nature.

C The founder of this organisation was a creator of animated films.

D This society is one of the main environmental organisations.

E Its aim is to guarantee a healthy environment for all life on the Earth.

Complete the text with the words from the box.

experiment	exist	produce	medicine	scientific	inventions

It's true that many (1)_____ researches remain off the public attention. There are those studies that represent (2)_____ and discoveries that «cannot or should not be reproduced». Every year these inventions are awarded the Ig Nobel Prize.
The Ig Nobel Prize is a parody of the Nobel Prize and is given out in late September or early October each year for ten unusual scientific discoveries The Ig Nobel Prizes honour achievements that make people laugh, and then think. The prizes are intended to celebrate the originality, honour the imagination and raise people's interest in science, (3) _____and technology. The prizes are presented to the winners by actual Nobel laureates. One person, Sir Andre Geim, has actually won both an Ig Nobel Prize (in 2000) and a real Nobel Prize (in 2010). He won the

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Ig Nobel Prize for an (4)_____ where he and another scientist successfully levitated a frog using magnets.
Some other examples of work that resulted in people winning Ig Nobel Prizes are: for the discovery that cows who are given names (5)_____ more milk than cows that don't have names; for the invention of Clocky — an alarm clock on wheels that hides making you get out of bed, find it and turn it off; for the research why woodpeckers don't get headaches.
The Ig Nobels may be silly, but that's the point — not all the science has to be serious.
To paraphrase the Ig Nobel's motto, if something makes someone laugh, it doesn't mean it won't also make them think about important things that (6)_____ in the world.

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