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## HOMEWORK

### **Section 1: Choose the best answer that completes the text.**

The consensus among experts two decades ago was that early humans crossed from Siberia to Alaska during the last ice age, by way of a land bridge. After crossing the bridge, they then moved south between immense sheets of ice \_\_\_\_\_

across North America. New evidence, however, is challenging this migration theory.

Some scientists now believe that, instead of a single first migration from Siberia, different groups of people came to the Americas at different times, possibly separated by \_\_\_\_\_ of many years. They crossed each time the land bridge was available, a \_\_\_\_\_ said to have happened several times.

Others believe that migrants may have \_\_\_\_\_ across the Atlantic Ocean from southwestern Europe. Possible \_\_\_\_\_ lie in the artifacts found in the Americas. Archeologist Dennis Stanford points out that ancient tools found in the Americas, for example, resemble those of the Solutrean people of southwestern Europe. In Stanford's view, it is possible that people from the Solutrean culture kayaked across the Atlantic to reach the Americas.

It is likely  
will continue

that further research

to \_\_\_\_\_ existing theories about the great human migration.

But good scientists will welcome new evidence and theories. They know that it is unhelpful to science to be \_\_\_\_\_ and cling to existing ones, for in this way we are able to adjust ideas to explain new facts.

## Section 2: Choose the word or phrase that has a similar meaning to the underlined word.

1. Children who are disruptive at a restaurant are \_\_\_\_\_.
2. It must have been scary for early sailors not to know what was over the horizon. The \_\_\_\_\_ would have been mysterious.
3. The archeologist was excited to find pottery that was intact. The pots were \_\_\_\_\_ at all.
4. Spencer Wells drew an analogy between our DNA and a history book, making a \_\_\_\_\_.
5. In spite of iceberg warnings, the captain of the *Titanic* was stubborn. He \_\_\_\_\_.