

**Choose A, B, C, D or E to answer the questions.**

Long ago, there lived a young man named Toba who caught a magical golden fish. To his surprise, the fish transformed into a beautiful woman. She asked him not to reveal her secret, and they got married. Later, they had a son named Samosir. One day, out of anger, Toba broke his promise and revealed that his wife was once a fish. She was heartbroken, and with their son, she returned to the lake, causing heavy rain and flood. The area turned into a vast lake, now known as Lake Toba, with Samosir Island in the middle.

1. Why is the story above best categorized as a **myth**?
  - A. It tells a historical event based on written records.
  - B. It gives scientific facts about how lakes are formed.
  - C. It is a biography of a famous fisherman in North Sumatra.
  - D. It is a fictional romance story with no cultural significance
  - E. It uses supernatural elements to explain the origin of a natural feature.
2. A story has a **protagonist** who is brave but also makes mistakes. Which statement best explains why the protagonist is still the “hero” of the story?
  - A. The protagonist is always perfect and never wrong.
  - B. The protagonist is always stronger than the antagonist.
  - C. The story focuses on the protagonist’s journey and growth.
  - D. The protagonist has no weaknesses at all.
  - E. The antagonist always admires the protagonist.

### **The Importance of Renewable Energy**

Renewable energy comes from natural sources that are constantly replenished, such as sunlight, wind, rain, and geothermal heat. Unlike fossil fuels, renewable energy does not produce harmful greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change. It is considered one of the best solutions to reduce our dependence on non-renewable resources and protect the environment.

Moreover, renewable energy can also provide economic benefits. It creates job opportunities in new industries such as solar panel production, wind turbine maintenance, and biofuel research. Many countries are now investing in renewable energy projects to secure a sustainable future for the next generations.

Although renewable energy is still more expensive in some areas compared to traditional sources, the long-term benefits outweigh the costs. With continued innovation and government support, renewable energy has the potential to replace fossil fuels as the main source of global power.

3. According to the text, why is renewable energy important for the environment?
- A. It is cheaper than fossil fuels
  - B. It does not produce harmful greenhouse gases
  - C. It uses limited natural resources
  - D. It is easy to produce everywhere
  - E. It can only be found in developed countries
4. The word "**It**" in the sentence "*It creates job opportunities in new industries such as solar panel production, wind turbine maintenance, and biofuel research.*" refers to ...
- A. Fossil fuels
  - B. Economic benefits
  - C. The environment
  - D. Natural sources
  - E. Renewable energy

***"The Story of Friendly Future"***

In the year 2150, robots and humans lived side by side in harmony. The robots were designed not only to serve but also to care for the environment. However, a sudden system malfunction caused some robots to behave unpredictably. A young scientist named Lina worked tirelessly to fix the problem and restore peace. In the end, cooperation between humans and robots proved stronger than any conflict.

5. Which part of the narrative structure does the sentence "*However, a sudden system malfunction caused some robots to behave unpredictably*" represent?
- A. Complication
  - B. Conclusion
  - C. Resolution
  - D. Orientation
  - E. Climax
6. The statements below are the **main differences** between a narrative essay and a narrative text, except....?
- A. A narrative essay often reflects real-life experiences, while a narrative text can be fictional.
  - B. A narrative text focuses on entertaining the reader, while a narrative essay may also focus on self-expression.

- C. A narrative essay uses personal voice, while a narrative text often uses third-person narration.
- D. A narrative text often has moral lessons, while a narrative essay often has personal reflections.
- E. Both always aim to persuade readers with arguments.
7. You read a story that starts with:  
*"When I opened the door, I saw something unbelievable..."*  
Which of the following would be the most appropriate **continuation** in Simple Past Tense?
- A. I screamed and dropped the glass I was holding.
- B. I am screaming as a ghost appears.
- C. I scream and run away.
- D. I have screamed because I was shocked.
- E. I had scream when I see it.
8. The teacher asked the students : " Do you understand my explanation?"  
The correct indirect form of this sentence is ....
- A. the teacher asked the students that they understood her explanation
- B. the teacher asked the students whether they understand her explanation
- C. the teacher asked the students if they understand her explanation
- D. the teacher asked the students whether he understood her explanation
- E. the teacher asked the students if they understood her explanation



### **The Value of Organic Farming**

Organic farming relies on natural cultivation techniques that work in harmony with the ecosystem, such as crop rotation, green manure, and biological pest control. Unlike conventional agriculture, organic farming does not utilize synthetic pesticides or chemical fertilizers that degrade soil quality. It is viewed as a vital approach to preserve biodiversity and minimize water pollution.

Furthermore, organic agriculture offers significant social and economic advantages. It fosters safer working conditions by eliminating exposure to toxic chemicals and supports local economies through farmers' markets and community-supported agriculture. Many regions are now prioritizing sustainable farming practices to ensure food security for growing populations.

Although organic products are often pricier at the grocery store compared to mass-produced options, the positive impact on personal health and the planet justifies the expense. With increasing consumer demand and improved farming efficiency, organic agriculture has the capacity to transform the global food system and replace industrial farming methods.

9. What is the primary purpose of the text?
- A. To explain how solar panels and wind turbines are manufactured.
  - B. To argue that fossil fuels are the cheapest source of energy.
  - C. To highlight the environmental and economic benefits of renewable energy.
  - D. To list the disadvantages of government investment in green energy.
  - E. To compare the costs of electricity in different countries.
10. According to the text, what is the main environmental difference between renewable energy and fossil fuels?
- A. Renewable energy uses more water than fossil fuels.
  - B. Fossil fuels are constantly replenished, while renewable energy is not.
  - C. Renewable energy produces harmful greenhouse gases, while fossil fuels do not.
  - D. Renewable energy does not contribute to climate change by producing greenhouse gases.
  - E. Fossil fuels are easier to extract from the earth than renewable energy sources.

11. "...natural sources that are constantly replenished..." (**Paragraph 1**). The word "replenished" is closest in meaning to ....

- A. Depleted
- B. Restored
- C. Consumed
- D. Invented
- E. Abandoned

12. Who is the man in the picture?



- A. Alexander G. Bell
  - B. Thomas A. Edison
  - C. George Eastman
  - D. James Naismith
  - E. Lester A. Pelton
13. What is the man known for?
- A. Founding Kodak and creating roll film
  - B. Inventing the telephone
  - C. Discovering electricity
  - D. Writing best seller novel
  - E. Creating basketball games

Credit card payments provide greater security than cash, as they use encryption, tokenization, and real-time fraud detection, protecting consumers from loss and offering peace of mind.

They also simplify the purchasing process, enabling quick transactions without the need for cash or exact change, which enhances both in-store and online shopping experiences.

For businesses, switching to credit card payments reduces cash handling costs, allowing them to improve customer service and operational efficiency while analysing sales patterns through digital records.

In summary, emphasizing credit card payments in a cashless society enhances security, convenience, and economic efficiency, boosting consumer confidence and streamlining business operations, making it essential for a modern financial landscape.

14. How do credit card payments simplify the purchasing process?
  - A. By allowing customers to borrow money from stores
  - B. By removing the need for any digital records
  - C. By enabling quick transactions without needing cash or exact change
  - D. By reducing the number of products available
  - E. By requiring customers to fill out long forms
15. What is the overall conclusion of the paragraph?
  - A. Cash is more essential for modern businesses
  - B. Credit cards should be replaced with digital wallets
  - C. Consumers should stop using online shopping
  - D. Businesses should avoid using digital records
  - E. Credit card payments are essential for a modern financial landscape