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**SKILLS. Choose the correct answer.**

**1. Read the following statement and choose the option that best describes it.**

*Video games always cause children to become violent.*

- a) overgeneralization
- b) generalization
- c) fact
- d) opinion

**2. Read the following statement and choose the option that best describes it.**

*I wish an AI assistant could manage all my emails and schedule automatically. My day would be far less stressful!*

- a) overgeneralization
- b) generalization
- c) fact
- d) opinion

**3. What is the purpose of the following passage about parenting?**

*Rumor has it that if Taylor Swift ever releases an album recorded entirely by an AI version of her voice, it would probably still break every streaming record overnight.*

- a) entertain
- b) persuade
- c) inform

**4. What is the purpose of the following passage about parenting?**

*Health experts strongly urge parents to install safety gates at the top and bottom of stairs as soon as their baby begins to crawl. Taking this simple step can prevent serious injuries and protect your child from dangerous falls.*

- a) persuade
- b) inform
- c) entertain

**5. Read the passage again. Is there any bias?**

*Health organizations recommend limiting children's screen time to about one hour per day. Studies have found that extended use of digital devices may be associated with changes in sleep patterns, learning, and physical activity levels. Parents can choose guidelines that best fit their family's needs.*

- a) Yes, the author shows a negative bias toward children's use of digital devices.
- b) Yes, the author shows a positive bias toward screen time for young children.
- c) No, the author is presenting neutral information about technology use.

**6-7. Read the passage and answer the questions on claims and evidence.**

*The workers of the developed world spent the 20th century watching themselves get replaced by machines. This was as much true for horses as for humans. Despite thousands of years of vital service to everyone from farmers to generals, they were replaced after the introduction of the internal combustion engine and automobiles. In 1898, the world's first conference on urban planning took place in New York City, and every expert in attendance was worried about the "Great Manure Crisis"—millions of pounds of the stuff, every day, produced by the hundreds of thousands of horses that made up the street traffic in the world's great industrial cities. That manure attracted flies, which in turn spread disease; and then there was the other issue of growing and transporting food into cities just to feed so many horses. Like the car, horses caused us problems even as they made our lives easier. Fast-forward to now, and a world where robots can complete jobs for humans. Will history repeat its self? When we invent new machinery, we impact our natural kingdom just as much as we do ourselves.*

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What is the author's main claim in the passage?

- a) Robots are a new technology that is beginning to grow.
- b) Horses will again be replaced, this time with robots.
- c) Historically humans have adopted new ways to make their lives easier.
- d) People will always want machinery over animals.

What inference can be made based on the author's question at the end of the passage?

- a) Robots have historically been stronger.
- b) Robots are not as efficient as horses.
- c) Robots may become the new automobile.
- d) Robots will lose popularity.

**GRAMMAR**

**A. Choose the correct form of reported speech:**

1. "I can get home on my own."

She said \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) she could get home on her own
- b) she can get home on her own
- c) I could get home on my own
- d) I can get home on my own

2. "We haven't been to an art gallery for ages."

They said \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) they hadn't been to an art gallery for ages
- b) they haven't been to an art gallery for ages
- c) we hadn't been to an art gallery for ages
- d) we haven't been to an art gallery for ages

3. "I'll think about it."

He said \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) he would think about that
- b) he will think about that
- c) he would think it
- d) he will think it

4. "We are going on holiday tomorrow."

They said \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) they were going on holiday the next day
- b) they were going on holiday tomorrow
- c) they are going on holiday the next day
- d) they are going on holiday tomorrow

**B. Choose the correct option to complete the reported speech sentence:**

1. "Laura \_\_\_\_\_ buying new software for the team."

- a) suggested
- b) said
- c) told us

2. "Carlos \_\_\_\_\_ me to send the documents immediately."

- a) told
- b) recommended
- c) suggest

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