

Circle the correct options.

1. John was a plastic **surgeon / surgery** and he worked in a well-known hospital.
2. Stuart and Jill **educate / adore** reading autobiographies.
3. I knew the book was a classic when I read the **blurb / editor** on the back cover.
4. Theo was a big **reader / profession** and he used to read a novel every week.
5. I was a detective and I often heard **gossip / spare time** that got me thinking.
6. On his trip to the Himalayas, he met a(n) **historian / era** who knew a lot about Indian literature.
7. Only the **young / old** at heart are really interested in this kind of story.
8. Oh no! We've **made our way back / run out of time!**



1 Read

Read the information about Wendy, Colin and Thomas. Then read the blurbs of five books a-e. Match each person with the book that you think would interest him/her most. There are two extra books which you do not need to use.

1 Wendy finds reading fiction quite boring. She's an editor for a science magazine, but, in her spare time, she enjoys reading lighter material, like magazines or books which contain gossip about famous people.

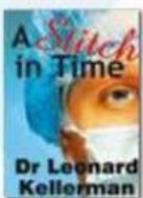
2 Colin is a doctor. When he needs to relax, he wants to get away from his profession. However, he isn't particularly fond

of novels. He can't see the point of reading about made-up characters. He believes that reading should educate people.

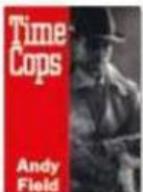
3 Thomas adores exciting novels. He's not very keen on reading about life in the past. He loves technology and stories about life in the future. His favourite books are ones that keep you interested right to the end.



a If you are a science-fiction fan, then you shouldn't miss this book. It starts in the 25th century, where a couple of young time travellers keep getting trapped in different eras. You will be thrilled by Jed and Lena's adventures as they try to make the world a better place before they make their way back home.



b Have you ever wondered what it's like to have plastic surgery? Well, Dr Kellerman, one of the world's best plastic surgeons, allows us to take a look into his world. He lets us know about the advantages as well as how operations have changed people's lives. The author has included some fun stories about some people's reactions to their new faces.



c Clint Rogers is back with his team, fighting crime through the ages. Stopping thieves in 16th century England and catching criminals in the USA in the early

1900s, Clint is a true action hero. This book contains ten incredible short stories. We follow Clint and his team around the world and, of course, back in time. This is an excellent book for the young and the young at heart.



d Historian Professor Irving Thwaite takes a look at how humans have behaved over the last two thousand years. He then looks to the future and wonders what will happen to us. Have we damaged our world so much that it is too late? A book to get you thinking.



e In this fantastic autobiography, we see a side of the comedian Eddie Olsen that hardly anybody knew about. Of course, each of the fifteen short stories are full of Olsen's unforgettable humour. At the same time, we find out all about how he became famous and the celebrities he met and became friends with. A must for all Olsen fans!

1. Wendy works as an editor for a science magazine.
2. Colin is a doctor who wants to relax by reading something different from his work.
3. Thomas likes books about history and life in the past.
4. Colin enjoys reading stories about fictional characters and fantasy worlds.
5. Wendy enjoys reading serious novels in her free time.
6. Thomas prefers exciting stories that keep the reader interested until the end.
7. The autobiography of Eddie Olsen tells about his career and the famous people he met.
8. All three people want to read books about real historical events.
9. The book about Dr Kellerman explains how plastic surgery works and includes real-life stories.
10. The books in the text include different genres such as science fiction, autobiography and history.

From: victor-ps@mail.com
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Subject: A great read!

Hey Irena,
 How's everything? I'm on holiday.
 (1) _____ together with friends, going to the beach and reading are such peaceful activities. Yesterday I finished
 (2) _____ a great book. It's a graphic novel, and it's more exciting than other made-up stories I've read. It's
 definitely not light material though, because it's about a city on another planet. Almost all of the story is set in the
 twenty-fifth century. It's about a woman and her daughter who have (3) _____ their home for a few weeks. After
 that, they return to their home and find it destroyed. Hardly anyone supports them, but they try (4) _____ their
 lives again. The daughter, Marina, meets a soldier and... I'm not going (5) _____ you the whole story because you
 should (6) _____ it. I think you'll really (7) _____ it. Hey, I know... Let me (8) _____ you my copy.
 Write back soon,
 Victor

1. a. Get	b. To get	c. Getting
2. a. reading	b. read	c. to read
3. a. leaving	b. to leave	c. leave
4. a. to start	b. start	c. starting
5. a. tell	b. telling	c. to tell
6. a. trying	b. try	c. to try
7. a. to enjoy	b. enjoy	c. enjoying
8. a. send	b. to send	c. sending

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. These biographies are pretty popular and easy _____ (read).
2. Pat likes _____ (stay up) late with a book that's hard to put down.
3. It's a horror story that's set in the 1930s. However, I find it too scary _____ (talk) about!
4. The surgeon didn't make me _____ (have) the operation. It was my choice.
5. Dave has just gone out in order _____ (buy) a weekly magazine.