

Ex 4. Choose the word or phrase among A, B, C or D that the best fits the blank space in the following passage.

Brazil's most popular and festive holiday is Carnival. In fact, many people (1) _____ Carnival one of the world's biggest celebrations. Each spring, on the Saturday before Ash Wednesday, the streets of Brazil's largest city, Rio de Janeiro, come alive (2) _____ parties, festivals and glamorous dances.

The Samba School Parade is the highlight of the (3) _____ event. About 3000 performers, in colourful costumes embellished with feathers, beads and thousands of sequin dance down the parade route into the Sambadrome - a dance stadium (4) _____ for the event. Judges award a (5) _____ to the most spectacular group of dancers.

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| 1. A. believe | B. regard | C. consider | D. hope |
| 2. A. with | B. in | C. of | D. at |
| 3. A. four days | B. four-day | C. fourth day | D. four-days |
| 4. A. built | B. build | C. to build | D. building |
| 5. A. result | B. price | C. respect | D. prize |

Ex 5. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

Singapore is a country in Southeast Asia. It is an island near the end of the Malay peninsula. A "peninsula" is a piece of land that has water on three sides. Singapore is called a "city-state". This means that it is an independent country that has only one city. Singapore is the name of the country and the city that take up the entire island. Because of its location, Singapore has become a critical business hub, "hub" means center or key location. It is a good stopping point for ships that are traveling between Asia and Europe or Africa.

When the trade was primarily done by ships, Singapore became a very **important** port. A port is a place where ships go in and out. This continues today. Singapore is the fifth largest port in the world. Being an important port, Singapore has also become a very important center for world business. This means that Singapore has a very **strong** and diverse economy, which sets it apart from many other Southeast Asian nations.

Question 1. What is the best title for the passage?

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| A. The History of Southeast Asia | B. Singapore: A Small but Powerful Nation |
| C. The Largest City in Asia | D. How to Travel to Singapore |

Question 2. Which of the following sentences is NOT correct based on the passage?

- A. Singapore is a city-state, meaning it is an independent country with only one city.
- B. Singapore is an island located near the end of the Malay Peninsula.
- C. Singapore is not important in global trade.
- D. Singapore has a strong and diverse economy.

Question 3. The word "important" is CLOSEST in meaning to

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| A. special | B. crucial | C. diverse | D. largest |
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Question 4. The word "strong" is OPPOSITE in meaning to

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| A. weak | B. good | C. diverse |
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