

Task 1. Read the school announcement below and choose the best option (A, B, C, or D) for each blank from Questions 1–6.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT: VISUAL STORY CONTEST

The Youth Union is pleased to launch the annual "Life Stories We Admire" contest! All students are encouraged to create a visual story or poster highlighting the life events and impressive (1) ____ of an inspiring historical figure or innovator.

While our team (2) ____ the display boards in the main hall yesterday afternoon, many students dropped by to submit their entries. Your project should show key life events, such as where the person grew up, which college they (3) ____, and how they contributed to society.

Participants whose projects are selected will be (4) ____ by the school board during next week's assembly. Please remember to hand (5) ____ your completed poster before Friday. (6) ____ you need extra drawing materials, please visit the art room during break time.

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| Question 1. A. achievements | B. accounts | C. surgical routines | D. childhoods |
| Question 2. A. prepared | B. was preparing | C. were preparing | D. have prepared |
| Question 3. A. dropped out | B. attended | C. passed away | D. adopted |
| Question 4. A. admiring | B. admired | C. admire | D. admiration |
| Question 5. A. in | B. on | C. at | D. out |
| Question 6. A. Although | B. Because | C. If | D. While |

Task 2. Read the informative text below about Steve Jobs and choose the best option (A, B, C, or D) for each blank from Questions 7–12.

STEVE JOBS: A CREATIVE GENIUS

Steven Paul Jobs was born in San Francisco in 1955. Shortly after his birth, he was (7) ____ by Clara and Paul Jobs. During his youth, he showed a passion for electronics and bonded with Steve Wozniak. In 1976, while they (8) ____ together in a garage, they founded Apple Computers.

Jobs was recognized as a creative (9) ____ who revolutionized personal technology. He helped invent cutting-edge devices such as the iMac, iPod, and iPhone. Although he experienced difficult setbacks in his career, he returned to Apple in 1997 and brought (10) ____ ideas that transformed the company.

In 2003, Jobs was diagnosed (11) ____ a rare form of pancreatic cancer. He fought the illness bravely for several years before he passed away in 2011. His life story continues to inspire millions of young people around (12) ____ world.

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| Question 7. A. given birth | B. adopted | C. married | D. volunteered |
| Question 8. A. were working | B. worked | C. are working | D. have worked |
| Question 9. A. princess | B. surgeon | C. soldier | D. genius |
| Question 10. A. impressive | B. impress | C. impressively | D. impression |
| Question 11. A. for | B. with | C. about | D. from |
| Question 12. A. a | B. an | C. the | D. Ø (no article) |

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