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A. Complete the second sentence of each pair so it has the same meaning as the first sentence. You must use the conjunction given in brackets. There is an example for you.

0. We all went home, because the rain fell (so)

The *rain fell, so we all went home.*

1. He left her even though she had done her best for him. (and)

She _____

2. If you are too long, you'll miss the train. (or)

Don't _____

3. If you send her some flowers, she will forgive you. (and)

Send _____

4. Although she tried hard, she failed (and yet)

She _____

5. If he worked overtime, he could earn as much as I do. (so)

He _____

6. If you don't stop making that noise, you will wake the baby. (or)

Stop _____

B. Put each verb in brackets into a suitable tense:

- He started to cough while he ⁷ _____ (**drink**) and nearly ⁸ _____ (**choke**) to death!
- I ⁹ _____ (**not realize**) that I ¹⁰ _____ (**leave**) my umbrella on the bus until it started to rain.
- They ¹¹ _____ (**move**) house twice since they got married.
- After we ¹² _____ (**see**) the museum, we will go to the castle.
- I hope they ¹³ _____ (**repair**) this cottage by the time we come back next summer.
- While the restaurant ¹⁴ _____ (**be redecorated**) it was closed to the public.
- Mary ¹⁵ _____ (**not see**) me for many years when I met her last week.

Total...../15pts

V O C A B U L A R Y

Choose the most suitable verb from column A to complete the sentences in column B. Be sure they are in the correct tense.

- | A | B |
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| 1. That's the third time in the last month I've had to _____
John's lunch bill for him. I'm not paying next time! | to head
to back |
| 2. The police chief is going to _____ this operation this time so
the rest of us will just have to follow his instructions. | to neck
to shoulder |
| 3. Johnny, if you don't want to go to jail, you're going to have to
_____ the man who you saw shoot your friend. | to elbow
to finger |
| 4. I just can't _____ the way she pretends she likes us! It makes
me sick! | to hand
to stomach |
| 5. The attacker yelled, and bent over in pain and surprise when the young woman
_____ him in the groin and stomped on his foot with her heel. | to knee
to foot |
| 6. When you have finish your work, please _____ it in at the
teacher's desk. | |
| 7. It was quite a burden to _____ since nobody volunteered to
help them complete the task. | |
| 8. Everyday commuters aggressively _____ their way onto the
dreary, overcrowded subway cars. | |
| 9. We intend to _____ all political candidates who promise to
solve our financial and social problems. | |
| 10. She told him she wouldn't _____ with him since she hadn't
known him long and certainly didn't love him. | |

R E A D I N G C O M P R E H E N S I O N

Read the article. There are two (2) tasks to do.

Task 1: The text's paragraphs and their headings are jumbled. Order them by putting the appropriate number (1, 3, or 4) in the gaps. Also decide which heading (A, B, or C) goes with which paragraph. The first one has been done for you.

- A. THE EVOLUTION OF MOTORCYCLING
- B. A BIKE FOR EVERY TASTE
- C. MOTORCYCLES ON THE MOVE
- D. THE HISTORY OF MOTORCYCLES

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As the 19th century drew to a close, numerous inventors were trying to design new gasoline-powered vehicles, both four-wheeled and two-wheeled. One of the most successful was Charles Metz, who founded a company in Waltham, Massachusetts, to manufacture racing bicycles. According to some accounts, Metz attached an internal combustion engine to a bicycle to create a pace bike with which to train his racing team. His innovation led to the first mass-production motorcycle, known as the Orient-Aster. Metz introduced the motorbike in Boston in 1900 at the first recorded motorcycle race in the United States. The Orient completed a five-mile course in only seven minutes.

It didn't take long for the versatile vehicles to catch the attention of the military and law enforcement. During World War I, before the era of radio communications, couriers delivered vital messages by motorcycle. In both world wars, the vehicle's speed and manoeuvrability made it a natural for scouting and reconnaissance missions. And on the home front, police departments began to rely on motorcycles to navigate city traffic.

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Despite their popularity with the military and police, motorcycles have traditionally had a "bad boy" image. After World War II, restless young men, including some veterans seeking the camaraderie they had known in the military, took to the road with fellow motorcyclists who liked to ride and party with fellow motorcyclists who liked to ride and party hard. With scary insignias and names such as Pagans, Outlaws and Warlocks they cultivated a rebellious image.

During the 1960s, a much more wholesome image of motorcyclists emerged, thanks to one of the most successful advertising campaigns of all time. In 1962, Japanese manufacturer Honda launched an ad with the slogan "You meet the nicest people on a Honda." The ad, which ran in various versions for ten years, made motorcycles a respectable means of around-town transportation and boosted Honda's sales by a whopping 500 percent.

According to the Motorcycle Industry council, the percentage of motorcycle owners tripled between 1985 and 2002.

The demographics have changed in other ways as well. Bikers today are just as likely to be well-established doctors, lawyers, and bankers as they are to be blue-collar workers. According to the Motorcycle Industry Council, almost a quarter of all riders are women, as are one in ten of all motorcycle owners.

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Ask motorcyclists why they love to ride two-wheelers, and they often wax poetic. One 63-year-old rhapsodized after a first ride: "It was a life-altering experience. For the first time in my life, I felt connected to the Universe, the wind, the trees, the mountains, even the rocks.... I felt consumed with and happily lost in this place of wild, wild winds and peace, and I will do anything to get there again."

When you ride a motorcycle, notes of a Motorcycle Industry Council booklet, "suddenly, even the long way home isn't long enough."

But there is also a practical side to these vehicles. Versatile and highly manoeuvrable, motorcycles have been reliable workhorses for police departments and the military, and they continue to provide an inexpensive alternative to cars. Still, for many of the owners of the eight million motorcycles in the United States, two-wheelers represent recreation and a way of life rather than basic transportation. There is a motorcycle to suit any rider's interest, whether it be racing, exploring off-road terrain, or simply cruising on back roads.

Through hundreds of clubs and organizations, motorcycles bring together riders of like-minded interests, professions, religions, and ethnicities. Many ride not just for fun, but also to support charities that benefit groups ranging from autistic children to wounded veterans.

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Motorcycles today come in a variety of styles to suit the wide range of riders. The main types include:

Cruisers. These big, heavy machines harken back to the classic styles of the mid-20th century. With their low seat, high handlebars, and feet-forward riding position, they have a "cool" laid-back look.

Touring bikes. Designed for long-distance travel, these bikes offer a smooth ride and comfortable seating for the driver and a passenger.

Sport. With high-tech engines and lightweight frames, sport bikes are designed for optimal acceleration, speed, braking and cornering, often at the expense of rider comfort, fuel economy, and sometimes safety.

Off-road. These come in two types: motocross bikes, built for closed-course racing only, and dirt bikes, or trail bikes, which can handle a variety of terrains. Since they are not equipped with headlights and turn signals, neither type is allowed on public streets.

B. Based on what you read, give one-word answers to the questions below.

7. During what period did the number of motorcyclists increase threefold?

between _____ and _____

8. What significantly helped the sale of Honda motorcycles?

a/an _____ (two words)

9. Which motorbikes are characterized by a laid-back look?

10. What kind of image did members of some motorcycle gangs want to present in public?

_____ (one adjective)

Total Points:...../10 pts

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You will hear someone giving the rules for staying in a hostel. Listen carefully and decide if the following statements are **true (T)**, **false (F)**, or **have not been stated by the speaker (NS)**. Circle your answers.

1. All students have a special key card for the main door of the hostel.

T **F** **NS**

2. Insurance companies will never pay for goods stolen from a student's room.

T **F** **NS**

3. If you want to stay in the hostel for only a few days, you have to ask for permission from the person who is in charge of the hostel.

T **F** **NS**

4. You are not allowed to use the kitchen late in the evening.

T **F** **NS**

5. If you want to practice a musical instrument, you can only do so in a special room until 10:00 p.m.

T **F** **NS**

Total Points:...../5 pts

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