

**I READING COMPREHENSION**

Native Americans originally came to America about 20,000-30,000 years ago. They crossed the 70 km-wide strip of water called the Bering Strait, which connects America and Asia. In winter the water freezes and people can walk across the ice and snow. From the far north-west of America, they travelled south, some of them as far as South America. Many people called the Native Americans "Indians", but the name is incorrect. When Christopher Columbus and the Europeans came to their land in 1492, they thought they had travelled round the world and had landed in India. In fact, they had landed in what we now call America, which was named after the Italian-born Spanish explorer, Amerigo Vespucci.

As the settlers moved west, they claimed the land they found as their own. They wanted new homes, large farms and the valuable minerals which were in the land. The Native Americans wanted to keep their traditional way of life, their homes and their hunting grounds. Both sides wanted a future for their families.

Gradually, the greater numbers and better weapons of the white men overwhelmed the Native Americans. The arrival of the railways, known as the "Iron Horse", was another fatal blow. The white workers slaughtered millions of buffalo. As a result, many Native Americans starved to death.

The Native Americans had their greatest victory in 1876, at the Battle of Little Big Horn in Montana. But 1890 saw the end of Native American resistance. At the Battle of Wounded Knee, the last brave Native American warriors were brutally massacred.

1. The ancestors of the Native Americans came from \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. two continents.
  - b. Asia.
  - c. the north-west.
  - d. South America.
2. Christopher Columbus \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. was travelling with Amerigo Vespucci.
  - b. had travelled round the world and landed in India.
  - c. correctly called the Native Americans "Indians".
  - d. did not realise where he landed.
3. Amerigo Vespucci \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. named America.
  - b. was an Italian explorer.
  - c. was born in Spain.
  - d. was born in Italy.
4.
  - a. The white men who came from the west took the land which they found.
  - b. The Native Americans wanted new homes and large farms.
  - c. The white men who came from the east wanted land and minerals.
  - d. The white men who came from the east needed hunting grounds.
5. Many Native Americans died because \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. the white men killed the animals they fed on.
  - b. there were more Native Americans than the white men.
  - c. the white men transported millions of buffalo by train.
  - d. the white men slaughtered them.
6.
  - a. The white men defeated the Native Americans in 1876.
  - b. The Native Americans defeated the white men in 1876.
  - c. The Native Americans lost the battles of 1876 and 1890.
  - d. A brave Native American warrior was wounded in the knee.



**III PUT ARTICLES WHERE NECESSARY**

1. She should be back by \_\_\_\_\_ noon, so we can all go for \_\_\_\_\_ walk together in \_\_\_\_\_ afternoon.
2. The expedition went to \_\_\_\_\_ Himalayas but did not reach \_\_\_\_\_ Mount Everest due to \_\_\_\_\_ bad weather.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (N/n)on-governmental organisations have \_\_\_\_\_ number of programmes for disabled.
4. He had \_\_\_\_\_ accident and was taken to \_\_\_\_\_ hospital. His family and friends came to \_\_\_\_\_ hospital to visit him every day.
5. I usually have \_\_\_\_\_ lunch at this time and I like \_\_\_\_\_ cooked meal for \_\_\_\_\_ lunch.

**IV USE THE CORRECT FORMS OF THE VERBS IN BRACKETS.  
MIND THE WORD ORDER!**

1. The pupils \_\_\_\_\_ (play) football when the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ (come) yesterday.
2. Look at Janet! She \_\_\_\_\_ (wear) an elegant dress today. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not see) her look so nice before.
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ (get) that book for my birthday. I \_\_\_\_\_ (read) only 50 pages so far.
4. Hurry up! The train \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) at 2 p.m. and the taxi \_\_\_\_\_ (wait) outside to take us to the station.
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) this much fun since I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a small kid.
6. My best friend and I \_\_\_\_\_ (know) each other for over ten years. We \_\_\_\_\_ (never argue) once.
7. Sam \_\_\_\_\_ (not live) in our neighbourhood any longer but I remember he \_\_\_\_\_ (always be) a good neighbour.
8. Marion \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in New York. She \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) with some friends in Boston at present.
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) the whole story when she \_\_\_\_\_ (come) home tonight.
10. I'm sure John \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) his job unless he \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) drinking.

**V REPORT THESE SENTENCES**

1. *"Don't tell me what to do!"*  
She warned me \_\_\_\_\_
2. *"Are you coming fishing with us?"*  
He wants to know \_\_\_\_\_
3. *"When did it happen?"*  
They don't know \_\_\_\_\_

**VI TURN INTO THE PASSIVE VOICE**

1. Did they build a new school in your area last year?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. In expensive hotels, the porter carries your luggage to your room.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Why didn't anyone tell me about it?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**VII USE THE CORRECT FORM OF THE WORDS IN BRACKETS TO FILL IN THE BLANKS:**

1. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ (WEALTH) woman and she is \_\_\_\_\_ (FRIGHTEN) that somebody will steal all that \_\_\_\_\_ (JEWEL) of hers.
2. His first \_\_\_\_\_ (ASSIGN) as a reporter was to cover the situation in a country where most people fought for \_\_\_\_\_ (SURVIVE) and could not resolve their \_\_\_\_\_ (DISPUTE).
3. What a \_\_\_\_\_ (PERFORM) she gave! She finds it so \_\_\_\_\_ (CONVENIENCE) to use \_\_\_\_\_ (FLATTER) words to get what she wants.
4. The judge \_\_\_\_\_ (WEIGHT) all the facts carefully before he \_\_\_\_\_ (SENTENCE) him to ten years in prison. Most \_\_\_\_\_ (CONVICT) hope they won't stay in prison that long.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ (WISE) is the ability to make good \_\_\_\_\_ (DECIDE) based on knowledge and experience. It is, of course, something extremely \_\_\_\_\_ (VALUE).