**Task 2**

1. считать десятками и кратными десяткам;
2. не умея читать;
3. расчёт;
4. сэкономить много времени;
5. полностью убрать человека;
6. продвижение;
7. выполнять тысячи вычислений в секунду;
8. дополнительная скорость;
9. маленькие интегральные схемы;
10. приблизительно.

**Task 3**

1. inventing accounts;
2. continue to use;
3. mechanical method of multiplication and division;
4. reduce the probability of errors;
5. compute long lists of mathematical problems;
6. store instructions for the computer inside computer memory;
7. predecessor;
8. more reliable;
9. rectangular piece of silicon;
10. outdated.

**Task 4**

1. Disagree. While the text mentions that people sometimes use the abacus today, it doesn't suggest that fingers are still commonly used for calculating.
2. Disagree. The text states that the slide rule was invented by J. Napier in the 17th or 18th century, not in the 15th century.
3. Disagree. The text states that people worked on inventing a mechanical calculating machine during the 17th and 18th centuries, not the early 1880s.
4. Agree. The text refers to Charles Babbage as the designer of the first real calculating machine and his Analytical Engine as an important precursor to modern computers.
5. Agree. The text mentions that the first digital computer, named Mark I, was completed in 1944 by Howard Aiken and IBM, which was built in the USA.
6. Disagree. The text states that John von Newman developed the idea of keeping instructions for the computer inside the computer’s memory in 1947, which was not the case from the beginning.
7. Disagree. The text explicitly states that using transistors instead of vacuum tubes made second generation computers smaller, faster, and more dependable.
8. Agree. The text mentions that as computers evolved, they became smaller, faster, and more dependable.
9. Disagree. The text states that fourth generation computers have many tiny circuits on a single chip, which is due to microminiaturization, but it doesn't suggest that they have more circuits than previous computers.
10. Disagree. The text suggests that computer technology is growing rapidly and that today's computers might be obsolete tomorrow, implying that new developments in the field will continue to come.

**Task 6**

Synonyms:

1. device
2. devised
3. many
4. mistakes
5. figure out

Antonyms:

1. modern
2. many
3. cut out
4. predecessors
5. obsolete

**Task 7**

1. e
2. f
3. d
4. h
5. c
6. g
7. i
8. j
9. a
10. b