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Question 1

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

In cities throughout the country, there is a new direction in local campaign coverage. Frequently in local elections, journalists are not giving voters enough information to understand the issues and evaluate the candidates. The local news media devotes too much time to scandal and not enough time to policy.

Q: This paragraph best supports the statement that the local news media _____ -

- a. does not understand either campaign issues or politics
- b. has no interest in covering stories about local political events
- c. should learn how to cover politics by watching the national news media
- d. is not doing an adequate job when it comes to covering local campaigns ✓

The correct answer is: is not doing an adequate job when it comes to covering local campaigns

Question 2

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

The Louisiana Purchase proved to be one of the shrewdest business pacts in the entire history of the United States. The purchase doubled in the area of the country and provided territory from which fourteen new states were created either wholly or in part. It also gave us control over the mouth of the Mississippi River and opened up the way to foreign trade. Prior to the purchase, the waterway had been blocked by the Spanish, probably with the approval of Napoleon. The land that was bought was rich in timber, minerals, and natural resources of many kinds. Finally, the cost of the transaction was unbelievably low; the total of \$15 million amounted to about four cents an acre.

Q: Select the statement that best sums the idea of the passage.

- a. Most Americans were very pleased with the purchase.
- b. The Louisiana Purchase was a very good business deal for the U.S. ✓
- c. The land bought by the Louisiana Purchase was rich in minerals.
- d. The land bought by the Louisiana Purchase was very cheap.

The correct answer is: The Louisiana Purchase was a very good business deal for the U.S.

Question 3

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

The fact that electronic computers are now used for data processing has led the general public to believe that it is a mysterious, complicated science and that the computers are giant brains. Both of these ideas are false. A computer is basically just a high-speed adding machine that performs the functions it is told to. If the input data are varied even a little, the computer is unable to operate until it is programmed to accept the variations. The business operations it performs are impressive only because of the extremely high speed of manipulation, but most of these operations have been used for decades. Unlike man, the computer performs repetitive calculations without getting tired or bored.

Q: Select the statement that best describes the main idea.

- a. A computer is a mysterious giant brain.
- b. A computer is a high-speed adding machine. X
- c. A computer is impressive because of its high speed.
- d. A computer is superior to man in many ways.

The correct answer is: A computer is impressive because of its high speed.

Question 4

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

The third R in SQ3R refers to recall.

- True
- False ✓

The correct answer is 'False'.

Question 5

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

The first widely publicized UFO sighting was in 1947, by a pilot called Kenneth Arnold. Following this event, public sightings of UFOs increased dramatically. Movies and TV shows began featuring visitors from outer space, arriving on earth in flying saucers. With the popularity of these images, many people claimed to have seen lights in the sky. Some experts believe that people simply think they see UFOs because of the influence of TV and movies.

Q: Why is Kenneth Arnold famous among UFO believers?

- a. He saw a UFO in 1947. ✓
- b. He saw a UFO in 1952.
- c. He found a UFO in 1952.
- d. He was at Roswell in 1947.

The correct answer is: He saw a UFO in 1947.

Question 6

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

People often refer to taxes in terms of their being much too high. In reality, they are probably even higher than you think, because in addition to the federal income tax we are now studying, there are many other Federal, State, and local taxes, including sales taxes, inheritance taxes, state income taxes, personal property taxes, real estate taxes, and others. These are just some of the most obvious ones.

Q: Select the statement that best expresses the main idea.

- a. Taxes are much too high.
- b. Some taxes are hidden.
- c. We pay more taxes than we realize. ✓
- d. Inheritance taxes and real estate taxes are unfair.

The correct answer is: We pay more taxes than we realize.

Question 7

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

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However, experts estimate that as little as 5% of these sightings could be called "unidentified." Usually these lights are made by aircraft, satellites, or weather balloons. Top secret air force activities during the Cold War may have been responsible for many of the UFO sightings in America and Europe. Although not actually aliens, the secretive nature of these flying objects is definitely unidentified.

Q: How do experts explain many UFO sightings?

- a. There are many alien visitors to earth.
- b. They have no idea why there are so many sightings.
- c. Government cover-ups make people paranoid.
- d. TV and movies make people believe they see UFOs. ✓

The correct answer is: TV and movies make people believe they see UFOs.

Question 8

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Here's something to think about the next time you go shopping. Have you ever noticed how many trolleys are available when you go to the supermarket? In my experience, it seems like hundreds! But how about the number of hand baskets? Invariably I struggle to find even one, especially when I only need a few items. Why might this be the case? Well it seems to be a tactic used to encourage us to buy more. If you are walking around with an empty trolley, you are more tempted to fill it, so if you are planning on only doing a quick shop, always try to find a basket. It will be lighter, easier to use and is sure to save you money.

Q: What is the main idea of the passage?

- a. A trolley tempts one to buy more things than required. ✓
- b. Supermarkets should keep more baskets than trolleys.
- c. You should walk around a supermarket with a trolley.

The correct answer is: A trolley tempts one to buy more things than required.

Question 9

Correct

Mark 1.00 out of 1.00

Unidentified Flying Object (or "UFO") is a term commonly used to describe lights or shapes in the sky. It was first coined by the United States Air Force in 1952 to describe sightings of mysterious objects in the sky that could not be explained even after careful investigation. Nowadays UFOs are spotted frequently, and feature in numerous movies and TV shows. Another popular name for such an object is, "Flying Saucer," in reference to the round shape of many UFOs.

Q : Based on the passage, we can say, UFOs are square shaped objects flying in the sky.

- True
 False ✓

The correct answer is 'False'.

Question 10

Incorrect

Mark 0.00 out of 1.00

X-rays were discovered in 1895 by Roentgen while studying the phenomena of gaseous discharge. Using a cathode ray tube with a high voltage of several tens of kilovolts, he noticed that salts of barium would fluoresce when brought near the tube, although nothing visible was emitted by the tube. This effect persisted when the tube was wrapped with a layer of black cardboard. Roentgen soon established that the agency responsible for the fluorescence originated at the point at which the stream of energetic electrons struck the glass wall of the tube. Because of its unknown nature, he gave this agency the name X-rays. He found that X-rays could manifest themselves by darkening wrapped photographic plates, discharging charged electroscopes, as well as by causing fluorescence in a number of different substances. He also found that X-rays can penetrate considerable thicknesses of materials of low atomic number, whereas substances of high atomic number are relatively opaque. Roentgen took the first steps in identifying the nature of X-rays by using a system of slits to show that they travel in straight lines, and that they are uncharged, because they are not deflected by electric or magnetic fields.

Q: TO answer the questions, why X-Rays were given that particular name, I will have to _____ the passage.

- a. critically read
 b. intensively read ✗
 c. follow SQ3R
 d. scan

The correct answer is: scan