

## Complete the following tasks.

**B** Read the comments below. Are any of your ideas mentioned?

- “ A lot of **revolutions** have been important. For example, the Industrial Revolution was a great **turning point** in history. ”
- “ The **development** of the internet. The **spread** of the net has been so fast. ”
- “ For me, the greatest **advances** in history have been about social justice. There have been some really important **movements**, such as the Civil Rights Movement. These have made the world a better place. ”
- “ I'd choose the **invention** of the wheel. It's the **foundation** of most transport and machines. ”
- “ Maybe the **discovery** of fire? I think it was the most important thing in human beings' **progress**. ”

**C** Put the words in bold above in the definitions below.

- 1 A moment of great change: revolution \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 When someone makes or finds something new: development \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Something getting better: advance \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 When a group of people work to achieve an aim, e.g. human rights: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The basic idea behind something: \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 When something increases and affects more people: \_\_\_\_\_

**E** Complete sentences 1–5 in any way you choose. Compare with other students.

- 1 The biggest turning point in my country's history was ...
- 2 A discovery that changed my life is ...
- 3 My favourite invention is ...
- 4 One thing I hope won't spread is ...
- 5 My country has made progress in ...

Read the comments and study the words.  
Complete exercises C and E.

**C**

- 1 revolution, turning point.
- 2 development, invention, discovery.
- 3 advance, progress.
- 4 movement
- 5 foundation
- 6 spread

**E**

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### Lesson 9.1 HISTORY

**1** Use one word from each row in the table to complete sentences 1–12.

	noun	verb	adjective	person
1	invasion	invade		invader
2	history		historical historic	historian
3	colonisation/ colony	colonise		coloniser
4	democracy	democratise	democratic	democrat
5	liberation	liberate		liberator
6	discovery	discover		discoverer
7	leadership	lead		leader
8	politics		political	politician
9	development	develop	developing	developer
10	invention	invent	inventive	inventor
11	foundation	found	founding	founder
12	independence		independent	

- 1 1066 is the date of the Norman invasion of Britain.
- 2 Edward Gibbon was a great \_\_\_\_\_. He wrote *The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*.
- 3 India was a \_\_\_\_\_ of Great Britain until 1947.
- 4 South Africa's first \_\_\_\_\_ elections, in which black people could vote, took place in 1994.
- 5 In the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, William Wilberforce led a movement to \_\_\_\_\_ slaves.
- 6 Alexander Fleming is known for his \_\_\_\_\_ of penicillin.
- 7 Fidel Castro was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Cuban revolution of 1959.
- 8 The Kennedys and the Bush family are known for their involvement in American \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 The World Bank lends money to \_\_\_\_\_ countries, particularly in Asia and Africa.
- 10 In 1901 Wilhelm Rontgen won the Nobel Prize in Physics for his \_\_\_\_\_ of the X-ray.
- 11 Bill Gates is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Microsoft.
- 12 Angola gained its \_\_\_\_\_ from Portugal in 1975.

Study the words and complete the sentences.

- 2 historian
- 3 colony
- 4 democratic
- 5 liberate
- 6 discovery
- 7 leader
- 8 politics
- 9 developing
- 10 invention
- 11 founder
- 12 independence

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Complete the text with the words in the box. There is one extra word.

advances development foundation  
invention movements progress  
revolutions spread turning point

One thing is true about human history: it's always changing and political or cultural <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ are constantly forming. Sometimes the change is rapid and violent, such as the <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in Russia. Other times it's peaceful and gradual. Technological <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in recent decades have been peaceful but rapid. The <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ of the internet in the 1990s was a significant event. The <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ of social networking sites since then, and the <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ of mobile phones across the world, means we now communicate on a global level. But not everyone thinks this technology has resulted in <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. Some believe we spend too much time online and wonder if there'll be a <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in the future where we stop using technology so much in our personal lives. One thing's for certain, we can never be completely sure where history will go next.

Your answers:

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- 1 movements
- 2 revolutions
- 3 advances
- 4 invention
- 5 spread
- 6 progress
- 7 foundation
- 8 turning point

**2** Put the letters in brackets in the correct order to complete the sentences.

- 1 Britain has been \_\_\_\_\_  
(divaden) by Romans, Vikings and Normans.
- 2 Alexander Graham Bell is the \_\_\_\_\_  
(voterinn) of the telephone.
- 3 Steve Jobs was one of the \_\_\_\_\_  
(doesfunr) of Apple.
- 4 Maybe one day we'll \_\_\_\_\_  
(nicesolo) the Moon.
- 5 John F. Kennedy was considered by many to be a great \_\_\_\_\_  
(italicinop).
- 6 J. J. Thomson is thought to be the man who first \_\_\_\_\_  
(creedsvoid) the electron.
- 7 The ancient Greeks probably established the first \_\_\_\_\_  
(arcticdome) system of politics.
- 8 Henry Ford helped to \_\_\_\_\_  
(oldveep) the first mass-produced car.

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- 1 invaded
- 2 inventor
- 3 founders
- 4 colonise
- 5 politician
- 6 discovered
- 7 democratic
- 8 develop