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1. Which would be the BEST closing sentence for the paragraph below?

Leonard watched as two of his classmates were shooting baskets on the court outside their school. He wished he could join them, but wasn't sure exactly how to ask if he could play. As he stood there thinking, suddenly the basketball bounced near his feet. As he caught the ball, the other kids smiled at him and asked him to join.

- A. Leonard had learned how to play basketball when he was in third grade.
  - B. Basketball is Leonard's favorite sport to watch on television.
  - C. Leonard lives about five blocks away from the school.
  - D. Leonard played basketball with his new friends for the rest of the afternoon.
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2.

<sup>1</sup>Though his older brother teased him, Jack went straight home and read all day. <sup>2</sup>Like many other people, Jack's favorite books were the Harry Potter books. <sup>3</sup>Jack was one of the first people at the bookstore that day. <sup>4</sup>When the fourth book came out, he ordered it ahead of time so he could pick it up on the first day. <sup>5</sup>He had read them all so many times, he felt like he knew them by heart.

In which order should these sentences be arranged?

- A. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
  - B. 2, 5, 4, 3, 1
  - C. 2, 4, 1, 3, 5
  - D. 5, 3, 2, 1, 4
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3. Which type of reference book would be BEST to find information for a report on the legislative branch of government?

- A. atlas
  - B. thesaurus
  - C. dictionary
  - D. encyclopedia
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4.

Every summer Shannon's family would go to the beach as often as they could. They knew several other families that went to the beach often too, so Shannon and her brothers had friends to play with. They spent most days playing in the sand and water, building sandcastles and tunnels, and swimming in the ocean. If it rained they stayed home and played games or cards. After dinner they often took long walks on the beach. During these walks, Shannon learned a lot about astronomy from her mother. Spending time at the beach was Shannon's favorite part of the summer.

The word *after* is used as a transition word in the paragraph above. Which BEST describes the purpose of the transition word?

- A. to show a progression over time
  - B. to show a contrast between two ideas
  - C. to give an example of a particular idea
  - D. to make a comparison between two ideas
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5.

What a bright smile you have!

Which type of sentence is this?

- A. imperative
  - B. declarative
  - C. exclamatory
  - D. interrogative
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6. While doing her math homework, Kelly became confused by the two words, *numerator* and *denominator*. Where in her book might she most likely find correct definitions of these words?

- A. the table of contents
  - B. the glossary
  - C. the title page
  - D. the index
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7. To find out the distance between Thomas Jefferson's home and George Washington's home, where would you check?

- A. a dictionary
  - B. an almanac
  - C. an atlas
  - D. a thesaurus
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8.

Amanda is writing a paper on the violin for her music class. She wants to find all of the pages where the subject of violins appears in her music book.

Where would she find that information?

- A. the index
  - B. the glossary
  - C. the title page
  - D. the table of contents
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9.

<sup>1</sup>First, start with wet sand so it will pack well. <sup>2</sup>Finally, smooth the sand out until your castle looks the way you want it. <sup>3</sup>There are many ways to make a sandcastle. <sup>4</sup>Then, press the sand into shapes to form the castle.

In what order should these sentences be arranged in order to create a logical paragraph?

- A. 1, 2, 3, 4
  - B. 2, 4, 3, 1
  - C. 3, 1, 4, 2
  - D. 4, 2, 1, 3
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10. Howard is reading a book called *Investing in Mutual Funds*. Which of these would give him a definition of INDEX FUNDS?

- A. index
- B. glossary
- C. copyright page
- D. table of contents

**Answer Key**

1. D) Leonard played basketball with his new friends for the rest of the afternoon.
2. B) 2, 5, 4, 3, 1
3. D) encyclopedia
4. A) to show a progression over time
5. C) exclamatory
6. B) the glossary
7. C) an atlas
8. A) the index
9. C) 3, 1, 4, 2
10. B) glossary