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DIRECTIONS

Read the text and then answer the questions.

When was the last time you visited the mall? Malls can be very convenient places to shop and relax. You can purchase clothes, shoes, books, and computers all in the same place. Malls often have many interesting restaurants, too.

Most malls have large department stores called *anchor stores*. The anchor stores are the main stores in the mall. Malls also have smaller stores that usually carry one type of product. For example, jewelry stores, video-game stores, and gift shops are often smaller stores.

Malls often have *kiosks* (KEE-osks), too. Kiosks are small stands, often placed in the middle of the mall. Kiosks sell many different things. They sell hats, watches, and T-shirts. Many malls also have beauty salons and barbers; you can get your hair cut at the same place where you buy movies! Which stores are in your favorite mall?

1. Which word or phrase would tell a reader the most about this text?

- (A) kiosks
- (B) anchor stores
- (C) gift shops
- (D) malls

2. What are the main stores in many malls called?

- (A) kiosks
- (B) anchor stores
- (C) malls
- (D) gift shops

3. How does a kiosk relate to an anchor store?

- (A) They are the same size.
- (B) A kiosk is bigger.
- (C) A kiosk is smaller.
- (D) A kiosk is inside an anchor store.

4. Which word best describes malls?

- (A) convenient
- (B) tiny
- (C) limited
- (D) sharp

5. What could be described as *convenient*?

- (A) a drive-through window at a restaurant
- (B) a six-page menu
- (C) a commercial on television
- (D) a line at the post office

SCORE

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There are many malls now, but this wasn't always true. Many years ago, most stores were in downtown areas, and people went into the main part of the city to shop. But in the early 1950s, many people began to move out of cities. They moved to *suburbs*, or small towns outside the city. Those people wanted to have stores near them; they did not want to take long trips into the city to go shopping. Malls were built so that people could shop near their homes. The idea of the mall was to have many stores under one roof so that people would want to spend more time shopping. And because malls were covered, people could shop even if it was cold or raining. By the 1980s, malls were so popular that people did not just shop there. Malls became social gathering places; people went to malls to spend time with their friends.

1. Which fact can be found in the text?

- (A) Malls have been popular since the 1920s.
- (B) The idea of the mall was to have many stores under one roof.
- (C) By the 1980s, malls were no longer very popular.
- (D) Many years ago, most stores were in tiny villages.

2. According to this text, why were malls built?

- (A) so people could move out of the cities
- (B) so people could go to the movies
- (C) so people could go downtown to shop
- (D) so people could shop near their homes

3. Which of these words is a possessive pronoun?

- (A) were
- (B) people
- (C) their
- (D) that

4. What is a small town outside a city called?

- (A) suburb
- (B) mall
- (C) downtown
- (D) gathering place

5. What does the phrase *under one roof* mean?

- (A) a flat roof
- (B) a single text
- (C) different things in one place
- (D) more than one building

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Today, there are still many malls, but people now have other ways to shop. Many people shop online. They don't have to go to malls to find what they want. So, malls have to offer things that people cannot find online. Many malls offer *entertainment*, or fun things to do. For example, some malls have movie theaters, and others have bowling alleys. Many malls have play areas with toys and rides for little children. There are even malls that offer fitness centers and doctors' offices. Malls have changed a great deal since they were first built in the 1950s. But they are still important parts of many people's lives. They are good places to meet with friends and shop for almost anything.

1. Which of the following is **not** mentioned in this text?

- (A) movie theatres
- (B) play areas
- (C) schools
- (D) fitness centers

2. According to the author, which is one reason why malls have changed?

- (A) People can find what they want at malls.
- (B) People can meet with friends.
- (C) Malls now offer movie theaters.
- (D) People can find what they want online.

3. Which of these words is possessive?

- (A) doctors'
- (B) 1950s
- (C) don't
- (D) they

4. Which of these means *fun things to do*?

- (A) fitness centers
- (B) entertainment
- (C) a mall
- (D) bowling

5. Which word describes the tone of this text?

- (A) factual
- (B) angry
- (C) funny
- (D) persuasive

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A WORLD OF SHOPPING

Some malls are not very big. But there are a few malls that are so big that they almost seem like cities. One of the biggest malls in the world is the Mall of America near St. Paul, Minnesota. Just how big is the Mall of America? Thirty-two Boeing 747 airplanes could fit inside!

What can you find in the Mall of America? There is a flight simulator, a mirror maze, and miniature golf. The Mall of America has a huge aquarium, too. It also has a full-size theme park. There is a large movie theater at the Mall of America, with fourteen screens.

Many people go to malls to shop, and you can certainly shop at the Mall of America. There are more than 520 stores at the mall. They sell everything from clothes and jewelry to groceries. You can even make your own stuffed bear there. If you spent only ten minutes at each store at the Mall of America, it would take you eighty-six hours to get to each one.

The Mall of America is very big, but it is not the largest mall in the world. The largest mall in the world is the Dubai Mall. Dubai is located in the United Arab Emirates. The Dubai Mall has over 1,000 stores. It also has a skating rink and a large movie theater. There is an aquarium, too.

If you're hungry, the Dubai Mall has 150 restaurants. Some are fast-food restaurants, and some are fancy restaurants. There are family restaurants at the mall, too. After you eat, you can shop for anything you might want.

The Dubai Mall is so big that you cannot visit the whole mall in one day. So, there is a hotel connected to the mall. People who want to spend several days visiting the mall can stay at that hotel.



Dubai Mall

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Read "A World of Shopping" and then answer the questions.

1. What does the fourth paragraph give facts about?

- (A) the United Arab Emirates
- (B) the Mall of America
- (C) the Dubai Mall
- (D) St. Paul, Minnesota

2. Which structural pattern is used in this text?

- (A) cause and effect
- (B) compare and contrast
- (C) chronological order
- (D) sequential order

3. What is the author's purpose?

- (A) to get readers to visit the aquarium at the Mall of America
- (B) to give directions to the Mall of America
- (C) to tell about the Mall of America and the Dubai Mall
- (D) to tell readers how to be safe when shopping at the mall

4. What is a *Boeing 747*?

- (A) a very large airplane
- (B) a small stunt airplane
- (C) a two-person airplane
- (D) an airport

5. How does the Dubai Mall compare to Mall of America?

- (A) They are the same size.
- (B) The Dubai Mall is larger.
- (C) The Dubai Mall is smaller.
- (D) The malls are next to each other.

6. Why do you think the Mall of America and the Dubai Mall are not in downtown areas?

- (A) People do not want to shop there.
- (B) They are too big for downtown areas.
- (C) Cities do not want people to shop at malls.
- (D) They are too small for downtown areas.

7. What do the Mall of America and the Dubai Mall have in common?

- (A) They are very small malls.
- (B) They are located in the United States.
- (C) They both have skating rinks.
- (D) They both have movie theaters.

8. Which words in the text would most help a reader summarize the text?

- (A) *Mall of America and Dubai Mall*
- (B) *eighty-six hours and ten minutes*
- (C) *jewelry and groceries*
- (D) *hungry and restaurants*

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6. (Y) (N)

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