**Reading Discovery 1 Midterm Test**

**Units 1-10**

**A. Fill in the blank with the correct word from the box.**

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| equipment | pollution | height | fit | embarrasses |
| survive | sensed | legend | tropical | treat |

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has it that a monster lives in this lake.

2. Most scientists believe that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is causing global warming.

3. My dog won’t do tricks unless bribed with a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. My dad likes to dance like a fool, which really \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the rest of the family.

5. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the person is eight feet four inches.

6. Terry turned around quickly because he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that someone was following him.

7. Many fruits and vegetables grow in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ climates.

8. Special \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is used to measure mass.

9. I lost weight and now my pants don’t \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

10. Many people do not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the hike to the top of Mount Everest.

**B. Match the word to its definition.**

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| 1. weapon | a. lasting forever |
| 2. greenhouse | b. focus |
| 3. describe | c. to turn around and around |
| 4. attention | d. an object used when fighting |
| 5. compete | e. first |
| 6. sound | f. to play; to fight to win |
| 7. permanent | g. to say what something is like |
| 8. period | h. a glass house for plants |
| 9. spin | i. a length of time |
| 10. original | j. noise |

**Read and answer the questions.**

An Ancient Game

Games come and go. There are few that survive the test of time. Few remain popular over hundreds of years. Be that as it may, archaeologists have found paintings and writings that tell us about ancient games. Some of these games are similar to games people still play. Examples of such games are checkers and chess. Yet, of all the old games, one stands out as truly unique. This game is called Go.

Go is the Japanese name for an ancient Chinese game. The Chinese call this game weiqi (way-chee). The history of weiqi in China goes back more than 2,000 years. Some scholars believe it may go back as much as 4,000 years! This was the game of emperors and gentlemen during the time of Confucius. Over time, the game spread to Korea. Then it reached Japan around 700 C.E. However, it was not until the 1600s that Go really took off in Japan. At that time, four Go schools were set up in Japan. Students from the schools competed in national competitions each year. The winner was named the Go Minister of Japan for a year!

Today, Go is played all over the world. Two astronauts even played the game in space. One of the astronauts was from Japan, and the other was from the US.

1 Which two games that we still play are similar to ancient games?

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2. What did archeologists find that indicated that ancient games are similar to modern games?

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3. Who played Go (weigi) during the time of Confucius?

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4. What was the winner of the Go national competition named?

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5. Where is Go played today?

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What’s That Noise

Is there ever a time when your home is silent? You may think it’s silent when everyone is sleeping. However, is your house really quiet then? Perhaps you can hear a little noise from the fridge. Or maybe you hear the sound of cars from a nearby road. You may not realize it, but this noise is actually a form of pollution!

When asked about environmental problems, most people think about air or water pollution. Yet, people do not realize that one of the most common forms of pollution is noise pollution. This is human or machine–made sound that has a bad effect on the environment. As you might guess, most noise pollution comes from traffic. However, there are many other things that make a lot of noise—things such as jet planes, machines used for construction, or even loud stereos and TVs all add to the buzz.

We should care about noise pollution because it affects our health. It can cause hearing problems and stress. Over time, stress can cause serious problems in our bodies. What can we do about this? Our first step should be to cut down the noise we make. An example would be turning down the sound on stereos and TVs. By reducing our own noise, we can better our own health and the health of others.

1. Most likely, your house is always silent. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. The least common form of pollution is noise pollution. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Nature sounds have a bad effect on the environment. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Most noise pollution comes from jet planes. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Noise pollution doesn’t have any effects on people’s health. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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B.

1. d

2. h

3. g

4. b

5. f

6. j

7. a

8. i

9. c

10. e

C.

1. checkers, chess
2. paintings and writings
3. emperors and gentlemen
4. Go Minister of Japan
5. all over the world

D.

1. Most likely your house is always silent. (never)
2. The least common form of pollution is noise pollution. (most)
3. Nature sounds have a bad effect on the environment. (Man-made)
4. Most noise pollution comes from jet planes. (cars)
5. Noise pollution doesn’t have any effects on people’s health. (has)