For years, farmers have been saying that a wide brown band around the body of the woolly bear caterpillar means that there will be a mild winter. For the past two winters, the caterpillars have had wide brown bands, and both winters have been mild. Now naturalists are A wrong. B disgusted. C accurate. D interested.

Average conditions of heat or cold fluctuate in different parts of the world over long periods of time, with an accompanying variation in the area covered by glaciers. One of the chief factors in the formation and continuing existence of glaciers is A wind. B sedimentation. C geological period. D temperature.

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Some years ago workers who were excavating in Assyria discovered clay tablets on which the boys and girls of four thousand years ago had written. A proverb on one of the tablets shows how greatly the Babylonians valued the art of writing: “He shall shine like the sun who excels in the art of A tablet making.” B excavating.” C tablet writing.” D studying.”

Pilots of small planes are guided more by what they can see than are the pilots of large planes. The large planes have many instruments that guide the pilots. This is one reason that flying at night is safer for A large planes. B airports. C instruments. D ground crews.
Even students who have never used a microscope before will find it easy to use this new microscope after only the briefest preliminary explanation. Teachers who use it will have more time to devote to subject matter, for less time will be required for

B giving directions.  D writing examinations.

All of us know that liquids evaporate. Some, such as alcohol, evaporate rapidly; others, such as oils, evaporate slowly. But most persons do not realize that solids sometimes evaporate without first melting into a liquid form. Mothballs in a closet gradually become smaller because they evaporate, changing directly from a solid state to a gaseous state. Ice can evaporate without melting; for example, icicles can completely disappear although the temperature does not go above

A five degrees Celsius.  C the December average.  
B the melting point.  D the boiling point.

It is our intent to work until our national life corresponds exactly with the plans that we have kept in our minds and hearts. Our task is one of


When air is heated it expands. Blow air into a balloon until the surface of the balloon is smooth. Then hold the balloon near a moderate heat source. The balloon will

A gradually deflate.  C become larger.  
B slowly melt.  D remain unchanged.

There is an ironic old saying that it is the shoemaker’s children who go without shoes. Another saying with the same point is that it is the baker’s family that

A goes without bread.  C never has shoes.  
B eats only cake.  D always eats bread.