

**Choose the answer that best completes the sentence or answers the question.**

1. If you feel a *draft*, you
  - a. sense danger
  - b. feel a flow of air
  - c. experience aftershocks from an earthquake
  - d. detect a strange smell
2. The opposite of *sedentary* is
  - a. settled
  - b. sleepy
  - c. seated
  - d. active
3. Read this sentence.

The Revolutionary War was fought so colonists could gain *autonomy* over their lives.

*Autonomy* means

  - a. dependence
  - b. independence
  - c. loss of freedom
  - d. advantages
4. Another word for *kinetic* is
  - a. silent
  - b. motionless
  - c. lively
  - d. still

The odd-looking penny-farthing was the first cycling machine to be called a bicycle. It had a popular *phase* in the nineteenth century. The penny-farthing had a large front wheel and a very small back wheel, and mounting it required a lot of skill. The bicycle's pedal cranks were directly connected to the front axle, so that the rear wheel would go up in the air and the rider would propel slightly forward. The cyclist sat high above the penny-farthing's center of gravity, which *ultimately* made for a dangerous ride, since safe *deceleration* was difficult. Riders were *apt* to be sent flying over the handlebars headfirst. This is how the term "taking a header" originated! *Nonetheless*, many people *opted* to ride it.

5. In line 1, *phase* means
  - a. point
  - b. appearance
  - c. occurrence
  - d. event
6. What is NOT another way of saying *ultimately* (line 5)?
  - a. in the end
  - b. first of all
  - c. at last
  - d. finally
7. In line 6, *deceleration* means
  - a. speeding
  - b. balancing
  - c. slowing
  - d. hurrying
8. If you are *apt* (line 6) to do something, you
  - a. are unlikely to do it
  - b. are unwillingly to do it
  - c. are unable to do it
  - d. are inclined to do it
9. The word *nonetheless* (line 7) is used to
  - a. explain that people rode penny-farthings despite the danger
  - b. reveal other cycling options available in the 1800s
  - c. justify the danger of riding a penny-farthing
  - d. downplay the seriousness of possible head injuries
10. If many people *opted* (line 7) to buy a penny-farthing, they
  - a. were put off by the high price
  - b. were likely to buy one
  - c. refused to buy one
  - d. chose to buy one

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**Answer Section**

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| 1. ANS: B  | PTS: 1 |
| 2. ANS: D  | PTS: 1 |
| 3. ANS: B  | PTS: 1 |
| 4. ANS: C  | PTS: 1 |
| 5. ANS: A  | PTS: 1 |
| 6. ANS: B  | PTS: 1 |
| 7. ANS: C  | PTS: 1 |
| 8. ANS: D  | PTS: 1 |
| 9. ANS: A  | PTS: 1 |
| 10. ANS: D | PTS: 1 |