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Instructions

Section 1 English

Read the passage below and answer questions that follow

The rich countries of the world, Europe and North America in particular, became rich for several reasons. They were developing at a time when there were still large areas of unexplored and sparsely inhabited land in the world they discovered; and they then began to exploit whatever resources they found.

At the same time, at home, the industrial revolution was going on and the raw materials obtained from the countries they colonised were useful in developing new industries. The products of these industries provided an incentive for people in the mother country to invent more and work harder. The products, for example guns, were used in subduing the peoples of other parts of the world, or in enticing them into the economic orbit of the industrialising countries.

The people of the countries of the world now called developing countries were impressed by the technology of the Europeans. Not without some justification, they connected the wealth of Europeans with their technology alone, being unaware of the other factors contributing to their progress. North America developed, riding on the back of European industrialisation and colonisation. Today America and Europe have forged ahead, so that the per capita income in the USA may be ten times that in the poorer countries.

The latter now tend to feel that their way of development and future economic sufficiency must be along the same route as that taken by the wealthier countries. This may not necessarily be so, as the circumstances in which they are developing are very different.

Explain the meaning of the following words in the passage

1. An incentive
  - a. A case to handle
  - b. A motive for them
  - c. Reason for working harder+++
  - d. Something to remind them
2. Enticing

- a. Forcing
- b. Allowing
- c. Begging
- d. Persuading+++

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3. Orbit of
  - a. Sphere of influence+++
  - b. Usual progression
  - c. Revolving round
  - d. Member of

4. What figure of speech is used in "riding on the back of"

- a. Simile
- b. Metaphor+++
- c. Personification
- d. Irony

5. In the writer's opinion the way to development of the poorer countries must----- as that taken by wealthier countries.

- a. Be along the same route
- b. Take a different route+++
- c. Should walk side by side

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