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Paired-Texts Quiz

Directions: Read “Should Kids Do Extreme Sports?” and “The Science of Thrill-Seeking.” Then answer the questions below.

1. Which statement best expresses a central idea of “Should Kids Do Extreme Sports?”
 - (A) Few people know the risks of participating in extreme sports.
 - (B) Extreme sports can be rewarding and fun, but also dangerous.
 - (C) Extreme athletes push the limits of their bodies.
 - (D) Many kids are inspired to try stunts after watching clips on YouTube.
2. Which line from the text best expresses your answer to Question 1?
 - (A) “Today, younger and younger kids are becoming extreme athletes.” (p. 21)
 - (B) “If a child has the skills to climb a serious mountain, should we hold them back from Mount Everest?” (p. 23)
 - (C) “Extreme sports are all about pushing the limits of what the human body can do.” (p. 21)
 - (D) “. . . extreme sports are thrilling. But these thrills can come at a high price.” (p. 21)
3. What is the main purpose of the section “Passion and Identity”?
 - (A) to explain why Geoff supports Jett’s dream of returning to the MegaRamp
 - (B) to describe all of Jett’s injuries
 - (C) to show that skating is not that dangerous
 - (D) to provide additional information about the science of thrill-seeking
4. Which is likely NOT a reason the authors included a quote from psychologist Frank Farley?
 - (A) to support the idea that kids can accomplish extraordinary things
 - (B) to provide insight from an expert
 - (C) to explain why parents should not allow kids to play extreme sports
 - (D) to make the article more balanced
5. As it is used in “The Science of Thrill-Seeking,” *tolerance* most closely means which of the following?
 - (A) enjoyment
 - (B) self-control
 - (C) an ability to accept something unpleasant
 - (D) a willingness to accept people who are different from you
6. Which statement is supported by information in both “Should Kids Do Extreme Sports?” and “The Science of Thrill-Seeking”?
 - (A) Compared with other people, thrill-seekers may be more sensitive to dopamine.
 - (B) Adolescents tend to be more willing than adults to take risks.
 - (C) Extreme sports can improve kids’ confidence and health.
 - (D) No one should do extreme sports.

Constructed-Response Questions

Directions: Write your answers to the questions below on the back of this paper or type them up on a computer.

7. Write a paragraph about the positive and negative sides of extreme sports. Support your answer with details from “Should Kids Do Extreme Sports?”
8. Why do some people seek thrills despite the dangers? Use details from both texts to support your ideas.