

- 1.** Why didn't Chloe Kim make the 2014 Olympic team?
 - (A) She did not meet the age requirement.
 - (B) She was too old.
 - (C) She did not qualify for the team.
 - (D) She has a strong work ethic.

- 2.** Which of the following sentences reveals the author's point of view in the piece on snowboarding?
 - (A) Chloe's parents were both born in South Korea.
 - (B) There is nothing average about Chloe Kim.
 - (C) She has walked the red carpet at the Teen Choice Awards.
 - (D) Chloe travels all over the world.

- 3.** Which of the following statements is *not* true about Aja Evans?
 - (A) She was on the University of Illinois track team.
 - (B) She won a bronze medal at the 2017 world championships.
 - (C) Her coach suggested she take up bobsled.
 - (D) She was a gymnast before she took up bobsled.

- 4.** Which statement best expresses the central idea of the passage on Matt Mortensen and Jayson Terdiman?
 - (A) Mortensen and Terdiman have already mastered the skill of steering a double luge, and they are favored to win the gold medal in the Olympics.
 - (B) Luger must use their feet to move a sled's runners, which is especially tricky in doubles luge.
 - (C) Mortensen and Terdiman have been working hard to improve their ability to steer the luge.
 - (D) Mortensen and Terdiman have been improving their communication skills, which is a key to success in doubles luge.

- 5.** How does the author support the claim that there is nothing average about Chloe Kim?
 - (A) by providing examples of Chloe's extraordinary athletic achievements
 - (B) by explaining that Chloe does her homework
 - (C) by describing Chloe's trip to South Korea last year
 - (D) by explaining that Chloe gets anxious sometimes but relies on teammates for support

- 6.** Aja Evans was once a sprinter and a shot put thrower. She provides this information about herself in order to
- Ⓐ show that she is the most experienced member of the U.S. women's bobsled team.
 - Ⓑ explain where she learned the skills needed to steer a bobsled.
 - Ⓒ explain where she got the speed and strength to get the bobsled moving.
 - Ⓓ show that she is also prepared to compete in the Summer Olympics.
- 7.** Before every game, sled hockey player Josh Pauls faces a Mr. Potato Head doll toward the opposing team's locker room. The author provides this information in order to
- Ⓐ show that the while the athletes work hard, they keep a sense of humor.
 - Ⓑ show that the Olympics is mostly fun and games for the players.
 - Ⓒ explain why the U.S. sled hockey team won the gold in 2014.
 - Ⓓ get the reader more interested in the sport of sled hockey.
- 8.** According to the passage on Mikaela Shiffrin, why is the giant slalom a faster course than the slalom?
- Ⓐ There are more gates in the giant slalom, allowing for more speed.
 - Ⓑ The slalom does not require as much skill.
 - Ⓒ The giant slalom is designed to challenge the best skiers, so it has to be faster.
 - Ⓓ There gates are farther apart in the giant slalom, allowing for more speed.
- 9.** What evidence does the author provide to support the claim that Shiffrin is the best slalom skier in the world?
- Ⓐ She is world champion in the downhill and super G.
 - Ⓑ Like other Alpine skiers, Shiffrin competes in a variety of events.
 - Ⓒ She has been the world champion in the slalom three times.
 - Ⓓ The aim of downhill skiing is to get to the bottom of the hill as fast as you can.
- 10.** Chloe Kim's coach, Rick Bower, says Kim has "a really good work ethic." Why does Bower hold this opinion?
- Ⓐ Kim was too young to make the 2014 Winter Olympic team, but she practiced anyway.
 - Ⓑ Kim spends her time working on the difficult tasks of snowboarding, not just on the fun ones.
 - Ⓒ Kim has been profiled in popular magazines, like *Vogue*.
 - Ⓓ Kim makes even everyday things like doing homework interesting.

ANSWER KEY

1: A

2: B

3: D

4: D

5: A

6: C

7: A

8: D

9: C

10: B