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B1 READING (PART 5):
BASKETBALL

For each question, choose the correct answer (A-D):

Basketball

The _____ (1) of one of America's favourite sports are a debatable and controversial topic, but the story goes that basketball was _____ (2) by James Naismith in 1891. What is most surprising is that he was not from the USA as most people seem to think. He was, in fact, Canadian.

Basketball is a popular team sport in which the players from each _____ (3) need to try to _____ (4) points by putting a large bouncy ball into a small hoop. Either two or three points are allocated to teams depending on their distance from the hoop while shooting.

Players of this sport are usually very tall and have excellent stamina. It is clear that _____ (5) is an advantage, but agility and awareness are also essential to become an _____ (6) basketball player.

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| 1. A. starts | B. conception | C. origins | D. inception |
| 2. A. designed | B. fabricated | C. created | D. fashioned |
| 3. A. part | B. half | C. set | D. side |
| 4. A. mark | B. record | C. score | D. acquire |
| 5. A. width | B. height | C. weight | D. length |
| 6. A. able | B. amicable | C. inept | D. incompetent |

Answers:

1. C
2. C
3. D
4. C
5. B
6. A