

**Directions:** Read the text below. Then, read the statements that follow it and circle the letter of the correct answer (A, B or C).

### Steven Spielberg

Steven Spielberg is one of the best film directors of all time. He was born on December 18, 1946 in Cincinnati, Ohio. His parents weren't film makers. His mother was a pianist and his father an electrical engineer. He started filming in his early teens and made short films with his friends. He even presented his home films to the public at the cost of 25 cents per person. His little sister also helped out. She was in charge of selling popcorn. In 1959, at the age of 13, Spielberg made a short film to get a Boy Scout badge. The film was a cowboy movie. And that, as he says, is how it all started.

Towards the end of his teenage years Spielberg moved to California with his father. He was unable to get into film school because of his C average so he went to California State University. His career began when he started working at Universal Studios for free.

Over the years Spielberg has written, produced and directed many great films. He has made science fiction, adventure and history films, fantastic films like *Indiana Jones*, *Hook*, and *The Terminal*. Three of Spielberg's best films *Jaws*, *ET* and *Jurassic Park* broke records making the most money of any film at the time.

Today, Steven Spielberg is still busy directing lots of great new movies. Catch one at the cinema, you won't be disappointed!

1. Young Spielberg made films with his sister and friends.  
A True      B False      C No information in the text
2. Steven Spielberg never went to film school.  
A True      B False      C No information in the text
3. Spielberg was pleased to work at Universal Studios for free.  
A True      B False      C No information in the text
4. Spielberg's *ET* made more money than *Jurassic Park*.  
A True      B False      C No information in the text
5. Steven Spielberg no longer makes films.  
A True      B False      C No information in the text

## Kids-N-Technology

Kids-N-Technology, or K-N-T, is a great place where kids can build their own computer and even take it home! This special programme started in the summer of 2002 in Memphis, USA. At first, it was only for kids who got high grades. It became so popular that it is now available for all kids aged 6-18 in four

major American cities. Children can now sign up to Kids-N-Technology both after school and in the

summer. At the Kids-N-Technology Summer Camp kids can choose one of the many programmes. They can join Technology Explorers, Science and Robotics, Web Design and, of course, Build Your Own Computer.

All of the classes have great teachers that will teach the students about today's technology in a fun and easy way. They will learn about Maths, Science and even about Engineering. In Science and Robotics, for example, kids aged 10-16 will be able to make and control the movement of their own robots. The students who attend these programmes just love them! 60% say that they want to get a technology job in the future. Parents also put in a good word for K-N-T because they have seen wonderful improvements in their kids. Their children pay more attention and are more responsible in daily activities.

We now know that you don't have to be an adult to learn about and build computers. Teens can do it too! All you need are a few good teachers and some training at Kids-N-Technology!

6. K-N-T was only for students who did well in school.  
A True                      B False                      C No information in the text
7. Teens all over USA learn how to put together computers in the after school programme.  
A True                      B False                      C No information in the text
8. At the Kids-N-Technology camp, 6 year olds can learn how to build robots.  
A True                      B False                      C No information in the text
9. Many of K-N-T's students are interested in a future career in technology.  
A True                      B False                      C No information in the text
10. Parents like the programme because their children get higher marks at school.  
A True                      B False                      C No information in the text