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**Concept II: *New or Different Ways
Of Doing Things Are
Found All Over***

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Can You See a Horse with Wings?

- 1 When you look at the sky at night, what do you see? Can you see a dog or a bear? Can you see a horse with wings?
- 2 Long ago, people looked at the sky. They saw the stars and planets. But they knew nothing about them. Some people thought the stars made pictures in the sky. They gave the pictures names. We still use those names.
- 3 In those days, people thought stars told good things and bad things. Later people used telescopes to look at the sky. The telescopes helped them to learn much about the stars. They learned that stars did not bring good luck or bad luck.
- 4 Knowing about the stars has helped the world in many ways. It helped make our calendar. It helped in learning about the sun and the solar system. It helps plan space probes.
- 5 We are still learning about the stars. We now know that some stars have planets like our sun. Will you travel to another planet or solar system some day?



FIND THE ANSWERS

1. People thought the stars made
 - a. pictures.
 - b. names.
 - c. telescopes.
 - d. calendars.
2. The word in paragraph 3 that means *instruments for making something far away look nearer* is _____.
3. The story says, “Long ago, people looked at the sky. *They* saw the stars and planets.” The word *they* means _____.
4. The story does not say this, but from what we have read, we can tell that
 - a. people only look at stars through telescopes.
 - b. stars are important to us in many ways.
 - c. there are horses with wings in the sky.
5. How does knowing about the stars help us? (Which sentence is exactly like the one in your book?)
 - a. It helps bring good luck.
 - b. It helps make star pictures.
 - c. It helps plan space trips.
6. The main idea of the whole story is that
 - a. people have learned about the stars.
 - b. telescopes are very nice to own.
 - c. there are too many stars in the sky.
7. The word in paragraph 2, sentence 5, that is the opposite of *took* is _____.
8. The word in paragraph 4, sentence 3, that means *work out ahead of time* is _____.



Tell Us the News

- 1 The Yankee peddler went from town to town. Some peddlers walked. Others used horses and wagons. The peddler had many things to sell. He sold cloth for dresses. He sold pots and pans. But he had something else people wanted—news of what was happening.
- 2 Many early Americans lived in the country. They did not get to town often. The peddler stopped at each house. People were glad to buy the things they needed. They asked the peddler to come in and sit down. They gave him something to eat. Then they said, “Tell us the news!” The peddler was their walking newspaper.
- 3 Today, it is easy to learn the news. We hear it on radio and TV. We read it in newspapers. The mail carrier brings mail. We can use the telephone to talk to our friends.
- 4 We do not need the Yankee peddler anymore. But like the early Americans, we still say, “Tell us the news.”



FIND THE ANSWERS

1. The Yankee peddler sold things and gave people
 - a. his horse.
 - b. the news.
 - c. a radio.
 - d. food.
2. The word in sentence 1 that means *a person who went from house to house selling things* is _____.
3. The story says, "People were glad to buy the things *they* needed." The word *they* means _____.
4. The story does not say this, but from what we have read, we can tell that
 - a. people today get all their news over the telephone.
 - b. people in the country get mail from peddlers.
 - c. people need to know what is happening in the world.
5. What did people ask the peddler? (Which sentence is exactly like the one in your book?)
 - a. People asked the peddler to come in and eat.
 - b. They asked the peddler to come in and sit down.
 - c. People asked the peddler to come in and talk.
6. The main idea of the whole story is that
 - a. early Americans got their news from radios.
 - b. early Americans got their news from peddlers.
 - c. early Americans wanted walking newspapers.
7. The word in paragraph 2, sentence 5, that is the opposite of *up* is _____.
8. The word in paragraph 1, sentence 4, that means *to give away for money* is _____.