1. Read the following dialogue to find out the information about Olympics.

A. I’m not feeling very well today.
B. You must be out of tune. Try doing some exercise.
A. Excuse me?
B. The ancient Greeks believed that the mind and body could only be in tune if a person did both intellectual and physical exercise. Plato, Aristotle and Homer all encouraged gymnastic exercise.
A. Did they invent gymnastics?
B. I don’t know but I’m sure they thought about it!
A. If gymnastics isn’t what I do in the gym, what is it?
B. Gymnastics as we know it developed in Germany and Czechoslovakia at the start of the 19th century. The German Friedrich Ludwig Jahn is known as the father of gymnastics and he invented some of the apparatus still used today.
A. Appa-what?
B. Apparatus. It means equipment. There is a lot of apparatus in gymnastics. Something to do with the fact that there are a lot of different events.
A. I heard about events where the men climb ropes and swing clubs.
B. Ah, not any more. That was a long time ago. Nowadays the apparatus includes the parallel bars, the vault, the rings, the balance beam, the pommel horse...
A. “Pommel horse”? Never mind. Did Ludwig Jahn compete at the Olympic Games?
B. No. He died about 50 years before the modern Olympics began.
A. When did the first women’s event start?
B. Actually as far back as 1928.
A. Some of the most famous gymnasts are women, I think.
B. That’s right, and very young too. Nadia Comaneci and Nellie Kim both got perfect 10 scores at the 1976 Games when they were 14, but nowadays gymnasts have to be 16 to compete at the Olympics.
A. By the way, do you know the origin of the word „gymnastics“?
B. It comes from the Greek word for ‘naked’, and early gymnasts used to perform without any clothes on.
A. Really? That was the Summer Olympics and not the Winter Olympics then?
B. Ha! Ha!
2. Decide if the following statements are true (T) or false (F) according to the text.

1. Plato, Aristotle and Homer thought that gymnastic activity was a good thing. (      )
2. The ancient Greeks used the same apparatus that is used in gymnastics today. (      )
3. A lot of different equipment is used in gymnastics because there are a lot of different events. (      )
4. The age limit for gymnasts at the Olympic Games has changed since 1976. (      )
5. Olympic gymnasts will compete without any clothes on at London 2012. (      )

3. Put the words in the following sentences in the correct order.

1. all / Aristotle and / encouraged / exercise. / gymnastic / Homer / Plato,
2. apparatus / He / invented / of / some / still / the / today. / used
3. at / compete / Did / Games? / Ludwig Jahn / Olympic / the
4. 50 / about / before / began. / died / He / modern / Olympics / the / years
5. did / event / start?/ the first / When / women’s