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Read each section of the text carefully and decide which sentence agrees best with the text.

SECTION ONE

Why do Britons drive on the left?

The answer is probably that it was important to have your right hand ready if you met a friend - or an enemy - on the road. One thing to remember is that until around 300 years ago everyone drove (or rode) on the left, only changing to the right because it was easier to watch the wheels of very big wagons from that side.

The left is important in Britain for other things too. For example, when you get married in Britain you put your ring on your left hand, not right as in most other countries. The ring goes on the right only if your husband or wife dies.

- 1. Driving on the left
 - A. used to be more popular
 - B. is a new idea
 - C. was easier if you had a very big wagon
- 2. Wearing your wedding ring on your left hand
 - A. is very trendy
 - B. is normal in Britain
 - C. is normal in other countries

SECTION TWO

Why do the British drink tea with milk?

The British are well known for drinking a lot of tea and for drinking it with milk, unlike most countries where tea is usually drunk with lemon and sugar. Surprisingly, adding milk to tea was not popular in Britain at first. In fact, in the seventeenth century tea itself was much more popular in France than in Britain and it was the French who usually drank it with milk; the British copied the fashion from them.

- 3. The British
 - A. taught the French to drink tea with milk
 - B. changed how they like to drink their tea
 - C. do not like to drink tea with milk

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SECTION THREE

Separate taps

Go into a British bathroom and you'll notice something unusual: at the sink there are usually two taps rather than one. In this case, however, two are not better than one. With one hot tap and one cold you have a choice of freezing your hands or scalding them; the only way to get warm water for washing is to fill up the bowl. Why? The reason is low water pressure in Britain which means that mixer taps are often not possible.

4. Having two taps

- A. is unusual in Britain
- B. is a very good idea
- C. makes it harder to wash properly

5. In Britain

- A. mixer taps are never possible
- B. the water pressure is not very high
- C. most people do not like mixer taps

SECTION FOUR

Queuing

Traditionally, British people are expert queuers. People queue at bus stops, in shops, outside clubs... in fact, people queue everywhere. Queuing is such a part of British society that it is even possible for foreigners staying in Britain to take courses in queuing for foreigners! As far as I know, though, there is no examination to take in queuing. At least not yet...

6. People in Britain

- A. queue in only a few places
- B. are not very good at queuing
- C. take queues very seriously