Read the paragraphs below and decide which of the following sentences should come in the blank in each paragraph.

1- Archeologists have a duty, both to colleagues and to the general public, to explain what they are doing and why. __________. Further, their work can also be enjoyed by the wider public which, after all, has usually paid the bill for the work, however indirectly.

A. Up to 60% of modern excavations apparently remain unpublished.
B. Archeologists often prefer to dig new sites rather than devote time to laborious post excavations analysis.
C. Many projects depend upon the willing hands of amateur enthusiasts.
D. Unfortunately, some archeologists hoard their finds and prevent colleagues from gaining access to them.
E. Basically, this means publishing the discoveries so that the results are available to other scholars.

2- Well into the 1860s the American West remained divided from the East by the harsh nature of the country’s interior. __________. Their aim was to build a railroad across the formidable mountains lands of Sierra Nevada. They were ridiculed on all sides, but the ambitious enterprise eventually succeeded.

A. Their high-flying goal comes with similarly steep challenges.
B. Top engineers had agreed that the Sierra Nevada could not be crossed by road or rail.
C. Naturally, politicians were not in favor of uniting East and West.
D. Then four merchants began raising money to fund a seemingly impossible project.
E. The high peaks of the Sierra Nevada were acknowledged as being impassable.
3- In the annals of computing, nothing has caused as much disappointment as putting ideas on paper. __________. However, with the coming of the inkjet printer it was soon possible to print really high quality images.

A. For decades, printing computer files was a thankless task for users seeking to reproduce precisely what they saw on their screens.
B. To start with, thermal inkjets were no match for the costlier laser printers that had just been introduced.
C. For all its originality the idea behind the inkjet is far from new.
D. The first inkjet printers were slow, messy machines, but they gradually got better and better.
E. Designers of printers grew more ambitious and they started to want color, speed and low costs.

4- Most Western industrialized nations have an individualistic orientation, which values independence and self-assertiveness. __________. They stress the interdependence of people within the community.

A. There is no internal evidence to suggest this.
B. Individuals in collectivist Asian cultures are even less likely to commit such errors.
C. In contrast, many non-Western cultures have a more collectivist orientation.
D. This is why Americans tend to use psychological traits to describe themselves.
E. Actually, situational factors also play quite an important role.
ANSWER KEY TO PARAGRAPH COMPLETION QUESTIONS

1 - E  2 - D  3 - A  4 - C