Know the News: The Next Pandemic?

Read the article on pages 12-13, then answer the questions.

1. The article is mostly about ___.
   - A globalization of major industries
   - B how vaccines work
   - C the city of Wuhan, China
   - D the risk of a massive pandemic

2. Many Chinese people criticized leaders for ___.
   - A shutting down Wuhan and other big cities
   - B keeping information about the virus secret
   - C closing schools and businesses
   - D opening new hospitals

3. The photo with an ambulance supports the article by showing ___.
   - A how China closed schools and businesses
   - B the public health officials quoted in the article
   - C how medical workers are protecting themselves
   - D sick people being quarantined at home

4. According to the article, why are viruses traveling faster than ever?
   - A Viruses have become more dangerous.
   - B Travel by airplane has become more common.
   - C A new coronavirus has spread to dozens of countries.
   - D More agencies are able to keep the public informed.

5. Which is the best example of globalization?
   - A Toys made in China are sold around the world.
   - B A person travels from one city in China to another for work.
   - C People skip public events to avoid germs.
   - D A sick person is isolated at a hospital.

6. Which words from the article are most similar in meaning?
   - A spread and contain
   - B infected and quarantined
   - C respond and address
   - D vaccines and agencies

7. Which statement about the Spanish flu of 1918 is true?
   - A It killed about 100 million people.
   - B It could kill within hours.
   - C It mainly spread through air travel for leisure.
   - D It was not a pandemic.

8. Which of the following is not a way of preparing for a pandemic?
   - A spending more money on health systems
   - B developing new vaccines
   - C panicking about a new coronavirus
   - D training more health care workers

9. Details about other pandemics in history would best fit in which section of the article?
   - A “Crisis in China”
   - B “A Connected World”
   - C “Containing a Virus”
   - D “A Looming Threat”

10. Which statement is an opinion?
    - A The U.S. should support health systems in countries with fewer resources.
    - B Infected people can travel to another country before realizing they’re sick.
    - C People are flying more than ever.
    - D Experts say a destructive pandemic could kill 50 million to 80 million people.