Reading Comprehension Exercises for Selection 13

Choose the best possible answer for each of the following.

1. Herculaneum and its harbor were buried under ___ lava.

   A. Liquid

   B. Solid

   C. Flowing

   D. Gas

2. The poisonous gases were not ___ in the air.

   A. Able to float

   B. Visible

   C. Able to evaporate

   D. Invisible

3. Scientists analyzed data about Vesuvius in the same way that a zoologist ___ a specimen.

   A. Describes in detail

   B. Cuts apart

   C. Photographs

   D. Charts

4. _____ have concluded that the volcanic eruption caused a tidal wave.

   A. Scientists who study oceans

   B. Scientists who study atmospheric conditions

   C. Scientists who study ash

   D. Scientists who study animal behavior

5. Scientists have used ___to water to wash away volcanic ash from the skeletons of victims.

   A. Bottled

   B. Volcanic

   C. Purified

   D. Sea