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Text Structure Sort

Directions: Read each passage carefully. Think about how the text is organized. Choose the best answer from the list below and write the letter on the blank before each number.

- A. **Chronological** - Events are told in time order.
- B. **Compare and Contrast** - Two or more things are shown as similar or different.
- C. **Problem and Solution** - A problem is presented with ways to solve it.
- D. **Cause and Effect** - Explains reasons why something happens and the results.
- E. **Description** - Gives vivid details to help the reader picture something.

___ 1. New York City is known for its fast pace, tall skyscrapers, and bustling streets. In contrast, a city like Savannah, Georgia, is famous for its slower lifestyle, cobblestone squares, and historic homes. While both cities attract tourists, they offer very different experiences. Visitors to New York expect constant motion, while Savannah's visitors enjoy calm strolls under mossy oak trees.

___ 2. When a heavy rainstorm hit the town, water seeped into the basement of the Jackson family's house. Their furniture and boxes became soaked, and the smell of mildew quickly spread. To fix the problem, they installed a new drainage system and bought a dehumidifier. Within days, the basement was clean and dry again.

___ 3. Thousands of years ago, people wrote on clay tablets and animal skins. Later, the Egyptians used papyrus made from plants. In China, around 105 A.D., paper was invented using mulberry bark and water. Over time, this invention spread to other countries, eventually reaching Europe in the Middle Ages. Today, paper is still used worldwide for books, newspapers, and packaging.

___ 4. As autumn arrives, the days grow shorter and cooler. With less sunlight, trees stop producing chlorophyll, the chemical that makes leaves green. Without chlorophyll, other colors like red, yellow, and orange appear. This change leads to the beautiful fall foliage that many people travel to see each year.

___ 5. The library stood on the corner of Main Street for over a hundred years. Its tall stone columns and stained-glass windows made it a landmark in the town. Inside, rows of shelves were filled with books, maps, and archives. The air smelled faintly of old paper, and sunlight streamed through colored glass, casting bright patterns on the floor. Visitors often marveled at its beauty.