**8 Reading**

**Quiz – “Mayans 1,**

**Olmec 1”**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Directions: On the line provided, write the letter of the *best* answer to each of the following items.**

1. \_\_\_\_The basic proposition of this article is that—
   1. The Mayans and Olmecs lived in modern-day Mexico and Central America.
   2. The losers of the ancient ballgame were killed.
   3. Basketball originated as a Native American game.
   4. Dr. James Naismith is credited with inventing the game of basketball.
2. \_\_\_\_Which item below *best* supports the idea that scoring was rare in the Native American game?
   1. The game was mostly a social ritual.
   2. The game was played on a quadrangle, and the court had temples on each end.
   3. The ball was made from very hard rubber.
   4. The ring was high off the ground, and the hole in the ring was small.
3. \_\_\_\_Competitors could hit the ball with all of the following body parts *except* their—
   1. Hips.
   2. Hands.
   3. Elbows.
   4. Knees.
4. \_\_\_\_Which statement is false about the modern game of basketball?
   1. The first “baskets” were actually peach baskets.
   2. The rim of the basket is parallel to the ground.
   3. Players can use their hands.
   4. Dr. James Naismith is often credited with inventing the modern game.
5. \_\_\_\_The *best* example of support for the proposition that “Christine should buy a new car” is—
   1. Her car breaks down almost once a month.
   2. New cars come in a variety of styles to fit everyone’s taste and budget.
   3. Christine has gone car shopping.
   4. Trucks can carry more cargo than cars can.
6. \_\_\_\_All of the following can be used to support a proposition *except*—
   1. Statistics.
   2. Anecdotes.
   3. Feelings.
   4. Facts.

**Directions: Match the definition on the left with Vocabulary word on the right. On the line provided, write the letter of the Vocabulary word.**

1. \_\_\_\_Things understood but not A. Adapted

directly stated. B. Overtones

1. \_\_\_\_Action that is always done in C. Parallel

the same way. D. Ritual

1. \_\_\_\_Changed to fit a different
2. \_\_\_\_Extending in the same direction

and at the same distance apart

at every point