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Choose the answer that best completes the sentence or answers the question.

1. As a flock of geese flies away, it does what?

A irks

B forsakes

C recedes

D douses

2. Another word for annoy is

A irk

B denounce

C dispatch

D recede

3. If an electronic file has been reduced in size, it

has been

A irked

B compressed

C dispatched

D besieged

4. Which of the following is the opposite of tiny?

A gainful

B instantaneous

C famished

D immense

My friend David is an excellent ice skater, and he is always trying to get me to learn to skate. I, on the other hand, could never imagine going out on the ice on a pair of thin blades and had nothing but misgivings whenever the subject came up. Then, one day about a month ago, David asked me if I really wanted to be besieged by fear and doubt all my life, or if I was finally ready to give skating a try. Even though I understood his point, I tried to look for excuses. First I claimed that I did not have the proper apparel. In response, David said that I could wear my normal winter clothes. Then I insisted that I was physically inept and would move like an oaf on the ice. David assured me that lots of people feel that way at first. Finally, I agreed to go to the rink with him. I’m now happy to report that even though my breakthrough was not quite instantaneous, I have managed, over the last few weeks, to become a good beginning skater.

5. If you have misgivings (line 2), you feel

A confident

B indifferent

C worried

D angry

6. To be besieged (line 4) by something is to be

A overlooked by it

B transformed by it

C destroyed by it

D hounded by it

7. In line 5, apparel means

A training

B equipment

C attire

D attitude

8. Which of the following words could not be used

to replace inept (line 6)?

A clumsy

B adroit

C incompetent

D unskilled

9. In line 7, oaf means

A dancer

B athlete

C truck

D clod

10. Which of the following could be used to replace

instantaneous (line 9)?

A immediate

B successful

C gradual

D noticeable