Honoring Veterans

Directions: Read each sentence. Then circle the letter next to the answer that completes the sentence.

1. The first veterans to receive publicly voted assistance were __________.
   a. veterans of the 1636 Pequot War
   b. veterans of the Revolutionary War
   c. veterans of the Mexican War

2. Veterans Day was originally called __________.
   a. Armistice Day
   b. Memorial Day
   c. Soldiers Day

3. Veterans Day began as a holiday that honored __________.
   a. soldiers who fought in the Civil War
   b. soldiers who fought in World War I
   c. soldiers who fought in World War II

4. The beginnings of a November 11 holiday honoring soldiers were __________.
   a. Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address and the opening of the cemetery there in 1863
   b. ceremonies honoring unknown soldiers in France, England, and the United States in 1921
   c. speeches by President Eisenhower before veterans’ groups in 1954

5. Veterans Day is always observed by __________.
   a. a parade in Washington, D.C.
   b. a ceremony at the Washington Monument
   c. the laying of a presidential wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery

6. Poppies are often sold to raise money for veterans and their widows on Veterans Day because __________.
   a. poppies were used in medicine to treat soldiers
   b. poppies grew wild in the fields in Flanders, where many of the battles of World War I took place
   c. Lord Kitchener, one of the British heroes of World War I, always wore a poppy in his lapel
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7. The first national cemeteries were organized during ____________.
   a. the Revolutionary War
   b. the Civil War
   c. World War I

8. There are ____________ national cemeteries.
   a. 5
   b. 50
   c. over 100

9. Arlington House, now the site of Arlington National Cemetery, was originally intended to be ____________.
   a. a place to house George Washington memorabilia
   b. the home of Robert E. Lee
   c. a refuge for homeless veterans

10. Benefits for veterans are taken care of by ____________.
    a. the Veterans Administration, which is part of the Department of Defense
    b. the Department of Veterans Affairs, a Cabinet-level department
    c. the Veterans Bureau, which is overseen by the Oval Office