A. **Directions:** Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

The Big Dig moved Boston's main highway into a tunnel under the city. New bridges and ramps were also built. Political leaders envisioned the massive project in the 1970s in order to reduce traffic congestion. Planning officially began in 1982. Environmental studies started a year later. After years of seeking federal dollars, a bill was passed in 1987 providing the money. Work on the Big Dig began in 1991.

Environmental questions and arguments over design slowed the project down. The Big Dig became so expensive that the person in charge of construction was fired in 2000. Total project expenses came to more than $15 billion. Different sections of the Big Dig opened for traffic in phases in January 2003, December 2003, and December 2004. Leaks sprouted in 2004. Almost all work was finally completed by 2005.

1. Big Dig environmental studies started ____________________________
2. Federal dollars were provided ____________________________
3. The Big Dig was mostly finished ____________________________
4. What would be a good title for this selection? ____________________________

B. **Directions:** Read the passage. Put the steps in order by writing the correct number beside each step. (HINT: Write “1” for first, and so on.)

To make a vanilla-almond soy shake, all you have to do is pour, chop, and blend. First, chop one mango and one-half a banana. Wrap them in foil and freeze over night. Next, measure 1 cup of soy milk, one cup of almond milk and a half cup oat milk into a blender. Then add in the frozen fruit. Pulse a few times, then blend until smooth. Finally, spoon honey, vanilla and a few drops almond extract into the blender, and puree one last time.

___ 5. measure liquids
___ 6. wrap and freeze fruit
___ 7. chop mango and banana
___ 8. spoon flavoring and sweetener
___ 9. blend until smooth
___ 10. add fruit