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Quiz: Life is Getting Better

Directions: Select the answer that best completes the sentence

1) According to Katherine Mangu-Ward, people tend to see the bad around them rather than the good because _____.

- A) social media is full of bad news
- B) mainstream media personalities only report bad news
- C) government promotes negative reporting and uses fear to increase its power
- D) evolution has wired us this way

2) Cochlear implants are used in this video as an example to show that _____.

- A) religion has no place in society
- B) more children are being born with hearing problems
- C) while we focus on negative news, so much good is happening
- D) only the rich can get good medical care

3) The middle class is shrinking because _____.

- A) middle class people don't work hard enough
- B) jobs for "regular people" do not pay as much as they used to
- C) the media is trying to pit rich against poor
- D) more middle-class families are moving into the high-income household category

4) "Markets allow every individual a choice," John Stossel said. "Politics forces everyone to obey _____."

- A) each other
- B) the media
- C) whatever the majority voted for
- D) the Constitution

5) Katherine Mangu-Ward said that life gets better and that positive trends will continue into the future, _____.

- A) as long as politicians don't screw it up
- B) if the media would stop its negative reporting
- C) if young people continue to support socialism
- D) providing that government regulations are strictly enforced

Life is Getting Better – Answer Key:

1. D
2. C
3. D
4. C
5. A