

152 . According to the author, fever, pain, etc. are

- a. some sorts of defense mechanisms
- b. caused by body's defense failure
- c. warning signs of the malfunction of the defense system
- d. diminished when the optimum result is not achieved

153 . Smoke detectors are compared with

- a. false alarms
- b. bodily discomforts
- c. body's defenses
- d. bacterial infections

154 . The warnings by smoke detectors are said to be

- a. exact and valuable
- b. bothering and worthless
- c. beneficial though sometimes troublesome
- d. misleading and ending in annoyance

155 . According to this passage, our body is able to evolve defense mechanisms against bacteria and viruses;

- a. thus, we should not be worried about microorganisms
- b. therefore, our body is able to escape diseases
- c. thus, the evolution of the microorganisms will be blocked
- d. nevertheless, it doesn't mean that we are immune to diseases

Passage 5

Epidemiological trends show populations across Europe and beyond becoming less healthy as 'diseases of comfort' (e.g. chronic diseases caused by an obesogenic environment) due to technological advance grow at an alarming rate, manifesting themselves as major public health problems in this century. A sharp rise in childhood obesity, resulting in an increase in health-related diseases such as diabetes, is matched by rapid increases in alcohol-related diseases and in sexually transmitted infections. In addition, infectious diseases have not disappeared and pandemics such as Avian bird flu threaten to occur at any time. As if these public health challenges were not enough, there are also the threats arising from a range of diverse concerns like toxic environments and bioterrorism.

156 . According to the passage, an obesogenic environment have worsened the health condition of European people.

- a. scientific advances stemming from
- b. maladies induced by
- c. epidemiological trends preceding
- d. health challenges leading to

157 . A common feature in childhood obesity and sexually transmitted diseases is their

- a. rapid spread
- b. comfort-seeking trait
- c. deterioration of health
- d. high acuity