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1) Fill in the blanks with the following texts with articles (a/an/the) as necessary. Some of the blanks may not require an article. Put a cross (×) in those blanks.

Jack Ma Yun is a)_____ Chinese business magnate, investor and philanthropist. He is b)_____ co-founder of Alibaba Group, a multinational technology conglomerate. Born in Hangzhou, Zhejiang, Ma earned c) _____ Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in English upon graduating from Hangzhou Normal University in 1988. He became d)_____ English lecturer and international trade lecturer at e)_____ Hangzhou Dianzi University following graduation. From 1998 to 1999, he led f)_____ information technology company founded by the Chinese government, later leaving it to start the Alibaba Group with his colleagues in 1999.g) _____ company was initially founded as B2B e-commerce marketplace website, yet the company later expanded into h) _____ wide range of industry domains across the Chinese economy, including e-commerce, high-technology, and online payment solutions.

2) Complete the text with suitable prepositions

i) A gesture is a form of non-verbal communication in which visible bodily actions communicate particular messages. Gestures include movement of the hands, face, or other parts a)_____ the body. Gestures differ b)_____ physical non-verbal communication that does not communicate specific messages, such as purely expressive displays, proxemics. Gestures allow individuals to communicate a variety c) _____ feelings and thoughts, from contempt and hostility d) _____ approval and affection, often together e) _____ body language in addition to words when they speak.

3) Subject- Verb Agreement

- i. Hamilton Family Center, a shelter for teenage runaways in San Francisco,
(offers/offer) a wide variety of services.
- ii. The main source of income for Trinidad (is/are) oil and pitch.
- iii. The chances of your being promoted (is/are) excellent.

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- iv. There (was/were) a Pokémon card stuck to the refrigerator.
- v. Neither the professor nor his assistants (was/were) able to solve the mystery of the eerie glow in the laboratory.

4) Change the following Tenses as described in the bracket.

1. There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so. (Present perfect)
2. I realize how useless wails are and how gratuitous melancholy is. (Past Indefinite)
3. The name “Bridge of Sighs” was bequeathed by Lord Byron in the 19th century. (past Continuous)
4. Craig is fond of dancing. (Future Indefinite)