Laptop learning in Italy

Children at a school in Italy have begun an experiment to replace all their books with personal computers. The pupils involved will each be given a special laptop that contains their entire curriculum.

1. Which statement is NOT correct?
   a. Until today, school children used pens and books in the process of learning.
   b. In Turin, there is only one elementary school.
   c. There is no other experiment like the one in Turin.

2. How many students will use their laptops to learn?
   a. More than 60 pupils.
   b. Only a small number of third-graders.
   c. All the students from the school.

3. The laptops…
   a. … don’t include Windows software.
   b. … cannot be programmed during the lessons.
   c. … are equipped with all the studying material the children need.

4. What will the children use their computers for?
   a. For reading and writing only.
   b. For all their writing and reading.
   c. All the children will read each others writing.

5. Why do the laptops include security systems?
   a. To control which websites the children can visit.
   b. To guarantee that there is always an access to the internet.
   c. To give the children stricter grades when they work on internet projects.

6. Which of the following statements is correct?
   a. The laptops weigh less than 1 kilogram.
   b. The laptops will break if you drop them from a height of one meter.
   c. The laptops must not get in contact with water.

7. How much do the laptops cost?
   a. More than schoolbooks.
   b. The same amount as school books.
   c. Not as much as school books.

8. Which statement, according to the text, best describes the idea behind the project:
   a. School children should learn how to handle computers from an early age.
   b. Schools want to verify that learning with computers can be successful.
   c. School teachers want to try a new scientific project for the first time.

9. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the text?
   a. Parents support the experiment.
   b. The experiment will take place for one year.
   c. Computer processors have improved in the last year.

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