

_____ , every road leads to Rome, and I do believe hard work pays off.

A. In all B. All in all

C. First of all D. After all

2. _____

Next, she tied several chopsticks together, _____ a family. She showed the girls it was hard to break the tied chopsticks.

A. representing B. represented

C. representative D. representation

3. _____

Has the cost of the hotel _____ the expense?

A. figured in B. figured out

C. figure on D. figure up

4. _____

With the outbreak _____, schools began to open one after another.

A. weaken B. weakening

C. weakened D. to weaken

5. _____

Data show that kids and teens who do read frequently, compared to infrequent readers, have more books in the home, and parents will set _____ time for them to read.

A. out B. off C. about D. aside

6. _____

Whatever change is happening today is the result of great technological progress, _____ which will be like trying to turn the clock back.

A. going against B. going beyond