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Answers: A) Reformation, 1) read, 2) 15, 3) tonight, B) detective, 2) details, 4) compare, C) engage, 1) notes, 2) app, 3) inquisitive, 4) group.