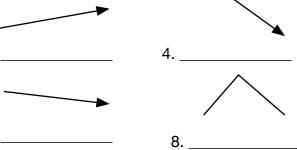
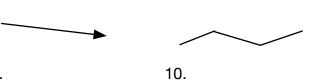
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Match the words and phrases to the pictures above:

peaked decrease sharply Increase slightly
went down slowly remain steady
increase sharply fluctuate a little
fluctuate a lot stay the same. decrease slightly

Choose the best answer.

- 1. The patient's blood pressure _____ over the course of the day. There was no significant change in the patient's blood pressure.
 - A. decreased sharply
 - B. increased sharply
 - C. remain steady
- 2. The number of prescriptions for pain medication has _____ over the past year. We had to deal with a lot more prescriptions.
 - A. decreased sharply
 - B. increased sharply
 - C. increased slightly
- 3. The price of generic drugs has _____ in recent months. The price used to be \$1 and now it's \$1.01.
 - A. fluctuated a lot
 - B. peaked
 - C. increased slightly
- 4. The number of medication errors has _____ since the implementation of the new electronic prescribing system. This is a very efficient system.
 - A. increased slightly
 - B. decreased sharply
 - C. fluctuated a lot

- 5. The stock prices of major pharmaceutical companies have _____ over the past year. The stock prices have gone up and down frequently, without a clear trend.
 - A. fluctuated a lot
 - B. increased slightly
 - C. peaked
- 6. The number of patients seeking flu vaccinations has _____ compared to last year. The number of patients has not significantly changed.
 - A. went down slowly
 - B. increased slightly
 - C. stayed the same
- 7. The side effects of the medication have _____ since the dosage was reduced. This was expected.
 - A. increased sharply
 - B. decreased slightly
 - C. fluctuated a little
- 8. Sales of the new drug
 _____ in the first quarter
 after its release. Sales reached a
 high point and then began to
 decline.
 - A. decreased sharply
 - B. increased slightly
 - C. peaked

- 9. The number of patients with high blood pressure has _____ over the past year. There was a gradual decrease in the number of patients
 - A. went down slowly
 - B. increased sharply
 - C. fluctuated a little
- 10. The effectiveness of the new medication _____ over the course of the clinical trial. The effectiveness of the medication varied slightly over time.
 - A. increased slightly
 - B. fluctuated a little
 - C. remain steady

Graph diagrams answers

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Multiple choice answers

- 1. C. remain steady
- 2. B. increased sharply
- 3. C. increased slightly
- 4. B. decreased sharply
- 5. A. fluctuated a lot
- 6. C. stayed the same
- 7. B. decreased slightly
- 8. C. peaked
- 9. A. went down slowly
- 10. B. fluctuated a little