Advanced Paragraph Correction 2

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

My stepmother is the 1) **genealogist** of the family. She maintains records of births, deaths, marriages, and divorces. She takes the job 2) **real serious.** She sends missives to the family 3) **whoever** something noteworthy occurs. We recently had a bulletin about 4) **the demise of the relative** during the Civil War—which transpired a century-and-a-half ago. This ancestor apparently bequeathed his old earthly possessions (some 5) **beautiful and antique** furniture) to his progeny, who in turn bequeathed their goods to their descendants. My husband’s great-grandfather, 6) **his mother’s father,** has recently inherited some of this 7) **beautiful** antique furniture. My husband wonders if he will one day pass heirlooms on to his progeny. 8) **If yes,** we may inherit some new furniture, and my stepmother will have even more to keep track of!

1)
A. genealogist  
B. genealogist  
C. genealogist  
D. Correct as is  

2)
A. very serious.  
B. real seriously.  
C. really serious.  
D. very seriously.  
E. Correct as is

3)
A. whether  
B. whenever  
C. whatever  
D. Both A and C are correct  
E. Both A and B are correct

4)
A. a demise of the relative  
B. the demise of a relative  
C. a relative’s demise  
D. Both B and C are correct  
E. Both A and B are correct

5)
A. beautiful, but antique  
B. beautiful antique  
C. beautiful or antique  
D. Correct as is

6)
A. his mother’s father’s father,  
B. the father of his father’s father,  
C. the mother of his father’s father,  
D. Both A and B could be correct

7)
A. pedestrian  
B. dynamic  
C. deleterious  
D. antiquated  
E. exquisite

8)
A. If so,  
B. If not,  
C. This way,  
D. If true,  
E. Correct as is