Responding to the Video

While re-viewing the videocassette segment "English: A Living Language, Part 1," fill in the blank in each of the following sentences with the correct answer.

1. English is the native tongue of about ____________ people and the second language for about 300 million more people.

2. The English language is part of the ____________ language family.

3. ____________ were the peoples who settled the land known as Engla land and were most responsible for the development of the English language.

4. The introduction of more than nine hundred words to English by the Vikings proved the ____________ of the English language.

5. The Norman conquerors of England used ____________ as the official language, but the common people used English.

6. By the time of Middle English, the language had changed the way it formed ____________ and had stopped using masculine and feminine genders.

7. ____________ was the first great writer who wrote in common spoken English.

8. As a result of the printing press, literacy rose and the language began to be ____________.

9. Between 1500 and 1600, a major change in the development of English occurred that is known as ____________.

10. This change is reflected in the language of William Shakespeare, who wrote in ____________.