Data for plotting graphs

Graphing Practice Problem #1: Ethylene is a plant hormone that causes fruit to mature. The data above concerns the amount of time it takes for fruit to mature from the time of the first application of ethylene by spraying a field of trees.

Amount of ethylene in ml/m²	Wine sap Apples: Days to Maturity	Golden Apples: Days to Maturity	Gala Apples: Days to Maturity
10	14	14	15
15	12	12	13
20	11	9	10
25	10	7	9
30	8	7	8
35	8	7	7

A. Make a line graph of the data.
B. What is the dependent variable?
C. What is the independent variable?

Graphing Practice Problem #2: A clam farmer has been keeping records concerning the water temperature and the number of clams developing from fertilized eggs. The data is recorded below.

Water Temperature in °C	Number of developing clams
15	75
20	90
25	120
30	140
35	75
40	40
45	15
50	0

A. Make a line graph of the data.
B. What is the dependent variable?
C. What is the independent variable?
D. What is the optimum (best) temperature for clam development?

Graphing Practice Problem #3: The thickness of the annual rings indicate what type of environmental situation was occurring at the time of its development. A thin ring, usually indicates a rough period of development. Lack of water, forest fires, or a major insect infestation. On the other hand, a thick ring indicates just the opposite.

Age of the tree in years	Average thickness of the annual rings in cm. Forest A	Average thickness of the annual rings in cm. Forest B
10	2.0	2.2
20	2.2	2.5
30	3.5	3.6
35	3.0	3.8

50	4.5	4.0
60	4.3	4.5

A. Make a line graph of the data.
B. What is the dependent variable?
C. What is the independent variable?
D. What was the average thickness of the annual rings of 40 year old trees in Forest A?
E. Based on this data, what can you conclude about Forest A and Forest B?

Graphing Practice Problem #4:

pH of water	Number of tadpoles
8.0	45
7.5	69
7.0	78
6.5	88
6.0	43
5.5	23

A. Make a line graph of the data.
B. What is the dependent variable?
C. What is the independent variable?
D. What is the average pH in this experiment?
E. What is the average number of tadpoles per sample?
F. What is the optimum water pH for tadpole development?
G. Between what two pH readings is there the greatest change in tadpole number?
H. How many tadpoles would we expect to find in water with a pH reading of 5.0?