

• **Advanced Sentence Completion 11**

Directions: Choose the best word(s) to complete each sentence.

1) Despite their _____ appearance, the travelers turned out to be surprisingly _____.

A) simple...genial
B) exhausted...enthusiastic
C) worn...original
D) warm...caustic
E) sweet...callous

2) Surprised by a will which had been previously regarded with neglect, and in extreme cases burlesque, the first wave of rebellion elicited _____ from the French elitists; while on the other hand the second was largely _____.

A) franticness...ridiculed
B) indifference...acknowledged
C) shock...ignored
D) hysteria...unnoticed
E) panic...overlooked

3) Sociologists report a(n) _____ traditional modes of child upbringing; children of the 21st century devote far less time to face-to-face interaction and extracurricular activities.

A) departure from
B) adherence to
C) understanding of
D) suspension of
E) partnership with

4) Marcel Duchamp's _____ "Fountain" first exhibited in 1917, was not only a audacious display of courage, but also a _____ piece which symbolized the progression of art into the modern world.

A) iconic...simplistic
B) daring...groundbreaking
C) interesting...banal
D) exciting...contemporary
E) renowned...attractive

5) Although having been offered several _____, his testimony was _____, and did not show any sign of prejudice.

A) bribes...impartial
B) blandishments...biased
C) ideas...fair
D) propositions...determined
E) chances...reasonable

6) Motivation, no matter how ostensibly well-founded, involves an aspect of _____, and the desire to get ahead.

A) passion
B) inspiration
C) truth
D) altruism
E) selfishness

7) In order to dissociate soldiers from the _____ operations he or she must carry out, the Military has infused their language with countless innocuous _____, such as "Target acquired," "Threat eliminated," and "Mission accomplished."

A) disastrous...sayings
B) mindless...postulates
C) violent...euphemisms
D) brutal...slogans
E) harmful...mottos

8) The coach lacked coordination and solid communication skills; likewise, his team was altogether _____.

A) undisciplined
B) independent
C) cohesive
D) disjointed
E) incapable

9) Despite his aptitude, experience, and wide range of skills, the corporation _____ his application for CEO.

A) deferred
B) rejected
C) discarded
D) abandoned
E) compromised

10) Unless the Corporation _____ a lucrative product in the next quarter, their revenues will continue to _____, and they may be forced to file bankruptcy.

A) invents...decline
B) discovers...decrease
C) purchases...swell
D) manages...dip
E) releases...suffer

11) If not for the _____ play and quick thinking of his teammates, the game would have been a _____.

A) consumer
B) seller
C) private
D) vendor
E) retailer

12) "The Ballerina," _____ for its high level of _____ and craftsmanship, is the sculpture for which Degas is most well known.

A) marked...patience
B) renowned...artistry
C) recognized...complexity
D) criticized...effort
E) celebrated...cunning