

• Advanced Sentence Completion 14

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

- 1) The fleet of planes was only example of the company's many \_\_\_\_\_; they also owned valuable equipment, other vehicles, and land.
- A) finances  
B) shareholders  
C) interests  
D) debts  
E) assets
- 2) Though electric refrigerators have become \_\_\_\_\_ during recent years, in many places foods are still preserved using \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) commonplace...machines  
B) prevalent...electronics  
C) feasible...ice  
D) prominent...freezers  
E) ubiquitous...cellars
- 3) Mary is an independent and innovative thinker, therefore it is best to grant her a good deal of \_\_\_\_\_ with regard to the direction of her research.
- A) preoccupation  
B) leverage  
C) interest  
D) autonomy  
E) assistance
- 4) The \_\_\_\_\_ of meat in your refrigerator doesn't necessarily indicate that you are \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) presence...herbivorous  
B) absence...vegetarian  
C) amount...omnivorous  
D) color...carnivorous  
E) flavor...ravenous
- 5) Due to the \_\_\_\_\_ of new media technology, many people predict newspapers will soon be \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) rise...obsolete  
B) increase...ubiquitous  
C) prevalence...commonplace  
D) death...anachronistic  
E) incline...widespread
- 6) Towards the end of the first semester of junior year, Sarah was \_\_\_\_\_ with work ; she had to write two papers, take five exams, and give an oral presentation.
- A) satisfied  
B) inundated  
C) assailed  
D) aggrandized  
E) unnerved

- 7) Michelle detested John's \_\_\_\_\_ nature; he constantly boasted \_\_\_\_\_ claims that left no one fooled.
- A) ostentatious...pompous  
B) excitable...various  
C) bombastic...specious  
D) laughable...audacious  
E) ebullient...predictable
- 8) A good example of \_\_\_\_\_ beneficial symbiosis is the clownfish and the sea anemone; the clownfish receives protection from its enemies and in exchange feeds the anemone by gathering nutrients and leaving nutritional waste on its tentacles.
- A) dually  
B) collectively  
C) unilaterally  
D) mutually  
E) cooperatively
- 9) In cool murky environments, the absence of \_\_\_\_\_ precludes algae from performing photosynthesis, rendering it unable to produce energy.
- A) prey  
B) light  
C) oxygen  
D) food  
E) air
- 10) Greta felt \_\_\_\_\_; she couldn't decide between watching her favorite movie and taking a long walk.
- A) conflicted  
B) transient  
C) vulnerable  
D) decisive  
E) humbled
- 11) Although it was not uncommon for members of the upper class to dine with \_\_\_\_\_, they usually \_\_\_\_\_ doing so in the presence of other nobles.
- A) serfs...refrained from  
B) peasants...engaged in  
C) lords...took part in  
D) nobles...abstained from  
E) commoners...neglected
- 12) Despite their \_\_\_\_\_ reputation as pedants and charlatans, the sophists were also known to be the first group to \_\_\_\_\_ critical thinking among the masses.
- A) trendy...popularize  
B) ignoble...engender  
C) lowly...create  
D) dubious...spread  
E) abject...promulgate