

• Advanced Sentence Completion 4

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

1) Onlookers shuddered at the particularly \_\_\_\_\_ nature of the transgression; it was evident that something must be done to \_\_\_\_\_ such incidents from ever happening again.

- A) monstrous...preclude
- B) temperamental...halt
- C) homicidal...precipitate
- D) atrophied...extenuate
- E) typical...prevent

2) Rather than give in to the fact that her son had no gift for tennis, she entertained the notion that his talent was simply \_\_\_\_\_ in its exposition.

- A) manifest
- B) reclusive
- C) suppressed
- D) timid
- E) latent

3) The \_\_\_\_\_ judge would not be swayed by emotion nor predilection; he attended to nothing more than the facts as they were presented.

- A) lethargic
- B) insouciant
- C) disinterested
- D) partial
- E) scholarly

4) Although the sunset was splendid that evening, Akira knew that its beauty was \_\_\_\_\_, and that all good things must come to an end.

- A) ephemeral
- B) tenuous
- C) fragile
- D) transitory
- E) brittle

5) She considered the title of the book rather contradictory by nature: "A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ History of the World."

- A) Protracted
- B) Involved
- C) Unabridged
- D) Comprehensive
- E) Compendious

6) It is not uncommon to envision the domicile of a clergyman as \_\_\_\_\_, but upon visiting the residence of her priest, Martha was not expecting to find such \_\_\_\_\_ accommodations.

- A) austere...florid
- B) elaborate...baroque
- C) unadorned...caustic
- D) rustic...plain
- E) modern...contemporary

7) Mr. Thompson's avaricious reputation belies his newfound penchant for philanthropy and \_\_\_\_\_ donation.

- A) derisive
- B) insouciant
- C) altruistic
- D) venerable
- A) wealthy

8) He could not even be persuaded to break from his normal routine on Christmas day; it is difficult to imagine a more \_\_\_\_\_ personality.

- A) dilettantish
- B) passionate
- C) perturbed
- D) flaky
- E) obstinate

9) While it is true that hard times occasionally enhance the moral integrity of certain individuals within a population, this was \_\_\_\_\_ the case; the \_\_\_\_\_ band of fugitives looted every town they came to, and eradicated anyone that dared inhibit their progress, irrespective of reason or plea.

- A) clearly not...depraved
- B) arguably not...vituperative
- C) obviously...munificent
- D) potentially...rebellious
- E) possibly...hellish

10) Rather than \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ rations, the army platoon donated them to charity.

- A) abandon...delicious
- B) consume...spoiled
- C) discard...superfluous
- D) uncover...hidden
- E) plunder...extra

11) The \_\_\_\_\_ prisoner did not comply with a single one of the general's orders; he refused to succumb to the \_\_\_\_\_ that is an integral aspect of incarceration.

- A) peevish...lifestyle
- B) acquiescent...oppression
- C) hateful...submission
- D) obdurate...subordination
- E) furious...patriotism

12) The unusually \_\_\_\_\_ child would rather spend her time contemplating moral philosophy than chasing other children on the playground.

- A) precocious
- B) restive
- C) oblivious
- D) studious
- E) aggressive