

• Advanced Sentence Completion 8

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

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| <p>1) While some assert that America's marked _____ to the Metric System is based on an inherent dislike of decimals, others argue that it stems from _____, and a general affinity for American tradition.</p> <p>A) devotion...abhorrence
 B) loyalty...reliability
 C) aversion...patriotism
 D) attraction...nationalism
 E) repulsion...betrayal</p> | <p>7) Based on his _____ of biblical textual evidence, Yohanan Ahroni was able to _____ the site of Ramat Rachel - an important Iron Age ruin between Jerusalem and Bethlehem which was first excavated in 1954.</p> <p>A) discovery...outline
 B) history...distinguish
 C) study...remember
 D) reading...detect
 E) interpretation...identify</p> |
| <p>2) Unless a precedent has already been set in a previous trial, the outcome of a novel case may be _____, and serve as a _____ in subsequent situations.</p> <p>A) precedential...guide
 B) useful...right
 C) favorable...compass
 D) beneficial...obstacle
 E) partial...model</p> | <p>8) While Queen Elizabeth I knew that Spain could _____ England because of England's poor economy and social _____, King Phillip refrained from doing so for religious reasons.</p> <p>A) defeat...prosperity
 B) crush...instability
 C) obliterate...strength
 D) support...injustice
 E) conquer...hierarchy</p> |
| <p>3) Many regarded his work as _____; consequently he was _____ by the church.</p> <p>A) influential...accepted
 B) simple...excommunicated
 C) immoral...acclaimed
 D) heretical...outcast
 E) unorthodox...lauded</p> | <p>9) Davis has vowed to refrain from assailing his opponent with _____ language and diatribe when arguing his position, however it appears he has _____ his promise from the harrowed expression on the face of his interlocutor.</p> <p>A) shrewd...upheld
 B) caustic...broken
 C) harsh...kept
 D) soothing...honored
 E) vituperative...maintained</p> |
| <p>4) Due to the prevalence of _____ content on the internet, such as viruses and malignant spyware, a(n) _____ number of computers are being equipped with firewalls and anti-virus software.</p> <p>A) deleterious...increasing
 B) harmful...decreasing
 C) shameful...rising
 D) humorous...growing
 E) sophisticated...slowing</p> | <p>10) The popular _____, "Practice makes perfect," is a mere _____, for I have practiced playing the violin for years and have yet to master a single piece.</p> <p>A) axiom...platitude
 B) saying...novelty
 C) statement...aphorism
 D) sentence...phrase
 E) utterance...maxim</p> |
| <p>5) Rather than compromise his reputation for _____, the bishop revealed the deceitful nature of his plan, and retired from his position at the church prematurely.</p> <p>A) probity
 B) wisdom
 C) justice
 D) fidelity
 E) devotion</p> | <p>11) Although Maria usually dons _____ garments, she was feeling inspired and decided to wear an _____ outfit to the art opening.</p> <p>A) cheap...expensive
 B) frilly...elaborate
 C) lousy...great
 D) decorative...ugly
 E) plain...extraordinary</p> |
| <p>6) Regardless of the carrying capacity of a given ecosystem, a(n) _____ of predators will almost always result in mass migration.</p> <p>A) reduction
 B) paucity
 C) upturn
 D) overabundance
 E) contraction</p> | <p>12) Although the region was thoroughly _____ in 1901, the alleged wonders were never _____.</p> <p>A) searched...abandoned
 B) explored...misplaced
 C) studied...located
 D) constructed...built
 E) excavated...unearthed</p> |