

• Intermediate Sentence Completion 8

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

1) The chips in the package smelled rancid; I _____ decided to _____ them.

- A) wisely...eat
- B) quickly...forego
- C) soon...consume
- D) foolishly...discard
- E) warily...finish

2) Two dolphins played catch with a rubber ball. My sister and I watched with _____.

- A) amazement
- B) alacrity
- C) mastery
- D) trepidation
- E) remorse

3) The _____ stood at the podium and spoke about galactic star formations; all the students were silent.

- A) investigator
- B) astronomer
- C) instructor
- D) surveyor
- E) agronomist

4) The room fell silent as the ambassador entered. She had everyone's attention as well as their _____.

- A) brevity
- B) humility
- C) fear
- D) respect
- E) care

5) Though electric refrigeration has become _____ during recent years, in many places foods are still preserved using _____.

- A) commonplace...wells
- B) tangible...clay pots
- C) feasible...tree sap
- D) prominent...freezers
- E) prevalent...cellars

6) All of the school faculty were required to attend the teachers' _____.

- A) picnic
- B) wedding
- C) meeting
- D) classes
- E) lounge

7) The hang glider soared through the clouds and up among the mountainous peaks, while below in the _____ people looked up in wonder.

- A) basement
- B) valley
- C) depths
- D) lagoons
- A) coastline

8) The red team's _____ was agile and accurate. _____ on the blue team could not keep them from scoring.

- A) mascot...Players
- B) goalie...Offenders
- C) defense...Guards
- D) offense...Defenders
- E) uniform...Coaches

9) There was a _____ in their barracks, but the _____ soldiers didn't know.

- A) buffoon...laughing
- B) traitor...loyal
- C) killer...dying
- D) general...obedient
- E) shower...watchful

10) Stanley ate well, exercised, and had very few bad habits. Chewing his fingernails was his only _____.

- A) reward
- B) vice
- C) pastime
- D) avocation
- E) foray

11) 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) investment
- C) interest
- D) autonomy
- E) assistance

12) The lost earrings were valuable, and _____ was given to the woman who returned them.

- A) a congratulations
- B) a settlement
- C) a reward
- D) a duty
- E) an investment