

Direction: Select the best answer to each of the following questions.

1.) Despite the ____ of the materials which with Ulysses worked, many of her glass masterpieces have survived for more than seventy years.

- a.) beauty
- b.) fragility
- c.) abundance
- d.) majesty

2.) Her neighbors found her ____ manner bossy and irritating, and they stopped inviting her to gatherings.

- a.) insentient
- b.) magisterial
- c.) reparatory
- d.) restorative

3.) No summary of the behavior of animals toward reflected images is given, but not much else that is ____ seems missing from this comprehensive yet compact study of mirrors and mankind.

- a.) redundant
- b.) contemplative
- c.) relevant
- d.) disputable

4.) The dress Janna wore ____ with small, glassy beads, creating a shimmering effect.

- a.) titillated
- b.) reiterated
- c.) scintillated
- d.) enthralled

5.) Pain is the body's early warning system; loss of ____ in the extremities leaves a person ____ injuring himself unwillingly.

- a.) agony... incapable of
- b.) sensation... vulnerable to
- c.) consciousness... desirous of
- d.) feeling... habituated to

6.) If you will not do your work of your own ____, I have no choice but to penalize you if it is not done on time.

- a.) volition
- b.) predilection
- c.) coercion
- d.) infusion

7.) Much of the clown's success may be attributed to the contrast between the ____ manner he adopts and the general ____ that characterizes the circus.

- a.) lugubrious... hilarity
- b.) giddy... sobriety
- c.) gaudy... clamor
- d.) joyful... hysteria

8.) Sarah soon discovered the source of the ____ smell in the room: a week-old tuna sandwich that one of the children had hidden in the closet.

- a.) laconic
- b.) fetid
- c.) quaint
- d.) fastidious

9.) Fortunately, she was ____ her accomplishments, properly unwilling to ____ them before her friends.

- a.) excited by ... parade
- b.) immodest about... discuss
- c.) deprecatory about... flaunt
- d.) uncertain of... concede
- e.) unaware of... conceal

10.) After making ____ remarks to the President, the reporter was not invited to return to the pressroom.

- a.) itinerant
- b.) chivalrous
- c.) hospitable
- d.) irreverent

Answers:

- 1.) b.) fragility

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- 2.) b.) magisterial
- 3.) c.) relevant
- 4.) c.) scintillated
- 5.) b.) sensation... vulnerable to
- 6.) a.) volition
- 7.) a.) lugubrious... hilarity
- 8.) b.) fetid
- 9.) c.) deprecatory about... flaunt
- 10.) d.) irreverent