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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 1) | Because King Philip's desire to make Spain the dominant power in sixteenth-century Europe ran counter to Queen Elizabeth's insistence on autonomy for England, ------- was -------. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | reconciliation . . assured | | b) | warfare . . avoidable | | c) | ruination . . impossible | | d) | conflict . . inevitable | | e) | diplomacy . . simple |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 2) | There is no doubt that Larry is a genuine ------- : he excels at telling stories that fascinate his listeners. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | braggart | | b) | dilettante | | c) | pilferer | | d) | prevaricator | | e) | raconteur |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 3) | A discerning publishing agent can ------- promising material from a mass of submissions, separating the good from the bad. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | supplant | | b) | dramatize | | c) | finagle | | d) | winnow | | e) | overhaul |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 5) | The novel's protagonist, a pearl diver, naïvely expects that the buyers will compete among themselves to pay him the best price for his pearl, but instead they ------- to ------- him. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | venture . . reward | | b) | pretend . . praise | | c) | conspire . . reimburse | | d) | refuse . . cheat | | e) | collude . . swindle |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 7) | Ramona had never visited Niagara Falls, but she could appreciate their splendor ------- through the descriptions of others. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | vicariously | | b) | heedlessly | | c) | innocuously | | d) | mystically | | e) | voluminously |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 8) | *Scenes from the everyday lives of African Americans, which are realistically depicted in the paintings of Henry Ossawa Tanner.* | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | Scenes from the everyday lives of African Americans, which are realistically depicted in the paintings of Henry Ossawa Tanner. | | b) | Scenes from the everyday lives of African Americans being realistically depicted in the paintings of Henry Ossawa Tanner. | | c) | The paintings of Henry Ossawa Tanner realistically depict scenes from the everyday lives of African Americans. | | d) | Henry Ossawa Tanner, in his realistic paintings, depicting scenes from the everyday lives of African Americans. | | e) | Henry Ossawa Tanner, whose paintings realistically depict scenes from the everyday lives of African Americans. |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 9) | *Looking up* from the base of the mountain, the trail seemed more treacherous than it really was. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | Looking up | | b) | While looking up | | c) | By looking up | | d) | Viewing | | e) | Viewed |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 10) | One of the most common types of mistakes that inexperienced physicians make is misreading *symptoms, another that occurs* about as frequently is recommending inappropriate treatment. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | symptoms, another that occurs | | b) | symptoms; another one that occurs | | c) | symptoms, the other, and it occurs | | d) | symptoms; another one which is occurring | | e) | symptoms and also occurring |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 11) | *Underestimating its value, breakfast is a meal many people skip.* | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | Underestimating its value, breakfast is a meal many people skip. | | b) | Breakfast is skipped by many people because of their underestimating its value. | | c) | Many people, underestimating the value of breakfast, and skipping it. | | d) | Many people skip breakfast because they underestimate its value. | | e) | A meal skipped by many people underestimating its value is breakfast. |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 12) | Certain shipwrecks have a particular fascination for those people *which have a belief in finding the treasure in them.* | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | which have a belief in finding the treasure in them | | b) | that belief there is treasure to be found in them | | c) | who believe they hold treasure and that they can find it | | d) | who believe that there is treasure to be found in them | | e) | who believe about treasure to be found in them |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 13) | The revolt against Victorianism was perhaps even more marked in poetry than *either fiction or drama.* | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | either fiction or drama | | b) | either fiction or in drama | | c) | either in fiction or drama | | d) | in either fiction or drama | | e) | in either fiction or in drama |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 14) | Many of the instruments used in early operations of the United States Army Signal *Corps were adaptations of equipment used by the Plains Indians, particularly that of the heliograph.* | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | Corps were adaptations of equipment used by the Plains Indians, particularly that of the heliograph | | b) | Corps, there were adaptations of equipment used by the Plains Indians, particularly the heliograph | | c) | Corps, and in particular the heliograph, was an adaptation of equipment used by the Plains Indians | | d) | Corps, and in particular the heliograph, were adaptations of equipment used by the Plains Indians | | e) | Corps being adaptations, the heliograph in particular, of those used by Plains |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 15) | IndiansThe problem of antibiotic *resistance, frequently compounded in certain countries because* the sale and use of antibiotics are not tightly controlled. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | resistance, frequently compounded in certain countries because | | b) | resistance, frequently compounded in certain countries and | | c) | resistance, frequently compounded in certain countries when | | d) | resistance is frequently compounded in certain countries where | | e) | resistance is frequently compounded in certain countries and |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 16) | One of the important humanitarian by-products of technology is the greater dignity and value that it imparts to human labour. In a highly industrialized society, there is no essential difference between Brahmin and Dalit, Muslim and Hindu; they are equally useful and hence equally valuable for in the industrial society individual productivity fixes the size of the pay cheque and this fixes social status.  The passage best supports the statement that: | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | technology decides individual's social status. | | b) | castes and religions are man-made. | | c) | human labour has dignity and value. | | d) | all individuals, irrespective of caste and creed, are born equal. |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 17) | Throughout the ages the businessman has helped build civilisation's great cities, provided people with luxuries and artists with patronage, and lift his fellow citizens to understand the standard of living. In the last few centuries the businessman has seeded the Industrial Revolution around the world.  The passage best supports the statement that the businessman \_\_\_\_\_ | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | lives luxurious and comfortable life. | | b) | is the beneficiary of the Industrial Revolution. | | c) | is capable of raising his standard of living. | | d) | has contributed to the growth of civilisation. |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 18) | The school has always been the most important means of transferring the wealth of tradition form one generation to the next. This applies today in an even higher degree than in former times for, through the modern development of economy, the family as bearer of tradition and education has become weakened.  This passage best supports the statement that for transferring the wealth of tradition from one generation to the next \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | there are means other than the school. | | b) | several different sources must be tried. | | c) | economic development plays a crucial role | | d) | modern technology must be put to use. |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 19) | Wine Company Representative: The corks of red wine bottles pose a threat to the environment because they are treated with chemicals that are especially toxic in landfills. However, the new cork that our company developed, which will be adopted by the entire red wine industry, represents a solution. Since the new cork is natural and not treated with chemicals, when the industry completes its transition to the new cork, there will no longer be any threat to landfills from red wine corks.  Which of the following, if true, most weakens the argument above? | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | The industry's transition to the new red wine corks will take years, allowing thousands of old corks to pollute landfills. | | b) | Even after the industry's transition to new corks, a large number of wine bottles with old corks will continue to be consumed. | | c) | The new corks take considerably longer to produce. | | d) | Production of the new cork emits more toxic fumes than were emitted in the production of the old cork. | | e) | The new corks are more expensive than the old corks. |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 21) | A child with great talent | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | Posthumous | | b) | Prodigy | | c) | Bastard | | d) | Progenitor |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 23) | Google's operating system for mobile platform | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | iOS | | b) | Windows 8 | | c) | MAC | | d) | Android |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 24) | Chomp Down | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | To play | | b) | To sleep. | | c) | To eat. | | d) | To drink |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 25) | Nest Egg | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | A mistake made in something you are trying to achieve. | | b) | Savings set aside for future use. | | c) | Do not put all your resources in one possibility | | d) | Don't rely on it until your sure of it. |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 26) | Queer the pitch | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | To force an issue that has already ended. | | b) | Destroy or ruin a plan | | c) | Do whatever it takes to help | | d) | To remain joyful in a tough situation |   . | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | 30) | She is, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a doubt, the best student in the class. | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | a) | Without | | b) | outside | | c) | outside |   . | |