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## 第一部分：六选二

### SECTION 1

#### SC0009

In a book that inclines to \_\_\_\_\_, an epilogue arguing that ballet is dead arrives simply as one more overstatement.

- A. pessimism
- B. misinterpretation
- C. imprecision
- D. vagueness
- E. exaggeration
- F. hyperbole

#### SC0020

The professor's habitual air of \_\_\_\_\_ was misleading front, concealing amazing reserves of patience and a deep commitment to his students' learning.

- A. cordiality
- B. irascibility
- C. disorganization
- D. conviviality
- E. diffidence
- F. exasperation

#### SC0028

The laboratory maze has grown ever less \_\_\_\_\_ since it was first invented. Instead of hoping to lose a rodent in a labyrinth, today's scientists design mazes to elicit a few simple, easily measured behaviors.

- A. intricate
- B. extensive
- C. effective
- D. convoluted
- E. useful
- F. prevalent

#### SC0029

In mathematics, judgments about the validity of proofs are mediated by peer-reviewed journals; to ensure \_\_\_\_\_, reviewers are carefully chosen by journal editors, and the identity of scholars whose papers are under consideration are kept secret.

- A. timelessness
- B. originality

- C. fairness
- D. comprehensiveness
- E. objectivity
- F. novelty

**SC0037**

Harper Lee's narration in *To Kill a Mockingbird* is\_\_\_\_\_, mixing an adult's and a child's perspective according to no logic other than the immediate exigencies of the plot.

- A. a paradigm
- B. a hodgepodge
- C. a model
- D. an innovation
- E. a patchwork
- F. an embarrassment

**SC0040**

Edited collections of scholarly essays generally tend to be somewhat uneven: they suffer from the\_\_\_\_\_subject matter of the various essays, the lack of an overarching and consistent thesis, and the variable quantity of the contributions.

- A. intriguing
- B. heterogeneous
- C. comprehensive
- D. disparate
- E. mediocre
- F. engaging

**SC0049**

Although one can adduce myriad of examples of ecosystem disruption by nonindigenous species, nevertheless most introduced species that survive in fact appear to have quite\_\_\_\_\_effects on the ecosystem they have invaded.

- A. minimal
- B. trifling
- C. marked
- D. conspicuous
- E. intriguing
- F. deleterious

**SC0050**

Although field studies have linked inbreeding to declines among song sparrow populations, some researchers argue that, in nature, inbreeding proves\_\_\_\_\_as a factor when compared with crushing blows from weather changes.

- A. hazardous
- B. momentous
- C. trivial
- D. significant
- E. precarious
- F. inconsequential

**SC0058**

Coagulation factors are useful proteins whose simple names—many are known only by Roman numerals—\_\_\_\_\_ their importance and the specificity of their roles in the thinning and clotting of blood.

- A. nullify
- B. obviate
- C. mitigate
- D. belie
- E. mask
- F. accentuate

**SC0067**

In Ramachandran's opinion, it is perfectly acceptable to propose bold speculations about the brain, even if these speculations seem \_\_\_\_\_; as Ramachandran frequently remarks, science thrives on risky conjecture.

- A. unfounded
- B. premature
- C. controversial
- D. verifiable
- E. testable
- F. baseless

## **SECTION 2**

**SC0069**

Any notion of justice in the fortunes of artists is \_\_\_\_\_: works of equal value and quality produce quite different returns or no returns at all.

- A. baseless
- B. cliché
- C. untenable
- D. insulting
- E. condescending
- F. idealistic

**SC0077**



Although legislators on both sides of issues have repeatedly\_\_\_\_\_a desire to find a middle ground, until now no acceptable compromise has been achieved.

- A. discussed
- B. proclaimed
- C. professed
- D. rejected
- E. disowned
- F. betrayed

**SC0080**

Scientists should hope the faults in their theories will be\_\_\_\_\_their peers since the refutation of one hypothesis can free its originator to develop a better one.

- A. discerned by
- B. disregarded by
- C. discovered by
- D. ignored by
- E. opaque to
- F. inspiring to

**SC0088**

The life of a secret agent is dangerous enough, but the life of a double agent is infinitely more\_\_\_\_\_: a single slip can send an agent crashing to destruction.

- A. arduous
- B. precarious
- C. clandestine
- D. perilous
- E. covert
- F. exhilarating

**SC0097**

In establishing that the dust she had observed constitutes two percent of the mass in the quadrant, the astronomer showed that the dust's extreme visual prominence\_\_\_\_\_its relatively minor contribution to the total mass of the region.

- A. belies
- B. masks
- C. highlights
- D. nullifies
- E. disproves
- F. accentuates

**SC0098**

Writing about advances in climate science is often problematic, in part because the material is so \_\_\_\_: climate science is the study of shifting, interrelated, and sometimes paradoxical patterns.

- A. disheartening
- B. pedestrian
- C. complicated
- D. depressing
- E. knotty
- F. mundane

**SC0107**

Changes made to ecosystem in order to achieve a goal, such as food production or flood control, often \_\_\_\_ significant unforeseen trade-offs between other important products and service the ecosystems provide.

- A. predict
- B. delay
- C. foretell
- D. obscure
- E. yield
- F. engender

**SC0108**

The union states its position polemically; its leader say they are fighting to save good jobs while \_\_\_\_ corporations replace full-time workers with part-time ones in order to cut down on both wages and benefits.

- A. precarious
- B. enterprising
- C. rapacious
- D. troubled
- E. influential
- F. avaricious

**SC0148**

Despite the \_\_\_\_ of medical information available through e-mail, the Internet, and mobile devices, not many patients are taking advantage of the potential of electronic communications for health-related needs.

- A. wealth
- B. complexity
- C. intricacy
- D. profusion
- E. resurgence

F. overload

**SC0167**

After rising continuously over the summer, commodity prices fell, leaving analyst wondering whether the downward trend is a turning point or merely a \_\_\_\_\_ before demand picks up in the winter months.

- A. spike
- B. upsurge
- C. harbinger
- D. portent
- E. lull
- F. respite

**SECTION 3**

**SC0170**

Well organized and researched and including all significant discoveries and medical scientists, this history of Western medicine has justly been called \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. encyclopedic
- B. long-winded
- C. exhaustive
- D. rambling
- E. overbearing
- F. indiscriminating

**SC0177**

Science is arguably a very high-minded pursuit, but that is not to say that all of its practitioners are \_\_\_\_\_, as numerous articles alleging overly generous pharmaceutical industry payments to medical researchers have tried to show.

- A. conventional
- B. clever
- C. unimpeachable
- D. ingenious
- E. blameless
- F. predictable

**SC0180**

Although scientific progress leads to constant revision of ideas, one observation that has remained \_\_\_\_\_ over the years is that there are a lot of insects in the world: some 950,000 species have been identified.

- A. robust
- B. significant

- C. strong
- D. perplexing
- E. confounding
- F. obscure

**SC0187**

Anne Carson's book *Nox* is, very deliberately, \_\_\_\_\_ literary object—the opposite of an e-reader, which is designed to vanish in your palm as you read on a train.

- A. an evanescent
- B. a cumbersome
- C. an immutable
- D. an unwieldy
- E. an ephemeral
- F. a flexible

**SC0188**

One of the peculiarities of humans is that we irrationally gravitate to the predictable and avoid risk, whatever the reasons for this \_\_\_\_\_, it is hardly a sound basis for dealing with complex, long-term problems.

- A. eccentricity
- B. predilection
- C. vacillation
- D. proclivity
- E. wavering
- F. cowardice

**SC0207**

The researcher noted that microbes, although \_\_\_\_\_, make up far more of the living protoplasm on Earth than all humans, animals and plants combined.

- A. invisible
- B. omnipresent
- C. diminutive
- D. ubiquitous
- E. minuscule
- F. ethereal

**SC0209**

Benjamin Franklin's reputation is so much one of appearing scientific investigation with commonsense empiricism that it is somewhat startling to realize how \_\_\_\_\_ the great experiment's mentoring truly was.

- A. reasonable
- B. speculative

- C. pragmatic
- D. conjectural
- E. careless
- F. judicious

**SC0218**

Aerial viewings of the gigantic stone horse attributed to the Native American Quechuan people fail to \_\_\_\_\_ the considerable artistry required to create the piece: the horse appears crudely constructed unless carefully examined from the ground.

- A. reveal
- B. justify
- C. manifest
- D. mitigate
- E. diminish
- F. undercut

**SC0227**

While it is always clear that the author's message is heartfelt, it is mostly buried by shortcomings of style, organization, and production, although the book does become more \_\_\_\_\_ toward the end.

- A. sincere
- B. intelligible
- C. orthodox
- D. readable
- E. frank
- F. voluble

**SC0229**

Films that critics have slumbered through rarely generate industry excitement, even though the critics' \_\_\_\_\_ reception may be less the fault of the movie than of its unfortunate time slot near a fatiguing film festival's conclusion.

- A. somnolent
- B. impartial
- C. lethargic
- D. laconic
- E. befuddled
- F. evenhanded

## SECTION 4

**SC0237**

In the absence of a surface gradient, the new laws of refraction and reflection are\_\_\_\_\_the conventional law, so they represent more of an extension than a complete revolution.

- A. inferable from
- B. entailed by
- C. antithetical to
- D. coincident with
- E. antecedent to
- F. oppositional to

**SC0238**

Flawed as it may be because it is conducted by subjective scientists, science itself has methods that help us\_\_\_\_\_our biases and talk about objective reality with some validity.

- A. bypass
- B. reduce
- C. exacerbate
- D. magnify
- E. acknowledge
- F. circumvent

**SC0249**

Although its director\_\_\_\_\_that the movie uses a documentary approach in portraying the famous sit-down strike, in practice its characters are heavily fictionalized and fall into familiar Hollywood types.

- A. asserts
- B. concedes
- C. guarantees
- D. disputes
- E. grants
- F. maintains

**SC0250**

For all the\_\_\_\_\_the new CEO has received from the press recently, her staff have a decidedly less rosy view of her.

- A. encomiums
- B. tributes
- C. evaluations
- D. critiques
- E. attention
- F. publicity

**SC0269**

There is frequently a protracted time interval between the introduction of an innovative musical composition and its public acceptance; the concert-going public often spurns the \_\_\_\_\_ in favor of the familiar for a prolonged period.

- A. comprehensive
- B. intricate
- C. novel
- D. original
- E. intelligible
- F. complex

**SC0270**

The concept of the Hellenistic period in ancient history has proved useful but also \_\_\_\_\_, with scholars disagreeing on the dates when the period began and ended.

- A. slippery
- B. elusive
- C. fruitless
- D. deceptive
- E. futile
- F. compelling

**SC0277**

Few ideas are more \_\_\_\_\_ than the notion that cultures evolve in Darwin fashion; many academics have begun writing about cultural evolution, but few treat the underlying Darwinian logic with the care it deserves.

- A. abused
- B. archaic
- C. misused
- D. outdated
- E. divisive
- F. derivative

**SC0287**

His premiership, seemingly cast-iron year ago, is now so vulnerable that even a good day at the office does no more than buy him a few weeks of \_\_\_\_\_ from rebels within his own party.

- A. controversy
- B. reproach
- C. respite
- D. relief
- E. blame
- F. deference

**SC0290**

Space is often referred to as the final frontier, as the only realm of which humankind has still to gain substantial understanding, yet the ocean is also another vast area about which our knowledge is\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. erroneous
- B. confusing
- C. frustrating
- D. rudimentary
- E. delusive
- F. sketchy

**SC0298**

Tompkinson's prior donations to the university, while very generous, failed to\_\_\_\_\_the magnitude of her latest gift.

- A. compensate for
- B. portend
- C. clarify
- D. predict
- E. offset
- F. undermine

**SECTION 5**

**SC0300**

Mortoris is dour and\_\_\_\_\_, seemingly incapable of smiling, let alone laughing.

- A. mirthful
- B. jovial
- C. intelligent
- D. tepid
- E. lugubrious
- F. gloomy

**SC0309**

Individuals, governments, and companies show ample ability to\_\_\_\_\_themselves by setting goals based on current conditions and then blindly following them even when those conditions change drastically.

- A. hamstring
- B. reinvent
- C. promote
- D. revitalize
- E. impair



F. invigorate

**SC0317**

In ways large and small, millions of people are taking active steps to\_\_\_\_\_the medical mainstream, whether by taking herbal remedies for disease or by placing their hopes for a cure in alternative treatment.

- A. augment
- B. sidestep
- C. support
- D. vilify
- E. circumvent
- F. endorse

**SC0337**

Historically, the depletion of soil's nitrogen has been one of the most\_\_\_\_\_problems faced by farmers: an essential nutrient, nitrogen is quickly leached from soil, and farmers have struggled to find ways to replenish it.

- A. capricious
- B. ubiquitous
- C. worrisome
- D. stubborn
- E. intractable
- F. unpredictable

**SC0350**

Titan, Saturn's largest moon, looks surprisingly\_\_\_\_\_, even though it is a cold, dimly lit world made from unknown materials.

- A. habitable
- B. familiar
- C. forbidding
- D. placid
- E. daunting
- F. recognizable

**SC0369**

Excessive focus on what might have been can cause in us feelings of restlessness and regret, but some scientists are beginning to think that fancying an alternative reality might have\_\_\_\_\_effects as well.

- A. subtle
- B. adverse
- C. restorative
- D. pleasurable

- E. unfavorable
- F. tonic

**SC0379**

Even if the story now seems a surprisingly innocuous overture to the author's later, more fully developed narrations, it \_\_\_\_\_ some of the key traits of those bleaker tales.

- A. avoids
- B. belies
- C. undercuts
- D. anticipates
- E. possesses
- F. prefigures

**SC0388**

Although Wynne claims to recognize that \_\_\_\_\_ evidence is available to make definitive statement, she offers them nonetheless, arriving at some sweeping generalizations.

- A. concrete
- B. finite
- C. insufficient
- D. indirect
- E. conclusive
- F. meager

**SC0419**

Some experts estimate that the recreational salmon fishery in British Columbia contributes more to the province's economy than the commercial salmon fishery does—a surprising statistic given the political commercial \_\_\_\_\_ of the fishery in the province.

- A. naïveté
- B. prominence
- C. supremacy
- D. ingenuousness
- E. salience
- F. resurgence

**SC0430**

Contrary to certain recent analyses that paint a dire portrait of soil loss from farmland, a new study of surveying data reaching back to the 1930s shows that erosion rates have been steadily \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. intensifying
- B. waning
- C. accelerating

- D. worsening
- E. declining
- F. deteriorating

## SECTION 6

### SC0439

Although the essayist's arguments did not\_\_\_\_\_her most perceptive readers, the extreme subtlety of the points she made explains why she was misinterpreted by most critics of her day.

- A. convince
- B. confound
- C. entertain
- D. persuade
- E. perplex
- F. enlighten

### SC0447

Citing the corruption and intrigue that pervaded politics in the city, my colleague\_\_\_\_\_the newspaper's trove of journalism prizes, declaring that finding great stories in the city must be effortless.

- A. slighted
- B. ignored
- C. lauded
- D. disparaged
- E. confounded
- F. commended

### SC0459

As a historical genre, biography is best when\_\_\_\_\_, a careful reconstruction of the past in all its unfamiliar particularity.

- A. introspective
- B. reflective
- C. concrete
- D. concise
- E. meticulous
- F. thorough

### SC0480

The author takes issue with the ideological blinders that have distorted much migration research, especially\_\_\_\_\_modernization theorists and others for their untested assumptions of an immobile preindustrial past.

- A. undermining
- B. citing
- C. castigating
- D. chastising
- E. endorsing
- F. commending

**SC0487**

While normal floods resulting from usual monsoon rainfall are\_\_\_\_\_ the growth of crops, recently there has been an increase in the frequency of high-intensity floods that do not have such welcome effects.

- A. conducive to
- B. hindered by
- C. devastating for
- D. deleterious for
- E. essential for
- F. indispensable to

**SC0497**

The ambassador's critical remarks seemed to be less a product of\_\_\_\_\_ and more the careless utterances of a fatigued or undisciplined individual.

- A. intensity
- B. optimism
- C. purposefulness
- D. design
- E. confidence
- F. caution

**SC0508**

Some have argued that naming scientific discoveries after the people who make them can\_\_\_\_\_ scientific progress, because the nomenclature lacks useful clarity, having no relationship to the underlying principles that govern nature.

- A. hamper
- B. abet
- C. instigate
- D. obscure
- E. nullify
- F. impede

**SC0509**

Each of the country's 26 states and most of its more than 2,000 municipalities have their own police forces,\_\_\_\_\_communication and making it difficult to establish a coordinated law- enforcement strategy.

- A. establishing
- B. impeding
- C. hampering
- D. launching
- E. obscuring
- F. preventing

**SC0510**

Although there is an incredible diversity of microbes across the body of each individual, the fact that specific body sites tend to host a few specific bacteria indicates that the body's microflora are not\_\_\_\_\_distributed.

- A. haphazardly
- B. uniformly
- C. effectively
- D. heterogeneously
- E. functionally
- F. randomly

**SC0518**

One big challenge with placebo responses is that they are\_\_\_\_\_: people given the same inert pill or potion may show wildly different reactions, and the effects can vary widely according to each person's illness.

- A. capricious
- B. illusory
- C. unpredictable
- D. chimerical
- E. marginal
- F. ephemeral

**SECTION 7**

**SC0527**

As the biography makes plain, the scientist led\_\_\_\_\_sort of life, rarely remaining in one place for long.

- A. an enigmatic
- B. an idiosyncratic
- C. an itinerant
- D. a cautious
- E. a peripatetic
- F. a circumspect

**SC0528**

There is a revelation on almost every page of this book, and the author's prose is \_\_\_\_\_ in the best possible way: blunt, sweet, off-kilter, and often quite funny.

- A. eloquent
- B. austere
- C. somber
- D. awkward
- E. solemn
- F. ungainly

**SC0529**

The potential reduction in water lost from the proposed reservoir from evaporation is \_\_\_\_\_ inconsequential: even the minimum projected reduction would save enough water to furnish the needs of a Denver-sized municipality.

- A. nearly
- B. comparatively
- C. scarcely
- D. rarely
- E. hardly
- F. relatively

**SC0558**

Because chemistry's position as one of the natural sciences has long seemed \_\_\_\_\_, historians have generally treated the foundation of chemical professorship as an inevitable component of the progression of universities.

- A. manifest
- B. impregnable
- C. relevant
- D. predictable
- E. germane
- F. self-evident

**SC0560**

For parents, the pleasure of letting children choose which book to read aloud together is not always \_\_\_\_\_: I well remembered my inner groans when my child would constantly pick my least favorite book from the shelf.

- A. intangible
- B. enduring
- C. impalpable
- D. unalloyed

- E. ephemeral
- F. unqualified

**SC0570**

Although evolutionary psychologists do not seem quite as imperialist in their intellectual ambitions as their sociobiologist forebears of the 1970s, they tend, in some critics' view, to be no less \_\_\_\_\_ in their claims.

- A. abashed
- B. arrogant
- C. impetuous
- D. hubristic
- E. narcissistic
- F. diffident

**SC0578**

The concept of increasing complexity of organisms has \_\_\_\_\_ history among evolutionary biologists, and yet many laypeople would unhesitatingly say that the pattern applies to the history of life on Earth.

- A. an illustrious
- B. a sordid
- C. a curious
- D. a contentious
- E. a distinguished
- F. a fraught

**SC0587**

Given the \_\_\_\_\_ of solid case studies of environment degradation, this new study adds very little to our knowledge of the field.

- A. erroneousness
- B. plethora
- C. surfeit
- D. inaccuracy
- E. rigor
- F. outcome

**SC0607**

Many people remember a time when cutting-edge architects, who are these days treated like celebrities, had \_\_\_\_\_ relationship with the public: for much of the 1960s, big new buildings in cities were often cause for hostility, not celebration.

- A. an antagonistic
- B. an inimical
- C. an autocratic

- D. a symbiotic
- E. an indifferent
- F. an apathetic

**SC0619**

The\_\_\_\_\_of biographies of antebellum capitalists is particularly striking in contrast with the abundance of life stories of industrialists in later eras.

- A. brevity
- B. banality
- C. utility
- D. paucity
- E. triteness
- F. dearth

**SECTION 8**

**SC0629**

Criticized for decades of overproduction in their signature line of derivative goods, Rectangle Record has satiated the market with a\_\_\_\_\_of repackaged old CDs, which interferes with its ability to innovate and produce new albums.

- A. dearth
- B. glut
- C. deficiency
- D. surfeit
- E. abundance
- F. profusion

**SC0638**

Although in the mid-1970s nuclear power seemed poised for a still greater role in energy supply, in fact the\_\_\_\_\_of its prestige had already begun.

- A. evaluation
- B. waning
- C. defense
- D. undermining
- E. ebbing
- F. vindication

**SC0647**

What they see in Jimenez is the one candidate capable of decisive leadership, in stark contrast to Diaz, whose team in office has been marred by\_\_\_\_\_.



- A. defensiveness
- B. corruption
- C. irresolution
- D. vacillation
- E. belligerence
- F. pugnacity

**SC0657**

It is not unusual for American education leaders to hold up another nation as a model for school reform: in the mid-nineteenth system century, such figures\_\_\_\_\_the professionalism and structure of the Prussian school.

- A. envied
- B. imitated
- C. hailed
- D. augmented
- E. acclaimed
- F. enhanced

**SC0667**

Despite the general\_\_\_\_\_of Roman archaeological studies toward the major cities and their monuments, archaeology has contributed much to a better understanding of rural developments in Roman territory.

- A. openness
- B. indifference
- C. hostility
- D. animus
- E. bias
- F. orientation

**SC0669**

A few decades ago the idea of animal morality would have been met with ; however, recent research suggests that animals not only act altruistically but also have the\_\_\_\_\_capacity for empathy, forgiveness, trust, and reciprocity.

- A. derision
- B. resentment
- C. dismissal
- D. conviction
- E. ridicule
- F. certainty

**SC0677**

Because archaeology explores the most profound changes in human history by means of a grossly incomplete record; it has invited the sort of bold, imaginative interpretation in which speculation too easily becomes \_\_\_\_\_ evidence.

- A. replaced by
- B. constrained by
- C. untethered from
- D. divorced from
- E. substituted for
- F. constricted by

**SC0679**

For certain economists, "pure" economic theory, that is, economic theory \_\_\_\_\_ a specific social structure, is impossible, much like a concept of anatomy that investigates no specific species.

- A. attuned to
- B. abstracted from
- C. derived from
- D. divorced from
- E. sensitive to
- F. analyzed in

**SC0690**

Despite its best efforts to stimulate sales, the bookselling business remains far from \_\_\_\_\_, for it has high fixed costs in wages and rent, and falling prices make these ever harder to spur.

- A. effective
- B. healthy
- C. innovative
- D. robust
- E. stingy
- F. parsimonious

**SC0699**

The brain has become, for many people, \_\_\_\_\_ the biological machinations of the self, and the self-knowledge promised by neuroscience has ignited a hunger to understand how new findings weigh in on age-old questions.

- A. tantamount to
- B. synonymous with
- C. implicated in
- D. divorced from
- E. detached from
- F. subservient to

## SECTION 9

### SC0708

Today the chair of task force in charge of revising the psychiatric diagnostic manual is \_\_\_\_\_ post—people work for years to position themselves as candidates—but in the early 1970s, descriptive psychiatry was a backwater.

- A. a coveted
- B. an arduous
- C. a taxing
- D. a lucrative
- E. an enviable
- F. an influential

### SC0709

The astronomer admits that his interpretation of so-called Population III stars is \_\_\_\_\_ at present since no one has yet done any real calculations to see if it holds up under closer scrutiny.

- A. spurious
- B. speculative
- C. predictive
- D. conjectural
- E. fabricated
- F. implausible

### SC0739

For decades, Pluto seemed to be the mysteriously \_\_\_\_\_ planet: it was first thought to be about as large as Earth, but, subsequently, measurements had it smaller and smaller.

- A. morphing
- B. appearing
- C. dwindling
- D. orbiting
- E. contracting
- F. emerging

### SC0759

They applaud the musicals of the 1930s and 1940s, whose plethora of stars, jokes, dances witty dialogue, and general gaiety make today's offering seem \_\_\_\_\_ by comparison.

- A. cheerless
- B. vacuous
- C. mirthful
- D. insincere

- E. gloomy
- F. jovial

**SC0768**

Flash floods are common in desert regions and were widespread before the evolution of trees and woodland soils; in contrast, flash floods are \_\_\_\_\_ in woodlands, where floodwaters, impeded by trees, form ponds.

- A. overshadowed
- B. redirected
- C. obscured
- D. precluded
- E. mitigated
- F. abated

**SC0778**

The book captures the \_\_\_\_\_ of several politicians who spoke publicly of old-time virtues in order to mask private vices.

- A. probity
- B. dissemblance
- C. opportunism
- D. rectitude
- E. ingenuousness
- F. duplicity

**SC0779**

Baker was struck by the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ she saw at the renowned medical facility; for all their experience, the physicians could not seem to agree on the correct diagnosis for any given patient.

- A. discordance
- B. contention
- C. quackery
- D. nepotism
- E. indecision
- F. cronyism

**SC0787**

Church, Nussbaum, Waldman, and Wills have written very different books—Nussbaum and Wills range both farther and deeper—but each one of the four strives for \_\_\_\_\_, wanting to save us from the errors of partisans and zealots.

- A. concision
- B. evenhandedness
- C. frankness

- D. trustworthiness
- E. succinctness
- F. impartiality

**SC0788**

Given that the department director was such a feeble contributor, sitting silently at important policy meetings and usually deferring to low-level aides, it was surprising that he had such a reputation for\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. magnanimity
- B. perspicacity
- C. impartiality
- D. detachment
- E. benevolence
- F. discernment

**SC0799**

Although the claim that no one knows what dark matter is remains\_\_\_\_\_, some scientists dispute the parallel assertion that dark matter has not been detected.

- A. contentious
- B. sound
- C. questionable
- D. unassailable
- E. unverifiable
- F. prominent

## **SECTION 10**

**SC0807**

In its few decades of existence, the field of technology assessment has undergone large changes: its original high ambitions to predict consequences of technology have been\_\_\_\_\_if not discarded.

- A. deferred
- B. subverted
- C. abandoned
- D. relinquished
- E. tempered
- F. modulated

**SC0829**

Three of the nation's largest airlines could be operating under bankruptcy protection in coming weeks, analysts say, the latest sign of the industry's\_\_\_\_\_as it lurches through a historic transformation.

- A. upheaval

- B. exorbitance
- C. affluence
- D. peril
- E. convulsion
- F. opulence

**SC0858**

As a way of \_\_\_\_\_ the negative impacts of overdependence on a single export product—crude oil, the Nigerian government passed legislation in 1999 intended to revitalize the moribund solid minerals sector.

- A. assuming
- B. checking
- C. disguising
- D. stemming
- E. downplaying
- F. shouldering

**SC0878**

Sports stars are often \_\_\_\_\_ figures, regarded as representative of the city or country for which they compete.

- A. totemic
- B. iconoclastic
- C. protean
- D. idealized
- E. irreverent
- F. emblematic

**SC0898**

Recent research runs counter to the long-cherished notion that a small drop in body temperature during and after surgery is either \_\_\_\_\_ or actually protects the patient by slowing metabolism and reducing the body's demand for blood and oxygen.

- A. beneficial
- B. immaterial
- C. inconsequential
- D. preventive
- E. prophylactic
- F. redundant

**SC0900**

Laughter, like speech, is primarily a human faculty, although both functions may also exist in a more \_\_\_\_\_ form in lesser primates.

- A. indispensable

- B. crucial
- C. primitive
- D. intelligible
- E. recognizable
- F. rudimentary

**SC0918**

Even the most hard-nosed critics could hardly deny that the novelist's best books are\_\_\_\_\_: they are filled with energy, imagination, and something close to a white-hot inspiration.

- A. inventive
- B. engaging
- C. spirited
- D. compassionate
- E. vigorous
- F. warmhearted

**SC0919**

Liam Clancy described the young Bob Dylan as a sponge, eagerly absorbing the possibilities life and culture might provide, and Dylan presents himself so in his memoir \_\_\_\_\_ in his intellectual and musical curiosity.

- A. insatiable
- B. devious
- C. unique
- D. pretentious
- E. voracious
- F. cunning

**SC0939**

The sailors realized too late that winds had shifted the ice in such a way as to obstruct the ship's path; this process had been so \_\_\_\_\_ that it was completed by the time they discovered the effect.

- A. gradual
- B. negligible
- C. unpredictable
- D. time-consuming
- E. inconsequential
- F. imperceptible

**SC0960**

It is true that science, and more particularly scientists, \_\_\_\_\_ cherished paradigms with great reluctance and that when they do, scientific revolutions may result.

- A. unify

- B. share
- C. cede
- D. embrace
- E. dismantle
- F. relinquish

## SECTION 11

### SC0980

According to some political analysts, the candidate's occasionally rambling responses to questions suggest that she has been out of circulation for a while and her debating skills need to be\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. honed
- B. discredited
- C. enhanced
- D. reevaluated
- E. remedied
- F. de-emphasized

### SC0987

Until 1992, microprocessor types were identified by number, and for a long time they were considered so\_\_\_\_\_that manufacturers would share design specifications for them.

- A. fungible
- B. interchangeable
- C. perishable
- D. integral
- E. inimitable
- F. essential

### SC1020

Another challenge to biologists and land-use planners alike is that while human-induced changes to the landscape are somethings\_\_\_\_\_, they can nevertheless drastically alter the habitat for some plants and animals.

- A. indisputable
- B. inappropriate
- C. unacceptable
- D. unfathomable
- E. imperceptible
- F. indiscernible

### SC1027



While merchants and bankers in thirteen-century Europe quickly embraced the Hindu-Arabic numeral system, the governing authorities were less\_\_\_\_\_it.

- A. persuaded by
- B. guarded about
- C. captivated by
- D. open-minded about
- E. inhibited about
- F. enamored of

**SC1028**

It's true that occasional\_\_\_\_\_entries might have been edited without damaging the diary's overall impact, but the very completeness of Clara's eloquent reflections conveys a strong sense of the density of a young woman's experiences.

- A. verbose
- B. redundant
- C. long-winded
- D. curt
- E. mundane
- F. laconic

**SC1029**

Berwick, middle-aged, soft-spoken, and\_\_\_\_\_, with a keen sense of how to use this apparent ordinariness to his advantage, began with a gripping story about how a firefighter saved himself during a forest fire by using a completely improbable tactic.

- A. imperturbable
- B. implacable
- C. unimaginative
- D. unprepossessing
- E. unremarkable
- F. unruffled

**SC1040**

Jaime Javier Rodriguez notes that popular art forms often conceal a daunting complexity: frequently what appears\_\_\_\_\_becomes intricate and challenging when closely examined.

- A. tedious
- B. canned
- C. convoluted
- D. vacuous
- E. tortuous
- F. formulaic

**SC1078**

Although traditionally artists have rightly been seen as the most \_\_\_\_\_ audience for the work of their colleagues, today taste is also created by critics and curators and occasionally by collectors.

- A. arbitrary
- B. volatile
- C. perceptive
- D. impulsive
- E. subjective
- F. discerning

**SC1098**

Matsui is an extremely \_\_\_\_\_ political tactician, as she generally will withhold her support for a political faction or a policy until she is confident it will prevail.

- A. successful
- B. dogmatic
- C. shrewd
- D. flexible
- E. canny
- F. rigid

**SC1110**

As astronomers do not yet have a good understanding of the fundamental nature of dark matter, it should not be a surprise that astronomy students' ideas about dark matter are, at best, \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. superficial
- B. sketchy
- C. inconsistent
- D. mistaken
- E. outdated
- F. far-fetched

**SECTION 12**

**SC1138**

Scenes of bustling streets full of well-dressed citizens going about their business \_\_\_\_\_ the growing hardship faced by all but the richest local residents.

- A. betoken
- B. signify
- C. contradict
- D. gainsay

- E. quell
- F. forestall

**SC1140**

Upstream dam construction can be \_\_\_\_\_ aquatic fauna: the natural seasonal flow patterns to which the fauna had become adapted are altered and populations therefore fragmented.

- A. redundant for
- B. disorienting for
- C. inimical to
- D. derogatory to
- E. deleterious to
- F. superfluous for

**SC1148**

The fact that most hypotheses turn out to be wrong does not mean that hypothesizing is \_\_\_\_\_. In fact, most hypotheses include useful ideas that survive to become part of the next model or scenario.

- A. futile
- B. reckless
- C. fruitless
- D. frustrating
- E. exasperating
- F. unnecessary

**SC1167**

It is commonly said that each person's aesthetic taste is \_\_\_\_\_, yet that notion overlooks a large body of shared aesthetic preferences.

- A. unchangeable
- B. acquired
- C. distinct
- D. learned
- E. idiosyncratic
- F. inexplicable

**SC1177**

It is an ironic reversal that just those politicians who most vociferously \_\_\_\_\_ the distorting complexities of the country's tax system are now the ones embracing an agreement that worsens the mess.

- A. espoused
- B. disregarded
- C. lambasted
- D. eschewed

- E. derided
- F. ignored

**SC1187**

The use of retail coupons is commonly touted as a consumer benefit, discounting the price on an item; however, if the coupon relates to an item that the consumer neither needs nor wants, the discount is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. immaterial
- B. reduced
- C. diminished
- D. offset
- E. irrelevant
- F. unnecessary

**SC1189**

Most of the drugs used to treat celiac disease that are now in development would not eliminate the need for a gluten-free diet but would help \_\_\_\_\_ symptoms when some gluten is unintentionally ingested.

- A. diagnose
- B. extirpate
- C. allay
- D. palliate
- E. ascertain
- F. undermine

**SC1197**

Because the political situation seriously impeded international communication, French scientific research was at that time uncharacteristically \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. biased
- B. insular
- C. competitive
- D. misleading
- E. deceptive
- F. parochial

**SC1198**

Other monarchs have been accused by posterity of murder and treason without having come to be regarded with such \_\_\_\_\_, perhaps because the cases against them have never been satisfactorily proved.

- A. equivocation
- B. opprobrium
- C. trepidation
- D. infamy

- E. levity
- F. ambivalence

**SC1199**

Many macroscopic or higher-level properties on the basis of which we sort chemicals into types are not \_\_\_\_\_ the chemical structure itself but instead only manifest themselves under certain conditions or in particular contexts.

- A. inherent in
- B. intrinsic to
- C. equivalent to
- D. influenced by
- E. affected by
- F. separable from

**SECTION 13**

**SC1207**

For literary critics and book reviewers, the notion of critical authority has become \_\_\_\_\_ in an age of quick, teeming Internet response, where all the old critical standards and parameters are in the process of being reinvented.

- A. fluid
- B. transparent
- C. obvious
- D. unstable
- E. justifiable
- F. defensible

**SC1210**

There is a risk in \_\_\_\_\_ vagueness in speech: all kinds of distortions and lies can go unrecognized in the general haziness and so come off as facts.

- A. detecting
- B. sanctioning
- C. castigating
- D. countenancing
- E. discerning
- F. perpetuating

**SC1217**

French's tone was reasonable, \_\_\_\_\_ almost, but the gaze she fixed on Backhouse over her reading spectacles had something of defiance in it.

- A. distracted

- B. preoccupied
- C. deferential
- D. apprehensive
- E. respectful
- F. inquisitive

**SC1218**

The book is impressively\_\_\_\_\_, drawing from multiple disciplines and perspectives, and resting on diverse and extensive archival sources, autobiographies, published collections of letters, and works of history.

- A. learned
- B. progressive
- C. comprehensive
- D. concise
- E. succinct
- F. erudite

**SC1228**

Computerized facial-recognition systems can be\_\_\_\_\_by any number of factors, from the dirt caked on a camera lens to a hat pulled low over a subject's face.

- A. neutralized
- B. calibrated
- C. augmented
- D. ameliorated
- E. stymied
- F. confounded

**SC1247**

Although the courts have\_\_\_\_\_an extremely flexible test for determining the admissibility of expert testimony, that does not mean that all experts will be allowed to testify.

- A. underwritten
- B. administered
- C. waived
- D. renounced
- E. endorsed
- F. rescinded

**SC1259**

If aging is merely an avoidable by-product of life rather than a necessary progression, it is possible that we might eventually forestall\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. senescence

- B. dynamism
- C. decrepitude
- D. privation
- E. ennui
- F. voidness

**SC1260**

The idea that Jim was\_\_\_\_\_, that he loved fighting for the sake of fighting, was a mistake, in reality he was a kind and gentle person.

- A. truculent
- B. audacious
- C. brazen
- D. obtuse
- E. pugnacious
- F. sapiential

**SC1279**

Spiderwebs suspended on flexible supports\_\_\_\_\_even in low airflow in patterns that are erratic, enhancing the probability of insect capture over a volume of space.

- A. stretch
- B. waver
- C. contract
- D. shrink
- E. oscillate
- F. attenuate

**SC1280**

Enlightened thinkers in late-eighteenth-century Europe broadly endorsed the concept of progress, yet theories of progress were usually\_\_\_\_\_a strong streak of pessimism, a sense of the challenges inherent in the human condition.

- A. rooted in
- B. requisite for
- C. essential for
- D. contradicted by
- E. tempered by
- F. moderated by

## 第二部分：双空题

### SECTION 1

#### SC0004

Given the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the committees and the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ nature of its investigation, it would be unreasonable to gainsay the committee's conclusions at first glance.

A. sterling reputation of	D. superficial
B. lack of finding of	E. spontaneous
C. ad hoc existence of	F. exhaustive

#### SC0013

The economic recovery was somewhat lopsided: (i)\_\_\_\_\_ in some of the industrial economies while (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ in others of them.

A. unexpected	D. robust
B. feeble	E. turbulent
C. swift	F. predictable

#### SC0014

Although trains may use energy more (i)\_\_\_\_\_ than do automobiles, the latter move only when they contain at least one occupant, whereas railway carriages spend a considerable amount of time running up and down the tracks (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, or nearly so.

A. lavishly	D. vacant
B. efficiently	E. unimpeded
C. routinely	F. overlooked

#### SC0024

Many of the towns that have voted to keep incinerators in the county's solid waste plan have done so not because they necessarily (i)\_\_\_\_\_ incinerators, but because they are (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ to narrow their waste-disposal options.

A. question	D. willing
B. favor	E. eager
C. oppose	F. loath

#### SC0033



What they see in Tanaka is the one candidate capable of (i)\_\_\_\_\_ leadership, in direct contrast to Williamson, whose term in office has been marred by (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. compassionate	D. grandstanding
B. decisive	E. partisanship
C. nepotistic	F. vacillation

**SC0043**

Mr. Stevens found that home schooling, far from representing (i)\_\_\_\_\_ philosophy, (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ some of the most widely accepted education ideas: that children should be treated as individuals, taught in small numbers, and given a measure of discretion over their own learning.

A. a benign	D. overcomes
B. an orthodox	E. embodies
C. an anomalous	F. anticipates

**SC0044**

He was never (i)\_\_\_\_\_; he was nothing if not (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, so he forbore for the present to declare his passion.

A. chivalrous	D. boorish
B. impetuous	E. circumspect
C. thoughtful	F. spontaneous

**SC0055**

Scientists said that cosmology was the field where the ratio of theory to data was (i)\_\_\_\_\_ : there was an abundance of theories, but almost no data. Recently, however, that ratio has flipped. A huge and ever-increasing amount of data has (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ all theories but one.

A. completely unknown	D. eliminated
B. nearly infinite	E. supported
C. always variable	F. clarified

**SC0065**

Except for a few passages in the biography in which the subject's flaws are (i)\_\_\_\_\_, the author's treatment of her subject is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. too harshly judged	D. erudite
B. analyzed in depth	E. judicious
C. frankly acknowledged	F. acrimonious

### SC0073

Any account of experimental music in the United States that (i) \_\_\_\_\_ the predominantly African American bebop and free jazz movements is (ii) \_\_\_\_\_, since this body of music constitutes what is arguably the most influential African experimental music in the decades following the Second War War.

A. neglects	D. underappreciated
B. exaggerates	E. problematic
C. reinterprets	F. self-serving

## SECTION 2

### SC0083

The description of Green's scholarship as (i) \_\_\_\_\_ is grossly misleading: while her research on interstellar particles is not especially novel, the conclusions she draws from her data are (ii) \_\_\_\_\_.

A. esoteric	D. remarkably pioneering
B. tendentious	E. dubiously supported
C. derivative	F. strangely comforting

### SC0085

It would be (i) \_\_\_\_\_ not to (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ these tabloid journalists for thriving in hard times: they deserve credit for doing well in a profession in financial straits.

A. apropos	D. admire
B. churlish	E. envy
C. cagey	F. emulate

### SC0093

It would be imprecise to characterize her scholarship as (i) \_\_\_\_\_: though her etymological discussion is necessarily esoteric, there is nothing (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ about the conclusions she derives from it.

A. derivative	D. obscure
B. arcane	E. controversial
C. careless	F. innovative

**SC0094**

While acknowledging behaviors the Prime Minister took in order to remain in office were (i)\_\_\_\_, some politicians nevertheless believed this small amount of (ii)\_\_\_\_ was justified to keep reforming government in office.

A. unethical	D. skullduggery
B. impractical	E. indolence
C. quixotic	F. incivility

**SC0105**

At Cerro Portezuelo, the task of separating grinding tools from the larger collection of excavated stone objects was (i)\_\_\_\_ the ancient practice of recycling grinding tool fragments for building materials, hammer stones, and other purposes that (ii)\_\_\_\_ their original use.

A. complicated by	D. complemented
B. important to	E. obscured
C. independent from	F. underscored

**SC0113**

Tagore had a sharply defined sense of the (i)\_\_\_\_ of scientific inquiry. The fact that science dealt in statistics and numbers, that its logic was probabilistic, meant that the domain of moral questions (ii)\_\_\_\_ it: moral questions, for Tagore, required certainties, not probabilities.

A. irrationality	D. guarded over
B. limits	E. lay outside
C. futility	F. was subject to

**SC0115**

Although Professor Pearson's colleagues often complained that he was (i)\_\_\_\_, his friends were quick to defend him from this charge of (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. importunate	D. inconstancy
B. garrulous	E. dishonest
C. mercurial	F. partiality

### SC0133

World demand for oil had been intensified, but it slackened because China's surge in oil consumption had (i)\_\_\_\_\_. Moreover, high oil price had themselves started to act as a short-term (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ the global economy, thus further dampening demand.

A. spread	D. spur to
B. commenced	E. drag on
C. slowed	F. panacea for

### SC0143

Although movie critic Pauline Kael had a distaste for sycophancy, she also had a need for (i)\_\_\_\_\_; as a consequence of these competing feelings, she sent very (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ signals to friends and colleagues.

A. solitude	D. direct
B. obeisance	E. subtle
C. clarity	F. mixed

### SC0155

Despite the scathing precision with which she satirizes the lives of social aspirants and moneyed folk, the writer appears to (i)\_\_\_\_\_ being part of the world she presents as so (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. abhor	D. unattainable
B. relish	E. insufferable
C. evoke	F. enchanting

## SECTION 3

### SC0163

The benefits offered by information technology do not (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the need for individual reasoning; for example, Internet user should not allow the reasoning process to be (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ the mere accumulation raw data.

A. disguise	D. preceded by
B. signal	E. supplemented with
C. diminish	F. supplanted by

### SC0165

The building affairs minister rightly recognizes that the current planning system—under which the government controls every aspect of construction—creates disastrous developments, but she is wrong to propose the opposite: the wholesale (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of the building market. Such a complete (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ of responsibility on the part of the state can hardly be in the public's interest.

A. liberalization	D. abnegation
B. preservation	E. recapitulation
C. regulation	F. accretion

### SC0174

Due to the extraordinary circumstances, British business owners found themselves in a (i)\_\_\_\_\_ position during the Second World War, forced to accept regular interference from government and to acquiesce to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ role for labor unions in negotiating the terms and conditions of employment.

A. defensive	D. a traditional
B. dominant	E. an enhanced
C. customary	F. a diminished

### SC0193

Historian Barbara Alpern Engel's task in writing a book about women in Russia must have been a (i)\_\_\_\_\_ one, because the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ the Russian empire's peoples meant that Russian women could never be treated as a homogeneous group.

A. motivating	D. unity among
B. boring	E. disinterest in
C. daunting	F. diversity of

### SC0213

The author argued that the field of sociology has been overly (i)\_\_\_\_\_, partly because, for many scholars, the edges of social universe are defined by national borders. In this era of increasing globalization, however, sociology is presented with a historically distinct opportunity to transcend its former (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. narrow in scope	D. utilitarianism
B. susceptible to fads	E. parochialism
C. averse to empiricism	F. historicism

**SC0214**

The author of this travel guide (i)\_\_\_\_\_ to show his readers Cairo as it really is, but his information is not reliable: for example, his geography is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, with one walking tour covering areas of the city that are twenty miles apart.

A. designs	D. erratic
B. forbears	E. erudite
C. purports	F. extensive

**SC0233**

It would be naïve to treat remarks made in diaries or personal letters as giving especially candid access to historical truth or even as being expressions of the writer's true state of mind, since the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ for exaggeration and deception in those forms is virtually nonexistent. Diaries and letters are rarely sites for (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. motivation	D. premeditated manipulation
B. penalty	E. childish theatrics
C. tendency	F. balanced reflection

**SC0243**

Recent scholarship has questioned the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of tropical forests around the world. Archaeologists have shown, for example, that the largest contiguous tract of what was thought to be virgin rain forest in the southern Amazon had been transformed into a cultural parkland before European contact, and many of the forest islands in West Africa's savanna forest transition zone are (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ as well.

A. diversity	D. isolated
B. naturalness	E. endangered
C. sustainability	F. anthropogenic

**SC0253**

In her works, she (i)\_\_\_\_\_ confidence. She gets excessively (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ to authorities, even when rejecting their views.

A. inspires	D. pugnacious
B. exudes	E. deferential
C. lacks	F. condescending

### SC0273

Folmer's book on Edith Wharton seems far removed from recent trends in literary criticism; this need not to be a fault, except that, in its title and introduction, the book (i)\_\_\_\_\_ to be conversant with contemporary discourse in the field, but in its actual analysis of Wharton's work, it is marked by a very (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ approach.

A. designs	D. old-fashioned
B. fails	E. timely
C. purports	F. arcane

## SECTION 4

### SC0303

The genius of the scientific method is that it (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the dictum of Aristotle that the goal of science is knowledge of the ultimate cause of things. True science, we now know, advances human knowledge by (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ ultimate causes and focusing instead on the testing of empirical hypotheses.

A. qualifies	D. ignoring
B. jettisons	E. predicting
C. affirms	F. confirming

### SC0323

In aquatic environments, the herbicide atrazine is more likely to (i)\_\_\_\_\_ developing amphibians when it is highly diluted than when it is much more concentrated, a new study suggests. Although counterintuitive, the finding is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ some past research on atrazine and studies showing that other hormonally active compounds are most damaging at trace concentrations.

A. supplant	D. unanticipated given
B. kill	E. consistent with
C. circumvent	F. undiminished by

### SC0334

The mood of the times is no longer one of (i)\_\_\_\_\_ over our scientific achievements. Doubts and worries beset technical and scientific specialist, as well as the public at large. I do not consider such worries (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, though they are often based on intuitive feeling rather than on strictly logical arguments.

A. widening skepticism	D. unfounded
B. uncritical joy	E. sacrosanct
C. false humility	F. foreordained

**SC0353**

The politician's record while in office, though (i)\_\_\_\_\_, hardly accounts for her high standard three decades later—a standing all the more (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ because of continuing assaults on her reputation during those years.

A. bewildering	D. unusual
B. admirable	E. regrettable
C. unappreciated	F. persistent

**SC0354**

Although it is not uncommon for journalists to portray political inexperience on the part of public officials as an (i)\_\_\_\_\_, it was nevertheless surprising when members of the press treated the new senator's obvious (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ as an extraordinary virtue.

A. advantage	D. nonchalance
B. impediment	E. acumen
C. exception	F. naiveté

**SC0364**

So, perhaps the lesson is that rather than wanting their monarchy to (i)\_\_\_\_\_ its modernized Scandinavian counterparts, the British public cherishes it most when it is most (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. commend	D. egalitarian
B. discount	E. anachronistic
C. emulate	F. regal

**SC0384**

The contemporary trend whereby fashion designers flout mainstream tradition is unique only in its (i)\_\_\_\_\_; earlier fashion designers experience the same (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ impulse, albeit in a less extreme form.

A. subversiveness	D. indiscriminate
B. intensity	E. iconoclastic
C. culpability	F. temperate



**SC0393**

Memory-prompt technology such as online birthday reminders does more than enhance our recall abilities; it induces us to (i)\_\_\_\_\_ever more behaviors to automated processes. Witness the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_a program that allows us to create computer greeting cards for the entire year in one sitting.

A. delegate	D. controversy over
B. ascribe	E. popularity of
C. liken	F. sophistication of

**SC0403**

The reclusive clergyman may have lived and died in melancholy, but this doesn't seem to have (i)\_\_\_\_\_his genius in any way. On the contrary, we find ourselves wondering whether his genius wasn't (ii)\_\_\_\_\_in some mysterious way by his mood.

A. influenced	D. served
B. hampered	E. controlled
C. triggered	F. identified

**SC0413**

Partly because of Lee's skill at synthesizing (i)\_\_\_\_\_trends drawn from many fields of study, her theories appeared to present, with uncanny aptness, ideas already (ii)\_\_\_\_\_in the minds of her contemporaries.

A. superseded	D. discredited
B. irrelevant	E. well established
C. emergent	F. half-formulated

**SECTION 5**

**SC0443**

Argument may be an overly (i)\_\_\_\_\_word to apply to the gossamer contrivance that is *A Summer of Hummingbirds*. In what seems a self-conscious (ii)\_\_\_\_\_of its mascot the book flits from one subject or moment in history to another, following the various whims of its author.

A. archaic	D. repudiation
B. imprecise	E. emulation
C. robust	F. misrepresentation

**SC0463**

As he has matured as a scholar, Felmar has come to see the merit of qualification. His conclusions, which early in his career he (i)\_\_\_\_\_, are now often (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. stated as absolutes	D. hedged
B. refused to reveal	E. simplified
C. backed up extensively	F. reiterated

**SC0473**

The description of humans as having an internal clock is not a (i)\_\_\_\_\_. Or rather, it is—you do not have a tiny watch in your cerebellum—but it also refers to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, a specialized bundle of cells that regulates cyclical processes.

A. euphemism	D. an elusive psychological phenomenon
B. cliché	E. a standard literary trope
C. metaphor	F. a real biological feature

**SC0523**

Knowing how (i)\_\_\_\_\_ she was at work, her colleagues were surprised at her (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ throughout the dinner.

A. dependable	D. timidity
B. diffident	E. assertiveness
C. diligent	F. punctiliousness

**SC0543**

Just as different human groups have different kinds of musical traditions, different groups of whales have different dialects evident in their songs, and it is possible for one group to influence the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of another. It has been documented more than once that a group of whales will(ii)\_\_\_\_\_ its own tunes and adopt the new songs of an unfamiliar group.

A. tastes	D. create
B. diversity	E. abandon
C. organization	F. perpetuate

**SC0584**

According to Dr. Edith Widder, measuring the level of pollutants in sediment provides a more accurate and robust indication of an estuary's health than does measuring the level of chemicals in the water, since pollution in water is (i)\_\_\_\_\_, but pollution in sediment is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. declining	D. significant
B. manageable	E. persistent
C. transient	F. detectable

**SC0623**

While in their consideration of the unique way athletics and academics are combined in United States universities, Markovits and Rensmann do not (i)\_\_\_\_\_ Gumbrecht's idealizing vision of the compatibility of college athletics with the intellectual missions of institutions of higher learning, neither do they regard college athletics as (ii)\_\_\_\_\_: they believe that big-time sports have a rightful place in university life.

A. fully endorse	D. indispensable
B. intentionally recapitulate	E. venal
C. entirely misconstrue	F. profitable

**SC0633**

In the years prior to the Civil War, Philadelphia's African American press encourage readers to be vaccinated against smallpox. This journalistic campaign was initially (i)\_\_\_\_\_, appealing to readers sense of communal duty, and became even more (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ once the war started, as smallpox outbreaks began to occur on Philadelphia's outskirts.

A. hortatory	D. controversial
B. ineffective	E. urgent
C. widespread	F. inopportune

**SC0634**

A hallmark of certain nineteenth-century mystery novels was the reform agenda of their authors, who ostensibly sought to expose economic injustice while depicting the seamy underside of urban life. In reality, however, these claims to a radical political agenda were often (i)\_\_\_\_\_ meant to give lurid thrillers the appearance of (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. authentic	D. escapist appeal
B. complicated	E. high-minded purpose
C. disingenuous	F. gripping suspense

**SC0664**

Even if the merits of the proposal are (i)\_\_\_\_\_, faculty members may be reluctant to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, given their fear of offending the group that champions it.

A. unparalleled	D. demur
B. dubious	E. approve
C. obvious	F. acquiesce

## SECTION 6

### SC0674

Research note that wolves' otherwise strongly hierarchical society is marked by occasional displays of populist (i)\_\_\_\_: if a pack leader proves a too-snappish tyrant, subordinate wolves will (ii)\_\_\_\_ the top cur.

A. umbrage	D. collectively overthrow
B. expiation	E. eventually placate
C. torpor	F. quickly appraise

### SC0683

Throughout much of the twentieth century, common scientific sense seemed to dictate that animals could not make a choice based on rational or aesthetic criteria. Such choices were(i)\_\_\_\_ the mental capacity of humans. Scientists who (ii)\_\_\_\_ this animal-human cognitive division were often accused of anthropomorphism.

A. reserved for	D. accepted
B. inconsistent with	E. transgressed
C. similar to	F. exacerbated

### SC0733

The novel's heroine shows a remarkable (i)\_\_\_\_ to worship at the altar of youth; in her world, youth is (ii)\_\_\_\_, while age, by contrast, confers competence and wisdom.

A. disinclination	D. incredulous
B. desire	E. sagacious
C. tendency	F. callow

### SC0734

The humor in this play derives from its (i)\_\_\_\_. The new production, however, inexplicably goes in the opposite direction; it is so (ii)\_\_\_\_ that the audience does not even seem to realize that the play is supposed to be a comedy.

A. verbal nimbleness	D. accessible
B. political allusions	E. plodding
C. deadpan dialogue	F. implausible

**SC0735**

Recently released statistics on the prevalence of heart disease in the United States, while(i)\_\_\_\_\_, nevertheless reflect a decline from heights reached in the 1960s, before health officials began publicly (ii)\_\_\_\_\_people to guard against heart disease.

A. definitive	D. entreating
B. sobering	E. defying
C. implausible	F. absolving

**SC0763**

The virtual absence of cougars from late prehistoric faunas in the North American Great Basin (i)\_\_\_\_\_a general scarcity of carnivores from these sites: bobcats, coyotes, and badgers are routinely found, and even such historically (ii)\_\_\_\_\_carnivores as bears and wolves are found as well.

A. largely parallels	D. widespread
B. does not reflect	E. rare
C. is a consequence of	F. representative

**SC0773**

Reviews written by music critic and composer Stephenson were hardly (i)\_\_\_\_\_: musicians who performed his music could count on sympathetic coverage, while those who ignored him were held to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_standards.

A. disinterested	D. exacting
B. lucid	E. minimal
C. conventional	F. accepted

**SC0783**

Britain's Queen Victoria, however (i)\_\_\_\_\_she had been at the beginning of her reign, was politically much more (ii)\_\_\_\_\_by the end of her time on the throne, as she resigned herself to the emergence of an increasing powerful electorate that prevented her from stubbornly insisting on getting her own way in matters of state.

A. naïve	D. powerful
B. personable	E. arbitrary
C. obdurate	F. malleable

**SC0793**

As cheaper imports drove most California potteries out of business during the 1950s, one company (i)\_\_\_\_\_. The substantial size and weight of the specialized products produced by Architectural Pottery helped (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ the company, because it was uneconomical for foreign companies to ship similarly large objects to California.

A. stagnated	D. transform
B. diversified	E. insulate
C. flourished	F. finance

**SC0803**

Up to the 1970s, histories of science tended to be (i)\_\_\_\_\_ not least in their focus on discoveries and theories that could be read as anticipating later scientific orthodoxies, rather than on those deemed (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ in their own periods. Historians of science are now routinely far more sensitive on such scores.

A. anachronistic	D. major
B. convoluted	E. fallacious
C. undogmatic	F. inessential

## SECTION 7

**SC0824**

In the past, the discussion of artificial light had been (i)\_\_\_\_\_. When electrification spread, the talk of artificial light became (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, perhaps because the material was more familiar. Distance lends enchantment.

A. engaging	D. nugatory
B. momentous	E. repetitious
C. dormant	F. dull

**SC0844**

Just as large manufacturing companies with dominant positions in large domestic markets were once able to resist (i)\_\_\_\_\_ despite ample signs that foreign competition was rapidly overtaking them, strong and wealthy states can (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ and still manage to limp along for many years.

A. innovation	D. exploit vulnerable markets
B. temptation	E. dominate international affairs
C. inertia	F. maintain misguided policies

**SC0873**

Not only is the field of behavioral genetics strewn with (i)\_\_\_\_\_ findings, but even among those findings that managed to survive, many have turned out to be (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ a very restricted class of cases.

A. convergent	D. refuted by
B. disparate	E. germane to
C. repudiated	F. subordinate to

**SC0882**

It remains a mystery how Theobroma cacao, which scholars believe originated in lowland Amazonia, was introduced to tropical Mesoamerica. It must have been a (i)\_\_\_\_\_ process: cacao trees do not easily sprout from seed, need years to mature, and grow only in humid lowland forest. Moreover, in a tropical climate, cacao pods spoil quickly, rendering their transport from lowland Amazonia tropical Mesoamerica in a single journey by foot or canoe (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. clandestine	D. unlikely
B. protracted	E. redundant
C. spontaneous	F. expeditious

**SC0883**

To the avid reader of E.O. Wilson, much of his most recent book Consilience: The Unity of Knowledge will be (i)\_\_\_\_\_, as the book represents the culmination of a life spent thinking about everything from the social lives of ants to the social lives of people. Nonetheless, new thoughts have been mixed in with the old to produce a book remarkable for its (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ and ambition.

A. predictable	D. purview
B. discounted	E. overreaching
C. startling	F. contingency

**SC0894**

Hyana Kusiemko and her colleagues speculate that the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ support among low-income works for increases in the minimum wage is a form of last-place aversion: people who are in a marginally better position than the worst off seek to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ to distinguish themselves from those in last place.

A. unwavering	D. disavow their willingness
B. vociferous	E. retain their ability
C. tepid	F. dissemble their need

**SC0903**

In light of Elizabeth's habitually (i)\_\_\_\_\_ nature, her friends were quite surprised by her (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ at the convention.

A. ingenuous	D. garrulity
B. laconic	E. ostentatiousness
C. intractable	F. tenacity

**SC0943**

Even though the idea that medical research should be rigorously objective is (i)\_\_\_\_\_ one in the medical community, the editors of medical journals often display a disquieting (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ when it comes to articles submitted by researchers who accept money from the makers of the products they evaluate in their research; editors rarely ask whether that research is truly disinterested.

A. a neglected	D. capriciousness
B. an uncontroversial	E. credulity
C. an unproductive	F. stringency

**SC0953**

In a sharp blow to his reputation as (i)\_\_\_\_\_ leader, the evidence that the mayor has recently been involved in malfeasance seems to be (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. a partisan	D. fabricated
B. an unsuccessful	E. sound
C. an exemplary	F. dubious

**SC0963**

No one (i)\_\_\_\_\_ that building a ship powered by black holes or dark matter would be a formidable task. Yet remarkably there seems to be nothing in our present understanding of physics that (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ our doing so.

A. believes	D. anticipates
B. admits	E. necessitates
C. disputes	F. precludes



## SECTION 8

### SC0964

Because the writer emphasizes the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of certain engineers whose contributions have been overlooked, her history of technology will not, like many of its predecessors, be a survey (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ the most celebrated achievements in the field.

A. mediocrity	D. comprising
B. importance	E. underestimating
C. anonymity	F. downplaying

### SC0974

Catherine the Great comes across in her memoirs as (i)\_\_\_\_\_ ruler with a razor-sharp intellect, letting nothing stand in the way of her ambitions. In short, the impression the memoirs give is entirely in accord with her reputation for being (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. an oblivious	D. ambivalent
B. an uncompromising	E. benevolent
C. a moralistic	F. formidable

### SC0983

The prosecutor belied his hard-boiled reputation by submitting (i)\_\_\_\_\_ queries to the witness and accepting in turn (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ responses.

A. innocuous	D. evasive
B. quizzical	E. elaborate
C. impertinent	F. informative

### SC0994

The shift from extraction to cultivation in forestry involves transforming the production of trees into a source of industrial productivity, leading to a greater degree of (i)\_\_\_\_\_ between biophysical nature on the one hand and industry on the other. In the process, nature is increasingly (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ industry and science.

A. separation	D. excluded from
B. antagonism	E. appropriated by
C. entanglement	F. superfluous to

### SC1003

Though she had some exposure to great art and high culture, it must be said the ultra-athletic Marion Carstairs remained throughout her life primarily (i)\_\_\_\_\_ mental and artistic pursuits. She was by nature (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. a product of	D. neither bookish nor cerebral
B. indifferent to	E. a model of delicacy and refinement
C. obsessed with	F. both didactic and argumentative

### SC1013

Here was one of the main (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of oceanography during the first two decades after the Second World War. Support for oceanographic research was based on its utility for making war on other nation. Yet at the same time, oceanography retained an identity that tied it closely to(ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. fallacies	D. international cooperation
B. paradoxes	E. military secrecy
C. assumptions	F. naval strategy

### SC1063

The scientists who first proposed that Moon's craters had resulted from impacts (i)\_\_\_\_\_: almost all of these craters were circular, and yet most impactors in heliocentric orbit would have an oblique path and hence would be expected to form (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ craters.

A. devised a theory	D. massive
B. misinterpreted a finding	E. elongated
C. confronted difficulty	F. shallow

### SC1073

Goodin notes that people have (i)\_\_\_\_\_ cognitive capacities and that they therefore must consider some factors as (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ so as to be able to make decisions about other things.

A. limited	D. essential
B. adaptable	E. variable
C. overlooked	F. given

### SC1075

It was not until 1995 that a planet beyond our solar system was first sighted, a discovery that greatly excited astronomers. Many had supposed that the processes that gave rise to our solar system were not (i)\_\_\_\_\_, and that there were other planets in the universe. Now, observations had (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. manifest	D. caught up with belief
B. replicable	E. provided grounds for skepticism
C. unique	F. put assumptions to the test

### SC1084

Many of us remember a time when discovery and the thrill of learning were forces in our lives and were (i) \_\_\_\_\_. Frequently that time happened in a great classroom somewhere, in the hands of the one (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ teacher we can each remember.

A. elusive	D. consummate
B. inconsequential	E. truculent
C. exciting	F. superfluous

## SECTION 9

### SC1094

For a genre that's supposed to be about the future, science fiction has certainly (i) \_\_\_\_\_ lately, (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ is what sells best, with readers spending their money on sequels to long-running series.

A. become quite pessimistic	D. suspense
B. been looking backward	E. fantasy
C. anticipated technological developments	F. nostalgia

### SC1113

Early in the development of ice age theories, physicists identified the processing( slow gyration) and wobbling of Earth's spin axis as the likely drivers of the ice ages, but geologists (i) \_\_\_\_\_, and even the painstaking work done in the 1920s and 1930s by Mihution Mplankovitch failed to(ii) \_\_\_\_\_ of many of the day's geological experts.

A. demurred	D. anticipate the ascent
B. acquiesced	E. assuage the qualms
C. expatriate	F. acknowledge the consensus

### SC1123

In the early 1990s, the discovery of a new microbe in wastewater led microbiologists to(i) \_\_\_\_\_ ammonia's conversion to nitrogen compounds. Called anammox (for anaerobic ammonia oxidation), the microbe was converting into nitrogen gas in the absence of oxygen, a reaction previously assumed to be (ii) \_\_\_\_\_.

A. question existing dogma about	D. hazardous
B. abandon efforts to facilitate	E. irreversible
C. raise health concerns regarding	F. impossible

**SC1124**

The so-called “good” translations of the historian’s major work—those that are (i)\_\_\_\_\_, in other words—give a very bad idea of the linguistic character of the author’s original writing, which is notoriously (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. true to the original	D. indecorous
B. committed to consistency	E. crabbed
C. easy to read	F. lively

**SC1134**

Many civic institutions tend to (i)\_\_\_\_\_, when they do not actively discourage, the better natures of the citizenry. People are individually altruistic social animals who nonetheless teach themselves to be (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ in the public sphere.

A. expose	D. selfish
B. ignore	E. critical
C. presuppose	F. adamant

**SC1144**

To function as (i)\_\_\_\_\_, literary critics must write well. A badly written book review is worse than a badly written political speech or greeting card; a badly written review is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, like a barber with a terrible haircut. If critics cannot write well, how can they authoritatively recognize and promote good writing?

A. soothsayers	D. self-aggrandizing
B. evangelists	E. self-knowing
C. iconoclasts	F. self-defeating

**SC1154**

The kilt has certainly had (i)\_\_\_\_\_ history, outlawed as it was by Britain in 1746 as an emblem of nationalist subversion, then more recently (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ from men’s to women’s apparel in a 2003 European Union survey, and ridiculed at various times for a wide variety of reasons.

A. an obscure	D. reclassified
B. an illustrious	E. feigned
C. a contentious	F. manufactured

### SC1195

Gelles urges readers of Abigail Adams' letters to consider their (i)\_\_\_\_: in Adams' era women were denied a public persona separate from that of their husbands. That said, Gelles then(ii)\_\_\_\_\_ to promote Adams from a writer of private letters to a public figure, arguing that she was a significant force for change.

A. value	D. strains
B. context	E. neglects
C. style	F. fails

### SC1204

The lobbyist argues that current environmental regulations must be (i)\_\_\_\_\_ to prevent a recession, thus reviving the notion that economic progress and environmental protection are inherently (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. introduced	D. inviolable
B. softened	E. incompatible
C. reviewed	F. unsustainable

### SC1215

Among geophysicists there was considerably less (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the proposed environment measure than the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ media accounts of the conference would suggest: the debate was often animated but never uncivil.

A. ambivalence toward	D. sanitized
B. satisfaction with	E. sensationalized
C. rancor over	F. poignant

## SECTION 10

### SC1223

Far from being (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the corporate world because of cutbacks, serious scientific researchers are playing a growing role in innovation in certain firms. The explanation for this apparent paradox is that innovative companies are not looking for full-time scientists; they want moonlighting academics, professors (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ to work temporary projects.

A. banished from	D. disinclined
B. relegated to	E. unauthorized
C. reinstated in	F. disposed

**SC1224**

The enlightenment philosophers of the eighteenth century acknowledged that unrestricted freedom to publish could (i)\_\_\_\_\_ motivated by envy or hatred, but they hoped that any such (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ enabled by expanded liberties would suffer from being publicly exposed.

A. encourage blandishments	D. evasion
B. facilitate calumny	E. defamation
C. constrain vituperation	F. prurience

**SC1233**

The man was an avowed (i)\_\_\_\_\_: he made no secret of his disdain for (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ endeavor.

A. partisan	D. political
B. dilettante	E. aesthetic
C. philistine	F. amateur

**SC1234**

Some people argue that the increased gap between rich and poor is caused (i)\_\_\_\_\_, which tends to favor those who are already wealthy because they have knowledge, skills, and access to information that the poor do not have; from the above perspective, the world is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ into two groups, one able to exploit the system to its advantage, the other forced to suffer the negative effects of the new economic order.

A. entirely by the bourgeoisie	D. truncated
B. partly by globalization	E. polarized
C. to a significant degree by demography	F. desiccated

**SC1243**

Professor Redfield describes in his recent book publishing as dark as it is deep, even as one hidebound industry. Indeed, it is facing a profound change in its product model, but is so (i)\_\_\_\_\_ its past as to be(ii)\_\_\_\_\_ opportunities offered by technological change.

A. indebted in	D. unable to seize
B. encumbered by	E. capable of seeking
C. irrelevant with	F. definite to circumvent

**SC1253**

Gilbert saw himself as an investigator, a role whose mental state he (i)\_\_\_\_\_ with that of (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. Consequently he never accepted an academic position or wrote a comprehensive textbook, so that despite his years of intellectual leadership he never established a school of followers or articulated a distinctly Gilbertian creed.

A. contrasted	D. an administrator
B. combined	E. a teacher
C. equated	F. an engineer

**SC1273**

In general memoirs focus sharply on particular, and particularly memorable, events rather than on the entire life. This (i)\_\_\_\_\_ structure inevitably emphasizes drama at the expense of (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. circular	D. excitement
B. episodic	E. completeness
C. panoramic	F. plausibility

**SC1284**

Intuitively, something is considered to the matter if, and only if, there is mass along with energy and/or momentum associated with it. In other words, possession of mass along with energy and/or momentum is regarded as (i)\_\_\_\_\_, rather than (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, property of matter.

A. an optimal	D. a unique
B. an essential	E. an irreducible
C. a contingent	F. an accidental

**SC1293**

The widespread (i)\_\_\_\_\_ that has accompanied economic growth is not the result of the people's adopting the leader's own standards. Her personal (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ is recognized by all.

A. conformity	D. influence
B. corruption	E. integrity
C. frugality	F. traditionalism

**SC1294**

The uncanny likeness of unrelated butterflies can be (i)\_\_\_\_\_ as an adaptation whereby edible butterflies imitate the coloration of venomous butterfly species that potential predators (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. understood	D. seek to avoid
B. rationalized	E. cannot detect
C. misconstrued	F. find irresistible



### 第三部分：三空题

#### SECTION 1

##### SC0005

The skin of the poison dart frog contains deadly poisons called batrachotoxins. But the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of the toxins has remained an enigma, as the frog does not (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ them. Now an analysis suggests that the melyrid beetle is the source. Collected beetle specimens all contained batrachotoxins, suggesting that these beetles are (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ by the frogs.

A. effect	D. pressure	G. eaten
B. origin	E. produce	H. neutralized
C. purpose	F. suffer from	I. poisoned

##### SC0046

Given our species' increasing numbers and appetites—which are reflected in and compounded by global climate change—even (i)\_\_\_\_\_ species are likely to become endangered within the foreseeable future. If we are to avoid a calamitous loss of biodiversity, according to Golbe, we cannot simply let nature take its course. Ongoing conservation management is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, as we have, in a sense, become nature, and the responsibilities that come with the role cannot be (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. exotic	D. ineffective	G. jettisoned
B. vulnerable	E. obligatory	H. assumed
C. now common	F. promising	I. contrived

##### SC0056

Many fairy tales are complex narratives of wish fulfillment. They teach the reader that a struggle against severe difficulties in life is (i)\_\_\_\_\_, that it is an intrinsic part of human existence, and that if one does not (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, but steadfastly meets unexpected and often unjust hardships, one masters all obstacles and at the end (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. atypical	D. preserve	G. elicits adversities
B. unavoidable	E. improvise	H. emerges victorious
C. insurmountable	F. shy away	I. evades achievements

##### SC0066

The writer argues that jewelry-grade diamonds, because they are both (i)\_\_\_\_\_ and (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, prove one of two conclusions; their purchasers have so much money they can spend it on goods that (iii)\_\_\_\_\_, or their purchasers are so committed to making others think they have such wealth that they are willing to go into debt to do so.

A. flawless	D. durable	G. may appreciate in value
B. fungible	E. useless	H. reflect the buyers' connoisseurship
C. expensive	F. irreplaceable	I. serve no practical purpose

### SC0136

Gravitational waves—ripples in the geometry of space-time—are analogous to electromagnetic waves. The challenge in trying to observe these waves directly is that they are extremely weak. To make waves large enough to be (i)\_\_\_\_\_, the most (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ events in the universe are required: supernova explosions, the formation of black holes, or the collision of stars. Even so, the effects are (iii)\_\_\_\_\_. The geometry changes so little that a distance of several kilometers changes by less than the diameter of a proton.

A. detectable	D. obvious	G. masked
B. usable	E. subtle	H. disastrous
C. explicable	F. violent	I. minuscule

### SC0176

Laws protecting intellectual property are intended to stimulate creativity, yet some forms of creative work have never enjoyed legal protection—a situation that ought to be of great interest. If we see certain forms of creative endeavor (i)\_\_\_\_\_ as a result of uncontrolled copying, we might decide to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ intellectual property law. Conversely, if unprotected creative work (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ in the absence of legal rules against copying, we would do well to know how such flourishing is sustained.

A. languishing	D. jettison	G. declines in originality
B. proliferating	E. extend	H. manages to thrive
C. diversifying	F. relax	I. openly invites imitation

### SC0186

Common sense tells me some people are more (i)\_\_\_\_\_ than others. The claim that these differences are (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, or that deep down, everybody acts only to further their own interests, (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ our everyday observations and deep-seated human practices of moral evaluation.

A. altruistic	D. growing	G. mimics
B. adaptable	E. illusory	H. explains
C. disciplined	F. relevant	I. contradicts

### SC0196

China's rapidly growing population is the main threat facing large carnivores in the People's Republic. Increasingly, policies aimed at limiting population growth have been (i)\_\_\_\_; nevertheless, the country's vast size and the isolation of many of its regions mean that human populations in areas where large carnivores still occur (ii)\_\_\_\_. This human pressure has(iii)\_\_\_\_\_the South China tiger.

A. modified	D. could start to decline	G. celebrated
B. deemphasized	E. can grow unchecked	H. doomed
C. implemented	F. have stabilized	I. bypassed

### SC0206

Early practitioners of the natural sciences developed methods to remove distortions caused by either the research environment or the researcher. Such methods, especially with respect to the researcher, were considered to (i)\_\_\_\_\_those (ii)\_\_\_\_\_subjectivity whose unbridled expression was thought to (iii)\_\_\_\_\_research.

A. restrain	D. incursions of	G. corrupt
B. reveal	E. restrictions on	H. justify
C. disguise	F. acknowledgements of	I. expedite

### SC0216

Although political events in different countries were not (i)\_\_\_\_\_in the nineteen century, their interrelationship was (ii)\_\_\_\_\_compared with the present, when interdependence has become far greater: (iii)\_\_\_\_\_has ceased to be an option.

A. unconnected	D. conditional	G. isolationism
B. trivial	E. superficial	H. resilience
C. simultaneous	F. transparent	I. idealism

## SECTION 2

### SC0236

Unlike most other serious journals, which drain money from their owners, the Review has long been (i)\_\_\_\_\_. But the formula is not without its imperfections, which have grown more pronounced in recent years. The publication has always been erudite and (ii)\_\_\_\_\_but not always lively and readable. (iii)\_\_\_\_\_, accompanied by a certain aversion to risk taking, has pervaded its pages for a long time.

A. lucrative	D. authoritative	G. an originality
B. realistic	E. animated	H. an impulsiveness
C. unesteemed	F. trendy	I. a staleness

### SC0296

Biologists have little (i)\_\_\_\_\_ drawing the link between the success of humanity and human(ii)\_\_\_\_\_. Indeed, many biologists claim that this attribute, the ability to (iii)\_\_\_\_\_, or, to put it more sharply, to make individuals subordinate their self-interest to the needs of the group, lies at the root of human achievement.

A. consensus regarding	D. resilience	G. reflect
B. compunction about	E. sociability	H. communicate
C. justification for	F. uniqueness	I. cooperate

### SC0305

Inuit print making is less (i)\_\_\_\_\_ than carving in that it does not have substantial historical precedents, although there are (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ incised carvings on bone or antler, facial tattoo marks or inlay skin work on clothing, mitts and footwear. Carving materials such as stone, bone, antler, wood, and ivory were (iii)\_\_\_\_\_, but paper and drawing tools were unknown until introduced by early explorers and missionaries.

A. traditional	D. affinities with	G. available locally
B. prestigious	E. objections to	H. rarely used
C. anomalous	F. regulations about	I. virtually interchangeable

### SC0316

Those who took Clark's old-mannered compliance for obsequiousness (i)\_\_\_\_\_ him: his apparent (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ veiled a fervent (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ of the authority that others exercised over him, one that he occasionally expressed by discreetly sabotaging their most important projects.

A. misconstrued	D. cynicism	G. veneration
B. condemned	E. acquiescence	H. justification
C. respected	F. intractability	I. detestation

### SC0325

There are two opposing theories about mountain formation and climate over the past 40 million years: either the surge of mountain building (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the global cooling or vice versa. The first of these two theories asserts that widespread mountain building cooled the earth as a result of the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ mountains and climate. For example, mountain glaciers tend to be (iii)\_\_\_\_\_: once established, they increase the reflectivity of the surface, thus lowering temperatures and allowing more ice to form.

A. superseded	D. disparity between	G. unpredictable
B. halted	E. feedback between	H. static
C. caused	F. complexity of	I. self-perpetuating

### SC0336

Despite the occasional (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of their venues, the culture of corporate conferences is a deeply (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ conference, each day consisted of nearly nine hours of continuous lectures and panels enlivened by pleasantries or anything that could be construed as a joke. The only (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ sensory deprivation of the sessions came from the handsome color slides favored by the corporate presenters.

A. seclusion	D. sycophantic	G. allusion to
B. opulence	E. ascetic	H. ramification of
C. enormity	F. mercenary	I. respite from

**SC0355**

When a new scientific model emerges, research studies (i)\_\_\_\_\_ that paradigm tend to dominate in the scientific literature: the process of selecting articles for publication is tilted towards positive results. But once the paradigm (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, the academic incentives shift in the opposite direction: research results are more considered worthy publication when they (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ what has become the established view.

A. tweaking	D. is initially articulated	G. bolster
B. affirming	E. has become entrenched	H. circumvent
C. controverting	F. is about to be attacked	I. undermine

**SC0365**

The notion of film producers as the ogres of the movie business has proved an (i)\_\_\_\_\_ one, but according to *The Producers* by Tim Adler, it is not always grounded in reality. Attacking what he calls the “auteur myth”—the idea of the director as the single purveyor of art in an industry otherwise peopled with (ii)\_\_\_\_\_—he places at the heart of his book an image of the producer, not the director, as the primary (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ force in the development and production of a movie.

A. accurate	D. visionaries	G. financial
B. hypocritic	E. profitmongers	H. inertial
C. enduring	F. innocents	I. creative

**SC0375**

The new art museum’s (i)\_\_\_\_\_ building augurs well for that ambitious institution because it speaks of (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ contemporary architecture on the part of the board of directors that may (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ equal astuteness about contemporary art.

A. nondescript	D. a discernment about	G. conceal
B. outstanding	E. a hostility toward	H. supplant
C. outdated	F. an intoxication by	I. promise

**SC0396**

Scientific papers often (i)\_\_\_\_\_ what actually happened in the course of the investigations they describe. Misunderstandings, blind alleys, and mistakes of various sorts will fail to appear in the final written accounts because (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ is a desirable attribute when transmitting results in a scientific report and would be poorly served by (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. amplify	D. transparency	G. a comprehensive historical account
B. misrepresent	E. efficiency	H. a purely quantitative analysis
C. particularize	F. exhaustiveness	I. an overly superficial discussion

## SECTION 3

### SC0475

Firebaugh and Beck contend that economic development improves the overall well-being of people within developing countries. However, other scholars emphasize the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of this view, empirically demonstrating that while economic development does in fact contribute to the well-being of the population of developing countries, the magnitude of development's positive effects on well-being has (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. In other words, these scholars suggest that (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ economic development and human well-being is taking place in developing countries.

A. falsity	D. been greatly underestimated	G. a decoupling of
B. arbitrariness	E. not yet been measured	H. an inversion of
C. limitation	F. decreased over time	I. a decline in

### SC0485

The research on otters' environmental requirements is surprisingly (i)\_\_\_\_\_. One reason for this has to do with the estimation of how much they use different areas. Doing so may be (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ in some kinds of terrain, such as Shetland where the Eurasian otters are active in daytime and have clear individual markings. There it is possible to identify the individuals over stretches of coast of a few kilometers and to see what kinds of coast they use. However, the field conditions are (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. straightforward	D. quite problematic	G. routine
B. controversial	E. relatively simple	H. deceptive
C. difficult	F. largely unnecessary	I. exceptional

### SC0506

Campus-wide discussion on academic integrity can be (i)\_\_\_\_\_ by the fact that faculty and students tend to define cheating in (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ ways. Even when they concur on what cheating means, faculty and students often assign different levels of severity to specific violations. These differences can serve as a major (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ the creation of a commonly accepted set of standards of integrity that are consistently applied to all academic work within the campus community.

A. expedited	D. disparate	G. indictment of
B. obscured	E. conventional	H. impediment to
C. hampered	F. rigid	I. metaphor for

### SC0515

Compared to Earth over most of its 4 to 6-billion-year history, the world we live in today is quite (i)\_\_\_\_\_. Of course, it is human nature to regard the world that we are used to as (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. The oceans, prairies, and mountain chains—even the air we breathe—seem the norm and therefore (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. bountiful	D. invaluable	G. eternal
B. atypical	E. permanent	H. precious
C. stable	F. corrupted	I. endangered

### SC0525

Twenty years ago, when the book was first published, most reviewers dismissed the author's predictions as (i)\_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes people (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ their errors: those same reviewers today, comparing the predictions with actual events, acknowledge how (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ the author was.

A. insightful	D. persevere in	G. mistaken
B. judicious	E. recognize	H. prescient
C. alarmist	F. complicate	I. pessimistic

### SC0565

Parker's model of human affairs reflects (i)\_\_\_\_\_ outlook, in stark contrast to the generally (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ premises that her colleagues in the economics department adopt in their work. Accordingly, her conclusions (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ theirs.

A. a sanguine	D. pessimistic	G. are somewhat more accessible than
B. an introspective	E. theoretical	H. are not so sunny as
C. a technical	F. distinctive	I. diverge markedly

### SC0605

Evidence has been accumulating since the 1930s that reducing an animal's energy intake below its energy expenditure extends the life span and delays the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of age-related diseases in rats, dogs, fish, and monkeys. Such results have inspired thousands of people to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ in the hope of living longer, healthier lives. They have also led to a search for drugs that (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ the effects of calorie restriction without the pain of actually going on a diet.

A. diagnosis	D. eat healthier foods	G. undermine
B. onset	E. put up with constant hunger	H. mimic
C. treatment	F. take vitamin supplements	I. delay

**SC0635**

So (i)\_\_\_\_\_ is the reputation of the country's police for corruption and other forms of (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ that it has become a kind of tradition that every newly appointed police chief pledges to (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ the force.

A. persisted	D. indolence	G. contradict
B. paralyzing	E. incompetence	H. reform
C. unfounded	F. criminality	I. reward

**SC0646**

Industry-sponsored scientific research on chemical safety often (i)\_\_\_\_\_. Media reports regularly imply that industry support of scientific work is alone sufficient to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ that research. Even though the source of funding has been determined to be a less significant cause of bias than other factors, industry support suffices, in the minds of many people, to (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ the credibility of scientific work.

A. uncovers risks	D. fund	G. adopt
B. elicits skepticism	E. vindicate	H. vitiate
C. promotes innovation	F. invalidate	I. bolster

**SC0655**

Communal feeding is a remarkable behavioral aspect of this generally solitary animal. It is also a misunderstood behavior and one of the reasons is that Tasmanian devils have a bad reputation. Far from being a (i)\_\_\_\_\_, communal devil feeding is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ and purposeful, and is described as (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ behavior. The screaming and apparent fighting is an elaborate combination and variety of vocalizations and postures by which order is maintained.

A. free-for-all	D. structured	G. innate
B. rarity	E. vicious	H. acquired
C. necessity	F. infrequent	I. ritualized

## SECTION 4

**SC0695**

Cynics will dismiss the race between Richard and Gorman as two equally dull candidates. However, the notion that the two leaders are (i)\_\_\_\_\_ does not meet them, for they are as different as can be. Richard is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ and is fastidious of her appearance. So one could hardly accuse her of being either taciturn or (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.



A. interchangeable	D. condescending	G. unkempt
B. uncritical	E. loquacious	H. reticent
C. competent	F. blunted	I. adherent

### SC0705

A minor criticism of the book, which is (i)\_\_\_\_\_an understanding of the difficulty of doing direct research in Hong Kong's, is that So relied on secondary sources to tell the story of Hong Kong's political development, with previous histories of the period (ii)\_\_\_\_\_his research. Given So's(iii)\_\_\_\_\_many of the players in Hong Kong politics, it is surprising that he did not use interviews and other forms of direct research to delve further into the motivations, strategies, and tactics of participants.

A. attributable to	D. largely debunked by	G. deference to
B. exacerbated by	E. obviating the need for	H. estrangement from
C. tempered by	F. playing a large role in	I. proximity to

### SC0725

The limitations of human attention cause us to miss much of what goes on around us. The real problem here is that we are often (i)\_\_\_\_\_these limitations: we think that we see the world as it really is, but our ostensibly reliable visual experience (ii)\_\_\_\_\_striking mental (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. impatient with	D. belies	G. feats
B. unaware of	E. unifies	H. images
C. distracted by	F. dispels	I. lapses

### SC0756

Most capuchin monkey conflict involves such a (i)\_\_\_\_\_repertoire of gestural and vocal signals that it is difficult for researchers to tease apart the meanings of the individual signals. This(ii)\_\_\_\_\_is (iii)\_\_\_\_\_by the fact that many signals seem to shift in meaning according to the context in which they are produced and the developmental stage of the individuals producing them.

A. precise	D. problem	G. augmented
B. rich	E. opportunity	H. ameliorated
C. straightforward	F. oversight	I. anticipated

### SC0785

To get funding and tenured positions, medical researchers have to get their work published in well-regarded journals, where rejection can climb above 90 percent. Not surprisingly, the studies that tend to make the grade are those that make (i)\_\_\_\_\_claims. But while coming up with such (ii)\_\_\_\_\_claims is relatively easy, getting the data to bear them out is another matter. When studied rigorously, the great majority of these claims (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. well-supported	D. practical	G. yield contradictory evidence
B. eye-catching	E. orthodox	H. require extensive analysis
C. small-scale	F. striking	I. support conventional beliefs

### SC0805

The perennial problem for critics of nineteenth-century novelist Charlotte Yonge is the relationship of her realism to her (i)\_\_\_\_\_. While admiring her complex psychological portraits and detailed descriptions of quotidian family life, readers since her own time have tended to fault her improbable manipulation of plot to teach a moral lesson. Indeed, many critics (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ her because of her willingness to (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. pessimism	D. dismiss	G. squander suspense
B. didacticism	E. applaud	H. sacrifice credibility
C. eclecticism	F. underestimate	I. deflate pretension

### SC0806

Filler claims that after the social welfare programs of the 1960s, belief that the government has an obligation to provide decent housing for citizens who cannot afford it was (i)\_\_\_\_\_ in the United States by the notion that providing suitable shelter for everyone should be (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. Thus today in the (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ of taxpayer-sponsored initiatives we have volunteer home-construction programs, honorable in intent but pitifully limited in scope.

A. supplanted	D. a shared civic responsibility	G. absence
B. promulgated	E. an act of private charity	H. name
C. corroborated	F. a profit-oriented enterprise	I. mold

### SC0816

Conventionally, the ultimate measure of a scientific work's validity is how broadly and confidently its conclusions become accepted in the relevant field, which in turn (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the extent to which its findings are replicated and extended. However, establishing such validity, especially for a novel experimental finding, can take years, and what (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ replication or extension may be (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ for some time.

A. derives from	D. justifies	G. evident
B. works against	E. impugns	H. disputed
C. leads to	F. constitutes	I. touted

### SC0826

The difficulty for nineteenth-century advocates of the claim that forests helped regulate climate was that their argument (i)\_\_\_\_\_ historical anecdote and observations. Proving the forest-climate link through verifiable and experimental scientific means rather than observation was (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ for these individuals, a situation that eventually led to the link (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ justifications for forest conservation.

A. lacked	D. problematic	G. being revived in
B. discounted	E. unnecessary	H. dropping out of
C. employed	F. straightforward	I. losing out to

**SC0856**

Persian prose writers from the second half of the twelfth century onward were characteristically (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the literary form of their works, a fact that some scholars have perceived as a derogation of those works' content. It may be better interpreted as (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ the development of an awareness of authorship, for the awareness of authorship (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ the awareness of form.

A. ambivalent about	D. a retreat from	G. evolves through
B. indifferent to	E. an indication of	H. extends beyond
C. preoccupied with	F. a justification for	I. holds back

**SECTION 5**

**SC0866**

Observers of modern presidential campaigns who (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the highly (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ productions that pass for campaigns these days do sometimes find reason for hope in the occasional mix-ups that (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ candidates on the trail despite the presence of political strategist's plotting every event with the tactical precision of military commanders.

A. relish	D. ambitious	G. rattle
B. misinterpret	E. chaotic	H. bolster
C. despair over	F. choreographed	I. legitimate

**SC0885**

His new role gives the normally clownish actor a chance to impress audiences with his (i)\_\_\_\_\_. He is among the most uninhibited comic performers around, but here he buttons his lip and stares straight ahead. Perhaps without quite knowing it, the audience waits for a wink, a hint that some of the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ spirit that animated his previous movies might be lurking inside the (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ manner he presents in this film.

A. raillery	D. madcap	G. facetious
B. effusiveness	E. lugubrious	H. reserved
C. forbearance	F. edifying	I. beguiling

**SC0886**

Some climatologists dismiss as (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the debate among geophysicists over the role of carbon dioxide in global climate change across many millions of years. These climatologists say the evidence of a tie between carbon dioxide and planetary warming over the last few centuries is so (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ that any longer-term evidence against such a link must somehow be (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. unavoidable	D. unlikely	G. tainted
B. irrelevant	E. controversial	H. accommodated
C. undecidable	F. compelling	I. reinforced

### SC0905

Since the 1920s, historical fiction writers in China have emancipated the genre from the traditional notion that (i)\_\_\_\_\_ was the ultimate goal of history writing. Yet the traditional commitment to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ was not simply (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ : this new genre was expected to capture the essence of historical truth even as it allowed space for the writer's imagination.

A. comprehensiveness	D. veracity	G. jettisoned
B. factuality	E. thoroughness	H. rationalized
C. entertainment	F. pleasure	I. acknowledged

### SC0916

For many years Cole experienced (i)\_\_\_\_\_ his professional circle. He was a (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ figure in the Middle East Studies Association of North America, editing for five years its flagship publication, and in 2004 he was even elected the association's incoming president. But because his research focused on highly (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ aspects of the eighteenth-and-nineteenth century Middle East, he was unlikely to achieve any sort of public acclaim.

A. obscurity within	D. leading	G. relevant
B. estrangement from	E. provocative	H. esoteric
C. anonymity outside	F. traditional	I. disputed

### SC0945

An invasive creeping weed native to the Mediterranean region, *Cirsium arvense* has been present in Yellowstone National Park at least since the nineteenth century. Because of its extensive root system, the plant defies attempts to (i)\_\_\_\_\_ it by normal methods, and consequently, park officials have (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ efforts to do so. Warming temperature have also (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ of the thistle's fortune.

A. control	D. largely abandoned	G. helped
B. study	E. recently reinitiated	H. undermined
C. nourish	F. increasingly promoted	I. illuminated

### SC1006

Scientists suspect that the impact with which a bat lands is a function of (i)\_\_\_\_\_. Bats that roost on hard cave ceiling must land (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ to avoid injury. By contrast, since foliage is (iii)\_\_\_\_\_, a hard landing won't hurt, and might even give the bat time to make sure it has a good grip.

A. wind speed	D. quickly	G. plentiful
B. roosting location	E. softly	H. pliable
C. a bat's size	F. securely	I. seasonal

### SC1025

The essential difference between writing nonfiction and fiction is that the artist can (i)\_\_\_\_\_ a completed vision of the world, while the journalist never can, the real world being always (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. Art provides freedom from the bewildering complexities of constant change. Indeed, it is the very (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ of well-wrought fiction that can sometimes make it feel more real than reality.

A. shun	D. diverting	G. popularity
B. correct	E. tragic	H. rarity
C. realize	F. unfinished	I. clarity

### SC1035

Give a computer (i)\_\_\_\_\_ task—winning at chess, say, or predicting the weather—and the machine bests humans nearly every time. Yet when problems are (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, or require combining varied sources, computers are (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ human intelligence.

A. a well-defined	D. nuanced	G. no match for
B. a random	E. inconsequential	H. unyielding to
C. an open-ended	F. solvable	I. able to dwarf

### SC1045

It is plausible to regard a collection of letters spanning youth and old age as (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of autobiography: the precession of characters who inhabit a life and a chronology of incidents turn up reliably in either form. Yet autobiography, even when ostensibly steeped in candor, tends toward (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ through later perspectives, afterwords, and second thoughts, whereas letters have an undeniable (iii)\_\_\_\_\_, offering select glimpses of the fraught and living moment.

A. an approximation	D. concision	G. sensitivity
B. a precursor	E. reconsideration	H. immediacy
C. the antithesis	F. sensationalism	I. formality

## SECTION 6

### SC1105

There is (i)\_\_\_\_\_ evidence that the giant African land snail *a. fulica* is a serious threat to the spread of human disease. Giant snails do carry rat lungworm—infection by which is a common cause of meningitis—but so do many other snail species. Moreover, if the threat posed by *a. fulica* were (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, one would expect to see an increase in disease rates (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ a rise in the spread of snails. However, in places like New Caledonia, explosions in giant snail populations have coincided with a fall in the number of meningitis cases.

A. abundant	D. contained	G. corresponding to
B. ambiguous	E. recognized	H. predating
C. little	F. major	I. giving way to

### SC1106

There is no sense trying to rehabilitate the reputation of the mosquito; nobody loves such a creature. But it's (i)\_\_\_\_\_ to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ all 2,600 described species of mosquito when it's just 80 or so—3 percent that drink human blood. Among those 2,520 relatively (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ kinds of mosquitoes, there's even one we'd like to see in greater numbers: *Taxorhynchites*, the mosquito that eats other mosquitoes.

A. rare	D. malign	G. blameless
B. necessary	E. represent	H. pernicious
C. unfair	F. commend	I. valuable

### SC1116

Based on the evidence available, it would be (i)\_\_\_\_\_ to insist on a wholly negative portrayal of King Prajadhipok. In his own writings and pronouncements as well as in firsthand accounts offered by others, Prajadhipok consistently emerges as (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ and even-tempered, though (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

A. accurate	D. whimsical	G. unexceptional
B. convenient	E. thoughtful	H. vicious
C. facile	F. ingenious	I. innovative

### SC1146

It is inevitable that ongoing research presupposes some accepted science as a principle. Usually no one even notices the implication that the accepted principle is being (i)\_\_\_\_\_ unless there emerges (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ that turns out to be sufficiently (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ that the assumptions underlying the research come to be considered.

A. jeopardized	D. an anomaly	G. trivial
B. revised	E. a consensus	H. transparent
C. tested	F. a distinction	I. recalcitrant

### SC1175

Those who blame the inadequacies of science education for students' lack of reasoning skills perpetuate their productive notion of science as (i)\_\_\_\_\_, unique in its capacity to inoculate us against superstition and ignorance. Certainly a good science education can (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ habits of mind, but the (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ effect of education in nonscientific, humanistic subjects such as literature and history should not be underrated.

A. vocational	D. counter uncritical	G. unforeseen
B. empirical	E. discourage rigorous	H. salutary
C. salvational	F. temper creative	I. pedestrain

### SC1176

Media stories about climate regularly use spokespeople from interest groups as sources, but what those individuals say is often (i)\_\_\_\_\_, citing results from scientific research in a highly(ii)\_\_\_\_\_manner and (iii)\_\_\_\_\_the caveats that are part of a full scientific assessment.

A. ingenuous	D. erudite	G. parsing
B. maladroitness	E. selective	H. omitting
C. tendentious	F. perspicuous	I. anticipating

### SC1196

Computers' triumph in chess had been engineered not by creating machines that (i)\_\_\_\_\_human thought, as most experts in artificial intelligence had expected, but by perfecting machines that played like machines. The analogy with flight is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_: as long as people tried to fly by imitating birds, attaching wings to their arms and flapping madly, they were (iii)\_\_\_\_\_to fail. Once engineering escaped the paradigm of the familiar, however, people were soon flying much faster than birds.

A. aped	D. disingenuous	G. expected
B. shelved	E. instructive	H. likely
C. subverted	F. narrow	I. doomed

### SC1206

The lack of (i)\_\_\_\_\_the poetry of the postwar decades has led not, as one might have expected, to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_poetry, but to a curious closure in which all poets and forms of poetry are (iii)\_\_\_\_\_and alone, not even respected establishment poets.

A. interest in	D. pluralistic debate on	G. marginalized
B. consensus about	E. popular acceptance of	H. revered
C. innovation in	F. any experimentation in	I. tolerated

### SC1216

Genetic researchers have recently suggested that our political leanings may be determined by our DNA, a view that tends to undermine our reflective self-flattery. We (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the idea that personal politics are entirely (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. The genetic explanation for ideology (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ our belief that we are persuaded only by rational arguments.

A. recoil from	D. deliberative	G. defies
B. revel in	E. inexpensive	H. entails
C. puzzle over	F. self-serving	I. parallels

### SC1226

Greenhouse gases emitted into atmosphere are virtually permanent, and because they(i)\_\_\_\_\_ in the atmosphere, their effects are (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. These facts necessitate that policies related to greenhouse gases differ from policies related to various pollutants whose effects are (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ and often temporary.

A. disperse evenly	D. subtle	G. local
B. accrue gradually	E. global	H. contrary
C. persist indefinitely	F. transit	I. hazardous



## 第四部分：单空题

### SECTION 1

#### SC0011

Among the Meakambut people of Papua New Guinea, legends are associated with specific caves in the Sepik region, and these legends are \_\_\_\_\_: only the cave owner can share its secrets.

- A. impenetrable
- B. immutable
- C. proprietary
- D. didactic
- E. self-perpetuating

#### SC0052

The company suffers from an almost total lack of \_\_\_\_\_: even the most innocuous communications between departments tend to devolve into acrimony.

- A. dissension
- B. variance
- C. comity
- D. conformity
- E. mordancy

#### SC0082

The film was a \_\_\_\_\_: its elements were assembled more or less haphazardly from a dozen of different sources.

- A. burlesque
- B. satire
- C. pastiche
- D. chronicle
- E. parody

#### SC0101

The title of her final and unfinished film, *Escape*, was \_\_\_\_\_: indeed while shooting it, she was preoccupied with thoughts of desertion.

- A. quixotic
- B. apt
- C. misleading
- D. inconsequential
- E. uncharacteristic

**SC0102**

This is neither praise nor criticism, neither a compliment nor\_\_\_\_\_, just an observation.

- A. an exposition
- B. an elucidation
- C. an animadversion
- D. a culmination
- E. a divination

**SC0112**

In a production process that is complex and often unpredictable, roles that start out discretely defined may become quite\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. confused
- B. perfunctory
- C. independent
- D. overt
- E. exacting

**SC0151**

Blake's reputation for weakness is\_\_\_\_\_ : almost all who have worked with him say he is a disciplined, intellectually formidable, and very tough politician.

- A. specious
- B. pervasive
- C. irreversible
- D. trivial
- E. ambivalent

**SC0152**

In protoscientific (for example, in ancient Greece), claims about the physical world were often accepted as true if they were reasonable; experimental verification, if thought necessary at all, was\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. utilitarian
- B. perfunctory
- C. egregious
- D. empirical
- E. inductive

**SC0161**

While early biographies of Florence Nightingale tended to be quite\_\_\_\_\_, Lytton Strachey's irreverent 1918 essay about her ushered in a new era, making it acceptable, even fashionable, to criticize her.

- A. unsympathetic
- B. sycophantic

- C. unsentimental
- D. censorious
- E. pedantic

**SC0162**

The modest but functional new wing finally gives the museum the\_\_\_\_\_to serve its visitors properly, including multiple entrances to eliminate the lines that used to snake around the building.

- A. visibility
- B. wherewithal
- C. reputation
- D. solemnity
- E. panache

**SECTION 2**

**SC0171**

Politicians who invoke the founders of the United States in support of their views seem to imply that the founders consistently concurred in their own views when in reality they were a highly\_\_\_\_\_group of thinkers.

- A. erudite
- B. innovative
- C. predictable
- D. contentious
- E. methodical

**SC0182**

There is\_\_\_\_\_in the director's most recent film that keeps the melodramatic possibilities latent in its script safely at bay.

- A. a mawkishness
- B. a predictability
- C. an austerity
- D. an ostentatiousness
- E. an emotiveness

**SC0211**

Motivation is the hardest of all managerial tasks, and it is\_\_\_\_\_to expect a single memo, no matter how well crafted, to have much effect on the staff's attitude.

- A. ingenious
- B. reasonable
- C. fanciful
- D. scrupulous

E. radical

**SC0212**

Many readers today consider the moral sentiments expressed in the ancient writers' work to be quite vapid, and in the seventeenth century they were similarly regarded as\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. jejune
- B. didactic
- C. dogmatic
- D. tendentious
- E. arcane

**SC0231**

Few studies have been published on ground-squirrel dispersal, and most of them have involved very small sample sizes, thus most statement regarding ground-squirrel dispersal must be considered\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. invaluable
- B. unexceptional
- C. inveterate
- D. routine
- E. conjectural

**SC0241**

In contrast to such sparsely populated terrestrial habitats as desert and tundra, the oceans\_\_\_\_\_with a seemingly endless array of creatures.

- A. teem
- B. flow
- C. evolve
- D. roil
- E. ebb

**SC0242**

Barring the discovery of new letters, hidden diaries, or the like, fresh information about eminent people is hard to find because their lives have been so intensely\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. ridiculed
- B. scrutinized
- C. admired
- D. embellished
- E. underrated

**SC0262**

By pointing out the self-serving nature of the governor's motives for supporting the new health care policy, the columnist implied that the governor's idealistic-sounding explanation of her position on the issue was almost certainly\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. impractical
- B. derivative
- C. simplistic
- D. disingenuous
- E. ineffectual

**SC0271**

In the solar system, collisions involving cosmic object are among the most\_\_\_\_\_processes shaping surfaces: images of many solar objects show a proliferation of impact craters formed throughout the past 4.5 billion years.

- A. cataclysmic
- B. pervasive
- C. misleading
- D. uncontrollable
- E. random

**SC0292**

The paleontologist examined the problem afresh, believing that the accepted classification\_\_\_\_\_the essential continuity of the specimens by making specious distinctions among them.

- A. disproved
- B. belied
- C. conflated
- D. divulged
- E. relaxed

**SECTION 3 (1.1 版更新))**

**SC0301**

The era's examples of\_\_\_\_\_that are cited by the author can be balanced in part by certain examples of dissent during the same period.

- A. diversity
- B. authoritarianism
- C. forbearance
- D. volatility
- E. lucidity

**SC0311**

With the numerous opponents of the controversial new taxation measure in such a fury, anyone who publicly advocated the measure did not fail to meet with\_\_\_\_\_usage.

- A. politic
- B. severe
- C. sober
- D. respectful
- E. dejected

**SC0351**

Investors are grateful that the attorney general has stepped in to pursue inquiries into misfeasance in the financial markets, given that the regulators officially charged with policing the industry have been\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. diffident
- B. meticulous
- C. straightforward
- D. implacable
- E. tenacious

**SC0352**

Consolidating memory is not instantaneous or even\_\_\_\_\_: every memory must be encoded and moved from short-term to long-term storage, and some of these memories are, for whatever reason, more vividly imprinted than others.

- A. salutary
- B. deliberate
- C. sequential
- D. momentary
- E. inevitable

**SC0361**

Instead of demonstrating the\_\_\_\_\_of archaeological applications of electronic remote sensing, the pioneering study became, to some skeptics, an illustration of the imprudence of interpreting sites based on virtual archaeology.

- A. ubiquity
- B. limitation
- C. promise
- D. redundancy
- E. complexity

**SC0362**

While the writer was best known for her much-ballyhooed\_\_\_\_\_, her impact reached far beyond memorable quips.

- A. pensiveness

- B. drollness
- C. stoicism
- D. fastidiousness
- E. congeniality

**SC0371**

The governor might conceivably find a genuine resolution to the budgetary dilemma, but she may be tempted to engage in a deception: a \_\_\_\_\_ exercise in fiscal prudence.

- A. rigorous
- B. sparking
- C. specious
- D. blatant
- E. convincing

**SC0372**

Without seeming unworldly, William James appeared wholly removed from the \_\_\_\_\_ of society, the conventionality of academy.

- A. ethos
- B. idealism
- C. romance
- D. paradoxes
- E. commonplaces

**SC0381**

The idea of a "language instinct" may seem \_\_\_\_\_ to those who think of language as the zenith of the human intellect and of instincts as brute impulses.

- A. jarring
- B. plausible
- C. gratifying
- D. inevitable
- E. conciliatory

**SC0382**

The artist is known for making photographs that deal with politically charged subject matter, yet because her art is so evocative and open-ended, it would be wrong to characterize it as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. polemical
- B. edifying
- C. unobservant
- D. innovative
- E. ambiguous

## SECTION 4

### SC0391

The medical professor's thesis—hardly new, but rarely\_\_\_\_\_by a faculty members of his distinction—is that patients are more than the sum of their symptoms and systems.

- A. discounted
- B. ignored
- C. subverted
- D. underestimated
- E. espoused

### SC0401

Many creative photographers were delighted to find in instant photography a mode that encouraged them to stop viewing photography as\_\_\_\_\_and start viewing it as something they could handle with spontaneity, even derision.

- A. sacrosanct
- B. ephemeral
- C. malleable
- D. egalitarian
- E. autonomous

### SC0422

Carmen's affection for her sister, though not\_\_\_\_\_, was plainly too great to permit a painless departure.

- A. unsteady
- B. ambivalent
- C. careless
- D. unbounded
- E. noticeable

### SC0451

Neuroscientists are excited by technological progress that facilitates brain mapping, the most\_\_\_\_\_of them comparing their growing abilities to tremendous advances that led to unimaginable success of the Human Genome Project.

- A. rigorous
- B. sanguine
- C. punctilious
- D. unorthodox
- E. sophisticated

### SC0461



The science community's perennial lament over inadequate budgets has come to seem increasing\_\_\_\_\_, because government support for science and engineering has never been greater.

- A. vital
- B. hopeless
- C. poignant
- D. condescending
- E. disingenuous

**SC0471**

Even those observers who are the most\_\_\_\_\_about genetic privacy issues would have to concede that genetic discrimination is rare: there have only been two cases of any notoriety.

- A. sanguine
- B. zealous
- C. candid
- D. objective
- E. apathetic

**SC0491**

One baffling aspect of the novel is its capacity to generate emotional power from a plot that lacks the most elementary\_\_\_\_\_: readers must accept not an occasional coincidence, but a continuous stream of them.

- A. synergy
- B. continuity
- C. naivety
- D. premise
- E. credibility

**SC0521**

The company's steering committee, reluctant to be held any specific commitments, released a strategic plan that was deliberately\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. unpopular
- B. repetitive
- C. stringent
- D. inflexible
- E. nebulous

**SC0532**

The automation of many of the functions performed at the factory, although initially inspiring\_\_\_\_\_in many of the company's employees, has had none of the deleterious effects forecast either within and beyond the organization.

- A. indifference

- B. optimism
- C. ambition
- D. arrogance
- E. trepidation

**SC0631**

Discussions of impending water shortages are often couched in apocalyptic rhetoric, yet if the language is somewhat\_\_\_\_\_, the basic message is sound: water is indeed scarce and growing scarcer.

- A. abstract
- B. complacent
- C. ambiguous
- D. unfamiliar
- E. overblown

**SECTION 5**

**SC0661**

Reading chunks of Shapiro's verse in one sitting, it must be said, exposes the\_\_\_\_\_nature of his writing: scads of poems are too glancing to strike a nerve, scarcely worth a second reading.

- A. jejune
- B. esoteric
- C. corrosive
- D. finicky
- E. indiscreet

**SC0681**

The often-cited parallels between human communities and insect colonies are\_\_\_\_\_: the cooperation found among social insects is essentially due to the insects genetic ties, while humans often collaborate with non-relatives.

- A. superficial
- B. obvious
- C. hackneyed
- D. contradictory
- E. uncanny

**SC0682**

In the nineteenth century, geology became so respected among middle-class Britons that the science came to be seen as\_\_\_\_\_, a yardstick by which other disciplines measured their scientific rigor and imaginative power.

- A. accessible
- B. derivative

- C. pragmatic
- D. empirical
- E. paradigmatic

**SC0692**

Some species camouflage patterns may be \_\_\_\_\_, granting those species a higher chance of survival in a heterogeneous environment.

- A. plastic
- B. subtle
- C. singular
- D. consistent
- E. imitable

**SC0731**

Many legislators who helped Roosevelt shape the New Deal \_\_\_\_\_ the fact that emerging social problems affected every segment of the population; nonetheless, they often acted with a view to aiding only their own constituents.

- A. disregarded
- B. bemoaned
- C. ignored
- D. disputed
- E. downplayed

**SC0751**

Like her literary heroine, George Eliot, Barbara Kingsolvers is an old-fashioned \_\_\_\_\_, deeply curious about all branches of human learning.

- A. prodigy
- B. polymath
- C. tyro
- D. ante
- E. philistine

**SC0761**

In an ironic twist, the recent \_\_\_\_\_ of the reductive observational methods that have enabled science to progress for four centuries may turn out to be science's biggest step forward.

- A. introduction
- B. validation
- C. acceptance
- D. standardization
- E. questioning

**SC0772**

It is often argued that psychoanalysis, which was \_\_\_\_\_ at that stage of the eighteenth century, provided the main filter by which death could be looked at, but it has now been largely replaced by medicine, which provides both a mindset and practical measures by which death may be cheated, and in terminal illness, approached, formulating a process called medicalization.

- A. predominant
- B. pompous
- C. precarious
- D. elegant
- E. mundane

**SC0801**

The chairman, faced with the need to forge a consensus on a number of proposals, acknowledged that it would be difficult to reconcile the push for a radical overhaul with the stance of those who want \_\_\_\_\_ change.

- A. deliberate
- B. indiscriminate
- C. genuine
- D. immediate
- E. wholesale

**SC0822**

Some of the areas of research covered in the collection have already attracted substantial scholarly interest, while others are more \_\_\_\_\_, hence requiring pioneering effort to map the territory and suggest productive avenues of inquiry.

- A. intricate
- B. pristine
- C. parochial
- D. heterogeneous
- E. onerous

**SECTION 6**

**SC0841**

“RESIGNATION”, an English word the French novelist Christian Oster would no doubt appreciate, presents an elegant paradox: in one sense, it indicated a bold step, a cleaving of oneself from an attachment grown onerous; in another, it’s the height of \_\_\_\_\_, an acquiescence to fate.

- A. sham
- B. fissure
- C. desperation
- D. passivity

E. maturity

**SC0861**

Given the many thematic strands that the book seeks to draw together into a continuous cord of narrative, it is perforce work of\_\_\_\_\_, which is not to say that the author's research fails to provide sufficient detail about each of his chosen themes.

- A. synthesis
- B. conjecture
- C. analysis
- D. reconstruction
- E. accretion

**SC0862**

For many in the room, the idea of coming to the assistance of a rival was more than unpleasant: it was\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. unpropitious
- B. anomalous
- C. anathematic
- D. redundant
- E. meretricious

**SC0871**

Many Latin American writers and critics have come to bristle at the very mention of the type of fiction termed "magic realism," but to the common reader the appeal of such fiction is\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. elusive
- B. undiminished
- C. unfathomable
- D. unexpected
- E. derivative

**SC0881**

Paintings created in India during the Mughal dynasty were\_\_\_\_\_in ambition but ornamental in presentation: in one direction they have a affinity with newspaper photographs, while in the other they have the intricacy of jewels.

- A. metaphorical
- B. documentary
- C. aesthetic
- D. sectarian
- E. baroque

**SC0891**

He defended the government's equivocations regarding the mysterious contrail as resulting not from \_\_\_\_\_ as critics say, but from a benightedness about its own doings that is almost inevitable, given the multitudinous-ness of its agencies.

- A. obtuseness
- B. mendacity
- C. abnegation
- D. guilelessness
- E. trenchancy

**SC0941**

Some minor misgivings about the book notwithstanding, the editor's claim that the work will be recognized as "the authoritative history of sports for this era" is thoroughly \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. absurd
- B. undemonstrated
- C. credible
- D. outlandish
- E. researched

**SC0952**

While the current coffee craze was sparked by the emergence of flavorful, high-quality gourmet varieties, a slew of studies suggesting that concerns about coffee's health effects may be \_\_\_\_\_ has nurtured the trend.

- A. underemphasized
- B. exacerbated
- C. unfounded
- D. documented
- E. recapitulated

**SC0971**

By cosmic standards, Earth and its fellow terrestrial planets are chemical \_\_\_\_\_: they consist of primarily four elements (iron, magnesium, silicon, and oxygen) that are rare elsewhere in the universe.

- A. prototypes
- B. mavericks
- C. malefactors
- D. paragons
- E. old-timers

**SC0992**

The assumption that children learn about science primarily in the classroom is so \_\_\_\_\_ that few scientists, educators or policymakers question it, despite an ever-growing body of evidence demonstrating that most science is learnt outside of school.

- A. tenuous

- B. subtle
- C. irrefutable
- D. pervasive
- E. misconstrued

## SECTION 7

### SC1001

A significant element of the Gothic genre, the literary grotesque is sometimes inaccurately discussed as if it were a \_\_\_\_\_ Gothic or, conversely, as if it were something entirely different from Gothic.

- A. synonym for
- B. characteristic of
- C. counterweight to
- D. ramification of
- E. deviation from

### SC1002

\_\_\_\_\_ is valuable in science, even when a scientific idea is true, it can be misused through grandiosity.

- A. Humility
- B. Experimentation
- C. Patience
- D. Cooperation
- E. Exposure

### SC1011

A sunset, the poet asserted, is beautiful in part because it is \_\_\_\_\_: fleeting and never to be repeated.

- A. expeditious
- B. vibrant
- C. transitory
- D. evocative
- E. archetypal

### SC1041

Although not enough to \_\_\_\_\_ the conventional view of the manuscript's provenance, the new study was thought to have weakened the prevailing theory considerably.

- A. undermine
- B. affect
- C. resurrect
- D. disturb

E. topple

**SC1061**

Once so fluid, the political situation had, two years after the declaration of the Republic, \_\_\_\_\_so much that further change seemed inconceivable.

- A. revitalized
- B. warmed
- C. intensified
- D. clotted
- E. destabilized

**SC1062**

Paul Robeson, Jr. wrote that his father was a flesh-and-blood artist whose accomplishments made him susceptible to hagiographic treatment by potential biographers. Robeson's achievements were real, and there was no need for\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. disclosure
- B. hyperbole
- C. retraction
- D. muckraking
- E. reticence

**SC1091**

Characteristic of the diplomat's new book is the\_\_\_\_\_relationship between the evidence adduced and the inferences drawn, the footnotes and citations teeming with ambiguity and complexity, while the summary statements are more dogmatic simplicities.

- A. healthy
- B. shifting
- C. tenuous
- D. compelling
- E. plausible

**SC1092**

Notwithstanding a lack of\_\_\_\_\_, nineteenth-century anthologies such as Evert and George Duyckinck's Cyclopaedia of American Literature represents serious attempts to collect the national writings up to that point as a way of establishing the viability of American letters.

- A. bias
- B. earnestness
- C. rigor
- D. ambition
- E. ambiguity



**SC1112**

Though acquaintances are first overwhelmed by his\_\_\_\_\_, they soon appreciate that, contrary to appearances, he is not without self-interest.

- A. egotism
- B. magnanimity
- C. ambition
- D. profligacy
- E. brilliance

**SC1122**

When he first hypothesized the neutrino, Wolfgang Pauli's elation was not\_\_\_\_\_ : he feared that he had postulated a particle that could not be detected though his concern turned out to be overblown.

- A. unshared
- B. untoward
- C. unprecedented
- D. unqualified
- E. unjustified

**SECTION 8**

**SC1151**

Demographic relationships that have been\_\_\_\_\_ may not be useful targets for prolonged study: that very characteristic suggests that they may continue to change rapidly.

- A. static
- B. enervated
- C. intransigent
- D. moribund
- E. mutable

**SC1171**

The nineteenth-century legislator Robert Barnwell Rhett was known for using language so intemperate that even in an era of considerable political\_\_\_\_\_, it came almost to occupy a category of its own.

- A. malfeasance
- B. upheaval
- C. hypocrisy
- D. invective
- E. retrenchment

**SC1191**

Except for the special circumstance in which historians record events they themselves have witnessed, scholars can only obtain historical facts through\_\_\_\_\_sources.

- A. biased
- B. first-handed
- C. written
- D. unreliable
- E. intermediary

**SC1211**

All the scholars at the conference agree on the character of the general philosophical concepts under discussion, but this does not imply\_\_\_\_\_with regard to details.

- A. an element of controversy
- B. an excess of uncertainty
- C. a lack of conformity
- D. a mood of curiosity
- E. a community of opinion

**SC1231**

The fanciful notion that the legislative initiative would bring unlimited social benefits has soured into an equally\_\_\_\_\_mood of skepticism and distrust.

- A. valid
- B. pessimistic
- C. unanticipated
- D. pragmatic
- E. baseless

**SC1241**

Some of writers whose interviews with the Paris Review are included in this volume were caught in the final years of their lives, and these interviews thus lend\_\_\_\_\_mood to the collection.

- A. an autumnal
- B. a scintillating
- C. a liberal
- D. an apolitical
- E. a cosmopolitan

**SC1251**

It ought to be surprising that the bank falsified the numbers on its accounts; it is truly shocking that such\_\_\_\_\_was documented, in black and white, and that regulators found it and did nothing about it.

- A. chicanery
- B. raillery

- C. enmity
- D. sagacity
- E. probity

**SC1261**

In considering human behavior, theoreticians tend to emphasize cognition in spite of the fact that psychological research suggests the \_\_\_\_\_ of affect: it suggests that our behavior derives above all from fast, automated emotional judgements.

- A. inefficacy
- B. elusiveness
- C. spontaneity
- D. irrationality
- E. primacy

**SC1272**

The ability of the Grand Banks cod fishery to sustain intensive cod harvesting for many years gave it a reputation for \_\_\_\_\_ that deceived even scientifically sophisticated observers.

- A. hazardousness
- B. insurmountability
- C. unpredictability
- D. inexhaustibility
- E. inscrutability

**SC1291**

The ancient Greek philosopher Socrates displayed great \_\_\_\_\_ in accepting his sentence of death for corrupting the morals of Athenian youth and for advocating religious heresies; he resisted efforts to save his life and willingly drank the cup of poison given him.

- A. elation
- B. stoicism
- C. elitism
- D. erudition
- E. skepticism