

GRE 填空经典真题集 VI.0

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写在前面的话

新 GRE 备考阶段很多同学对于 2011 年前 GRE 经典题目的使用长存疑惑，不知道是否该做，以及不知道该以什么样的形式刷题，其实无论新 GRE 还是老 GRE，填空题目的词汇难度和逻辑难度都没有发生太大的变化，只不过新 GRE 的题目更注重对于句子意思的理解，淡化单词的精准考查。这也就是为什么很多同学发现做老 GRE 题目时，单词如果基本都知道，一般是不太会在逻辑上发生错误，但是新 GRE 的填空题目，即使单词全认识，有些时候仍然是模棱两可，不知如何选择。

为什么 GRE 经典题目仍然有重要的意义？

第一，它是对于 ETS 如何解读词汇的题源和我们能够参照的最好标准。如新 GRE 题目中，有一道题目对于 sympathetic 这个词的考察，原题如下：

【新 GRE 机经题目】Even though the municipal government was not totally _____ the positive review of the charter, the mayor nevertheless decided to veto the laws.

- A. garrulous about
- B. enthusiastic about
- C. sanguine about
- D. approbatory to
- E. unsympathetic with

这道题目的答案选择 E unsympathetic，这道题目考察了 sympathetic 这个词 favorably inclined 的意思。如果同学们把这个词理解为同情的，可能在选择的时候就会出现偏差。但是 unsympathetic 这个意思其实在老 GRE 的填空题目中已经考察过，题目如下：

The characterization of historical analysis as a form of fiction is not likely to be received----by either historians or literary critics, who agree that history and fiction deal with----orders of experience.

- (A) quietly..significant
- (B) enthusiastically..shifting
- (C) passively..unusual
- (D) sympathetically..distinct
- (E) contentiously..realistic

因此，准确理解老 GRE 填空每一个选项的词汇是绝对有助于在新 GRE 中把我考试词汇的含义的。

第二，老 GRE 题目还会不断地在新 GRE 考试中重复出现。我们可以看到，OG 中很大一部分题目都是老 GRE 题目的改编，无论是单空题、双空题还是六选二题目。只有三空题是全新的。

在新 GRE 考试中，我们发现老 GRE 题目仍然会重复出现，如下面的例子。

【2014.13】

The science of astronomy was begun by amateurs and today remains dependent on their contributions, which are incisive by virtue of

being ----- by the a prior assumption that often vitiate the work of professional research scientists

- (A) characterized
- (B) unencumbered
- (C) supported
- (D) contradicted
- (E) inspired

【2014.3.29 98 年机经题目】

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.

Blank (i)

Blank (ii)

- A. question
- B. favor
- C. oppose

- D. planning
- E. eager
- F. loath

【2014.3.9】

Without seeming unworldly, William James appeared wholly removed from the _____ of society, the conventionality of academe.

- (A) ethos
- (B) idealism
- (C) romance
- (D) paradoxes
- (E) commonplaces

【2014.3.9】

She is most frugal in matters of business, but in her private life she reveals a streak of _____.

- (A) antipathy
- (B) misanthropy
- (C) virtuosity
- (D) equanimity
- (E) prodigality

【2014.2.23】 For all the scathing precision with which she criticized the social aspirants and moneyed folk, the writer appears to _____ being part of the world she makes seem so _____.

Blank (i)

Blank (ii)

A. abhor

D. insufferable

B. romantic

E. unattainable

C. relish

F. glamorous

【2013.4.27】 Though extremely _____ about his own plans, the man allowed his associates no such privacy and was constantly _____ information about what they intended to do next.

Blank (i)

Blank (ii)

A candid

D soliciting

B idiosyncratic

E altering

C reticent

F eschewing

【2013.4.27】 The children's _____ natures were in sharp contrast to the even-tempered dispositions of their parents.

(A) mercurial

(B) blithe

(C) phlegmatic

(D) introverted

(E) artless

(F) inconstant

因此，把老 GRE 的填空题目熟烂于心，在考场上如果遇到原题或者是原题的改编题目，则可以快速的锁定答案，以节省宝贵时间给其他题目。

如何使用该 GRE 经典真题集

老 GRE 题目，每个 section 有 7 道填空题，我们在收录时没有改变其顺序，每一个 section 都对应着老 GRE 一个 section 的全部填空题。我们一共收了 113 个 section，涵盖了全部大白本和 2000 年之后的 GRE 考试题目。这样收录的原因是：

(1) 同学们可以按照限时训练的方式模拟真实的 GRE 考试。我们建议每个 section 的训练时间为 6 分钟。

(2) 难度接近真实考试的 section。难度已经天然由 ETS 排布，省去了我们再去分配难易造成和真实考试难易程度不相符的局面。

我们的老师也将题目重新改编成新 GRE 题目形式，会作为我们精讲精练班的教学内容。改编后的题目更符合新 GRE 考试的特点，同时融入了我们所有老师近百次新 GRE 考试的实战经验。讲练结合的 GRE 填空精讲精练班会让你更从容的应对 GRE 考试。

考 G 路程漫漫，愿同学们都取得优异的成绩，且行且珍惜。

答案索取方式：

请加入 GRE 点题班微信平台，订阅号:gre~~di~~anti，平台留言索取答案即可。

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Section 1

1. Hydrogen is the ----element of the universe in that it provides the building blocks from which the other elements are produced.
(A) steadiest
(B) expendable
(C) lightest
(D) final
(E) fundamental
2. Few of us take the pains to study our cherished convictions; indeed, we almost have a natural---- doing so.
(A) aptitude for
(B) repugnance to
(C) interest in
(D) ignorance of
(E) reaction after
3. It is his dubious distinction to have proved what nobody would think of denying, that Romero at the age of sixty-four writes with all the characteristics of----.
(A) maturity
(B) fiction
(C) inventiveness
(D) art
(E) brilliance
4. The primary criterion for----a school is its recent performance: critics are----to extend credit for earlier victories.
(A) evaluating .. prone
(B) investigating .. hesitant
(C) judging .. reluctant
(D) improving .. eager
(E) administering .. persuaded
5. Number theory is rich in problems of an especially----sort: they are tantalizingly simple to state but----difficult to solve.
(A) cryptic..deceptively
(B) spurious.. equally
(C) abstruse..ostensibly
(D) elegant.. rarely
(E) vexing ..notoriously
6. In failing to see that the justice's pronouncement merely----previous decisions rather than actually establishing a precedent, the novice law clerk-- the scope of the justice's judgment.
(A) synthesized.. limited
(B) overturned.. misunderstood
(C) endorsed.. nullified
(D) qualified.. overemphasized
(E) recapitulated.. defined
7. When theories formerly considered to be----in their scientific objectivity are found instead to reflect a consistent observational and evaluative bias, then the presumed neutrality of science gives way to the recognition that categories of knowledge are human----.
(A) disinterested.. constructions
(B) callous.. errors
(C) verifiable.. prejudices
(D) convincing.. imperatives
(E) unassailable.. fantasies

Section 2

1. Although the minuet appeared simple, its----steps had to be studied very carefully before they could be gracefully----in public.
(A) progressive..revealed
(B) intricate.. executed
(C) rudimentary.. allowed
(D) minute.. discussed
(E) entertaining.. stylized
2. The results of the experiments performed by Elizabeth Hazen and Rachel Brown were----not only because these results challenged old assumptions but also because they called the----methodology into question.
(A) provocative.. prevailing
(B) predictable.. contemporary
(C) inconclusive.. traditional
(D) intriguing.. projected
(E) specious.. original
3. Despite the---of many of their colleagues, some scholars have begun to emphasize "pop culture" as a key for----the myths, hopes, and fears of contemporary society.
(A) antipathy.. entangling
(B) discernment.. evaluating
(C) pedantry.. reinstating
(D) skepticism.. deciphering
(E) enthusiasm.. symbolizing
4. In the seventeenth century, direct flouting of a generally accepted system of values was regarded as---, even as a sign of madness.
(A) adventurous
(B) frivolous
(C) willful
(D) impermissible
(E) irrational
5. Queen Elizabeth I has quite correctly been called a ----of the arts, because many young artists received her patronage.
(A) connoisseur
(B) critic
(C) friend
(D) scourge
(E) judge
6. Because outlaws were denied----under medieval law, anyone could raise a hand against them with legal---.
(A) propriety.. authority
(B) protection.. impunity
(C) collusion.. consent
(D) rights..collaboration
(E) provisions.. validity
7. Rather than enhancing a country's security, the successful development of nuclear weapons could serve at first to increase that country's---.
(A) boldness
(B) influence
(C) responsibility
(D) moderation
(E) vulnerability

Section 3

1. Physicists rejected the innovative experimental technique because, although it----some problems, it also produced new----.
(A) clarified.. data
(B) eased.. interpretations
(C) resolved.. complications
(D) caused.. hypotheses
(E) revealed.. inconsistencies
2. During a period of protracted illness, the sick can become infirm, ----both the strength to work and many of the specific skills they once possessed.
(A) regaining
(B) denying
(C) pursuing
(D) insuring
(E) losing
3. The pressure of population on available resources is the key to understanding history; consequently, any historical writing that takes no cognizance of----facts is----flawed.
(A) demographic.. intrinsically
(B) ecological.. marginally
(C) cultural.. substantively
(D) psychological.. philosophically
(E) political.. demonstratively
4. It is puzzling to observe that Jones's novel has recently been criticized for its----structure, since commentators have traditionally argued that its most obvious----is its relentlessly rigid, indeed schematic, framework.
(A) attention to.. preoccupation
(B) speculation about.. characteristic
(C) parody of.. disparity
(D) violation of.. contradiction
(E) lack of.. flaw
5. It comes as no surprise that societies have codes of behavior; the character of the codes, on the other hand, can often be----.
(A) predictable
(B) unexpected
(C) admirable
(D) explicit
(E) confusing
6. The characterization of historical analysis as a form of fiction is not likely to be received----by either historians or literary critics, who agree that history and fiction deal with----orders of experience.
(A) quietly.. significant
(B) enthusiastically.. shifting
(C) passively.. unusual
(D) sympathetically.. distinct
(E) contentiously.. realistic
7. For some time now, ----has been presumed not to exist: the cynical conviction that everybody has an angle is considered wisdom.
(A) rationality
(B) flexibility
(C) diffidence
(D) disinterestedness
(E) insincerity

Section 4

1. The ----of mass literacy coincided with the first industrial revolution; in turn, the new expansion in literacy, as well as cheaper printing, helped to nurture the----of popular literature.
(A) building.. mistrust
(B) reappearance.. display
(C) receipt.. source
(D) selection.. influence
(E) emergence.. rise
2. Although ancient tools were----preserved, enough have survived to allow us to demonstrate an occasionally interrupted but generally----progress through prehistory.
(A) partially.. noticeable
(B) superficially.. necessary
(C) unwittingly.. documented
(D) rarely.. continual
(E) needlessly.. incessant
3. In part of the Arctic, the land grades in to the landfast ice so----that you can walk off the coast and not know you are over the hidden sea.
(A) permanently
(B) imperceptibly
(C) irregularly
(D) precariously
(E) slightly
4. Kagan maintains that an infant's reactions to its first stressful experiences are part of a natural process of development, not harbingers of childhood unhappiness or----signs of adolescent anxiety.
(A) prophetic
(B) normal
(C) monotonous
(D) virtual
(E) typical
5. An investigation that is ----can occasionally yield new facts, even notable ones, but typically the appearance of such facts is the result of a search in a definite direction.
(A) timely
(B) unguided
(C) consistent
(D) uncomplicated
(E) subjective
6. Like many eighteenth-century scholars who lived by cultivating those in power, Winckelmann neglected to neutralize, by some ----gesture of comradeship, the resentment his peers were bound to feel because of his----the high and mighty.
(A) quixotic.. intrigue with
(B) enigmatic.. familiarity with
(C) propitiatory.. involvement with
(D) salutary.. questioning of
(E) unfeigned.. sympathy for
7. In a----society that worships efficiency, it is difficult for a sensitive and idealistic person to make the kinds of----decisions that alone spell success as it is defined by such a society.
(A) bureaucratic.. edifying
(B) pragmatic.. hardheaded
(C) rational.. well-intentioned
(D) competitive.. evenhanded
(E) modern.. dysfunctional

Section 5

1. Her----should not be confused with miserliness; as long as I have known her, she has always been willing to assist those who are in need.

- (A) intemperance
- (B) intolerance
- (C) apprehension
- (D) diffidence
- (E) frugality

2. Natural selection tends to eliminate genes that cause inherited diseases, acting most strongly against the most severe diseases; consequently, hereditary diseases that are----would be expected to be very----, but, surprisingly, they are not.

- (A) lethal..rare
- (B) untreated.. dangerous
- (C) unusual.. refractory
- (D) new.. perplexing
- (E) widespread.. acute

3. Unfortunately, his damaging attacks on the ramifications of the economic policy have been----by his wholehearted acceptance of that policy's underlying assumptions.

- (A) supplemented
- (B) undermined
- (C) wasted
- (D) diverted
- (E) redeemed

4. During the opera's most famous aria the tempo chosen by the orchestra's conductor seemed----, without necessary relation to what had gone before.

- (A) tedious
- (B) melodious
- (C) capricious
- (D) compelling
- (E) cautious

5. In the machinelike world of classical physics, the human intellect appears----, since the mechanical nature of classical physics does not----creative reasoning, the very ability that had made the formulation of classical principles possible.

- (A) anomalous.. allow for
- (B) abstract.. speak to
- (C) anachronistic.. deny
- (D) enduring.. value
- (E) contradictory.. exclude

6. During the 1960's assessments of the family shifted remarkably, from general endorsement of it as a worthwhile, stable institution to widespread----it as an oppressive and bankrupt one whose----was both imminent and welcome.

- (A) flight from.. restitution
- (B) fascination with.. corruption
- (C) rejection of.. vogue
- (D) censure of.. dissolution
- (E) relinquishment of.. ascent

7. Documenting science's----philosophy would be----, since it is almost axiomatic that many philosophers use scientific concepts as the foundations for their speculations.

- (A) distrust of.. elementary
- (B) influence on.. superfluous
- (C) reliance on.. inappropriate
- (D) dependence on.. difficult
- (E) *differences from.. impossible*

Section 6

1. The spellings of many Old English words have been----in the living language, although their pronunciations have changed.

- (A) preserved
- (B) shortened
- (C) preempted
- (D) revised
- (E) improved

2. The sheer diversity of tropical plants represents a seemingly----source of raw materials, of which only a few have been utilized.

- (A) exploited
- (B) quantifiable
- (C) controversial
- (D) inexhaustible
- (E) remarkable

3. For centuries animals have been used as----for people in experiments to assess the effects of therapeutic and other agents that might later be used in humans.

- (A) benefactors
- (B) companions
- (C) examples
- (D) precedents
- (E) surrogates

4. Social tensions among adult factions can be---- by politics, but adolescents and children have no such----for resolving their conflict with the exclusive world of adults.

- (A) intensified.. attitude
- (B) complicated.. relief
- (C) frustrated.. justification
- (D) adjusted.. mechanism
- (E) revealed.. opportunity

5. The state is a network of exchanged benefits and beliefs, ----between rulers and citizens based on those laws and procedures that are----to the maintenance of community.

- (A) a compromise.. inimical
- (B) an interdependence.. subsidiary
- (C) a counterpoint.. incidental
- (D) an equivalence.. prerequisite
- (E) a reciprocity.. conducive

6. Far from viewing Jefferson as a skeptical but enlightened intellectual, historians of the 1960's portrayed him as----thinker, eager to fill the young with his political orthodoxy while censoring ideas he did not like.

- (A) an adventurous
- (B) a doctrinaire
- (C) an eclectic
- (D) a judicious
- (E) a cynical

7. To have true disciples, a thinker must not be too----: any effective intellectual leader depends on the ability of other people to----thought processes that did not originate with them.

- (A) popular.. dismiss
- (B) methodical.. interpret
- (C) idiosyncratic.. reenact
- (D) self-confident.. revitalize
- (E) pragmatic.. discourage

Section 7

1. Clearly refuting skeptics, researchers have---- not only that gravitational radiation exists but that it also does exactly what theory----it should do.
(A) doubted.. warranted
(B) estimated.. accepted
(C) demonstrated.. predicted
(D) assumed.. deduced
(E) supposed.. asserted
2. Sponsors of the bill were----because there was no opposition to it within the legislature until after the measure had been signed into law.
(A) unreliable
(B) well-intentioned
(C) persistent
(D) relieved
(E) detained
3. The paradoxical aspect of the myths about Demeter, when we consider the predominant image of her as a tranquil and serene goddess, is her----search for her daughter.
(A) extended
(B) agitated
(C) comprehensive
(D) motiveless
(E) heartless
4. Yellow fever, the disease that killed 4,000 philadelphians in 1793, and so----Memphis, Tennessee, that the city lost its charter, has reappeared after nearly two decades in----in the Western Hemisphere.
(A) terrorized.. contention
(B) ravaged.. secret
(C) disabled.. quarantine
(D) corrupted.. quiescence
(E) decimated.. abeyance
5. Although----, almost self-effacing in his private life, he displays in his plays and essays a strong----publicity and controversy.
(A) conventional.. interest in
(B) monotonous.. reliance on
(C) shy.. aversion toward
(D) retiring.. penchant for
(E) evasive.. impatience with
6. Comparatively few rock musicians are willing to laugh at themselves, although a hint of----can boost sales of video clips very nicely.
(A) self-deprecation
(B) congeniality
(C) cynicism
(D) embarrassment
(E) self-doubt
7. Parts of seventeenth-century Chinese pleasure gardens were not necessarily intended to look----; they were designed expressly to evoke the agreeable melancholy resulting from a sense of the ----of natural beauty and human glory.
(A) beautiful.. immutability
(B) cheerful.. transistorizes
(C) colorful.. abstractness
(D) luxuriant.. simplicity
(E) conventional.. wildness

Section 8

1. Since it is now----to build the complex central processing unit of a computer on a single silicon chip using photolithography and chemical etching, it seems plausible that other miniature structures might be fabricated in---- ways.
(A) unprecedented.. undiscovered
(B) difficult.. related
(C) permitted.. unique
(D) mandatory.. congruent
(E) routine.. similar
2. Given the evidence of Egyptian and Babylonian----later Greek civilization, it would be incorrect to view the work of Greek scientists as an entirely independent creation.
(A) disdain for
(B) imitation of
(C) ambivalence about
(D) deference to
(E) influence on
3. Laws do not ensure social orders since laws can always be----, which makes them----unless the authorities have the will and the power to detect and punish wrongdoing.
(A) contested.. provisional
(B) circumvented.. antiquated
(C) repealed.. vulnerable
(D) violated.. ineffective
(E) modified.. unstable
4. Since she believed him to be both candid and trustworthy, she refused to consider the possibility that his statement had been----.
(A) irrelevant
(B) facetious
(C) mistaken
(D) critical
(E) insincere
5. Ironically, the party leaders encountered no greater----their efforts to build a progressive party than the----of the progressives already elected to the legislature.
(A) support for.. advocacy
(B) threat to.. promise
(C) benefit from.. success
(D) obstacle to.. resistance
(E) praise for.. reputation
6. It is strange how words shape our thoughts and trap us at the bottom of deeply----canyons of thinking, their imprisoning sides carved out by the----of past usage.
(A) cleaved.. eruptions
(B) rooted.. flood
(C) incised.. river
(D) ridged.. ocean
(E) notched.. mountains
7. That his intransigence in making decisions----no open disagreement from any quarter was well known; thus, clever subordinates learned the art of----their opinions in casual remarks.
(A) elicited.. quashing
(B) engendered.. recasting
(C) brooked.. intimidating
(D) embodied.. instigating
(E) forbore.. emending

Section 9

- Created to serve as perfectly as possible their workaday----, the wooden storage boxes made in America's Shaker communities are now---- for their beauty.
(A) environment..accepted
(B) owners..employed
(C) function..valued
(D) reality..transformed
(E) image..seen
- In order to----her theory that the reactions are ----, the scientist conducted many experiments, all of which showed that the heat of the first reaction is more than twice that of the second.
(A) support..different
(B) comprehend..constant
(C) evaluate..concentrated
(D) capture..valuable
(E) demonstrate..problematic
- The sheer bulk of data from the mass media seems to overpower us and drive us to---- accounts for an easily and readily digestible portion of news.
(A) insular
(B) investigative
(C) synoptic
(D) subjective
(E) sensational
- William James lacked the usual----death; writing to his dying father, he spoke without---- about the old man's impending death.
(A) longing for..regret
(B) awe of..inhibition
(C) curiosity about..rancor
(D) apprehension of..eloquence
(E) anticipation of..commiseration
- Current data suggest that, although----states between fear and aggression exist, fear and aggression are as distinct physiologically as they are psychologically.*
(A) simultaneous
(B) serious
(C) exceptional
(D) partial
(E) transitional
- It is ironic that a critic of such overwhelming vanity now suffers from a measure of the oblivion to which he was forever----others, in the end, all his----has only worked against him
(A) dedicating..self-procession
(B) leading..self-righteousness
(C) consigning..self-adulation
(D) relegating..self-sacrifice
(E) condemning..self-analysis
- Famous among job seekers for its----, the company, quite apart from generous salaries, bestowed on its executives annual bonuses and such----as low-interest home mortgages and company cars.
(A) magnanimity..reparations
(B) inventiveness..benefits
(C) largesse..perquisites
(D) discernment..prerogatives
(E) altruism..credits

Section 10

- There are no solitary, free-living creatures; every form of life is----other forms.
(A) segregated from
(B) parallel to
(C) dependent on
(D) overshadowed by
(E) mimicked by
- The sale of Alaska was not so much an American coup as a matter of----for an imperial Russia that was short of cash and unable to---- its own continental coastline.
(A) negligence..fortify
(B) custom..maintain
(C) convenience..stabilize
(D) expediency..defend
(E) exigency..reinforce
- Despite assorted effusions to the contrary, there is no necessary link between scientific skill and humanism, and, quite possibly, there may be something of a----between them.
(A) generality
(B) fusion
(C) congruity
(D) dichotomy
(E) reciprocity
- A common argument claims that in folk art, the artist's subordination of technical mastery to intense feeling----the direct communication of emotion to the viewer.
(A) facilitates
(B) averts
(C) neutralizes
(D) implies
(E) represses
- While not completely nonplussed by the usually caustic responses from members of the audience, the speaker was nonetheless visibly---- by their lively criticism.
(A) humiliated
(B) discomfited
(C) deluded
(D) disgraced
(E) tantalized
- In eighth-century Japan, people who---- wasteland were rewarded with official ranks as part of an effort to overcome the shortage of---- fields.
(A) conserved..forested
(B) reclaimed..arable
(C) cultivated..domestic
(D) irrigated..accessible
(E) located..desirable
- If duty is the natural----of one's ----the course of future events, then people who are powerful have duty placed on them whether they like it or not.
(A) correlate..understanding of
(B) outgrowth..control over
(C) determinant..involvement in
(D) mitigant..preoccupation with
(E) arbiter..responsibility for

Section 11

1. By divesting himself of all regalities, the former king----the consideration that customarily protects monarchs.
(A) merited
(B) forfeited
(C) debased
(D) concealed
(E) extended
2. A perennial goal in zoology is to infer function from----, relating the----of an organism to its physical form and cellular organization.
(A) age.. ancestry
(B) classification.. appearance
(C) size.. movement
(D) structure.. behavior
(E) location.. habitat
3. The sociologist responded to the charge that her new theory was ----by pointing out that it did not in fact contradict accepted sociological principles.
(A) banal
(B) heretical
(C) unproven
(D) complex
(E) superficial
4. Industrialists seized economic power only after industry had ----agriculture as the preeminent form of production; previously such power had ----land ownership.
(A) sabotaged.. threatened
(B) overtaken.. produced
(C) toppled.. culminated in
(D) joined.. relied on
(E) supplanted.. resided in
5. Rumors, embroidered with detail, live on for years, neither denied nor confirmed, until they become accepted as fact even among people not known for their----.
(A) insight
(B) obstinacy
(C) introspection
(D) tolerance
(E) credulity
6. No longer----by the belief that the world around us was expressly designed for humanity, many people try to find intellectual----for that lost certainty in astrology and in mysticism.
(A) satisfied.. reasons
(B) sustained.. substitutes
(C) reassured.. justifications
(D) hampered.. equivalents
(E) restricted.. parallels
7. People should not be praised for their virtue if they lack the energy to be----; in such cases, goodness is merely the effect of----.
(A) depraved.. hesitation
(B) cruel.. effortlessness
(C) wicked.. indolence
(D) unjust.. boredom
(E) iniquitous.. impiety

Section 12

1. Animals that have tasted unpalatable plants tend to----them afterward on the basis of their most conspicuous features, such as their flowers.
(A) recognize
(B) hoard
(C) trample
(D) retrieve
(E) approach
2. As for the alleged value of expert opinion, one need only----government records to see----evidence of the failure of such opinions in many fields.
(A) inspect.. questionable
(B) retain.. circumstantial
(C) distribute.. possible
(D) consult.. strong
(E) evaluate.. problematic
3. In scientific inquiry it becomes a matter of duty to expose a ----hypothesis to every possible kind of----.
(A) tentative.. examination
(B) debatable.. approximation
(C) well-established.. rationalization
(D) logical.. elaboration
(E) suspect.. correlation
4. Charlotte Salomon's biography is a reminder that the currents of private life, however diverted, dislodged, or twisted by ----public events, retain their hold on the----recording them.
(A) transitory.. culture
(B) dramatic.. majority
(C) overpowering.. individual
(D) conventional.. audience
(E) relentless.. institution
5. Philosophical problems arise when people ask questions that, though very----, have certain characteristics in common.
(A) relevant
(B) elementary
(C) abstract
(D) diverse
(E) controversial
6. Although Johnson----great enthusiasm for his employees' project, in reality his interest in the project was so----as to be almost nonexistent.
(A) generated.. redundant
(B) displayed.. preemptive
(C) expected.. indiscriminate
(D) feigned.. perfunctory
(E) demanded.. dispassionate
7. Not all the indicators necessary to convey the effect of depth in a picture work simultaneously; the picture's illusion of----three-dimensional appearance must therefore result from the viewer's integration of various indicators perceived----.
(A) imitative.. coincidentally
(B) uniform.. successively
(C) temporary.. comprehensively
(D) expressive.. sympathetically
(E) schematic.. passively

Section 13

1. The natural balance between prey and predator has been increasingly----, most frequently by human intervention.
(A) celebrated
(B) predicted
(C) observed
(D) disturbed
(E) questioned
2. There is some----the fact that the author of a book as sensitive and informed as Indian Artisans did not develop her interest in Native American art until adulthood, for she grew up in a region rich in American Indian culture.
(A) irony in
(B) satisfaction in
(C) doubt about
(D) concern about
(E) presumptuousness in
3. Ecology, like economics, concerns itself with the movement of valuable----through a complex network of producers and consumers.
(A) commodities
(B) dividends
(C) communications
(D) nutrients
(E) artifacts
4. Observable as a tendency of our culture is a ----of ----psychoanalysis: we no longer feel that it can solve our emotional problems.
(A) divergence.. certainly about
(B) confrontation.. enigmas in
(C) withdrawal.. belief in
(D) defense.. weaknesses in
(E) failure.. rigor in
5. The struggle of the generations is one of the obvious constants of human affairs; therefore, it may be presumptuous to suggest that the rivalry between young and old in Western society during the current decade is ----critical.
(A) perennially
(B) disturbingly
(C) uniquely
(D) archetypally
(E) captiously
6. Rhetoric often seems to----over reason in a heated debate, with both sides----in hyperbole.
(A) cloud.. subsiding
(B) prevail.. yielding
(C) triumph.. engaging
(D) reverberate.. clamoring
(E) trample.. tangling
7. Melodramas, which presented stark oppositions between innocence and criminality, virtue and corruption, good and evil, were popular precisely because they offered the audience a world ----of----.
(A) bereft.. theatricality
(B) composed.. adversity
(C) full.. circumstantiality
(D) deprived.. polarity
(E) devoid.. neutrality

Section 14

1. In the current research program, new varieties of apple trees are evaluated under different agricultural----for tree size, bloom density, fruit size, ----to various soils, and resistance to pests and disease.
(A) circumstances.. proximity
(B) regulations.. conformity
(C) conditions.. adaptability
(D) auspices.. susceptibility
(E) configurations.. propensity
2. At first, I found her gravity rather intimidating; but, as I saw more of her, I found that----was very near the surface.
(A) seriousness
(B) confidence
(C) laughter
(D) poise
(E) determination
3. Even though in today's Soviet Union the----the Muslim clergy have been accorded power and privileges, the Muslim laity and the rank-and-file clergy still have little----to practice their religion.
(A) practitioners among.. opportunity
(B) dissidents within.. obligation
(C) adversaries of.. inclination
(D) leaders of.. latitude
(E) traditionalists among.. incentive
4. The proponents of recombinant DNA research have decided to----federal regulation of their work; they hope that by making this compromise they can forestall proposed state and local controls that might be even stiffer.
(A) protest
(B) institute
(C) deny
(D) encourage
(E) disregard
5. It is to the novelist's credit that all of the episodes in her novel are presented realistically, without any----or playful supernatural tricks.
(A) elucidation
(B) discrimination
(C) artlessness
(D) authenticity
(E) whimsy
6. Our new tools of systems analysis, powerful though they may be, lead to----theories, especially, and predictably, in economics and political science, where productive approaches have long been highly----.
(A) pragmatic.. speculative
(B) inelegant.. efficacious
(C) explanatory.. intuitional
(D) wrongheaded.. convergent
(E) simplistic.. elusive
7. Nineteenth-century scholars, by examining earlier geometric Greek art, found that classical Greek art was not a magical----or a brilliant----blending Egyptian and Assyrian art, but was independently evolved by Greeks in Greece.
(A) stratagem.. appropriation
(B) exemplar.. synthesis
(C) conversion.. annexation
(D) paradigm.. construct
(E) apparition.. amalgam

Section 15

1. Dreams are----in and of themselves, but, when combined with other data, they can tell us much about the dreamer.
(A) uninformative
(B) startling
(C) harmless
(D) unregulated
(E) uncontrollable
2. The Muses are----deities: they avenge themselves without mercy on those who weary of their charms.
(A) rueful
(B) ingenuous
(C) solicitous
(D) vindictive
(E) dispassionate
3. Without the psychiatrist's promise of confidentiality, trust is----and the patient's communication limited; even though confidentiality can thus be seen to be precious in therapy, moral responsibility sometimes requires a willingness to----it.
(A) implicit.. extend
(B) ambiguous.. apply
(C) prevented.. uphold
(D) assumed.. examine
(E) impaired.. sacrifice
4. Having fully embraced the belief that government by persuasion is preferable to government by----, the leaders of the movement have recently----most of their previous statements supporting totalitarianism.
(A) intimidation.. issued
(B) participation.. moderated
(C) proclamation.. codified
(D) demonstration.. deliberated
(E) coercion.. repudiated
5. The powers and satisfactions of primeval people, though few and meager, were----their few and simple desires.
(A) simultaneous with
(B) commensurate with
(C) substantiated by
(D) circumscribed by
(E) ruined by
6. Some scientists argue that carbon compounds play such a central role in life on Earth because of the possibility of----resulting from the carbon atom's ability to form an unending series of different molecules.
(A) deviation
(B) stability
(C) reproduction
(D) variety
(E) invigoration
7. Whereas the art critic Vasari saw the painting entitled the Mona Lisa as an original and wonderful----feat, the reproduction of a natural object, the aesthetes saw it as----that required deciphering.
(A) collaborative.. an aberration
(B) historical.. a symbol
(C) technical.. a hieroglyph
(D) mechanical.. an imitation
(E) visual.. an illusion

Section 16

1. As late as 1891 a speaker assured his audience that since profitable farming was the result of natural ability rather than----, an education in agriculture was----.
(A) instruction.. vital
(B) effort.. difficult
(C) learning.. useless
(D) science.. intellectual
(E) luck.. senseless
2. In spite of the----nature of Scotland's terrain, its main roads are surprisingly free from severe----.
(A) rocky.. weather
(B) mountainous.. grades
(C) uncharted.. flooding
(D) unpredictable.. damage
(E) landlocked.. slipperiness
3. Walpole's art collection was huge and fascinating, and his novel The Castle of Otranto was never out of print; none of this mattered to the Victorians, who----him as, at best, ----.
(A) dismissed.. insignificant
(B) judged.. worthwhile
(C) revered.. talented
(D) reviled.. meager
(E) taunted.. dangerous
4. Since the author frequently----other scholars, his objection to disputes is not only irrelevant but also----.
(A) supports.. overbearing
(B) provokes.. frightening
(C) quotes.. curious
(D) ignores.. peevish
(E) attacks.. surprising
5. Longdale and Stern discovered that mitochondria and chloroplasts----a long, identifiable sequence of DNA; such a coincidence could be----only by the transfer of DNA between the two systems.
(A) manufacture.. accomplished
(B) reveal.. repeated
(C) exhibit.. determined
(D) share.. explained
(E) maintain.. contradicted
6. Until the current warming trend exceeds the range of normal climatic fluctuations, there will be, among scientists, considerable----the possibility that increasing levels of atmospheric CO₂ can cause long-term warming effects.
(A) interest in
(B) uncertainty about
(C) enthusiasm for
(D) worry about
(E) experimentation on
7. Without seeming unworldly, William James appeared wholly removed from the----of society, the conventionality of academe.
(A) ethos
(B) idealism
(C) romance
(D) paradoxes
(E) commonplaces

Section 17

1. Heavily perfumed white flowers, such as gardenias, were favorites with collectors in the eighteenth century, when----was valued much more highly than it is today.
(A) scent
(B) beauty
(C) elegance
(D) color
(E) variety
2. In a most impressive demonstration, Pavarotti sailed through Verdi's "Celeste Aida," normally a tenor's---, with the casual enthusiasm of a folk singer performing one of his favorite----.
(A) pitfall.. recitals
(B) glory.. chorales
(C) nightmare.. ballads
(D) delight.. chanteys
(E) routine.. composers
3. Dependence on foreign sources of heavy metals, though----, remains----for United States foreign policy.
(A) deepening.. a challenge
(B) diminishing.. a problem
(C) excessive.. a dilemma
(D) debilitating.. an embarrassment
(E) unavoidable.. a precedent
4. Cynics believe that people who----compliments do so in order to be praised twice.
(A) bask in
(B) give out
(C) despair of
(D) gloat over
(E) shrug off
5. Although nothing could be further from the truth, freight railroads have been----of----the nation's shift from oil to coal by charging exorbitant fees to transport coal.
(A) accused.. impeding
(B) proud.. accelerating
(C) guilty.. delaying
(D) conscious.. contributing to
(E) wary.. interfering with
6. Although the revelation that one of the contestants was a friend left the judge open to charges of lack of----, the judge remained adamant in her assertion that acquaintance did not necessarily imply----.
(A) prudence.. tolerance
(B) detachment.. foreknowledge
(C) exoneration.. impropriety
(D) prejudice.. preference
(E) disinterestedness.. partiality
7. Within the next decade, sophisticated telescopes now orbiting the Earth will determine whether the continents really are moving, ----the incipient----among geologists about the validity of the theory of continental drift.
(A) obviating.. consensus
(B) forestalling.. rift
(C) escalating.. debates
(D) engendering.. speculation
(E) resolving.. rumors

Section 18

1. The commissions criticized the legislature for making college attendance dependent on the ability to pay, charging that, as a result, hundreds of qualified young people would be----further education.
(A) entitled to
(B) striving for
(C) deprived of
(D) uninterested in
(E) participating in
2. In most Native American cultures, an article used in prayer or ritual is made with extraordinary attention to and richness of detail: it is decorated more----than a similar article intended for----use.
(A) delicately.. vocational
(B) colorfully.. festive
(C) creatively.. religious
(D) subtly.. commercial
(E) lavishly.. everyday
3. Having no sense of moral obligation, Shipler was as little subject to the----of conscience after he acted as he was motivated by its----before he acted.
(A) rewards.. chastisement
(B) balm.. eloquence
(C) reproaches.. prompting
(D) ridicule.. allure
(E) qualms.. atonement
4. Freud derived psychoanalytic knowledge of childhood indirectly: he----childhood processes from adult----.
(A) reconstructed.. memory
(B) condoned.. experience
(C) incorporated.. behavior
(D) released.. monotony
(E) inferred.. anticipation
5. While she initially suffered the fate of many pioneers—the incomprehension of her colleagues—octogenarian Nobel laureate Barbara McClintock has lived to----the triumph of her once----scientific theories.
(A) descry.. innovative
(B) regret.. insignificant
(C) perpetuate.. tentative
(D) enjoy.. authoritative
(E) savor.. heterodox
6. Broadway audiences have become inured to----and so----to be pleased as to make their ready ovations meaningless as an indicator of the quality of the production before them.
(A) sentimentality.. reluctant
(B) condescension.. disinclined
(C) histrionics.. unlikely
(D) cleverness.. eager
(E) mediocrity.. desperate
7. Any language is a conspiracy against experience in the sense that it is a collective attempt to----experience by reducing it into discrete parcels.
(A) extrapolate
(B) transcribe
(C) complicate
(D) amplify
(E) manage

Section 19

1. There is perhaps some truth in that waggish old definition of a scholar—a siren that calls attention to a fog without doing anything to---- it.
(A) describe
(B) cause
(C) analyze
(D) dispel
(E) thicken
2. Cryogenic energy storage has the advantage of being suitable in any----, regardless of geography or geology, factors that may----both underground gas storage and pumped hydroelectric storage.
(A) location.. limit
(B) climate.. deter
(C) site.. forebode
(D) proportion.. typify
(E) surface.. hamper
3. The newborn human infant is not a passive figure, nor an active one, but what might be called an actively----one, eagerly attentive as it is to sights and sounds.
(A) adaptive
(B) selective
(C) inquisitive
(D) receptive
(E) intuitive
4. Opponents of the expansion of the market economy, although in----, continued to constitute----political force throughout the century.
(A) error.. an inconsequential
(B) retreat.. a powerful
(C) disarray.. a disciplined
(D) jeopardy.. an ineffective
(E) command.. a viable
5. Nature's energy efficiency often----human technology: despite the intensity of the light fireflies produce, the amount of heat is negligible; only recently have humans developed chemical light-producing systems whose efficiency----the firefly's system.
(A) engenders.. manipulates
(B) reflects.. simulates
(C) outstrips.. rivals
(D) inhibits.. matches
(E) determines.. reproduces
6. Scholars' sense of the uniqueness of the central concept of "the state" at the time when political science became an academic field quite naturally led to striving for a correspondingly----mode of study.
(A) thorough
(B) distinctive
(C) dependable
(D) scientific
(E) dynamic
7. Just as astrology was for centuries----faith, countering the strength of established churches, so today believing in astrology is an act of----the professional sciences.
(A) an individual.. rebellion by
(B) an accepted.. antagonism toward
(C) an underground.. defiance against
(D) a heretical.. support for
(E) an unknown.. concern about

Section 20

1. Despite the fact that the two council members belonged to different political parties, they---- the issue of how to finance the town debt.
(A) complicated
(B) avoided
(C) attested to
(D) reported on
(E) agreed on
2. The breathing spell provided by the----arms shipments should give all the combatants a chance to reevaluate their positions.
(A) plethora of
(B) moratorium on
(C) reciprocation of
(D) concentration on
(E) development of
3. The notion that cultural and biological influences----determine cross-cultural diversity is discredited by the fact that, in countless aspects of human existence, it is cultural programming that overwhelmingly accounts for cross-population variance.
(A) jointly
(B) completely
(C) directly
(D) equally
(E) eventually
4. Because medieval women's public participation in spiritual life was not welcomed by the male establishment, a compensating----religious writings, inoffensive to the members of the establishment because of its----, became important for many women.
(A) involvement with.. privacy
(B) attention to.. popularity
(C) familiarity with.. scarcity
(D) dissatisfaction with.. profundity
(E) resistance to.. domesticity
5. This final essay, its prevailing kindness----by occasional flashes of savage irony, bespeaks the----character of the author.
(A) illuminated.. imperturbable
(B) marred.. dichotomous
(C) untainted.. vindictive
(D) exemplified.. chivalrous
(E) diluted.. ruthless
6. Although his attempts to appear psychotic were so----as to be almost----, there is evidence that Ezra Pound was able to avoid standing trial for treason merely by faking symptoms of mental illness.
(A) spontaneous.. amusing
(B) contrived.. believable
(C) clumsy.. ludicrous
(D) stylized.. distressing
(E) sporadic.. premeditated
7. The ----questions that consistently structure the study of history must be distinguished from merely----questions, which have their day and then pass into oblivion.
(A) recurrent.. practical
(B) instinctive.. factual
(C) ingrained.. discriminating
(D) philosophical.. random
(E) perennial.. ephemeral

Section 21

1. Despite the apparently bewildering complexity of this procedure, the underlying----is quite---.
(A) simplicity.. calculated
(B) principle.. elementary
(C) confusion.. imaginary
(D) purpose.. effective
(E) theory.. modern
2. In television programming, a later viewing time often----a more----audience and, therefore, more challenging subjects and themes.
(A) requires.. critical
(B) evinces.. affluent
(C) implies.. mature
(D) eliminates.. realistic
(E) invites.. general
3. The cultivation of the emotion of *natsukashii*, interpretable as "pleasant sorrow," brings Japanese to Kyoto in the spring, not to----the cherry blossoms in full bloom but to----the fading, falling flowers.
(A) mourn.. exclaim over
(B) honor.. protect
(C) describe.. rejoice over
(D) arrange.. preserve
(E) savor.. grieve over
4. Adam Smith's *Wealth of Nations* (1776) is still worth reading, more to appreciate the current----of Smith's valid contributions to economics than to see those contributions as the ----of present-day economics.
(A) disregard.. outgrowths
(B) reaffirmation.. concerns
(C) relevance.. precursors
(D) acceptance.. byproducts
(E) importance.. vestiges
5. At several points in his discussion, Graves, in effect, ----evidence when it does not support his argument, tailoring it to his needs.
(A) addresses
(B) creates
(C) alters
(D) suppresses
(E) substitutes
6. Regardless of what----theories of politics may propound, there is nothing that requires daily politics to be clear, thorough, and consistent—nothing, that is, that requires reality to conform to theory.
(A) vague
(B) assertive
(C) casual
(D) vicious
(E) tidy
7. Exposure to sustained noise has been claimed to----blood pressure regulation in human beings and, particularly, to increase hypertension, even though some researchers have obtained inconclusive results that----the relationship.
(A) sharpen.. conflate
(B) increase.. diminish
(C) aggravate.. buttress
(D) disrupt.. neutralize
(E) impair.. obscure

Section 22

1. After a slow sales start early in the year, mobile homes have been gaining favor as---to increasingly expensive conventional housing.
(A) reaction
(B) an addition
(C) an introduction
(D) an alternative
(E) a challenge
2. Just as such apparently basic things as rocks, clouds, and clams are, in fact, intricately structured entities, so the self, too, is not an "elementary particle," but is ----construction.
(A) a complicated
(B) a convoluted
(C) a distorted
(D) an amorphous
(E) an illusory
3. Considering how long she had yearned to see Italy, her first reaction was curiously---.
(A) meditative
(B) tepid
(C) categorical
(D) unoriginal
(E) insightful
4. The successful----of an archaeological site requires scientific knowledge as well as cultural----.
(A) evolution.. awareness
(B) revelation.. depth
(C) reconstruction.. sensitivity
(D) analysis.. aesthetics
(E) synthesis.. understanding
5. As painted by Constable, the scene is not one of bucolic----; rather it shows a striking emotional and intellectual---.
(A) intensity.. boredom
(B) complacency.. detachment
(C) serenity.. tension
(D) vitality.. excitement
(E) nostalgia.. placidity
6. Our times seem especially ----to bad ideas, probably because in throwing off the shackles of tradition, we have ended up being quite---untested theories and untried remedies.
(A) impervious.. tolerant of
(B) hostile.. dependent on
(C) hospitable.. vulnerable to
(D) prone.. wary of
(E) indifferent.. devoid of
7. Although he attempted repeatedly to---her of her conviction of his insincerity, he was not successful; she remained---in her judgment.
(A) remind.. forceful
(B) convince.. unfeigned
(C) exorcise.. indulgent
(D) disabuse.. adamant
(E) free.. unsure

Section 23

1. Although adolescent maturational and developmental states occur in an orderly sequence, their timing----with regard to onset and duration.
(A) lasts
(B) varies
(C) falters
(D) accelerates
(E) dwindles
2. Many of the earliest colonial houses that are still standing have been so modified and enlarged that the----design is no longer----.
(A) pertinent..relevant
(B) intended.. necessary
(C) embellished.. attractive
(D) appropriate.. applicable
(E) initial.. discernible
3. While the delegate clearly sought to ----the optimism that has emerged recently, she stopped short of suggesting that the conference was near collapse and might produce nothing of significance.
(A) substantiate
(B) dampen
(C) encourage
(D) elucidate
(E) rekindle
4. The old man could not have been accused of---- his affection; his conduct toward the child betrayed his----her.
(A) lavishing.. fondness for
(B) sparing.. tolerance of
(C) rationing.. antipathy for
(D) stinting.. adoration of
(E) promising.. dislike of
5. A leading chemist believes that many scientists have difficulty with stereochemistry because much of the relevant nomenclature is----, in that it combines concepts that should be kept----.
(A) obscure.. interrelated
(B) specialized.. intact
(C) subtle.. inviolate
(D) descriptive.. separate
(E) imprecise.. discrete
6. Among the many----of the project, expense cannot be numbered; the goals of the project's promoters can be achieved with impressive----.
(A) highlights.. efficiency
(B) features.. savings
(C) disadvantages.. innovation
(D) claims.. speed
(E) defects.. economy
7. Though science is often imagined as a----- exploration of external reality, scientists are no different from anyone else: they are----human beings enmeshed in a web of personal and social circumstances.
(A) fervent.. vulnerable
(B) neutral.. rational
(C) painstaking.. careless
(D) disinterested.. passionate
(E) cautious.. dynamic

Section 24

1. Social scientists have established fairly clear-cut---that describe the appropriate behavior of children and adults, but there seems to be---- about what constitutes appropriate behavior for adolescents.
(A) functions.. rigidity
(B) estimates.. indirectness
(C) norms.. confusion
(D) regulations.. certainty
(E) studies.. misapprehension
2. As long as nations cannot themselves accumulate enough physical power to dominate all others, they must depend on----.
(A) allies
(B) resources
(C) freedom
(D) education
(E) self-determination
3. We realized that John was still young and impressionable, but were nevertheless surprised at his----.
(A) naivete
(B) obstinateness
(C) decisiveness
(D) ingeniousness
(E) resolve
4. Although Mount Saint Helens has been more----during the last 4,500 years than any other volcano in the coterminous United States, its long dormancy before its recent eruption----its violent nature.
(A) awe-inspiring.. restrained
(B) gaseous.. confirmed
(C) explosive.. belied
(D) familiar.. moderated
(E) volatile.. suggested
5. Changes of fashion and public taste are often----and resistant to analysis, and yet they are among the most----gauges of the state of the public's collective consciousness.
(A) transparent.. useful
(B) ephemeral.. sensitive
(C) faddish.. underutilized
(D) arbitrary.. problematic
(E) permanent.. reliable
6. The poet W. H. Auden believed that the greatest poets of his age were almost necessarily irresponsible, that the possession of great gifts---the ----to abuse them.
(A) negates.. temptation
(B) controls.. resolution
(C) engenders.. propensity
(D) tempers.. proclivity
(E) obviates.. inclination
7. The self-important cant of musicologists on record jackets often suggests that true appreciation of the music is an----process closed to the uninitiated listener, however enthusiastic.
(A) unreliable
(B) arcane
(C) arrogant
(D) elementary
(E) intuitive

Section 25

- Many artists believe that successful imitation, far from being symptomatic of a lack of---, is the first step in learning to be creative.
(A) elegance
(B) resolution
(C) goodness
(D) originality
(E) sympathy
- As serious as she is about the bullfight, she does not allow respect to---her sense of whimsy when painting it.
(A) inspire
(B) provoke
(C) suppress
(D) attack
(E) satisfy
- No one is---about Stephens; he inspires either uncritical adulation or profound---in those who work for him.
(A) neutral.. antipathy
(B) infuriated.. aversion
(C) worried.. anxiety
(D) enthusiastic.. veneration
(E) apprehensive.. consternation
- Before about 1960, virtually all accounts of evolution assumed most adaptation to be a product of selection at the level of populations; recent studies of evolution, however, have found no---this---view of selection.
(A) departures from.. controversial
(B) basis for.. pervasive
(C) bias toward.. unchallenged
(D) precursors of.. innovative
(E) criticisms of.. renowned
- The new biological psychiatry does not deny the contributing role of psychological factors in mental illnesses, but posits that these factors may act as a catalyst on existing physiological conditions and---such illnesses.
(A) disguise
(B) impede
(C) constrain
(D) precipitate
(E) consummate
- During periods of social and cultural stability, many art academies are so firmly controlled by ---that all real creative work must be done by the---.
(A) dogmatists.. disenfranchised
(B) managers.. reactionaries
(C) reformers.. dissatisfied
(D) imposters.. academicians
(E) specialists.. elite
- The First World War began in a context of jargon and verbal delicacy and continued in a cloud of---as---as language and literature, skillfully used, could make it.
(A) circumlocution.. literal
(B) cliché.. lucid
(C) euphemism.. impenetrable
(D) particularity.. deliberate
(E) subjectivity.. enthralling

Section 26

- Because no comprehensive---exists regarding personal reading practices, we do not know, for example, the greatest number of books read in an individual lifetime.
(A) records
(B) instincts
(C) remedies
(D) proposals
(E) commercials
- In our corporation there is a---between male and female---because 73 percent of the men and 34 percent of the women polled believe that our company provides equal compensation to men and women.
(A) contrast.. stereotypes
(B) difference.. perceptions
(C) variation.. salaries
(D) resemblance.. employees
(E) similarity.. aspirations
- The wonder of De Quincey is that although opium dominated his life, it never---him; indeed, he turned its use to---when he published the story of its influence in the London Magazine.
(A) overcame.. altruism
(B) intimidated.. triumph
(C) distressed.. pleasure
(D) conquered.. gain
(E) released.. necessity
- The reduction of noise has been---in terms of---its sources, but the alternative of canceling noise out by adding sound with the opposite wave pattern may be more useful in practice.
(A) justified.. diffusing
(B) accomplished.. tracking
(C) conceived.. concealing
(D) explained.. isolating
(E) approached.. eliminating
- While Parker is very outspoken on issues she cares about, she is not---; she concedes the---of opposing arguments when they expose weaknesses inherent in her own.
(A) fickle.. validity
(B) arrogant.. restraint
(C) fanatical.. strength
(D) congenial.. incompatibility
(E) unyielding.. speciousness
- Hampshire's assertions, far from showing that we can---the ancient puzzles about objectivity, reveal the issue to be even more---than we had thought.
(A) adapt.. pressing
(B) dismiss.. relevant
(C) rediscover.. unconventional
(D) admire.. elusive
(E) appreciate.. interesting
- Usually the first to spot data that were inconsistent with other findings, in this particular experiments she let a number of---results slip by.
(A) inaccurate
(B) verifiable
(C) redundant
(D) salient
(E) anomalous

Section 27

1. Psychology has slowly evolved into an---- scientific discipline that now functions autonomously with the same privileges and responsibilities as other sciences.
(A) independent
(B) unusual
(C) outmoded
(D) uncontrolled
(E) inactive
2. A major goal of law, to deter potential criminals by punishing wrongdoers, is not served when the penalty is so seldom invoked that it----to be a ----threat.
(A) tends.. serious
(B) appears.. real
(C) ceases.. credible
(D) fails.. deceptive
(E) seems.. coercive
3. When people are happy, they tend to give---- interpretations of events they witness: the eye of the beholder is----by the emotions of the beholder.
(A) charitable.. colored
(B) elaborate.. disquieted
(C) conscientious.. deceived
(D) vague.. sharpened
(E) coherent.. confused
4. Even those who disagreed with Carmen's views rarely faulted her for expressing them, for the positions she took were as----as they were controversial.
(A) complicated
(B) political
(C) subjective
(D) commonplace
(E) thoughtful
5. New research on technology and public policy focuses on how seemingly----design features, generally overlooked in most analyses of public works projects or industrial machinery, actually----social choices of profound significance.
(A) insignificant.. mask
(B) inexpensive.. produce
(C) innovative.. represent
(D) ingenious.. permit
(E) inopportune.. hasten
6. Paradoxically, Robinson's excessive denials of the worth of early works of science fiction suggest that she has become quite----them.
(A) reflective about
(B) enamored of
(C) skeptical of
(D) encouraged by
(E) offended by
7. Cezanne's delicate watercolor sketches often served as----of a subject, a way of gathering fuller knowledge before the artist's final engagement of the subject in an oil painting.
(A) an abstraction
(B) an enhancement
(C) a synthesis
(D) a reconnaissance
(E) a transcription

Section 28

1. Though it would be----to expect Barnard to have worked out all of the limitations of his experiment, he must be----for his neglect of quantitative analysis.
(A) unjust.. pardoned
(B) impudent.. dismissed
(C) unrealistic.. criticized
(D) pointless.. examined
(E) inexcusable.. recognized
2. The hierarchy of medical occupations is in many ways a----system; its strata remain----and the practitioners in them have very little vertical mobility.
(A) health.. skilled
(B) delivery.. basic
(C) regimental.. flexible
(D) training.. inferior
(E) caste.. intact
3. Noting the murder victim's flaccid musculature and pearl-like figure, she deduced that the unfortunate fellow had earned his living in some----occupation.
(A) treacherous
(B) prestigious
(C) ill-paying
(D) illegitimate
(E) sedentary
4. In Germany her startling powers as a novelist are widely----, but she is almost unknown in the English-speaking world because of the difficulties of----her eccentric prose.
(A) ignored.. editing
(B) admired.. translating
(C) espoused.. revealing
(D) obscured.. comprehending
(E) dispersed.. transcribing
5. Liberty is not easy, but far better to be an ----fox, hungry and threatened on its hill, than a----canary, safe and secure in its cage.
(A) unfriendly.. fragile
(B) aging.. young
(C) angry.. content
(D) imperious.. lethargic
(E) unfettered.. well-fed
6. Re-melting old metal cans rather than making primary aluminum from bauxite ore shipped from overseas saves producers millions of dollars in ----and production costs.
(A) distribution
(B) salvage
(C) storage
(D) procurement
(E) research
7. Johnson never----to ignore the standards of decent conduct mandated by company policy if----compliance with instructions from his superiors enabled him to do so, whatever the effects on his subordinates.
(A) deigned.. tacit
(B) attempted.. halfhearted
(C) intended.. direct
(D) scrupled.. literal
(E) wished.. feigned

Section 29

1. Although the feeding activities of whales and walrus give the seafloor of the Bering Shelf a devastated appearance, these activities seem to be actually----to the area, ----its productivity.

- (A) destructive..counterbalancing
- (B) rehabilitative..diminishing
- (C) beneficial..enhancing
- (D) detrimental..redirecting
- (E) superfluous..encumbering

2. In an age without radio or recordings, an age--- by print, fiction gained its greatest ascendancy.

- (A) decimated
- (B) denigrated
- (C) dominated
- (D) emphasized
- (E) resurrected

3. Scientists' pristine reputation as devotees of the disinterested pursuit of truth has been---by recent evidence that some scientists have deliberately ----experimental results to further their own careers.

- (A) reinforced..published
- (B) validated..suppressed
- (C) exterminated..replicated
- (D) compromised..fabricated
- (E) resuscitated..challenged

4. Although Johnson's and Smith's initial fascination with the fortunes of those jockeying for power in the law firm----after a few months, the two paid sufficient attention to determine who their lunch partners should be.

- (A) revived
- (B) emerged
- (C) intensified
- (D) flagged
- (E) persisted

5. A war, even if fought for individual liberty and democratic rights, usually requires that these principles be----, for they are----the regimentation and discipline necessary for military efficiency.

- (A) espoused..contrary to
- (B) suppressed..fulfilled through
- (C) suspended..incompatible with
- (D) followed..disruptive of
- (E) rejected..inherent in

6. To test the----of borrowing from one field of study to enrich another, simply investigate the extent to which terms from the one may, without forcing, be----the other.

- (A) risk..confused with
- (B) universality..applied to
- (C) decorum..illuminated by
- (D) rate..superseded by
- (E) efficacy..utilized by

7. The English novelist William Thackeray considered the cult of the criminal so dangerous that he criticized Dickens' *Oliver Twist* for making the characters in the thieves' kitchen so----.

- (A) threatening
- (B) riveting
- (C) conniving
- (D) fearsome
- (E) irritating

Section 30

1. The discovery that, friction excluded, all bodies fall at the same rate is so simple to state and to grasp that there is a tendency to----its significance.

- (A) underrate
- (B) control
- (C) reassess
- (D) praise
- (E) eliminate

2. Their mutual teasing seemed----, but in fact it---a long-standing hostility.

- (A) aimless..produced
- (B) friendly..masked
- (C) playful..contravened
- (D) bitter..revealed
- (E) clever..averted

3. Nothing that few employees showed any----for complying with the corporation's new safety regulations, Peterson was forced to conclude that acceptance of the regulations would be----, at best.

- (A) aptitude..unavoidable
- (B) regard..indeterminate
- (C) respect..negotiable
- (D) patience..imminent
- (E) enthusiasm..grudging

4. It has been argued that politics as----, whatever its transcendental claims, has always been the systematic organization of common hatreds.

- (A) a theory
- (B) an ideal
- (C) a practice
- (D) a contest
- (E) an enigma

5. In many science fiction films, the opposition of good and evil is portrayed as a----between technology, which is ----, and the errant will of a depraved intellectual.

- (A) fusion..useful
- (B) struggle..dehumanizing
- (C) parallel..unfettered
- (D) conflict..beneficent
- (E) similarity..malevolent

6. Although scientists claim that the seemingly----language of their reports is more precise than the figurative language of fiction, the language of science, like all language, is inherently----.

- (A) ornamental..subtle
- (B) unidimensional..unintelligible
- (C) symbolic..complex
- (D) literal..allusive
- (E) subjective..metaphorical

7. In recent decades the idea that Cezanne influenced Cubism has been caught in the--- between art historians who credit Braque with its invention and those who---Picasso.

- (A) crossfire..tout
- (B) interplay..advocate
- (C) paradox..prefer
- (D) deliberation..attribute
- (E) tussle..substitute

Section 31

1. Agronomists are increasingly worried about "desertification," the phenomenon that is turning many of the world's ---- fields and pastures into ---- wastelands, unable to support the people living on them.
(A) fertile.. barren
(B) productive.. blooming
(C) arid.. thriving
(D) poorest.. marginal
(E) largest.. saturated
2. Old beliefs die hard: even when jobs became ----, the long-standing fear that unemployment could return at a moment's notice ----.
(A) vacant.. perished
(B) easier.. changed
(C) plentiful.. persisted
(D) protected.. subsided
(E) available.. receded
3. Intellectual ---- and flight from boredom have caused him to rush pell-mell into situations that less ---- spirits might hesitate to approach.
(A) restlessness.. adventurous
(B) agitation.. passive
(C) resilience.. quiescent
(D) tranquility.. versatile
(E) curiosity.. lethargic
4. Science advances in ---- spiral in that each new conceptual scheme ---- that phenomena explained by its predecessors and adds to those explanations.
(A) a discontinuous.. decries
(B) a repetitive.. vitiates
(C) a widening.. embraces
(D) an anomalous.. captures
(E) an explosive.. questions
5. Politeness is not a ---- attribute of human behavior, but rather a central virtue, one whose very existence is increasingly being ---- by the faddish requirement to "speak one's mind."
(A) superficial.. threatened
(B) pervasive.. undercut
(C) worthless.. forestalled
(D) precious.. repudiated
(E) trivial.. affected
6. The painting was larger than it appeared to be, for, hanging in a darkened recess of the chapel, it was ---- by the perspective.
(A) improved
(B) aggrandized
(C) embellished
(D) jeopardized
(E) diminished
7. Because folk art is neither completely rejected nor accepted as an art form by art historians, their final evaluations of it necessarily remain ----.
(A) arbitrary
(B) estimable
(C) orthodox
(D) unspoken
(E) equivocal

Section 32

1. Because it is ---- to ---- all the business costs related to employee discontent, an accurate estimate of the magnitude of these costs is not easily calculated.
(A) difficult.. measure
(B) impossible.. justify
(C) improper.. overlook
(D) useless.. discover
(E) necessary.. pinpoint
2. Consider the universal cannibalism of the sea, all of whose creatures ---- one another.
(A) hide from
(B) ferret out
(C) prey on
(D) glide among
(E) compete against
3. How could words, confined as they individually are to certain ---- meanings specified in a dictionary, eventually come, when combined in groups, to create obscurity and actually to prevent thought from being ----?
(A) indefinite.. articulated
(B) conventional.. conceivable
(C) unlikely.. classified
(D) archaic.. expressed
(E) precise.. communicable
4. Even though they tended to be ---- strangers, fifteenth-century Europeans did not automatically associate ---- and danger.
(A) trusting of.. diversity
(B) haughty with.. nonconformity
(C) interested in.. enmity
(D) antagonistic to.. rudeness
(E) hostile to.. foreignness
5. The modern age is a permissive one in which things can be said explicitly, but the old tradition of ---- dies hard.
(A) garrulousness
(B) exaggeration
(C) excoriation
(D) bombast
(E) euphemism
6. Although many findings of the Soviet and United States probes of Venus were complementary, the two sets of atmospheric results clearly could not be ---- without a major change of data or ----.
(A) obtained.. experimentation
(B) completed.. position
(C) matched.. implementation
(D) reconciled.. interpretation
(E) produced.. falsification
7. While it is assumed that the mechanization of work has a ---- effect on the lives of workers, there is evidence available to suggest that, on the contrary, mechanization has served to ---- some of the traditional roles of women.
(A) salutary.. improve
(B) dramatic.. undermine
(C) benign.. revise
(D) debilitating.. weaken
(E) revolutionary.. reinforce

Section 33

1. Although economists have traditionally considered the district to be solely an agricultural one, the----of the inhabitants' occupations makes such a classification obsolete.
(A) productivity
(B) diversity
(C) predictability
(D) profitability
(E) stability
2. The author of this book----overlooks or minimizes some of the problems and shortcomings in otherwise highly successful foreign industries in order to ----the points on which they excel and on which we might try to emulate them.
(A) accidentally.. exaggerate
(B) purposely.. emphasize
(C) occasionally.. counterbalance
(D) intentionally.. confuse
(E) cleverly.. compound
3. Crosby's colleagues have never learned, at least not in time to avoid embarrassing themselves, that her occasional----air of befuddlement----a display of her formidable intelligence.
(A) genuine.. dominates
(B) alert.. contradicts
(C) acute.. precludes
(D) bogus.. presages
(E) painstaking.. succeeds
4. To ensure the development and exploitation of a new technology, there must be a constant----of several nevertheless distinct activities.
(A) interplay
(B) implementation
(C) comprehending
(D) improvement
(E) exploration
5. Some customs travel well; often, however, behavior that is considered the epitome of----at home is perceived as impossibly rude or, at the least, hamlessly bizarre abroad.
(A) novelty
(B) eccentricity
(C) urbanity
(D) coarseness
(E) tolerance
6. The----of the early Greek philosophers' attempts to explain the operations of the cosmos led certain later thinkers to inquire into the----of human reason.
(A) difficulty.. origin
(B) meaning.. supremacy
(C) complexity.. reality
(D) equivocations.. subtlety
(E) failures.. efficacy
7. Ever prey to vagrant impulses that impelled him to----his talents on a host of unworthy projects, his very----nonetheless enhanced his reputation, for the sheer energy of his extravagance dazzled observers.
(A) undermine.. enthusiasm
(B) isolate.. selectiveness
(C) display.. affability
(D) squander.. dissipation
(E) implicate.. genius

Section 34

1. Given the existence of so many factions in the field, it was unrealistic of Anna Freud to expect any----of opinion.
(A) freedom
(B) reassessment
(C) uniformity
(D) expression
(E) formation
2. Although specific concerns may determine the intent of a research project, its results are often----.
(A) unanticipated
(B) beneficial
(C) expensive
(D) spectacular
(E) specialized
3. To list Reilly's achievements in a fragmentary way is----, for it distracts our attention from the----themes of her work.
(A) unproductive.. disparate
(B) misleading.. integrating
(C) pragmatic.. comprehensive
(D) logical.. important
(E) inevitable.. unsettling
4. People frequently denigrate books about recent catastrophes as morally----attempts to profit from misfortune, but in my view our desire for such books, together with the venerable tradition to which they belong, ----them.
(A) inopportune.. encourages
(B) fortuitous.. fosters
(C) treacherous.. safeguards
(D) despicable.. legitimizes
(E) corrupt.. generates
5. That many of the important laws of science were discovered during experiments designed to----other phenomena suggests that experimental results are the----of inevitable natural forces rather than of planning.
(A) analyze.. foundations
(B) disprove.. predecessors
(C) alter.. adjuncts
(D) illuminate.. consequence
(E) verify.. essence
6. Although in eighteenth-century England an active cultural life accompanied the beginnings of middle-class consumerism, the----of literacy was----with the rise of such consumerism in the different areas of the country.
(A) repudiation.. reconciled
(B) renewal.. inconsistent
(C) promotion.. combined
(D) spread.. compatible
(E) degree.. uncorrelated
7. The trainees were given copies of a finished manual to see whether they could themselves begin to----the inflexible, though tacit, rules for composing more of such instructional materials.
(A) design
(B) revise
(C) disrupt
(D) standardize
(E) derive

Section 35

1. The availability of oxygen is an essential----for animal life, while carbon dioxide is equally---- for plant life.
(A) choice.. optional
(B) duplication.. selective
(C) conversion.. exchangeable
(D) condition.. necessary
(E) luxury.. harmful
2. Prudery actually draws attention to the vice it is supposed to---; the very act that forbids speech or prohibits sight---what is hidden.
(A) condemn.. distorts
(B) monitor.. signals
(C) repress.. dramatizes
(D) obviate.. fosters
(E) divulge.. conceals
3. After thirty years of television, people have become "speed watchers"; consequently, if the camera lingers, the interest of the audience---.
(A) broadens
(B) begins
(C) varies
(D) flags
(E) clears
4. Compared mathematically to smoking and driving, almost everything else seems relatively risk-free, ----almost nothing seems worth regulating.
(A) yet
(B) since
(C) so
(D) even though
(E) as long as
5. Ironically, Carver's precision in sketching lives on the edge of despair ensures that his stories will sometimes be read too narrowly, much as Dickens' social-reformer role once caused his broader concerns to be---.
(A) ignored
(B) reinforced
(C) contradicted
(D) diminished
(E) diversified
6. The demise of the rigorous academic curriculum in high school resulted, in part, from the progressive rhetoric that---the study of subjects previously thought---as part of school learning.
(A) advocated.. necessary
(B) enhanced.. indispensable
(C) restricted.. impractical
(D) undemined.. popular
(E) sanctioned.. inappropriate
7. While some see in practical jokes a wish for mastery in miniature over a world that seems very---, others believe that the jokes' purpose is to disrupt, by reducing all transactions to---.
(A) dubious.. confusion
(B) disorderly.. symmetry
(C) harmonious.. dissonance
(D) unruly.. chaos
(E) turbulent.. uniformity

Section 36

1. Aspartame, a new artificial sugar substitute, is only----replacement for saccharin because, unlike saccharin, it breaks down and loses its sweetening characteristics at high temperatures, making it---for baking.
(A) an interim.. ideal
(B) an apparent.. excellent
(C) a potential.. versatile
(D) a significant.. problematic
(E) a partial.. unsuitable
2. Trapped thousands of years ago in Antarctic ice, recently discovered air bubbles are---time capsules filled with information for scientists who chart the history of the atmosphere.
(A) inconsequential
(B) broken
(C) veritable
(D) resplendent
(E) impenetrable
3. In the days before the mass marketing of books, censorship was---source of---, which helped the sale of the book and inspired Ralph Waldo Emerson to remark: "Every burned book enlightens the world".
(A) a respected.. opinion
(B) a constant.. guidance
(C) a prime.. publicity
(D) an unnoticed.. opposition
(E) an unpromising.. criticism
4. It was not only the---of geologists that--- earlier development of the revolutionary idea that the Earth's continents were moving plates; classical physicists, who could not then explain the mechanism, had declared continental movement impossible.
(A) indecisiveness.. challenged
(B) radicalism.. deterred
(C) conservatism.. hindered
(D) assumptions.. hastened
(E) resistance.. mandated
5. Although often extremely critical of the medical profession as a whole, people are rarely willing to treat their personal doctors with equal---.
(A) impetuosity
(B) sarcasm
(C) mockery
(D) contempt
(E) condescension
6. Aalto, like other modernists, believed that form follows function; consequently, his furniture designs asserted the---of human needs, and the furniture's form was---human use.
(A) universality.. refined by
(B) importance.. relegated to
(C) rationale.. emphasized by
(D) primacy.. determined by
(E) variability.. reflected in
7. A---acceptance of contemporary forms of social behavior has misled a few into believing that values in conflict with the present age are for all practical purposes---.
(A) casual.. reliable
(B) superficial.. trenchant
(C) complacent.. superseded
(D) cautious.. redemptive
(E) plaintive.. redundant

Section 37

1. With its maverick approach to the subject, Shere Hite's book has been more widely debated than most; the media throughout the country have brought the author's---opinions to the public's attention.
(A) controversial
(B) authoritative
(C) popular
(D) conclusive
(E) articulate
2. Though many medieval women possessed devotional books that had belonged to their mothers, formal written evidence of women bequeathing books to their daughters is scarce, which suggests that such bequests were----and required no---.
(A) unselfish.. rationalization
(B) tangential.. approval
(C) customary.. documentation
(D) covert.. discretion
(E) spurious.. record
3. Although their initial anger had---somewhat, they continued to---the careless worker who had broken the machine.
(A) blazed.. assail
(B) diminished.. appease
(C) abated.. berate
(D) subsided.. condone
(E) intensified.. torment
4. Borrowing a copyrighted book from a library amounts to a form of theft---by entrenched custom: the copyright owner's property, the book, is used repeatedly without---for such use.
(A) engendered.. application
(B) anticipated.. acknowledgement
(C) sanctioned.. compensation
(D) provoked.. adjustment
(E) perpetrated.. permission
5. The notion that a parasite can alter the behavior of a host organism is not mere fiction; indeed, the phenomenon is not even---.
(A) observable
(B) real
(C) comprehended
(D) rare
(E) imaginable
6. Although Shakespeare received little formal education, scholarship has in recent years----the view that he was---the work of classical authors.
(A) substantiated.. unimpressed by
(B) eroded.. obsessed by
(C) supported.. oblivious to
(D) questioned.. influenced by
(E) undemined.. unfamiliar with
7. Darwin's method did not really----the idea of race as an important conceptual category; even the much more central idea of species was little more than a theoretical----.
(A) require.. convenience
(B) apply.. measurement
(C) exclude.. practice
(D) subsume.. validation
(E) reject.. fact

Section 38

1. The functions of the hands, eyes, and brain are so----that using the hands during early childhood helps to promote the child's entire--- development.
(A) intertwined.. perceptual
(B) unalterable.. intellectual
(C) enigmatic.. psychological
(D) regulated.. adolescent
(E) individualized.. social
2. Before 1500 North America was inhabited by more than 300 cultural groups, each with different customs, social structures, world views, and languages; such diversity----the existence of a single Native American culture.
(A) complements
(B) implies
(C) reiterates
(D) argues against
(E) explains away
3. That dealers----enough to nurture a young modern painter's career rather than plunder it exists is not impossible, but the public's----appetite for modern art makes such dealers less and less likely.
(A) chivalrous.. discriminating
(B) magnanimous.. quirky
(C) patient.. insatiable
(D) cynical.. finicky
(E) reckless.. zealous
4. In the absence of any----caused by danger, hardship, or even cultural difference, most utopian communities deteriorate into---but enervating backwaters.
(A) turmoil.. frantic
(B) mistrust.. naive
(C) amelioration.. ignorant
(D) decimation.. intrusive
(E) stimulation.. placid
5. As Juanita argued, this new code of conduct is laughable; its principles are either----, offering no wisdom but the obvious, or are so devoid of specific advice as to make almost any action----.
(A) irresolute.. unlikely
(B) corroborative.. redundant
(C) platitudinous.. justifiable
(D) homogeneous.. impartial
(E) labyrinthine.. unacceptable
6. Histocompatibility antigens that attack foreign tissue in the body cannot have been----through evolution expressly to---organ transplantation; on the contrary, they have been found to facilitate many essential biological functions.
(A) designed.. retain
(B) produced.. aid
(C) developed.. enhance
(D) selected.. promote
(E) conserved.. foil
7. Their air of cheerful self-sacrifice and endless complaisance won them undeserved praise, for their seeming gallantry was wholly motivated by a----wish to avoid conflict of any sort.
(A) poignant
(B) sincere
(C) plaintive
(D) laudable
(E) craven

Section 39

1. Though some of the information the author reveals about Russian life might surprise Americans, her major themes are---- enough.
(A) familiar
(B) thorough
(C) vital
(D) original
(E) interesting
2. In the early twentieth century, the discovery of radium----the popular imagination; not only was its discoverer, Marie Curie, idolized, but its market value----that of the rarest gemstone.
(A) stormed.. sank to
(B) horrified.. approached
(C) taxed.. was equal to
(D) enflamed..exceeded
(E) escaped.. was comparable to
3. The president's secretary and his chief aide adored him, and both wrote obsessively----personal memoirs about him; unfortunately, however, ----does not make for true intimacy.
(A) fatuous.. frankness
(B) devoted.. idolatry
(C) garrulous.. confidentiality
(D) candid.. discretion
(E) rancorous.. criticism
4. Despite claims that his philosophy can be traced to ----source, the philosophy in fact draws liberally on several traditions and methodologies and so could justifiably be termed----.
(A) a particular.. consistent
(B) a schematic.. multifaceted
(C) a dominant.. cogent
(D) an authoritative.. derivative
(E) a single.. eclectic
5. Du Bois' foreign trips were the highlight, not the ----, of his travels; he was habitually on the go across and around the United States.
(A) idiosyncrasy
(B) result
(C) precursor
(D) culmination
(E) totality
6. Business forecasts usually prove reasonably accurate when the assumption that the future will be much like the past is----; in times of major----in the business environment, however, forecasts can be dangerously wrong.
(A) specified.. discontinuities
(B) questioned.. surges
(C) contradicted.. improvements
(D) entertained.. risks
(E) satisfied.. shifts
7. It is almost always desirable to increase the yield of a crop if----increases are not also necessary in energy, labor, and other inputs of crop production.
(A) predetermined
(B) commensurate
(C) compatible
(D) measured
(E) equivocal

Section 40

1. Job failure means being fired from a job, being asked to resign, or leaving----to protect yourself because you had very strong evidence that one of the first two was----.
(A) voluntarily.. impending
(B) abruptly.. significant
(C) knowingly.. operative
(D) understandably.. pertinent
(E) eventually.. intentional
2. The tone of Jane Carlyle's letter is guarded, and her feelings are always----by the wit and pride that made----plea for sympathy impossible for her.
(A) masked.. a direct
(B) bolstered.. a needless
(C) controlled.. a circumspect
(D) enhanced.. an intentional
(E) colored.. an untimely
3. French folktales almost always take place within the basic----that correspond to the---- setting of peasant life: on the one hand, the household and village on the other, the open road.
(A) contexts.. hierarchical
(B) structures.. personal
(C) frameworks.. dual
(D) chronologies.. generic
(E) narratives.. ambivalent
4. Nurturing the Royal Ballet's artistic growth while preserving its institutional stability has been difficult, because the claims of the latter seem inescapably to ----development; apparently, attaining artistic success is simpler than----it.
(A) ensure.. promoting
(B) inhibit.. perpetuating
(C) undermine.. resurrecting
(D) modify.. appreciating
(E) supplement.. confining
5. Inspired interim responses to hitherto unknown problems, New Deal economic stratagems became ----as a result of bureaucratization, their flexibility and adaptability destroyed by their transformation into rigid policies.
(A) politicized
(B) consolidated
(C) ossified
(D) ungovernable
(E) streamlined
6. Biologists----isolated oceanic islands like the Galapagos, because, in such small, laboratory-like settings, the rich hurly-burly of continental plant and animal communities is reduced to a scientifically----complexity.
(A) explore.. diverse
(B) desert.. manageable
(C) exploit.. intimidating
(D) reject.. intricate
(E) prize.. tractable
7. The startling finding that variations in the rate of the Earth's rotation depend to an----degree on the weather has necessitated a complete----of the world's time-keeping methods.
(A) unexpected.. overhaul
(B) anticipated.. recalibration
(C) indeterminate.. rejection
(D) unobservable.. review
(E) estimated.. acceptance

SECTION 41

1. In the British theater young people under thirty-five have not had much----getting recognition onstage, but offstage—in the ranks of playwrights, directors, designers, administrators—they have mostly been relegated to relative obscurity.

- (A) trouble
- (B) satisfaction
- (C) curiosity about
- (D) success at
- (E) fear of

2. An institution concerned about its reputation is at the mercy of the actions of its members; because the misdeeds of individuals are often used to----the institutions of which they are a part.

- (A) reform
- (B) coerce
- (C) honor
- (D) discredit
- (E) intimidate

3. Since many casual smokers develop lung cancer and many----smokers do not, scientists believe that individuals differ in their----the cancer-causing agents known to be present in cigarette smoke.

- (A) heavy..susceptibility to
- (B) chronic..concern about
- (C) habitual..proximity to
- (D) devoted..reliance upon
- (E) regular..exposure to

4. We accepted the theory that as people become more independent of one another, they begin to feel so isolated and lonely that freedom becomes----condition that most will seek to----

- (A) a permanent..postpone
- (B) a common..enter
- (C) a negative..escape
- (D) a political..impose
- (E) an irreparable..avoid

5. If animal parents were judged by human standards, the cuckoo would be one of nature's more----creatures, blithely laying its eggs in the nests of other birds, and leaving the incubating and nurturing to them.

- (A) mettlesome
- (B) industrious
- (C) domestic
- (D) lackluster
- (E) feckless

6. The current penchant for----a product by denigrating a rival, named in the advertisement by brand name, seems somewhat----: suppose the consumer remembers only the rival's name?

- (A) criticizing..inefficient
- (B) touting..foolhardy
- (C) enhancing..insipid
- (D) evaluating..cumbersome
- (E) flaunting..gullible

7. His imperturbability in the face of evidence indicating his deliberate fraud failed to reassure supporters of his essential----; instead, it suggested a talent for----that they had never suspected.

- (A) culpability..intrigue
- (B) wisdom..reproof
- (C) remorse..loquacity
- (D) probity..guile
- (E) combativeness..compromise

SECTION 42

1. Although providing wild chimpanzees with food makes them less----and easier to study, it is also known to----their normal social patterns.

- (A) interesting..reinforce
- (B) manageable..upset
- (C) shy..disrupt
- (D) poised..inhibit
- (E) accessible..retard

2. There is something----about the way the building of monasteries proliferated in eighteenth-century Bavaria, while in the rest of the Western world religious ardor was----and church building was consequently declining.

- (A) enigmatic..coalescing
- (B) destructive..changing
- (C) immutable..dissipating
- (D) incongruous..diminishing
- (E) momentous..diversifying

3. Because they had various meanings in nineteenth-century biological thought, "mechanism" and "vitalism" ought not to be considered----terms; thus, I find the recent insistence that the terms had single definitions to be entirely----.

- (A) univocal..erroneous
- (B) problematic..anachronistic
- (C) intractable..obtuse
- (D) congruent..suspect
- (E) multifaceted..vapid

4. Many Americans believe that individual initiative epitomized the 1890's and see the entrepreneur as the----of that age.

- (A) caricature
- (B) salvation
- (C) throwback
- (D) aberration
- (E) personification

5. Neither the ideas of philosophers nor the practices of ordinary people can, by themselves, ----reality; what in fact changes reality and kindles revolution is the----of the two.

- (A) constitute..divergence
- (B) affect..aim
- (C) transform..interplay
- (D) preserve..conjunction
- (E) alter..intervention

6. There has been a tendency among art historians not so much to revise as to eliminate the concept of the Renaissance—to----not only its uniqueness, but its very existence.

- (A) explain
- (B) extol
- (C) transmute
- (D) regret
- (E) contest

7. Employees had become so inured to the caprices of top management's personnel policies that they greeted the announcement of a company-wide dress code with----.

- (A) astonishment
- (B) impassivity
- (C) resentment
- (D) apprehension
- (E) confusion

SECTION 43

1. Even though formidable winters are the norm in the Dakotas, many people were unprepared for the----- of the blizzard of 1888.

- (A) inevitability
- (B) ferocity
- (C) importance
- (D) probability
- (E) mildness

2. As the first streamlined car, the Airflow represented a ----- in automotive development, and although its sales were -----, it had an immense influence on automobile design.

- (A) milestone.. disappointing
- (B) breakthrough.. significant
- (C) regression.. unimportant
- (D) misjudgment.. calculable
- (E) revolution.. tolerable

3. While nurturing parents can compensate for adversity, cold or inconsistent parents may ----- it.

- (A) exacerbate
- (B) neutralize
- (C) eradicate
- (D) ameliorate
- (E) relieve

4. The architects of New York's early skyscrapers, hinting here at a twelfth-century cathedral, there at a fifteenth-century palace, sought to legitimize the city's social strivings by ----- a history the city did not truly -----.

- (A) revealing.. deserve
- (B) displaying.. desire
- (C) evoking.. possess
- (D) preserving.. experience
- (E) flouting.. believe

5. Actual events in the history of life on Earth are accidental in that any outcome embodies just one ----- among millions; yet each out-come can be ----- interpreted.

- (A) coincidence.. randomly
- (B) relationship.. predictably
- (C) fact.. readily
- (D) happening.. uniquely
- (E) possibility.. rationally

6. Although some of her fellow scientists ----- the unorthodox laboratory methodology that others found innovative, unanimous praise greeted her experimental results: at once pioneering and -----.

- (A) ignored.. untrustworthy
- (B) complimented.. foreseeable
- (C) welcomed.. mundane
- (D) decried.. unexceptionable
- (E) attacked.. inconclusive

7. Early critics of Emily Dickinson's poetry mistook for simplemindedness the surface of artlessness that in fact she constructed with such -----.

- (A) astonishment
- (B) vexation
- (C) allusion
- (D) innocence
- (E) cunning

SECTION 44

1. This project is the first step in a long-range plan of research whose ----- goal, still many years off, is the creation of a new prototype.

- (A) cooperative
- (B) reasoned
- (C) original
- (D) ultimate
- (E) intentional

2. Eric was frustrated because, although he was adept at making lies sound -----, when telling the truth, he ----- the power to make himself believed.

- (A) plausible.. lacked
- (B) convincing.. held
- (C) honest.. found
- (D) true.. acquired
- (E) logical.. claimed

3. In certain forms of discourse such as the parable, the central point of a message can be effectively communicated even though this point is not -----.

- (A) preferred
- (B) explicit
- (C) inferable
- (D) discerned
- (E) illustrated

4. Always circumspect, she was reluctant to make judgments, but once arriving at a conclusion, she was ----- in its defense.

- (A) nonplussed
- (B) obsequious
- (C) intransigent
- (D) deferential
- (E) negligent

5. The techniques now available to livestock breeders will continue to be -----, but will probably be ----- by new ones under development.

- (A) fruitful.. reversed
- (B) refined.. upgraded
- (C) inconvenient.. reassessed
- (D) used.. supplemented
- (E) harmless.. improved

6. Any population increase beyond a certain level necessitates greater ----- vegetable foods; thus, the ability of a society to choose meat over cereals always arises, in part, from ----- the number of people.

- (A) reliance on.. replenishing
- (B) production of.. estimating
- (C) spending on.. concealing
- (D) recourse to.. limiting
- (E) attention to.. varying

7. Ethologists are convinced that many animals survive through learning-but learning that is ----- their genetic programming, learning as thoroughly ----- as the most instinctive of behavioral responses.

- (A) superseded by.. primitive
- (B) compatible with.. transient
- (C) complementary to.. familiar
- (D) derived from.. inventive
- (E) dictated by.. stereotyped

SECTION 45

1. Nonviolent demonstrations often create such tensions that a community that has constantly refused to ----- its injustices is forced to correct them: the injustices can no longer be -----
(A) acknowledge.. ignored
(B) decrease.. verified
(C) tolerate.. accepted
(D) address.. eliminated
(E) explain.. discussed
2. Since 1813 reaction to Jane Austen's novels has oscillated between----- and condescension; but in general later writers have esteemed her works more highly than did most of her literary -----
(A) dismissal.. admirers
(B) adoration.. contemporaries
(C) disapproval.. readers
(D) indifference.. followers
(E) approbation.. precursors
3. There are, as yet, no vegetation types or ecosystems whose study has been----- to the extent that they no longer----- ecologists.
(A) perfected.. hinder
(B) exhausted.. interest
(C) prolonged.. require
(D) prevented.. challenge
(E) delayed.. benefit
4. Under ethical guidelines recently adopted by the National Institutes of Health, human genes are to be manipulated only to correct diseases for which ----- treatments are unsatisfactory.
(A) similar
(B) most
(C) dangerous
(D) uncommon
(E) alternative
5. It was her view that the country's problems had been----- by foreign technocrats, so that to invite them to come back would be counterproductive.
(A) foreseen
(B) attacked
(C) ascertained
(D) exacerbated
(E) analyzed
6. Winsor McCay, the cartoonist, could draw with incredible-----: his comic strip about Little Nemo was characterized by marvelous draftsmanship and sequencing.
(A) sincerity
(B) efficiency
(C) virtuosity
(D) rapidity
(E) energy
7. The actual ----- of Wilson's position was always -----by his refusal to compromise after having initially agreed to negotiate a settlement.
(A) outcome.. foreshadowed
(B) logic.. enhanced
(C) rigidity.. betrayed
(D) uncertainty.. alleviated
(E) cowardice.. highlighted

SECTION 46

1. The senator's reputation, though ----- by false allegations of misconduct, emerged from the ordeal -----
(A) shaken.. unscathed
(B) destroyed.. intact
(C) damaged.. impaired
(D) impugned.. unclear
(E) tarnished.. sullied
2. This poetry is not -----; it is more likely to appeal to an international audience than is poetry with strictly regional themes.
(A) familiar
(B) democratic
(C) technical
(D) complex
(E) provincial
3. Experienced employers recognize that business students who can ----- different points of view are ultimately more effective as managers than are the brilliant and original students who----- dogmatically to their own formulations.
(A) discredit.. revert
(B) assimilate.. adhere
(C) impose.. refer
(D) disregard.. incline
(E) advocate.. relate
4. Poe's ----- reviews of contemporary fiction, which often find great merit in otherwise ----- literary gems, must make us respect his critical judgment in addition to his well-known literary talent.
(A) thorough.. completed
(B) petulant.. unpopular
(C) insightful.. unappreciated
(D) enthusiastic.. acclaimed
(E) harsh.. undeserving
5. The significance of the Magna Carta lies not in its----- provisions, but in its broader impact: it made the king subject to the law.
(A) specific
(B) revolutionary
(C) implicit
(D) controversial
(E) finite
6. The theory of cosmic evolution states that the universe, having begun in a state of simplicity and -----, has ----- into great variety.
(A) equilibrium.. modulated
(B) homogeneity.. differentiated
(C) contrast.. metamorphosed
(D) proportion.. accelerated
(E) intelligibility.. developed
7. Not wishing to appear, ----- the junior member of the research group refrained from ----- any criticism of the senior members' plan for dividing up responsibility for the entire project.
(A) reluctant.. evaluating
(B) inquisitive.. offering
(C) presumptuous.. venturing
(D) censorious.. undercutting
(E) moralistic.. observing

SECTION 47

1. The Chinese, who began systematic astronomical and weather observations shortly after the ancient Egyptians, were assiduous record-keepers, and because of this, can claim humanity's longest continuous ----- of natural events.
(A) defiance
(B) documentation
(C) maintenance
(D) theory
(E) domination
2. Because many of the minerals found on the ocean floor are still ----- on land, where mining is relatively inexpensive, mining the ocean floor has yet to become a ----- enterprise.
(A) scarce.. common
(B) accessible.. marginal
(C) unidentified.. subsidized
(D) conserved.. public
(E) plentiful.. profitable
3. The valedictory address, as it has developed in American colleges and universities over the years, has become a very strict form, a literary ----- that permits very little-----.
(A) text.. clarity
(B) work.. tradition
(C) genre.. deviation
(D) oration.. grandiloquence
(E) achievement.. rigidity
4. A human being is quite ----- creature, for the gloss of rationality that covers his or her fears and ----- is thin and often easily breached.
(A) a logical.. problems
(B) a frail.. insecurity
(C) a valiant.. phobias
(D) an ambitious.. morality
(E) a ludicrous.. laughter
5. Although the passage of years has softened the initially hostile reaction to his poetry, even now only a few independent observers ----- his works.
(A) praise
(B) revile
(C) scrutinize
(D) criticize
(E) neglect
6. Unlike philosophers who constructed theoretically ideal states, she built a theory based on -----; thus, although her constructs may have been inelegant, they were -----sound.
(A) reality.. aesthetically
(B) intuition.. intellectually
(C) surmise.. scientifically
(D) experience.. empirically
(E) conjecture.. factually
7. Once a duckling has identified a parent, the instinctive bond becomes a powerful ----- for additional learning since, by ----- the parent, the duckling can acquire further information that is not genetically transmitted.
(A) impulse.. surpassing
(B) referent.. recognizing
(C) force.. acknowledging
(D) inspiration.. emulating
(E) channel.. mimicking

SECTION 48

1. Nearly two-thirds of the country's mushroom crop is produced by 160 growers in a single county, the greatest----- growers anywhere.
(A) cause of
(B) agreement among
(C) indication of
(D) interaction between
(E) concentration of
2. The disjunction between educational objectives that stress independence and individuality and those that emphasize obedience to rules and cooperation with others reflects a----- that arises from the values on which these objectives are based.
(A) conflict
(B) redundancy
(C) gain
(D) predictability
(E) wisdom
3. It is ----- for a government to fail to do whatever it can to eliminate a totally ----- disease.
(A) folly.. innocuous
(B) irresponsible.. preventable
(C) crucial.. fatal
(D) instinctive.. devastating
(E) detrimental.. insignificant
4. Dramatic literature often ----- the history of a culture in that it takes as its subject matter the important events that have shaped and guided the culture.
(A) confounds
(B) repudiates
(C) recapitulates
(D) anticipates
(E) polarizes
5. The legislators of 1563 realized the ----- of trying to regulate the flow of labor without securing its reasonable remuneration, and so the second part of the statute dealt with establishing wages.
(A) intricacy
(B) anxiety
(C) futility
(D) necessity
(E) decadence
6. Scientists who are on the cutting edge of research must often violate common sense and make seemingly----- assumptions because existing theories simply do not -----newly observed phenomena.
(A) radical.. confirm
(B) vague.. incorporate
(C) absurd.. explain
(D) mistaken.. reveal
(E) inexact.. corroborate
7. The ----- with which the French aristocracy greeted the middle-class Rousseau was all the more ----- because he showed so little respect for them.
(A) deference.. remarkable
(B) suspicion.. uncanny
(C) reserve.. unexpected
(D) anger.. ironic
(E) appreciation.. deserved

SECTION 49

1. Because they had expected the spacecraft Voyager 2 to be able to gather data only about the planets Jupiter and Saturn, scientists were ----- the wealth of information it sent back from Neptune twelve years after leaving Earth.

- (A) disappointed in
- (B) concerned about
- (C) confident in
- (D) elated by
- (E) anxious for

2. Wearing the latest fashions was exclusively the ----- of the wealthy until the 1850's, when mass production, aggressive entrepreneurs, and the availability of the sewing machine made them ----- the middle class.

- (A) aspiration.. disagreeable to
- (B) vexation.. superfluous for
- (C) bane.. profitable to
- (D) prerogative.. accessible to
- (E) obligation.. popular with

3. Linguists have now confirmed what experienced users of ASL- American Sign Language- have always implicitly known: ASL is a grammatically ----- language in that it is capable of expressing every possible syntactic relation.

- (A) limited
- (B) economical
- (C) complete
- (D) shifting
- (E) abstract

4. He was regarded by his followers, as something of-----, not only because of his insistence on strict discipline, but also because of his ----- adherence to formal details.

- (A) a martinet.. rigid
- (B) an authority.. sporadic
- (C) a tyrant.. reluctant
- (D) a fraud.. conscientious
- (E) an acolyte.. maniacal

5. The influence of the *Titmaeus* among early philosophical thinkers was -----, if only because it was the sole dialogue ----- in Europe for almost 1,000 years.

- (A) pervasive.. available
- (B) inestimable.. suppressed
- (C) unnoteworthy.. abridged
- (D) underestimated.. studied
- (E) circumscribed.. translated

6. The Gibsons were little given to ----- in any form; not one of them was afraid of -----, of being and seeming unlike their neighbors.

- (A) humility.. absurdity
- (B) excellence.. mediocrity
- (C) anger.. confrontation
- (D) conformism.. singularity
- (E) ostentation.. eccentricity

7. Even after ----- against the ----- of popular sovereignty were included, major figures in the humanistic disciplines remained skeptical about the proposal to extend suffrage to the masses.

- (A) recommendations.. continuation
- (B) safeguards.. excesses
- (C) arguments.. introduction
- (D) provisions.. advantages
- (E) laws.. creation

SECTION 50

1. A recent survey shows that, while ninety-four percent of companies conducting management training programs open them to women, women are ----- only seventy-four percent of those programs.

- (A) protesting against
- (B) participating in
- (C) displeased by
- (D) allowed in
- (E) refused by

2. Thomas Paine, whose political writing was often flamboyant, was in private life a surprisingly ----- man: he lived in rented rooms, ate little, and wore drab clothes.

- (A) simple
- (B) controversial
- (C) sordid
- (D) comfortable
- (E) discourteous

3. Their ----- of loyalties is first to oneself, next to kin, then to fellow tribe members, and finally to compatriots.

- (A) merging
- (B) hierarchy
- (C) definition
- (D) judgment
- (E) cognizance

4. The belief that science destroys the arts appears to be supported by historical evidence that the arts have ----- only when the sciences have been -----.

- (A) declined.. attacked
- (B) flourished.. neglected
- (C) matured.. unconcerned
- (D) succeeded.. developed
- (E) floundered.. constrained

5. The action and characters in a melodrama can be so immediately ----- that all observers can hiss the villain with an air of smug but enjoyable -----.

- (A) spurned.. boredom
- (B) forgotten.. condescension
- (C) classified.. self-righteousness
- (D) plausible.. guilt
- (E) gripping.. skepticism

6. In the design of medical experiments, the need for -----assignment of treatments to patients must be ----- the difficulty of persuading patients to participate in an experiment in which their treatment is decided by chance.

- (A) independent.. amended by
- (B) competent.. emphasized by
- (C) mechanical.. controlled by
- (D) swift.. associated with
- (E) random.. reconciled with

7. Though dealers insist that professional art dealers can make money in the art market, even an ----- knowledge is not enough: the art world is so fickle that stock-market prices are ----- by comparison.

- (A) amateur's.. sensible
- (B) expert's.. erratic
- (C) investor's.. booming
- (D) insider's.. predictable
- (E) artist's.. irrational

SECTION 51

1. Contrary to the popular conception that it is powered by conscious objectivity, science often operates through error, happy accidents, _____ and persistence in spite of mistakes.
(A) facts
(B) controls
(C) hunches
(D) deductions
(E) calculations
2. The transition from the Paleolithic to the Neolithic era is viewed by most art historians as a _____, because, instead of an increasingly _____ pictorial art, we find degeneration.
(A) milestone.. debased
(B) consolidation.. diverse
(C) calamity.. aberrant
(D) regression.. sophisticated
(E) continuation.. improved
3. Salazar's presence in the group was so _____ the others that they lost most of their earlier _____; failure, for them, became all but unthinkable.
(A) reassuring to .. trepidation
(B) unnoticed by.. curiosity
(C) unusual to.. harmony
(D) endearing to.. confidence
(E) unexpected by.. exhilaration
4. The eradication of pollution is not merely a matter of --, though the majestic beauty of nature is indeed an important consideration.
(A) economics
(B) legislation
(C) cleanliness
(D) aesthetics
(E) cleanliness
5. Despite an agreement between labor and management to keep the print and electronic media _____ developments, the details of the negotiations were _____ all but a few journalists from the major metropolitan newspapers.
(A) abreast of.. disclosed to
(B) involved in.. led to
(C) apprised of.. withheld from
(D) speculating about.. denied to
(E) ignorant of .. suppressed by
6. Word order in a sentence was much freer in Old French than it is in French today, this _____ disappeared as the French language gradually lost its case distinctions.
(A) restriction
(B) license
(C) similarity
(D) rigidity
(E) imperative
7. Whereas biologists must maintain a _____ attitude toward the subjects of their research, social scientists must, paradoxically, combine personal involvement and scholarly _____.
(A) scrupulous.. sympathy
(B) careful.. abandon
(C) casual.. precision
(D) passive.. passion
(E) disinterested.. detachment

SECTION 52

1. Read's apology to Heflin was not exactly abject and did little to _____ their decades-long quarrel, which had been as _____ as the academic etiquette of scholarly journals permitted.
(A) encourage.. sporadic
(B) dampen.. courteous
(C) obscure.. ceremonious
(D) resolve.. acrimonious
(E) blur.. sarcastic
2. Certain weeds that flourish among rice crops resist detection until maturity by _____ the seedling stage in the rice plant's life cycle, thereby remaining indistinguishable from the rice crop until the flowering stage.
(A) deterring
(B) displacing
(C) augmenting
(D) imitating
(E) nurturing
3. Although the architect's concept at first sounded too _____ to be _____, his careful analysis of every aspect of the project convinced the panel that the proposed building was indeed, structurally feasible.
(A) mundane.. attractive
(B) eclectic.. appealing
(C) grandiose.. affordable
(D) innovative.. ignored
(E) visionary.. practicable
4. Gould claimed to _____ knowledge of linguistics, but only a hobbyist's interest in language.
(A) manifest
(B) plausible
(C) technical
(D) rudimentary
(E) insignificant
5. An obvious style, easily identified by some superficial quirk, is properly _____ as a mere mannerism, whereas a complex and subtle style _____ reduction to a formula.
(A) avoided.. risks
(B) decried.. resists
(C) prized.. withstands
(D) identified ..consists of
(E) cultivated.. demands
6. If efficacious new medicines have side effects that are commonly observed and _____, such medicines are too often considered _____, even when laboratory tests suggest caution.
(A) unremarkable.. safe
(B) unpredictable.. reliable
(C) frequent.. outdated
(D) salutary.. experimental
(E) complicated.. useful
7. Although a few delegates gave the opposition's suggestions a _____ response, most greeted the statement of a counterposition with _____.
(A) favorable.. approval
(B) dispirited.. reluctance
(C) surly.. resentment
(D) halfhearted.. composure
(E) vitriolic.. civility

SECTION 53

1. By idiosyncratically refusing to dismiss an insubordinate member of his staff, the manager not only ----- established policy, but he also ----- his heretofore good chances for promotion.
(A) instituted.. bettered
(B) recognized.. protected
(C) contravened.. jeopardized
(D) reiterated.. computed
(E) delimited.. restricted
2. Congress is having great difficulty developing a consensus on energy policy, primarily because the policy objectives of various members of Congress rest on such -----assumptions.
(A) commonplace
(B) trivial
(C) explicit
(D) divergent
(E) fundamental
3. The widespread public shock at the news of the guilty verdict was caused partly by ----- news stories that had----- acquittal.
(A) sensational. .condemned
(B) buried.. urged
(C) impartial.. mentioned
(D) biased.. predicted
(E) local.. denounced
4. The idealized paintings of nature produced in the eighteenth century are evidence that the medieval -----natural settings had been ----- and that the outdoors now could be enjoyed without trepidation.
(A) fear of.. exorcised
(B) concerns about.. regained
(C) affection for.. surmounted
(D) disinterest in.. alleviated
(E) enthusiasm for.. confronted
5. Some paleontologists debate whether the diversity of species has ----- since the Cambrian period, or whether imperfections in the fossil record only suggest greater diversity today, while in actuality there has been either----- or decreased diversity.
(A) changed.. escalation
(B) increased. stasis
(C) expanded.. discontinuity
(D) declined.. reduction
(E) improved.. deviation
6. Manipulating laboratory tissue cultures with hormones is one thing; using hormones to treat human beings, however, is contingent on whether hormones that ----- in the laboratory can affect ----- organisms, and in predictable ways.
(A) develop.. similar
(B) succeed.. simple
(C) fail.. cellular
(D) work.. whole
(E) reproduce.. unknown
7. The astronomer and feminist Maria Mitchell's own prodigious activity and the vigor of the Association for the Advancement of Women during the 1870's ----- any assertion that feminism was ----- in that period.
(A) exclude.. thriving
(B) contradict.. prospering
(C) pervade.. remote
(D) buttress.. dormant
(E) belie.. quiescent

SECTION 54

1. Only by ignoring decades of mismanagement and inefficiency could investors conclude that a fresh infusion of cash would provide anything more than a ----- solution to the company's financial woes.
(A) fair
(B) temporary
(C) genuine
(D) realistic
(E) complete
2. Although the discovery of antibiotics led to great advances in clinical practice, it did not represent a ----- bacterial illness, for there are some bacteria that cannot be ----- treated with antibiotics.
(A) breakthrough in.. consistently
(B) panacea for.. effectively
(C) neglect of.. efficiently
(D) reexamination of.. conventionally
(E) resurgence of.. entirely
3. A misconception frequently held by novice writers is that sentence structure mirrors thought: the more convoluted the structure, the more ----- the ideas.
(A) complicated
(B) inconsequential
(C) elementary
(D) fanciful
(E) blatant
4. Jones was unable to recognize, the contradictions in his attitudes that were obvious to everyone else; even the hint of an untruth was ----- to him, but he ----- serious trouble by always cheating on his taxes.
(A) acceptable. risked
(B) exciting.. averted
(C) repugnant. courted
(D) anathema.. evaded
(E) tempting.. hazarded
5. Even though the general's carefully qualified public statement could hardly be -----, some people took ----- it.
(A) respected.. liberties with
(B) inoffensive.. umbrage at
(C) faulted.. exception to
(D) credited.. potshots at
(E) dismissed.. interest in
6. Though feminist in its implications, Yvonne Rainer's 1974 film ----- the filmmaker's active involvement in feminist politics.
(A) preserved
(B) portrayed
(C) encouraged
(D) renewed
(E) antedated
7. The chances that a species will ----- are reduced if any vital function is restricted to a single kind of organ; ----- by itself possesses an enormous survival advantage.
(A) degenerate.. complexity
(B) expire. size
(C) disappear.. variety
(D) flourish.. symmetry
(E) persist.. redundancy

SECTION 55

1. It was a war the queen and her more prudent coun-selors wished to ----- if they could and were determined in any event to ----- as long as possible.

- (A) provoke.. delay
- (B) denounce.. deny
- (C) instigate.. conceal
- (D) curtail.. promote
- (E) avoid.. postpone

2. Despite many decades of research on the gasification of coal, the data accumulated are not directly ----- to environmental questions; thus a new program of research specifically addressing such questions is -----

- (A) analogous.. promising
- (B) transferable.. contradictory
- (C) antithetical.. unremarkable
- (D) applicable.. warranted
- (E) pertinent.. unnecessary

3. Unlike other creatures, who are shaped largely by their ----- environment, human beings are products of a culture accumulated over centuries, yet one that is constantly being ----- by massive infusions of new information from everywhere.

- (A) harsh.. unconfirmed
- (B) surrounding.. upheld
- (C) immediate.. transformed
- (D) natural.. mechanized
- (E) limited.. Superseded

4. Edith Wharton sought in her memoir to present herself as having achieved a harmonious wholeness by having -----the conflicting elements of her life.

- (A) affirmed
- (B) highlighted
- (C) reconciled
- (D) confined
- (E) identified

5. In their preface, the collection's editors plead that certain of the important articles they ----- were published too recently for inclusion, but in the case of many such articles, this ----- is not valid.

- (A) discussed.. replacement
- (B) omitted.. excuse
- (C) revised.. clarification
- (D) disparaged.. justification
- (E) ignored.. endorsement

6. The labor union and the company's management, despite their long history of unfailingly acerbic disagreement on nearly every issue, have nevertheless reached an unexpectedly -----, albeit still tentative, agreement on next year's contract.

- (A) swift
- (B) onerous
- (C) hesitant
- (D) reluctant
- (E) conclusive

7. In response to the follies of today's commercial and political worlds, the author does not ----- inflamed indignation, but rather ----- the detachment and smooth aphoristic prose of an eighteenth-century wit.

- (A) display.. rails at
- (B) rely on.. avoids
- (C) suppress.. clings to
- (D) express.. affects
- (E) resort to.. spurns

SECTION 56

1. Vaillant, who has been particularly interested in the means by which people attain mental health, seems to be looking for ----- answers: a way to close the book on at least a few questions about human nature.

- (A) definitive
- (B) confused
- (C) temporary
- (D) personal
- (E) derivative

2. The well-trained engineer must understand fields as diverse as physics, economics, geology, and sociology; thus, an overly -----engineering curriculum should be avoided.

- (A) narrow
- (B) innovative
- (C) competitive
- (D) rigorous
- (E) academic

3. Although supernovas are among the most ----- of cosmic events, these stellar explosions are often hard to -----, either because they are enormously far away or because they are dimmed by intervening dust and gas clouds.

- (A) remote.. observe
- (B) luminous.. detect
- (C) predictable.. foresee
- (D) ancient.. determine
- (E) violent.. disregard

4. During the widespread fuel shortage, the price of gasoline was so ----- that suppliers were generally thought to be----- the consumer.

- (A) reactive.. shielding
- (B) stable.. blackmailing
- (C) depressed.. cheating
- (D) prohibitive.. placating
- (E) excessive.. gouging

5. Art ----- science, but that does not mean that the artist must also be a scientist; an artist uses the fruits of science but need not ----- the theories from which they derive.

- (A) precedes.. anticipate
- (B) incorporates.. understand
- (C) transcends.. abandon
- (D) imitates.. repudiate
- (E) resembles.. contest

6. Imposing steep fines on employers for on-the-job injuries to workers could be an effective ----- to creating a safer workplace, especially in the case of employers with poor safety records.

- (A) antidote
- (B) alternative
- (C) addition
- (D) deterrent
- (E) incentive

7. Literature is inevitably a ----- rather than -----medium for the simple reason that writers interpose their own vision between the reader and reality.

- (A) distorting.. a neutral
- (B) transparent.. an opaque
- (C) colorful.. a drab
- (D) flawless.. an inexact
- (E) flexible.. a rigid

SECTION 57

1. A good doctor knows that knowledge about medicine will continue to ----- and that, therefore, formal professional training can never be an ----- guide to good practice.

- (A) vary.. adaptable
- (B) change.. absolute
- (C) ossify.. inflexible
- (D) pertain.. invaluable
- (E) intensify.. obsolescent

2. Foucault's rejection of the concept of continuity in Western thought, though radical, was not unique; he had ----- in the United States who, without knowledge of his work, developed parallel ideas.

- (A) critics
- (B) counterparts
- (C) disciples
- (D) readers
- (E) publishers

3. In retrospect, Gordon's students appreciated her ----- assignments, realizing that such assignments were specifically designed to ----- original thought rather than to review the content of her course.

- (A) didactic.. ingrain
- (B) intimidating.. thwart
- (C) difficult.. discourage
- (D) conventional.. explicate
- (E) enigmatic.. stimulate

4. In sharp contrast to the intense ----- of the young republic, with its utopian faith in democracy and hopes for eternal human progress, recent developments suggest a mood of almost unrelieved -----

- (A) idealism.. cynicism
- (B) individualism.. escapism
- (C) sectarianism.. recklessness
- (D) assertiveness.. ambition
- (E) righteousness.. egalitarianism

5. Old age, even in cultures where it is -----, is often viewed with -----

- (A) venerated.. ambivalence
- (B) rare.. surprise
- (C) ignored.. condescension
- (D) feared.. dismay
- (E) honored.. respect

6. Unlike the easily studied neutral and ionized ----- that compose the primary disk of the Milky Way itself, the components of the ----- surrounding our galaxy have proved more resistant to study.

- (A) figments.. envelope
- (B) essences.. fluctuations
- (C) elements.. problems
- (D) calculations.. perimeter
- (E) materials.. region

7. Although normally -----, Alison felt so strongly about the issue that she put aside her reserve and spoke up at the committee meeting.

- (A) diffident
- (B) contentious
- (C) facetious
- (D) presumptuous
- (E) intrepid

SECTION 58

1. Contrary to the antiquated idea that the eighteenth century was a ----- island of elegant assurance, evidence reveals that life for most people was filled with uncertainty and insecurity.

- (A) clannish
- (B) declining
- (C) tranquil
- (D) recognized
- (E) sprawling

2. The insecticide proved -----; by killing the weak adults of a species, it assured that the strong ones would mate among themselves and produce offspring still more ----- to its effects.

- (A) ineffective.. hostile
- (B) cruel.. vulnerable
- (C) feasible.. susceptible
- (D) necessary.. immune
- (E) counterproductive.. resistant

3. Many industries are so ----- by the impact of government sanctions, equipment failure, and foreign competition that they are beginning to rely on industrial psychologists to ----- what remains of employee morale.

- (A) estranged.. guard
- (B) beleaguered.. salvage
- (C) overruled.. undermine
- (D) encouraged.. determine
- (E) restrained.. confirm

4. Fashion is partly a search for a new language to discredit the old, a way in which each generation can ----- its immediate predecessor and distinguish itself.

- (A) honor
- (B) repudiate
- (C) condone
- (D) placate
- (E) emulate

5. Although ----- is usually thought to spring from regret for having done something wrong, it may be that its origin is the realization that one's own nature is irremediably -----.

- (A) contrition.. resilient
- (B) certitude.. confident
- (C) skepticism.. innocent
- (D) remorse.. flawed
- (E) resignation.. frivolous

6. Numerous historical examples illustrate both the overriding influence that scientists' ----- have on their interpretation of data and the consequent ----- of their intellectual objectivity.

- (A) prejudices.. impairment
- (B) instruments.. abandonment
- (C) theories.. independence
- (D) conclusions.. coloration
- (E) suppositions.. reinforcement

7. From the outset, the concept of freedom of the seas from the proprietary claims of nations was challenged by a contrary notion--that of the ----- of the oceans for reasons of national security and profit.

- (A) promotion
- (B) exploration
- (C) surveying
- (D) conservation
- (E) enclosure

SECTION 59

1. The corporation expects only ----- increases in sales next year despite a yearlong effort to revive its retailing business.
(A) unquestionable
(B) sequential
(C) modest
(D) exaggerated
(E) groundless
2. No computer system is immune to a virus, a particularly malicious program that is designed to ----- and electronically ----- the disks on which data are stored.
(A) prepare.. improve
(B) restore.. disable
(C) infect.. damage
(D) preserve.. secure
(E) invade.. repair
3. Recent research indicates that a system of particles which has apparently decayed to randomness from ----- state can be returned to that state; thus the system exhibits a kind of memory of its ----- condition.
(A) an equilibrium.. lesser
(B) an ordered.. earlier
(C) an unusual.. settled
(D) a chaotic.. last
(E) a higher.. present
4. A number of writers who once greatly ----- the literary critic have recently recanted, substituting ----- for their former criticism.
(A) lauded.. censure
(B) influenced.. analysis
(C) simulated.. ambivalence
(D) disparaged.. approbation
(E) honored.. adulation
5. She writes across generational lines, making the past so ----- that our belief that the present is the true locus of experience is undermined.
(A) complex
(B) distant
(C) vivid
(D) mysterious
(E) mundane
6. Individual freedom of thought should be ----- more absolutely than individual freedom of action, given that the latter, though also desirable, must be ----- the limits imposed by the rights and freedom of others.
(A) protected.. subject to
(B) assessed.. measured by
(C) valued.. superior to
(D) exercised.. indifferent to
(E) curtailed.. conscious of
7. Their ----- was expressed in quotidian behavior: they worshipped regularly, ----- all the regenerative processes of nature respect, and even awe.
(A) selflessness.. reserving to
(B) moderation.. extending to
(C) reverence.. exacting from
(D) piety.. according
(E) serenity.. refusing

SECTION 60

1. My family often found others laughable, but I learned quite early to be ----- while people were present, laughing only later at what was funny and mocking what to us seemed
(A) polite.. bizarre
(B) impatient.. unfortunate
(C) facetious.. enviable
(D) wistful.. extraordinary
(E) superficial.. deplorable
2. The technical know-how, if not the political -----, appears already at hand to feed the world's exploding population and so to ----- at last the ancient scourges of malnutrition and famine.
(A) will.. weaken
(B) expertise.. articulate
(C) doubt.. banish
(D) power.. denounce
(E) commitment.. eradicate
3. In small farming communities, accident victims rarely sue or demand compensation: transforming a personal injury into a ----- someone else is viewed as an attempt to ----- responsibility for one's own actions.
(A) conspiracy against.. assume
(B) claim against.. elude
(C) boon for.. minimize
(D) distinction for.. shift
(E) trauma for.. proclaim
4. Dominant interests often benefit most from ----- of governmental interference in business, since they are able to take care of themselves if left alone.
(A) intensification
(B) authorization
(C) centralization
(D) improvisation
(E) elimination
5. The "impostor syndrome" often afflicts those who fear that true self-disclosure will lower them in others' esteem; rightly handled, however, ----- may actually ----- one's standing.
(A) willfulness.. consolidate
(B) imposture.. undermine
(C) affectation.. jeopardize
(D) candor.. enhance
(E) mimicry.. efface
6. The pungent verbal give-and-take among the characters makes the novel ----- reading, and this very ----- suggests to me that some of the opinions voiced may be the author's.
(A) disturbing.. flatness
(A) tedious.. inventiveness
(B) lively.. spiritedness
(D) necessary.. steadiness
(E) rewarding.. frivolousness
7. The fortresslike facade of the Museum of Cartoon Art seems calculated to remind visitors that the comic strip is an art form that has often been ----- by critics.
(A) charmed
(B) assailed
(C) unnoticed
(D) exhilarated
(E) overwhelmed

SECTION 61

1. The fact that a theory is ----- does not necessarily ----- its scientific truth, which must be established by unbiased controlled studies.
(A) plausible.. ensure
(B) popular.. limit
(C) venerable.. override
(D) cohesive.. undermine
(E) cumbersome.. alleviate
2. It is difficult to distinguish between the things that charismatic figures do ----- and those that are carefully contrived for effect.
(A) formally
(B) publicly
(C) prolifically
(D) spontaneously
(E) willfully
3. The development of containers, possibly made from bark or the skins of animals, although this is a matter of -----, allowed the extensive sharing of forage foods in prehistoric human societies.
(A) record
(B) fact
(C) degree
(D) importance
(E) conjecture
4. Although the young violinist's ----- performance, with the orchestra demonstrated his technical competence, his uninspired style and lack of interpretive maturity labeled him as a novice musician rather than as a truly ----- performer.
(A) spectacular.. conventional
(B) blundering.. artistic
(C) marginal.. inept
(D) steady.. accomplished
(E) dazzling.. unskilled
5. Even though political editorializing was not ----- under the new regime, journalists still experienced -----, though perceptible, governmental pressure to limit dissent.
(A) restricted.. clear
(B) encouraged.. strong
(C) forbidden.. discreet
(D) commended.. overt
(E) permitted.. regular
6. The trick for Michael was to ---- his son an illusory orderliness; only alone at night, when the boy was asleep. Could Michael ---- the chaos he kept hidden from his son.
(A) explore with.. demonstrate
(B) conjure for.. acknowledge
(C) conceal from.. dispel
(D) demystify for.. escape
(E) endure with.. abandon
7. The ----- costumes of Renaissance Italy, with their gold and silver embroidery and figured brocades, were the antithesis of Spanish -----, with its dark muted colors, plain short capes, and high collars edged with small ruffs.
(A) striking.. obliqueness
(B) extravagant.. profligacy
(C) austere.. informality
(D) unpretentious.. asceticism
(E) sumptuous.. sobriety

SECTION 62

1. According to the newspaper critic, the performances at the talent contest last night ---- from acceptable to excellent.
(A) varied
(B) receded
(C) swept
(P) averaged
(E) declined
2. For more than a century, geologists have felt comfortable with the idea that geological processes, although very -----, are also ----- and so are capable of shaping the Earth, given enough time.
(A) minute.. sporadic
(B) slow.. steady
(C) complex.. discernible
(D) unpredictable.. constant
(E) ponderous.. intermittent
3. While not ----- with the colorfully obvious forms of life that are found in a tropical rain forest, the desert is ----- to a surprisingly large number of species.
(A) brimming.. foreign
(B) endowed.. detrimental
(C) imbued.. hostile
(D) teeming.. host
(E) confronted.. home
4. Speakers and listeners are often at odds: language that is easy for the receiver to understand is often difficult to ----, and that which is easily formulated can be hard to -----
(A) estimate.. confirm
(B) transmit.. defend
(C) produce.. comprehend
(D) suppress.. ignore
(E) remember.. forget
5. The current demand for quality in the schools seems to ask not for the development of informed and active citizens, but for disciplined and productive workers with abilities that contribute to civic life only -----, if at all.
(A) indirectly
(B) politically
(C) intellectually
(D) sensibly
(E) sequentially
6. Because of its lack of theaters, the city came, ironically, to be viewed as an ----- theater town, and that reputation led entrepreneurs to believe that it would be ----- to build new theaters there.
(A) unprofitable.. risky
(B) untapped.. pointless
(C) unappreciated.. difficult
(D) unlikely.. appropriate
(E) unimpressed.. shrewd
7. He felt it would be -----, in view of the intense ----- that would likely follow, to make the sacrifice required in order to gain such little advantage.
(A) charitable.. growth
(B) welcomed.. prejudice
(C) futile.. encouragement
(D) academic.. acclaim
(E) unrealistic.. turmoil

SECTION 62(2)

1. The academic education offered to university students is essential and must not be -----, but that does not mean universities should ----- the extracurricular, yet still important, aspects of university life.

- (A) impeded.. promote
- (B) debated.. victimize
- (C) protected.. broaden
- (D) maximized.. continue
- (E) compromised.. Neglect

2. To understand fully the impact of global warming on the environment, one must recognize that the components of the problem are ----- and, therefore, a change in any one component will ----- the others.

- (A) distinct.. influence
- (B) unique.. clarify
- (C) linked.. affect
- (D) cyclical.. negate
- (E) growing.. exacerbate

3. Although the Impressionist painters appeared to earlier art historians to be ----- in their methods, recent analyses of their brushwork suggest the contrary—that, in fact, their technique was quite -----

- (A) unstudied.. sophisticated
- (B) idiosyncratic.. effective
- (C) eclectic.. naïve
- (D) lax.. fashionable
- (E) careless.. unpremeditated

4. Increased governmental alarm about global warming—the concern among scientists that such warming is occurring, though when to expect major effects is still -----.

- (A) echoes.. agreed on
- (B) precludes.. under consideration
- (C) reflects.. in dispute
- (D) obviates.. in doubt
- (E) encourages.. Confirmed

5. For someone as ---- as she, who preferred to speak only when absolutely necessary, his relentless chatter was completely ----.

- (A) ingenuous.. ignorant
- (B) curt.. enchanting
- (C) cheerful.. idle
- (D) laconic.. maddening
- (E) forward.. pointless

6. Future generations will probably consider current speculations about humanity's place in the universe to be ----- omissions and errors; even rigorous scientific views change, sometimes overnight.

- (A) immune from
- (B) marred by
- (C) uncorrupted by
- (D) correct despite
- (E) abridged by

7. Marshal Philippe Pétain, unlike any other French citizen of this century, has been, paradoxically, the object of both great veneration and great -----

- (A) reverence
- (B) interest
- (C) empathy
- (D) contempt
- (E) praise

SECTION 63

1. In some cultures the essence of magic is its traditional integrity; it can be efficient only if it has been -----without loss from primeval times to the present practitioner.

- (A) conventionalized
- (B) realized
- (C) transmitted
- (D) manipulated
- (E) aggrandized

2. Although skeptics say financial problems will probably -----our establishing a base on the Moon, Supporters of the project remain -----, saying that human curiosity should overcome such pragmatic constraints.

- (A) beset.. disillusioned
- (B) hasten.. hopeful
- (C) postpone.. pessimistic
- (D) prevent.. enthusiastic
- (E) allow.. unconvinced

3. Before the Second World War, academics still questioned whether the body of literature produced in the United States truly ----- a ----- literature, or whether such literature was only a provincial branch of English literature.

- (A) symbolized.. local
- (B) constituted.. national
- (C) defined.. historical
- (D) outlined.. good
- (E) captured.. meaningful

4. Many more eighteenth-century novels were written by women than by men, but this dominance has, until very recently, been regarded merely as ----- fact, a bit of arcane knowledge noted only by bibliographers.

- (A) a controversial
- (B) a statistical
- (C) an analytical
- (D) an explicit
- (E) an unimpeachable

5. All ----- biological traits fall into one of two categories: those giving their possessors greater -----the environment and those rendering them more independent of it.

- (A) widespread.. detachment from
- (B) beneficial.. control over
- (C) successful.. freedom from
- (D) neutral.. compatibility with
- (E) harmful.. advantage in

6. One of archaeology's central dilemmas is how to reconstruct the ----- of complex ancient societies from meager and often ----- physical evidence.

- (A) riddles.. obsolete
- (B) details.. irrefutable
- (C) intricacies.. equivocal
- (D) patterns.. flawless
- (E) configurations.. explicit

7. Just as the authors' book on eels is often a key text for courses in marine vertebrate zoology, their ideas on animal development and phylogeny ----- teaching in this area.

- (A) prevent
- (B) defy
- (C) replicate
- (D) inform
- (E) use

SECTION 64

1. What is most important to the monkeys in the sanctuary is that they are a group; this is so because primates are inveterately ----- and build their lives around each other.
- (A) independent
(B) stable
(C) curious
(D) social
(E) proprietary
2. Often the difficulties of growing up in the public eye cause child prodigies to ----- the world of achievement before reaching adulthood: happily, they sometimes later return to competition and succeed brilliantly.
- (A) ridicule
(B) conquer
(C) retire from
(D) antagonize
(E) examine
3. In scientific studies, supporting evidence is much more satisfying to report than are discredited hypotheses, but, in fact, the --- of errors is more likely to be ----- than is the establishment of probable truth.
- (A) formulation.. permitted
(B) correction.. ignored
(C) detection.. useful
(D) accumulation.. agreeable
(E) refinement.. conditional
4. Professional photographers generally regard inadvertent surrealism in a photograph as a curse rather than a blessing; magazine photographers, in particular, consider themselves ----- to the extent that they can ----- its presence in their photographs.
- (A) skillful.. enhance
(B) inadequate.. eliminate
(C) original.. demonstrate
(D) fortunate.. minimize
(E) conventional.. highlight
5. Marison was a scientist of unusual ----- and imagination who had startling success in ----- new and fundamental principles well in advance of their general recognition.
- (A) restiveness.. acknowledging
(B) precision.. coordinating
(C) aggression.. resisting
(D) candor.. dispelling
(E) insight.. discerning
6. Unenlightened authoritarian managers rarely recognize a crucial reason for the low levels of serious conflict among members of democratically run work groups: a modicum of tolerance for dissent often prevents
- (A) demur
(B) schism
(C) cooperation
(D) compliance
(E) shortsightedness
7. Carruthers' latest literary criticism ----- her reputation for trenchant commentary; despite its intriguing title and the fulsome praise on its dust jacket, it is nothing more than a collection of -----
- (A) reinforces.. pronouncements
(B) belies.. platitudes
(C) prejudices.. insights
(D) advances.. aphorisms
(E) undermines.. judgments

SECTION 65

1. If those large publishers that respond solely to popular literary trends continue to dominate the publishing market, the initial publication of new writers will depend on the writers' willingness to ----- popular tastes.
- (A) struggle against
(B) cater to
(C) admire
(D) flout
(E) elude
2. Candidates who oppose the present state income tax must be able to propose ----- ways to --- the financing of state operations.
- (A) intelligent.. initiate
(B) individual.. diversify
(C) innovative.. alleviate
(D) arbitrary.. maintain
(E) alternate.. continue
3. Although strong legal remedies for nonpayment of child support are ----- the delay and expense associated with these remedies make it ----- to develop other options.
- (A) unpopular.. useful
(B) required.. impossible
(C) available.. imperative
(D) unavailing.. impractical
(E) nonexistent.. ridiculous
4. Calculus, though still indispensable to science and technology, is no longer -----; it has an equal partner called discrete mathematics.
- (A) preeminent
(B) pertinent
(C) beneficial
(D) essential
(E) pragmatic
5. Demonstrating a mastery of innuendo, he issued several ----- insults in the course of the evening's conversation.
- (A) blunt
(B) boisterous
(C) fallacious
(D) veiled
(E) embellished
6. The ----- of gamblers' unsuccessful decision strategies is one ----- of the illusions built into games of chance in order to misguide players and take their money.
- (A) distortion.. outcome
(B) restriction.. result
(C) maintenance.. function
(D) prediction.. accomplishment
(E) demonstration.. prerequisite
7. The natures of social history and lyric poetry are -----, social history always recounting the ----- and lyric poetry speaking for unchanging human nature, that timeless essence beyond fashion and economics.
- (A) predetermined.. bygone
(B) antithetical.. evanescent
(C) interdependent.. unnoticed
(D) irreconcilable.. unalterable
(E) indistinguishable.. transitory

SECTION 66

1. Exposure to low-intensity gamma radiation slows the rate of growth of the spoilage microorganisms in food in much the same way that the low heat used in pasteurization ----- the spoilage action of the microorganisms in milk.

- (A) precludes
- (B) initiates
- (C) inhibits
- (D) isolates
- (E) purifies

2. In today's world, manufacturers' innovations are easily copied and thus differences between products are usually -----; advertisers, therefore, are forced to ----- these differences in order to suggest the uniqueness of their clients' products.

- (A) crucial.. downplay
- (B) minimal.. reduce
- (C) slight.. exaggerate
- (D) common.. emphasize
- (E) intrinsic.. create

3. To avoid annihilation by parasites, some caterpillars are able to ----- periods of active growth by prematurely entering a dormant state, which is characterized by the ----- of feeding.

- (A) curtail.. suspension
- (B) foster.. continuation
- (C) prevent.. stimulation
- (D) mediate.. synthesis
- (E) invert.. simulation

4. Prior to the work of Heckel, illustrations of fish were often beautiful but rarely -----; this fact, combined with the ---- nature of most nineteenth- century taxonomic descriptions, often kept scientists from recognizing differences between species.

- (A) impressive.. inaccurate
- (B) realistic.. detailed
- (C) traditional.. progressive
- (D) precise.. inexact
- (E) distinctive.. sophisticated

5. Experienced and proficient, Susan is a good, -----trumpeter her music is often more satisfying than Carol's brilliant but -----playing.

- (A) virtuoso.. inimitable
- (B) mediocre.. eccentric
- (C) competent.. influential
- (D) amateur.. renowned
- (E) reliable.. erratic

6. In the midst of so many evasive comments, this forthright statement, whatever its intrinsic merit, plainly stands out as -----

- (A) a paradigm
- (B) a misnomer
- (C) a profundity
- (D) an inaccuracy
- (E) an anomaly

7. Marshall's confrontational style could alienate almost anyone: he even antagonized a board of directors that included a number of his supporters and that had a reputation for not being easily -----

- (A) intimidated
- (B) mollified
- (C) reconciled
- (D) provoked
- (E) motivated

SECTION 67

1. Paradoxically, England's colonization of North America was ----- by its success: the increasing prosperity of the colonies diminished their dependence upon, and hence their loyalty to, their home country.

- (A) demonstrated
- (B) determined
- (C) altered
- (D) undermined
- (E) distinguished

2. Although Harry Stack Sullivan is one of the most influential social scientists of this century, his ideas are now so ----- in our society that they seem almost -----

- (A) novel.. antiquated
- (B) revolutionary.. fundamental
- (C) commonplace .. banal
- (D) disputed.. esoteric
- (E) obscure.. familiar

3. Her first concert appearance was disappointingly perfunctory and derivative, rather than the----- performance in the -----style we had anticipated.

- (A) talented.. tenuous
- (B) prosaic.. classic
- (C) artistic.. mechanical
- (D) inspired.. innovative
- (E) literal.. enlightened

4. As is often the case with collections of lectures by ----- authors, the book as a whole is -----, although the individual contributions are outstanding in themselves.

- (A) different.. disconnected
- (B) incompetent.. abysmal
- (C) famous.. systematic
- (D) mediocre.. unexciting
- (E) various.. coherent

5. Although some consider forcefulness and ----- to be two traits desirable to the same degree, I think that making a violent effort is much less useful than maintaining a steady one.

- (A) promptness
- (B) persistence
- (C) aggression
- (D) skillfulness
- (E) lucidity

6. The popularity of pseudoscience and quack medicines in the nineteenth century suggests that people were very-----, but the gullibility of the public today makes citizens of yesterday look like hard-nosed -----

- (A) cautious.. educators
- (B) sophisticated.. realists
- (C) rational.. pragmatists
- (D) naive.. idealists
- (E) credulous.. skeptics

7. Though extremely ----- about his own plans, the man allowed his associates no such privacy and was constantly ----- information about what they intended to do next.

- (A) idiosyncratic .. altering
- (B) guarded.. eschewing
- (C) candid.. uncovering
- (D) reticent.. soliciting
- (E) fastidious.. ruining

SECTION 68

1. Having sufficient income of her own constituted for Alice----- independence that made possible a degree Of----- in her emotional life as well.
(A) a material.. security
(B) a profound.. conformity
(C) a financial.. economy
(D) a psychological.. extravagance
(E) an unexpected.. uncertainty
2. Copyright and patent laws attempt to encourage innovation by ensuring that inventors are paid for creative work, so it would be-----if expanded protection under these laws discouraged entrepreneurial innovation by increasing fears of lawsuits.
(A) desirable
(B) coincidental
(C) ironic
(D) natural
(E) sensible
3. Unfortunately, since courses in nutrition are often -----medical school curriculums, a family physician is----- to be an enlightening source of general information about diet.
(A) questioned by.. encouraged
(B) encountered among.. unable
(C) unappreciated by.. expected
(D) neglected in.. unlikely
(E) squeezed into.. intended
4. The success of science is due in great part to its emphasis on-----: the reliance on evidence rather than -----and the willingness to draw conclusions even when they conflict with traditional beliefs.
(A) causality.. experimentation
(B) empiricism.. facts
(C) objectivity.. preconceptions
(D) creativity.. observation
(E) conservatism.. assumptions
5. James had idolized the professor so much for so long that even after lunching with her several times he remained quite ----- in her presence and as a result, he could not really be himself.
(A) pleased
(B) disregarded
(C) heartened
(D) relaxed
(E) inhibited
6. However -----they might be, Roman poets were bound to have some favorite earlier author whom they would -----
(A) subservient.. imitate
(B) independent .. inspire
(C) original.. emulate
(D) creative.. admire
(E) talented.. neglect
7. Human nature and long distances have made exceeding the speed limit a ----- tradition in the state, so the legislators surprised no one when, acceding to public practice, they ----- increased penalties for speeding.
(A) disquieting.. endorsed
(B) long-standing.. considered
(C) controversial.. suggested
(D) cherished.. rejected
(E) hallowed.. investigated

SECTION 69

1. Though environmentalists have targeted some herbicides as potentially dangerous, the manufacturers, to the environmentalists' dismay, -----the use of these herbicides on lawns.
(A) defy
(B) defer
(C) defend
(D) assail
(E) disparage
2. To believe that a culture's achievement can be measured by the ----- of its written material requires one to accept that a page of junk mail is as -----as a page of great literature.
(A) nature.. readable
(B) quality.. prevalent
(C) timelessness.. understandable
(D) applicability.. eloquent
(E) volume.. valuable
3. Given the failure of independent laboratories to replicate the results of Dr. Johnson's experiment, only the most ----- supporters of her hypothesis would be foolish enough to claim that it had been adequately -----
(A) fastidious.. defined
(B) partisan.. verified
(C) vigilant.. publicized
(D) enlightened.. researched
(E) fervent.. undermined
4. Roman historians who study the period 30 B.C. to A.D. 180 can ----- the "Augustan peace" only by failing to recognize that this peace in many respects resembled that of death.
(A) decry
(B) applaud
(C) ridicule
(D) demand
(E) disprove
5. Although Tom was aware that it would be ----- to display annoyance publicly at the sales conference, he could not ----- his irritation with the client's unreasonable demands.
(A) inadvisable.. evince
(B) efficacious.. suppress
(C) pragmatic.. counter
(D) captious.. express
(E) impolitic.. hide
6. It is no accident that most people find Davis' book disturbing, for it is ----- to undermine a number of beliefs they have long -----
(A) calculated.. cherished
(B) annotated.. assimilated
(C) intended.. denied
(D) anxious.. misunderstood
(E) reputed.. anticipated
7. One virus strain that may help gene therapists cure genetic brain diseases can enter the peripheral nervous system and travel to the brain, ----- the need to inject the therapeutic virus directly into the brain.
(A) suggesting
(B) intensifying
(C) elucidating
(D) satisfying
(E) obviating

SECTION 70

1. Artificial light----- the respiratory activity of some microorganisms in the winter but not in the summer, in part because in the summer their respiration is already at its peak and thus cannot be -----
(A) stimulates.. lessened
(B) inhibits.. quickened
(C) reflects.. expanded
(D) elevates.. measured
(E) enhances.. increased
2. Doreen justifiably felt she deserved recognition for the fact that the research institute had been -----a position of preeminence, since it was she who had ----- the transformation.
(A) reduced to.. controlled
(B) raised to.. observed
(C) mired in.. imagined
(D) maintained in.. created
(E) returned to.. directed
3. The prospects of discovering new aspects of the life of a painter as thoroughly studied as Vermeer are not, on the surface, -----
(A) unpromising
(B) daunting
(C) encouraging
(D) superficial
(E) challenging
4. Even those siblings whose childhood was ----- familial feuding and intense rivalry for their parents' affection can nevertheless develop congenial and even -----relationships with each other in their adult lives.
(A) scarred by.. vitriolic
(B) dominated by.. intimate
(C) filled with.. truculent
(D) replete with.. competitive
(E) devoid of.. tolerant
5. Because they have been so dazzled by the calendars and the knowledge of astronomy possessed by the Mayan civilization, some anthropologists have ----- achievements like the sophisticated carved calendar sticks of the Winnebago people.
(A) described
(B) acknowledged
(C) overlooked
(D) defended
(E) authenticated
6. Aptly enough, this work so imbued with the notion of changing times and styles has been constantly ----- over the years, thereby reflecting its own mutability.
(A) appreciated
(B) emulated
(C) criticized
(D) revised
(E) reprinted
7. The sea was not an -----the -----of the windmill; on the contrary, while the concept of the new invention passed quickly from seaport to seaport, it made little headway inland.
(A) element in.. evolution
(B) issue in .. acceptance
(C) aid to.. designers
(D) obstacle to.. diffusion

(E) impediment to.. creation

Section 71

1. A computer program can provide information in ways that force students to -----_learning_ instead of being merely ----- of knowledge.
(A) shore up ... reservoirs
(B) accede to ... consumers
(C) participate in ... recipients
(D) compensate for ... custodians
(E) profit from ... beneficiaries
2. The form and physiology of leaves vary according to the ----- in which they develop: for example, leaves display a wide range of adaptations to different degrees of light and moisture.
(A) relationship
(B) species
(C) sequence
(D) patterns
(E) environment
3. One theory about intelligence sees ----- as the logical structure underlying thinking and insists that since animals are mute, they must be ----- as well.
(A) behavior ... inactive
(B) instinct ... cooperative
(C) heredity ... thoughtful
(D) adaptation ... brutal
(E) language ... mindless
4. Though ----- in her personal life, Edna St. Vincent Millay was nonetheless ----- about her work, usually producing several pages of complicated rhyme in a day.
(A) jaded ... feckless
(B) verbose ... ascetic
(C) vain ... humble
(D) impulsive ... disciplined
(E) self-assured ... sanguine
5. The children's ----- natures were in sharp contrast to the even-tempered dispositions of their parents.
(A) mercurial
(B) blithe
(C) phlegmatic
(D) introverted
(E) artless
6. By ----- scientific rigor with a quantitative approach, researchers in the social sciences may often have ----- their scope to those narrowly circumscribed topics that are well suited to quantitative methods.
(A) undermining ... diminished
(B) equating ... enlarged
(C) vitiating ... expanded
(D) identifying ... limited
(E) imbuing ... broadened
7. As early as the seventeenth century, philosophers called attention to the ----- character of the issue, and their twentieth-century counterparts still approach it with -----.
(A) absorbing ... indifference
(B) unusual ... composure
(C) complex ... antipathy
(D) auspicious ... caution
(E) problematic ... uneasiness

Section 72

1. Since most if not all learning occurs through _____, relating one observation to another, it would be strange indeed if the study of other cultures did not also illuminate the study of our own.

- (A) assumptions
- (B) experiments
- (C) comparisons
- (D) repetitions
- (E) impressions

2. The new _____ of knowledge has created _____ people: everyone believes that his or her subject cannot and possibly should not be understood by others.

- (A) specialization ... barriers between
- (B) decline ... associations among
- (C) redundancy ... complacency in
- (D) disrepute ... concern for
- (E) promulgation ... ignorance among

3. If a species of parasite is to survive, the host organisms must live long enough for the parasite to _____; if the host species becomes _____, so do its parasites.

- (A) atrophy ... healthy
- (B) reproduce ... extinct
- (C) disappear ... widespread
- (D) succumb ... nonviable
- (E) mate ... infertile

4. The author argues for serious treatment of such arts as crochet and needlework, finding in too many art historians a cultural blindness _____ to their _____ textiles as a medium in which women artists predominate.

- (A) traceable ... prejudice against
- (B) opposed ... distrust of
- (C) referring ... need for
- (D) reduced ... respect for
- (E) corresponding ... expertise in

5. Those who fear the influence of television deliberately _____ its persuasive power, hoping that they might keep knowledge of its potential to effect social change from being widely disseminated.

- (A) promote
- (B) underplay
- (C) excuse
- (D) laud
- (E) suspect

6. Because the high seriousness of their narratives resulted in part from their metaphysics, Southern writers were praised for their _____ bent.

- (A) technical
- (B) discursive
- (C) hedonistic
- (D) philosophical
- (E) scientific

7. Far from being _____, Pat was always _____ to appear acquiescent.

- (A) unctuous ... loath
- (B) brazen ... reluctant
- (C) ignoble ... concerned
- (D) obsequious ... eager
- (E) gregarious ... willing

Section 73

1. Though _____ to some degree, telling a small lie sometimes enables one to avoid _____ another's feelings.

- (A) necessary ... mollifying
- (B) regrettable ... harming
- (C) unfortunate ... exaggerating
- (D) attractive ... considering
- (E) difficult ... resisting

2. Perhaps because scientists have been so intrigued by dogs' superior senses of smell and hearing, researchers have long _____ their eyesight, assuming that they inhabit a drab, black-and-white world, devoid of color.

- (A) studied
- (B) coveted
- (C) appreciated
- (D) resented
- (E) underestimated

3. Despite a string of dismal earnings reports, the two-year-old strategy to return the company to profitability is beginning to ----.

- (A) falter
- (B) disappoint
- (C) compete
- (D) work
- (E) circulate

4. The President reached a decision only after lengthy_____, painstakingly weighing the _____ opinions expressed by cabinet members.

- (A) deliberation.. divergent
- (B) confrontation.. unanimous
- (C) relegation.. consistent
- (D) speculation.. conciliatory
- (E) canvassing.. arbitrary

5. Although just barely _____ as a writer of lucid prose, Jones was an extremely _____ editor who worked superbly with other writers in helping them improve the clarity of their writing.

- (A) deficient ... muddling
- (B) proficient ... contentious
- (C) adequate ... capable
- (D) appalling ... competent
- (E) engaging ... inept

6. The accusations we bring against others should be _____ ourselves; they should not _____ complacency and easy judgments on our part concerning our own moral conduct.

- (A) definitions of ... produce
- (B) instructions to ... equate
- (C) denigrations of ... exclude
- (D) warnings to ... justify
- (E) parodies of ... satirize

7. Although the meanings of words may necessarily be liable to change, it does not follow that the lexicographer is therefore unable to render spelling, in a great measure, _____.

- (A) arbitrary
- (B) superfluous
- (C) interesting
- (D) flexible
- (E) constant

Section 74

1. Some activists believe that because the health-care system has

become increasingly ----- to those it serves, individuals must ----- bureaucratic impediments in order to develop and promote new therapies.

- (A) attuned ... avoid
- (B) inimical ... utilize
- (C) unresponsive ... circumvent
- (D) indifferent ... supplement
- (E) sensitized ... forsake

2. The acts of vandalism that these pranksters had actually ----- were insignificant compared with those they had ----- but had not attempted.

- (A) hidden ... renounced
- (B) advocated ... meditated
- (C) inflicted ... dismissed
- (D) committed ... effected
- (E) perpetrated ... contemplated

3. Though one cannot say that Michelangelo was an impractical designer, he was, of all nonprofessional architects known, the most ----- in that he was the least constrained by tradition or precedent.

- (A) pragmatic
- (B) adventurous
- (C) empirical
- (D) skilled
- (E) learned

4. Before adapting to changes in values, many prefer to -----, to ----- the universally agreed-on principles that have been upheld for centuries.

- (A) innovate ... protect
- (B) resist ... defend
- (C) ponder ... subvert
- (D) vacillate ... publicize
- (E) revert ... ignore

5. Although the records of colonial New England are ----- in comparison with those available in France or England, the records of other English colonies in America are even more

- (A) sporadic ... irrefutable
- (B) sparse ... incontrovertible
- (C) ambiguous ... authoritative
- (D) sketchy ... fragmentary
- (E) puzzling ... unquestionable

6. High software prices are frequently said to ----- widespread illegal copying, although the opposite—that high prices are the cause of the copying—is equally plausible.

- (A) contribute to
- (B) result from
- (C) correlate with
- (D) explain
- (E) precede

7. Because early United States writers thought that the mark of great literature was grandiosity and elegance not to be found in common speech, they ----- the vernacular.

- (A) dissected
- (B) avoided
- (C) misunderstood
- (D) investigated
- (E) exploited

Section 75

1. While scientists dismiss as fanciful the idea of sudden changes

in a genetic code (spontaneous mutation), it is possible that nature, like some master musician, --- on occasion, departing from the expected or predictable.

- (A) repeats
- (B) improvises
- (C) ornaments
- (D) corrects
- (E) harmonizes

2. Despite the -- of time, space, and history, human societies the world over have confronted the same existential problems and have come to remarkably -- solutions, differing only in superficial details. Despite the -- of time, space, and

- (A) continuity... identical°
- (B) uniformity... diverse°
- (C) actualities... varied°
- (D) contingencies... similar°
- (E) exigencies... unique

3. Although he was known to be extremely ----- in his public behavior, scholars have discovered that his diaries were written with uncommon -----.

- (A) reserved.. frankness
- (B) polite.. tenderness
- (C) modest.. lucidity
- (D) reticent.. vagueness
- (E) withdrawn.. subtlety

4. With the ----- of scientific knowledge, work on the new edition of a textbook begins soon after completion of the original.

- (A) limitation
- (B) culmination
- (C) veneration
- (D) certainty
- (E) burgeoning

5. She is most frugal in matters of business, but in her private life she reveals a streak of -----.

- (A) antipathy
- (B) misanthropy
- (C) virtuosity
- (D) equanimity
- (E) prodigality

6. If the state government's latest budget problems were -----, it would not be useful to employ them as ----- examples in the effort to avoid the inevitable effects of shortsighted fiscal planning in the future.

- (A) typical.. representative
- (B) exceptional.. aberrant
- (C) anomalous.. illuminating
- (D) predictable.. helpful
- (E) solvable.. insignificant

7. Just as some writers have ----- the capacity of language to express meaning, Giacometti ----- the failure of art to convey reality.

- (A) scoffed at .. abjured
- (B) demonstrated.. exemplified
- (C) denied.. refuted
- (D) proclaimed.. affirmed
- (E) despaired of .. bewailed

Section 76.

1. In spite of the fact that it is convenient to divide the life span

of animals into separate stages such as pre-natal, adolescent, and senescent, these periods are not really -----.

- (A) advanced
- (B) variable
- (C) repeatable
- (D) connected
- (E) distinct

2. Although the number of reported volcanic eruptions has risen exponentially since 1850, this indicates not----- volcanic activity but rather more widespread and---- record keeping.

- (A) abating..detailed
- (B) increasing..systematic
- (C) substantial..erratic
- (D) stable..superficial
- (E) consistent..meticulous

3. The challenge of interpreting fictional works written under politically repressive regimes lies in distinguishing what is----- to an author's beliefs, as opposed to what is----- by political coercion.

- (A) innate.. understood
- (B) organic.. imposed
- (C) contradictory.. conveyed
- (D) oblique.. captured
- (E) peripheral.. demanded

4. I am often impressed by my own ---- other people's idiocies: what is harder to ---- is that they. In their folly, are equally engaged in putting up with mine.

- (A) analysis of.. justify
- (B) forbearance toward.. underestimate
- (C) exasperation with .. credit
- (D) involvement in .. allow
- (E) tolerance of .. appreciate

5. Despite vigorous protestations, the grin on the teenager's face ----her denial that she had known about the practical joke before it was played on her parents.

- (A) belied
- (B) illustrated
- (C) reinforced
- (D) exacerbated
- (E) trivialized

6. Far from undermining the impression of permanent decline, the ---- statue, seemed emblematic of its ---- surroundings.

- (A) indecorous.. opulent
- (B) grandiose.. ramshackle
- (C) pretentious.. simple
- (D) ungainly.. elegant
- (E) tawdry.. blighted

7. Despite the fact that it is almost universally ----, the practice of indentured servitude still ---- in many parts of the world.

- (A) condemned... abates
- (B) tolerated.. survives
- (C) proscribed.. persists
- (D) mandated.. lingers
- (E) disdained.. intervenes

Section 75(2)

1. It is assumed that scientists will avoid making ----- claims

about the results of their experiments because of the likelihood that they will be exposed when other researchers cannot ----- their findings.

- (A) hypothetical ... evaluate
- (B) fraudulent ... duplicate
- (C) verifiable ... contradict
- (D) radical ... contest
- (E) extravagant ... dispute

2. As long as the nuclear family is ----- a larger kinship group through contiguous residence on undivided land, the pressure to ----- and thus to get along with relatives is strong.

- (A) nurtured among ... abstain
- (B) excluded from ... compromise
- (C) embedded in ... share
- (D) scattered throughout ... reject
- (E) accepted by ... lead

3. In contrast to the substantial muscular activity required for inhalation, exhalation is usually a ----- process.

- (A) slow
- (B) passive
- (C) precise
- (D) complex
- (E) conscious

4. The documentary film about high school life was so realistic and ----- that feelings of nostalgia flooded over the college-age audience.

- (A) logical
- (B) pitiful
- (C) evocative
- (D) critical
- (E) clinical

5. Although Georgia O'Keeffe is best known for her affinity with the desert landscape, her paintings of urban subjects ----- her longtime residency in New York City.

- (A) condemn
- (B) obfuscate
- (C) attest to
- (D) conflict with
- (E) contend with

6. Even though the survey was designated as an interdisciplinary course, it involved no real ----- of subject matter.

- (A) encapsulation
- (B) organization
- (C) synthesis
- (D) discussion
- (E) verification

7. The failure of many psychotherapists to ----- the results of pioneering research could be due in part to the specialized nature of such findings: even ----- findings may not be useful.

- (A) understand ... baffling
- (B) envision ... accessible
- (C) utilize ... momentous
- (D) reproduce ... duplicated
- (E) affirm ... controversial

Section 76(2)

1. In the nineteenth century, novelists and unsympathetic travelers portrayed the American West as a land of ----- adversity, whereas promoters and idealists created ----- image of a land of infinite promise.

- (A) lurid ... a mundane

- (B) incredible ... an underplayed
(C) dispiriting ... an identical
(D) intriguing ... a luxurious
(E) unremitting ... a compelling
2. Honeybees tend to be more ----- than earth bees: the former, unlike the latter, search for food together and signal their individual findings to one another.
(A) insular
(B) aggressive
(C) differentiated
(D) mobile
(E) social
3. Joe spoke of superfluous and ----- matters with exactly the same degree of intensity, as though for him serious issues mattered neither more nor less than did -----.
(A) vital ... trivialities
(B) redundant ... superficialities
(C) important ... necessities
(D) impractical ... outcomes
(E) humdrum ... essentials
4. The value of Davis' sociological research is compromised by his unscrupulous tendency to use materials ----- in order to substantiate his own claims, while ----- information that points to other possible conclusions.
(A) haphazardly ... deploying
(B) selectively ... disregarding
(C) cleverly ... weighing
(D) modestly ... refuting
(E) arbitrarily ... emphasizing
5. Once Renaissance painters discovered how to ----- volume and depth, they were able to replace the medieval convention of symbolic, two-dimensional space with the more ----- illusion of actual space.
(A) reverse ... conventional
(B) portray ... abstract
(C) deny ... concrete
(D) adumbrate ... fragmented
(E) render ... realistic
6. He had expected gratitude for his disclosure, but instead he encountered ----- bordering on hostility.
(A) patience
(B) discretion
(C) openness
(D) ineptitude
(E) indifference
7. The diplomat, selected for her demonstrated patience and skill in conducting such delicate negotiations, ---- to make a decision during the talks because any sudden commitment at that time would have been ----.
(A) resolved.. detrimental
(B) refused.. apropos
(C) declined.. inopportune
(D) struggled.. unconscionable
(E) hesitated.. warranted
- (B) habituated to .. disregard
(C) pleased with .. snub
(D) inhibited by .. seek
(E) unaware of.. avoid
2. Give he previously expressed interest and the ambitious tone of her recent speeches, the senator's attempt to convince the public that she is not inter-ested in running for a second term is ----.
(A) laudable
(B) likely
(C) authentic
(D) futile
(E) sincere
3. Many of her followers remain ---- to her, and even those who have rejected her leadership are unconvinced of the ---- of replacing her during the current turmoil.
(A) opposed.. urgency
(B) friendly.. harm
(C) loyal.. wisdom
(D) cool.. usefulness
(E) sympathetic.. disadvantage
4. Unlike many recent interpretations of Beethoven's piano sonatas, the recitalist's performance was a delightfully free and introspective one; nevertheless, it was also, seemingly paradoxically, quite ----.
(A) appealing
(B) exuberant
(C) idiosyncratic
(D) unskilled
(E) controlled
5. Species with relatively ---- metabolic rates, including hibernators, generally live longer than those whose metabolic rates are more rapid.
(A) prolific
(B) sedentary
(C) sluggish
(D) measured
(E) restive
6. Belying his earlier reputation for ---- as a negotiator, Morgan had recently assumed a more ---- stance for which many of his erstwhile critics praised him.
(A) intransigence.. conciliatory
(B) impropriety.. intolerant
(C) inflexibility.. unreasonable
(D) success.. authoritative
(E) incompetence.. combative
7. Although Irish literature continued to flourish after the sixteenth century, a ---- tradition is ---- in the visual arts: we think about Irish culture in terms of the word, not in terms of pictorial images.
(A) rich.. superfluous
(B) lively.. found
(C) comparable.. absent
(D) forgotten.. apparent
(E) lost.. extant

Section 77

1. Because the monkeys under study are ---- the presence of human beings, they typically ----human observers and go about their business
(A) ambivalent about .. welcome

Section 78

1. Although sales have continued to increase since last April, unfortunately the rate of increase has -----.
(A) resurged
(B) capitulated
(C) retaliated
(D) persevered
(E) decelerated
2. Although the mental process that creates a fresh and original poem or drama is doubtless ----- that which originates and elaborates scientific discoveries, there is clearly a discernible difference between the creators.
(A) peripheral to
(B) contiguous with
(C) opposed to
(D) analogous to
(E) inconsistent with
3. It is disappointing to note that the latest edition of the bibliography belies its long-standing reputation for ----- by ----- some significant references to recent publications.
(A) imprecision ... appropriating
(B) relevance ... adding
(C) timeliness ... updating
(D) meticulousness ... revising
(E) exhaustiveness ... omitting
4. Although Simpson was ingenious at ----- to appear innovative and spontaneous, beneath the ruse he remained uninspired and rigid in his approach to problem-solving.
(A) intending
(B) contriving
(C) forbearing
(D) declining
(E) deserving
5. She was criticized by her fellow lawyers not because she was not -----, but because she so ----- prepared her cases that she failed to bring the expected number to trial.
(A) well versed ... knowledgeably
(B) well trained ... enthusiastically
(C) congenial ... rapidly
(D) hardworking ... minutely
(E) astute ... efficiently
6. Schlesinger has recently assumed a conciliatory attitude that is not ----- by his colleagues, who continue to ----- compromise.
(A) eschewed ... dread
(B) shared ... defend
(C) questioned ... reject
(D) understood ... advocate
(E) commended ... disparage
7. The National Archives contain information so ----- that researchers have been known never to publish because they cannot bear to bring their studies to an end.
(A) divisive
(B) seductive
(C) selective
(D) repetitive
(E) resourceful

Section 79

1. We first became aware that her support for the new program was less than---- when she declined to make a speech in its favor.

- (A) qualified
- (B) haphazard
- (C) fleeting
- (D) unwarranted
- (E) wholehearted

2. When a person suddenly loses consciousness, a bystander is not expected to ---- the problem but to attempt to ---- its effects by starting vital functions if they are absent
(A) cure.. precipitate
(B) minimize.. predict
(C) determine.. detect
(D) diagnose.. counter
(E) magnify.. evaluate
3. The remark was only slightly ----, inviting a chuckle, perhaps, but certainly not a ----.
(A) audible.. reward
(B) hostile.. shrug
(C) amusing.. rebuke
(D) coherent.. reaction
(E) humorous.. guffaw
4. Doors were closing on our past, and soon the values we had lived by would become so obsolete that we would seem to people of the new age as ----as travelers from an ancient land.
(A) elegant
(B) ambitious
(C) interesting
(D) comfortable
(E) quaint
5. Ability to ---- is the test of the perceptive historian: a history, after all, consists not only of what the historian has included, but also, in some sense, of what has been left out.
(A) defer
(B) select
(C) confer
(D) devise
(E) reflect
6. Some artists immodestly idealize or exaggerate the significance of their work, yet others ---- to exalt the role of the artist, reject a transcendent view of art
(A) appearing
(B) disdaining
(C) seeking
(D) failing
(E) tending
7. Estimating the risks of radiation escaping from a nuclear power plant is ---- questions, but one whose answer then becomes part of a value-laden, emotionally charged policy debate about whether to construct such a plant.
(A) an incomprehensible
(B) an undefined
(C) an irresponsible
(D) a divisive
(E) a technical

Section 80

1. Because modern scientist find the ancient Greek view about cosmos outdated and irrelevant, they now perceive it as only of -- interest.
A) historical

- B) intrinsic
- C) astronomical
- D) experimental
- E) superfluous

2. Religious philosopher that he is, Henry More derived his conception of his infinite universe from the infinite God in whom he believed, a benevolent God of --_ whose nature was to create --_.

- A) plentitude ... abundance
- B) vengeance ... justice
- C) indifference ... suffering
- D) indulgence ... temperance
- E) rectitude ... havoc

3. While some argue that imposing tolls on highway users circumvents the need to raise public taxes for road maintenance, the phenomenal expense of maintaining a vast network of roads----reliance on these general taxes.

- (A) avoids
- (B) diminishes
- (C) Necessitates
- (D) discourages
- (E) ameliorates

4. Although they were not direct-----, the new arts of the Classical period were clearly created in the spirit of older Roman models and thus-----many features of the older style.

- (A) impressions introduced
- (B) translations accentuated
- (C) copies maintained
- (D) masterpieces depicted
- (E) borrowings improvised

5. In spite of the increasing-----of their opinions, the group knew they had to arrive at a consensus so that the award could be presented

- (A) impartiality
- (B) consistency
- (C) judiciousness
- (D) incisiveness
- (E) polarity

6. By forcing our surrender to the authority of the clock systematic timekeeping has imposed a form of-----on society.

- (A) anarchy
- (B) permanence
- (C) provincialism
- (D) tyranny
- (E) autonomy

7. Our high-----vocabulary for street crime contrasts sharply with our-----vocabulary for corporate crime, a fact that corresponds to the general public's unawareness of the extent of corporate crime.

- (A) nuanced ..subtle
- (B) uninformative ..misleading
- (C) euphemistic ..abstract
- (D) differentiated ..limited
- (E) technical ..jargon-laden

Section 81

1. What these people were waiting for would not have been apparent to others and was perhaps not very---their own minds.

- (A) obscure to
- (B) intimate to

- (C) illusory to
- (D) difficult for
- (E) definite in

2. The attempt to breed suitable varieties of jojoba by using hybridization to---favorable traits was finally abandoned in favor of a simpler and much faster---: the domestication of flourishing wild strains.

- (A) eliminate.. alternative
- (B) reinforce.. method
- (C) allow.. creation
- (D) reduce.. idea
- (E) concentrate.. theory

3. According to one political theorist, a regime that has as its goal absolute---, without any---law or principle, has declared war on justice.

- (A) respectability.. codification of
- (B) supremacy .. suppression of
- (C) autonomy .. accountability to
- (D) fairness .. deviation from
- (E) responsibility .. prioritization of

4. Despite its ---, the book deals---with a number of crucial issues.

- (A) optimism .. cursorily
- (B) importance .. needlessly
- (C) virtues .. inadequately
- (D) novelty .. strangely
- (E) completeness .. thoroughly

5. Although frequent air travelers remain unconvinced, researchers have found that, paradoxically, the---disorientation inherent in jet lag also may yield some mental health---.

- (A) temporal.. benefits
- (B) acquired.. hazards
- (C) somatic .. disorders
- (D) random .. deficiencies
- (E) typical .. standards

6. Ironically, the proper use of figurative language must be based on the denotative meaning of the words, because it is the failure to recognize this---meaning that leads to mixed metaphors and their attendant incongruity.

- (A) esoteric
- (B) literal
- (C) latent
- (D) allusive
- (E) symbolic

7. Although it seems---that there would be a greater risk of serious automobile accidents in densely populated areas, such accidents are more likely to occur in sparsely populated regions.

- (A) paradoxical
- (B) axiomatic
- (C) anomalous
- (D) irrelevant
- (E) portentous

Section 82

1. If the theory is self-evidently true, as its proponents assert, then why does---it still exist among well-informed people?

- (A) support for
- (B) excitement about
- (C) regret for

- (D) resignation about
(E) opposition to
2. Although the --- of cases of measles has ---, researchers fear that eradication of the disease, once believed to be imminent, may not come soon.
(A) occurrence.. continued
(B) incidence.. declined
(C) prediction.. resumed
(D) number.. increased
(E) study.. begun
3. Nothing---his irresponsibility better than his---delay in sending us the items he promised weeks ago.
(A) justifies.. conspicuous
(B) characterizes.. timely
(C) epitomizes.. unnecessary
(D) reveals.. conscientious
(E) conceals.. inexplicable
4. The author did not see the---inherent in her scathing criticism of a writing style so similar to her own.
(A) disinterest
(B) incongruity
(C) pessimism
(D) compliment
(E) symbolism
5. Whereas the Elizabethans struggled with the transition from medieval---experience to modern individualism, we confront an electronic technology that seems likely to reverse the trend, rendering individualism obsolete and interdependence mandatory.
(A) literary
(B) intuitive
(C) corporate
(D) heroic
(E) spiritual
6. Our biological uniqueness requires that the effects of a substance must be verified by---experiments, even after thousands of tests of the effects of that substance on animals.
(A) controlled
(B) random
(C) replicated
(D) human
(E) evolutionary
7. Today water is more---in landscape architecture than ever before, because technological advances have made it easy, in some instances even ---to install water features in public places.
(A) conspicuous.. prohibitive
(B) sporadic.. effortless
(C) indispensable.. intricate
(D) ubiquitous.. obligatory
(E) controversial.. unnecessary

Section 83

1. While many Russian composers of the nineteenth century contributed to an emerging national style, other composers did not----- idiomatic Russian musical elements,-----
instead the traditional musical vocabulary of Western European Romanticism.
(A) utilize ..rejecting
(B) incorporate.. preferring
(C) exclude.. avoiding
(D) repudiate.. expanding
(E) esteem.. disdaining

2. Because the painter Albert Pinkham Ryder was obsessed with his ----- perfection, he was rarely----- a painting, creating endless variations of a scene on one canvas, one on top of another.

(A) quest for.. satisfied with
(B) insistence on .. displeased with
(C) contempt for.. disconcerted by
(D) alienation from.. immersed in
(E) need for.. concerned with

3. Objectively set standards can serve as a----- for physicians, providing them ----- unjustified malpractice claims.

(A) trial.. evidence of
(B) model.. experience with
(C) criterion.. reasons for
(D) test.. questions about
(E) safeguard.. protection from

4. In spite of----- reviews in the press, the production of her play was ----- almost certain oblivion by enthusiastic audiences whose acumen was greater than that of the critics.

(A) lukewarm.. condemned to
(B) scathing.. exposed to
(C) lackluster.. rescued from
(D) sensitive.. reduced to
(E) admiring.. insured against

5. The passions of love and pride are often found in the same individual, but having little in common, they mutually----- , not to say destroy, each other.

(A) reinforce
(B) annihilate
(C) enhance
(D) weaken
(E) embrace

6. The necessity of establishing discrete categories for observations frequently leads to attempts to make absolute----- when there are in reality only----- .

(A) analyses.. hypotheses
(B) correlations.. digressions
(C) distinctions.. gradations
(D) complications.. ambiguities
(E) conjectures.. approximations

7. A unique clay disk found at the Minoan site of Phaistos is often----- as the earliest example of printing by scholars who have defended its claim to this status despite equivalent claims put forward for other printing artifacts.

(A) questioned
(B) overlooked
(C) adduced
(D) conceded
(E) dismissed

Section 84

1. Punishment for violating moral rules is much more common than reward for following them; thus,----- the rules goes almost----- in society.

(A) association with .. undefended
(B) adherence to .. unnoticed
(C) affiliation of .. uncorrected
(D) opposition to .. unchecked
(E) ignorance of .. unresolved

2. Compassion is a great respecter of justice: we pity those who suffer----- .
(A) shamelessly

- (B) unwittingly
- (C) vicariously
- (D) intensively
- (E) undeservedly

3. No work illustrated his disdain for a systematic approach to research better than his dissertation, which was rejected primarily because his bibliography constituted, at best, _____ survey of the major texts in his field.

- (A) an unimaginative
- (B) an orthodox
- (C) a meticulous
- (D) a comprehensive
- (E) a haphazard

4. In contrast to the _____ with which the acquisition of language by young children was once regarded, the process by which such learning occurs has now become the object of _____.

- (A) intensity .. fascination
- (B) incuriosity .. scrutiny
- (C) anxiety .. criticism
- (D) reverence .. admiration
- (E) impatience .. training

5. The senator's remark that she is ambivalent about running for a second term is _____ given the extremely _____ fund-raising activities of her campaign committee.

- (A) disingenuous .. reluctant
- (B) futile .. clandestine
- (C) sincere .. visible
- (D) persuasive .. apathetic
- (E) straightforward .. energetic

6. Until quite recently research on diabetes had, as a kind of holding action, attempted to refine the _____ of the disease, primarily because no preventive strategy seemed at all likely to be _____.

- (A) definition .. necessary
- (B) anticipation .. acceptable
- (C) understanding .. costly
- (D) treatment .. practicable
- (E) symptoms .. feasible

7. Most plant species exhibit _____ in their geographical distribution: often, a given species is found over a large geographical area, but individual populations within that range are widely _____.

- (A) discontinuity .. separated
- (B) density .. dispersed
- (C) symmetry .. observed
- (D) uniformity .. scattered
- (E) concentration .. adaptable

Section 85

1. There is hardly a generalization that can be made about people's social behavior and the values informing it that cannot be _____ from one or another point of view, or even _____ as simplistic or vivid.

- (A) accepted...praised
- (B) intuited...exposed
- (C) harangued...retracted
- (D) defended...glorified
- (E) challenged...dismissed

2. Although any destruction of vitamins caused by food irradiation could be _____ the use of diet supplements, there may be no protection from carcinogens that some fear might be introduced into foods by the process.

- (A) counterbalanced by
- (B) attributed to
- (C) inferred from
- (D) augmented with
- (E) stimulated by

3. Though he refused any responsibility for the failure of the negotiations, Stevenson had no right to _____ himself: it was his _____ that had caused the debacle.

- (A) blame... skill
- (B) congratulate...modesty
- (C) berate...largesse
- (D) accuse...obstinacy
- (E) absolve...acrimony

4. The prevailing union of passionate interest in detailed facts with equal devotion to abstract _____ is a hallmark of our present society; in the past this union appeared, at best, _____ and as if by chance.

- (A) data...extensively
- (B) philosophy...cyclically
- (C) generalization...sporadically
- (D) evaluation...opportunistically
- (E) intuition...selectively

5. A century ago the physician's word was _____ to doubt it was considered almost sacrilegious.

- (A) inevitable
- (B) intractable
- (C) incontrovertible
- (D) objective
- (E) respectable

6. So much of modern fiction in the United States is autobiographical, and so much of the auto-biography fictionalized, that the _____ sometimes seem largely _____.

- (A) authors...ignored
- (B) needs...unrecognized
- (C) genres...interchangeable
- (D) intentions...misunderstood
- (E) misapprehensions...uncorrected

7. Robin's words were not without emotion: they retained their level tone only by a careful _____ imminent extremes.

- (A) equipoise between
- (B) embrace of
- (C) oscillation between
- (D) limitation to
- (E) subjection to

Section 86

1. That she seemed to prefer _____ to concentrated effort is undeniable; nevertheless, the impressive quality of her finished paintings suggests that her actual relationship to her art was anything but _____.

- (A) preparation...passionate
- (B) artfulness...disengaged
- (C) dabbling...superficial
- (D) caprice...considered
- (E) indecision...lighthearted

2. Because of the excellent preservation of the fossil, anatomical details of early horseshoe crabs were _____ for the first time, enabling experts to _____ the evolution of the horseshoe crab.

- (A) scrutinized...ensure

- (B) verified...advance
- (C) identified...distort
- (D) obscured...illustrate
- (E) clarified...reassess

3. The philosopher claimed that a person who must consciously _____ his or her own indifference before helping another is behaving more nobly than one whose basic disposition allows such an act to be performed

- without _____.
- (A) feign...enthusiasm
 - (B) censure...comment
 - (C) embrace...duplicity
 - (D) suffer...effort
 - (E) overcome...deliberation

4. The senator's attempt to convince the public that he is not interested in running for a second term is _____ given the extremely _____ fund-raising activities of his campaign committee.

- (A) futile...clandestine
- (B) sincere...visible
- (C) specious...apathetic
- (D) disingenuous...public
- (E) straightforward...dubious

5. Although a change in management may appear to _____ a shift in a company's fortunes, more often than not its impact is _____.

- (A) hinder...measurable
- (B) promote...demonstrable
- (C) accelerate...profound
- (D) betray...fundamental
- (E) augur...inconsiderable

6. The skeleton of _____ bird that was recently discovered indicated that this ancient creature _____ today's birds in that, unlike earlier birds and unlike reptilian ancestors, it had not a tooth in its head.

- (A) a primeval...obscured
- (B) a unique...preempted
- (C) a primitive...anticipated
- (D) a contemporary...foreshadowed
- (E) an advanced...differed from

7. While many people utilize homeopathic remedies to treat health problems, other people do not _____ such alternative treatments, _____ conventional medical treatments instead.

- (A) distrust...employing
- (B) embrace...eschewing
- (C) reject...envisioning
- (D) countenance...relying on
- (E) recommend...turning from

Section 87

1. As businesses become aware that their advertising must _____ the everyday concerns of consumers, their commercials will be characterized by a greater degree of _____.

- (A) allay...pessimism
- (B) address...realism
- (C) evade...verisimilitude
- (D) engage...fancy
- (E) change...sincerity

2. Because the lawyer's methods were found to be _____, the

disciplinary committee _____ his privileges.

- (A) unimpeachable...suspended
- (B) ingenious...withdrew
- (C) questionable...expanded
- (D) unscrupulous...revoked
- (E) reprehensible...augmented

3. People of intelligence and achievement can nonetheless be so _____ and lacking in _____ that they gamble their reputations by breaking the law to further their

- own ends.
- (A) devious...propensity
 - (B) culpable...prosperity
 - (C) obsequious...deference
 - (D) truculent...independence
 - (E) greedy...integrity

4. A number of scientists have published articles _____ global warming, stating _____ that there is no solid scientific evidence to support the theory that the Earth is warming because of increases in greenhouse gases.

- (A) debunking...categorically
- (B) rejecting...paradoxically
- (C) deploring...optimistically
- (D) dismissing...hesitantly
- (E) proving...candidly

5. The senator's attempt to convince the public that she is not interested in running for a second term is as _____ as her opponent's attempt to disguise his intention to run against her.

- (A) biased
- (B) unsuccessful
- (C) inadvertent
- (D) indecisive
- (E) remote

6. MacCormy's conversation was _____: she could never tell a story, chiefly because she always forgot it, and she was never guilty of a witticism, unless by accident.

- (A) scintillating
- (B) unambiguous
- (C) perspicuous
- (D) stultifying
- (E) facetious

7. Despite its many _____, the whole-language philosophy of teaching reading continues to gain _____ among educators.

- (A) detractors...notoriety
- (B) adherents...prevalence
- (C) critics...currency
- (D) enthusiasts...popularity
- (E) practitioners...credibility

Section 88

1. That she was _____ rock climbing did not diminish her _____ to join her friends on a rock-climbing expedition.

- (A) attracted to...eagerness
- (B) timid about...reluctance
- (C) fearful of...determination
- (D) curious about...aspiration
- (E) knowledgeable about...hope

2. Data concerning the effects on a small population of high concentrations of a potentially hazardous chemical are

frequently used to----- the effects on a large population of lower amounts of the same chemical.

- (A) verify
- (B) redress
- (C) predict
- (D) realize
- (E) augment

3. Conceptually, it is hard to reconcile a defense attorney's----- to ensure that false testimony is not knowingly put forward with the attorney's mandate to mount the most----- defense conceivable for the client.

- (A) efforts ... cautious
- (B) duty ... powerful
- (C) inability ... eloquent
- (D) failure ... diversified
- (E) promises ... informed

4. The term "modem" has always been used broadly by historians, and recent reports indicate that its meaning has become more----- than ever.

- (A) precise
- (B) pejorative
- (C) revisionist
- (D) acceptable
- (E) amorphous

5. He would----- no argument, and to this end he enjoined us to-----.

- (A) brook ... silence
- (B) acknowledge ... neglect
- (C) broach ... abstinence
- (D) fathom ... secrecy
- (E) tolerate ... defiance

6. Originally, most intellectual criticism of mass culture was----- in character, being based on the assumption that the wider the appeal, the more----- the product.

- (A) unpredictable ... undesirable
- (B) ironic ... popular
- (C) extreme ... outlandish
- (D) frivolous ... superfluous
- (E) negative ... shoddy

7. Surprisingly, given the dearth of rain that fell on the corn crop, the yield of the harvest was-----; consequently, the corn reserves of the country have not been -----.

- (A) inadequate ... replenished
- (B) encouraging ... depleted
- (C) compromised ... salvaged
- (D) abundant ... extended
- (E) disappointing ... harmed

Section 89

1. Although she gives badly ----- titles to her musical compositions, they ----- unusual combinations of materials including Gregorian chant, Asian scale patterns and rhythms, electronic sounds, and bird songs.

- (A) exotic....believe
- (B) eccentric....deploy
- (C) traditional....exclude

- (D) imaginative....disguise
- (E) conventional....incorporate

2. Even though the folktales Partout collected and retold were not solely French in origin, his versions of them were so decidedly French in style that later anthologizers of French folktales have never ----- them.

- (A) excluded
- (B) admired
- (C) collected
- (D) promoted
- (E) comprehended

3. In arguing against assertions that environmental catastrophe is imminent, her book does not ridicule all predictions of doom but rather claims that the risks of harm have in many cases been -----.

- (A) exaggerated
- (B) ignored
- (C) scrutinized
- (D) derided
- (E) increased

4. There seems to be no ----- the reading public's thirst for books about the 1960's: indeed, the normal level of interest has ----- recently because of aspiration of popular television documentaries.

- (A) quenching....moderated
- (B) whetting....mushroomed
- (C) curtailing....waned
- (D) ignoring....transformed
- (E) slaking....increased

5. Despite a tendency to be overtly -----, the poetry of the Middle Ages often sparks the imagination and provides lively entertainment, as well as pious sentiments.

- (A) diverting
- (B) emotional
- (C) didactic
- (D) romantic
- (E) whimsical

6. One of the first ----- of reduced burning in Amazon rain forests was the chestnut industry: smoke tends to drive out the insects that, by pollinating chestnut tree, allow chestnuts to develop.

- (A) reformers
- (B) discoveries
- (C) casualties
- (D) critics
- (E) beneficiaries

7. The research committee urged the archaeologist to ----- her claim that the tomb she has discovered was that of Alexander the Great since her initial report has been based only on -----.

- (A) disseminate....supposition
- (B) withdraw....evidence
- (C) undercut....caprice
- (D) document....conjecture
- (E) downplay....facts

Section 90

1. The scientist found it puzzling that his theory encountered ----- despite widespread agreement that it was -----.
(A) respect....crucial
(B) dismissal....simplistic
(C) skepticism....unfathomable
(D) opposition....indisputable
(E) acceptance....comprehensive
2. The rate at which soil can absorb water ----- with continuous wetting, so the longer a ----- lasts, or the greater the rate of precipitation, the higher the percentage of water that will flow across the ground as runoff and enter stream channels.
(A) rises....deluge
(B) diminishes....drought
(C) increases....shower
(D) decreases....rainstorm
(E) stabilizes....thaw
3. The ideas expressed in the art historian's book are more ----- than one would expect on the basis of her rather ----- treatment of her subject in the opening pages.
(A) compelling....intriguing
(B) accessible....recondite
(C) hidebound....reactionary
(D) insightful....innovative
(E) dispassionate....evenhanded
4. The meeting on environmental issues produced ----- discussion but no commitment on a plan of action: the many uncertainties surrounding global climatic change and the huge cost of efforts to limit it made the policymakers -----.
(A) little....voluble
(B) heated....contentious
(C) cordial....quarrelsome
(D) frustrating....affable
(E) interminable....businesslike
5. Art that endures often makes an initially disturbing impact: the profound experience that such art seeks to provoke necessarily engenders a certain -----.
(A) familiarity
(B) ennui
(C) upheaval
(D) intimacy
(E) tranquility
6. The history of film reflects the ----- inherent in the medium itself: film combines still photographs to represent continuous motion and, while seeming to present life itself, can also offer impossible and dreamlike unrealities.
(A) trivialities
(B) biases
(C) constraints
(D) paradoxes
(E) liabilities
7. The ----- with which the politician peppers her speeches are so memorable that many people think of her as being far more ----- than she in fact is.
(A) superlatives....egalitarian
(B) pejoratives....optimistic
(C) examples....soporific
(D) diatribes....censorious
(E) malapropisms....straightforward

Section 91

1. Although Heron is well known for the broad comedy in the movies she has directed previously, her new film is less inclined to -----: the gags are fewer and subtler.
(A) understatement
(B) preciosity
(C) symbolism
(D) buffoonery
(E) melodrama
2. Bebop's legacy is ----- one: bebop may have won jazz the right to be taken seriously as an art form, but it ----- jazz's mass audience, which turned to other forms of music such as rock and pop.
(A) a mixed....alienated
(B) a troubled....seduced
(C) an ambiguous....aggrandized
(D) a valuable....refined
(E) a noble....pleased
3. The exhibition's importance lies in its -----: curators have gathered a diverse array of significant works from many different museums.
(A) homogeneity
(B) sophistry
(C) scope
(D) farsightedness
(E) insularity
4. Despite the fact that the commission's report treats a vitally important topic, the report will be ----- read because its prose is so ----- that understanding it require an enormous effort.
(A) seldom....transparent
(B) carefully....pellucid
(C) little....turgid
(D) eagerly....digressive
(E) widely....prolix
5. Carleton would still rank among the great ----- of nineteenth-century American art even if the circumstance of her life and career were less ----- than they are.
(A) celebrities....obscure
(B) failures....illustrious
(C) charlatans....impeccable
(D) enigmas....mysterious
(E) success....ignominious
6. Although based on an actual event, the film lacks -----: the director shuffles events, simplifies the tangle of relationships, and ----- documentary truth for dramatic power.
(A) conviction....embraces
(B) expressiveness....exaggerates
(C) verisimilitude....sacrifices
(D) realism....substitutes
(E) coherence....utilizes
7. When Adolph Ochs became the publisher of The New York Times, he endowed the paper with a uniquely ----- tone, avoiding the ----- editorials that characterized other major papers of the time.
(A) abstruse....scholarly
(B) impassionate....shrill
(C) argumentative....tendentious

- (D) whimsical....capricious
(E) cosmopolitan....timely

Section 92

- Despite the fact that the amateur runner trained rigorously for six months before the race, he failed to ----- it: the course was so ----- that even professional runners struggled to finish.
(A) complete....demanding
(B) win....manageable
(C) master....short
(D) concede....formidable
(E) underestimate....unusual
- In linking geographically disparate people, the Internet is arguably helping millions of spontaneous communities to bloom: communities defined by common interests rather than by the accident of -----.
(A) compatibility
(B) affluence
(C) reciprocity
(D) contemporaneousness
(E) proximity
- It is as if Woodward could not bear to leave anything out; if he had ----- some of his material, the resulting increase in focus would have more than ----- any loss in comprehensiveness.
(A) elaborated....justified
(B) condensed....exaggerated
(C) expanded....offset
(D) edited....pointed up
(E) pruned....compensated for
- The hesitancy of many countries to embrace market reform is unfortunate, because many national success stories suggest that far from ----- such reform, countries should be eager to ----- its benefits.
(A) implementing....document
(B) pursuing....seek
(C) eschewing....reap
(D) needing....realize
(E) understanding....question
- Contemporary lawmakers' preoccupation with regulating the Internet is ----- the way lawmakers treated many young industries in the past; United States railroads, for instance, were in business for 60 years before the federal government ----- regulations.
(A) antithetical to....eased
(B) faithful to....levied
(C) reminiscent of....enforced
(D) in conflict with....lifted
(E) at odds with....introduced
- Despite the fact that the book's title suggests -----, the author is not a charlatan claiming to offer a -----; rather, her book assessed all possible treatments of certain diseases without identifying any cures.
(A) fraud....critique
(B) sincerity....nostrum
(C) hyperbole....warning
(D) expertise....prescription
(E) quackery....panacea
- The profits that the corporation earns from the exclusive-supplier agreements with the universities are -----,

because the terms of agreements that they are inclined to protect the universities' interests are generally -----.

- (A) inexplicable....flouted
(B) unclear....publicized
(C) predictable....scrutinized
(D) declining....ignored
(E) surprising....enforced

Section 93

- Even by the company's own standards of -----, its early years were extremely -----: it manufactured as many as three million appliances a month during that three-year period.
(A) success....disappointing
(B) profitability....characteristic
(C) efficiency....productive
(D) perfection....inauspicious
(E) ethics....conscientious
- In the nineteenth century, composers exhibiting ----- skill found themselves ----- as writers by periodicals that afforded them an opportunity to earn money and to make their views about music known.
(A) artistic....censured
(B) limited....lionized
(C) remarkable....unknown
(D) literary....in demand
(E) financial....out of favor
- Writers typically do not ----- the great visual artists of their own generation: for Courbet, considered by many to be the greatest painter of Baudelaire's time, the poet offered ----- praise.
(A) slight....meager
(B) admire....unstinting
(C) evaluate....extravagant
(D) deprecate....insincere
(E) recognize....scant
- A common misconception is that linguists are concerned only with the origin and development of languages, but these topics, though they constitute an important part of linguistics, do not ----- the subject.
(A) frame
(B) transcend
(C) convey
(D) exhaust
(E) illuminate
- Far from being a ----- portrait of the writer, the biographer's life of Christina Stead is ----- many undigested and discursive excerpts from Stead's fiction and private papers.
(A) multifaceted....enriched by
(B) valuable....enhanced by
(C) succinct....padded with
(D) disputatious....discredited by
(E) compendious....studded with
- Traditional Navajo concepts of government are -----; decisions are arrived at through consensus rather than ----- by a single authority.
(A) aristocratic....prescribed
(B) egalitarian....dictated
(C) democratic....censured
(D) patriarchal....legislated
(E) hierarchical....enacted

7. The architecture critic perceived as ironic the fact that one of the first buildings to deviate from the Modernist architecture on the campus was designed by an architectural firm renowned for its ----- of that aesthetic.

- (A) scorn
- (B) anticipation
- (C) mastery
- (D) avoidance
- (E) renunciation

Section 94

1. Of all the professor's various mentors, Carabelli was clearly the most -----, since it was he who fundamentally shaped the professor's now highly regarded research approach.

- (A) circumspect
- (B) influential
- (C) exacting
- (D) idealistic
- (E) unethical

2. Some believe that the tradition of holding elections on Tuesday was established to restrict voting to truly serious voters, but in fact ----- was the original idea behind Tuesday voting, since Tuesday in rural communities was when people were most likely to be in town.

- (A) elitism
- (B) convenience
- (C) apathy
- (D) favoritism
- (E) partisanship

3. Although the metropolitan area boasts more small businesses than any other region in the state, it ranks very low on the scale of pro-business attitudes: local entrepreneurs have a remarkable ability to ----- an ----- atmosphere here.

- (A) confront...energetic
- (B) excuse...invigorating
- (C) create...enervating
- (D) overlook...enthusiastic
- (E) tolerate...inhospitable

4. Although the politician was basically conservative in her views, she was not -----: her positions on certain issues could even be called -----.

- (A) radical...extremist
- (B) dogmatic...hidebound
- (C) reactionary...progressive
- (D) moderate...cautious
- (E) overzealous...inflexible

5. Cultural change is seldom truly -----: successive periods overlap, progress is -----, and within a prevailing climate of opinion there can be innumerable variations

- (A) straight forward...ragged
- (B) benign...uneven
- (C) complex...volatile
- (D) visible...manifest
- (E) significant...dramatic

6. The science of astronomy was begun by amateurs and today remains dependent on their contributions, which are incisive by virtue of being ----- by the a prior assumption that often vitiate the work of professional research scientists

- (A) characterized
- (B) unencumbered

- (C) supported
- (D) contradicted
- (E) inspired

7. In many cities mass-transit delays occur so frequently that patrons have finally become ----- them and have simply adjusted their schedules accordingly.

- (A) committed to
- (B) cognizant of
- (C) enraged by
- (D) desirous of
- (E) inured to

Section 95

1. The Broadway musical business is apparently ----- innovation and experimentation: it ----- characters and story lines that have dominated the musical stage for years.

- (A) oblivious...avoids
- (B) eager for...seeks
- (C) skilled in...employs
- (D) famous for...generates
- (E) averse to...recycles

2. Some theories of why election results in democracies sometimes seem perverse rest on the idea that there is an intrinsic ----- in human behavior; in contrast, other explanations posits that people act logically, ----- their interests and behaving accordingly.

- (A) selfishness...assuming
- (B) unpredictability...ignoring
- (C) ratiocination...analyzing
- (D) impulsivity...thwarting
- (E) irrationality...calculating

3. The book's account of the governors' term in office is too uniformly ----- to be persuasive: it overlooks her many accomplishments and ----- her failures.

- (A) encomiastic...analyzes
- (B) caustic...downplays
- (C) harsh...exaggerates
- (D) naïve...exposes
- (E) rosy...enumerates

4. What the two sociologists have in common is a claim that their respective predictions describe ----- outcomes: each scholar believes the developments he anticipates are -----.

- (A) dire...preventable
- (B) global...negligible
- (C) predetermined...inevitable
- (D) possible...ineluctable
- (E) momentous...foreseeable

5. An epistolary novel, composed of fictitious correspondence between its characters, may seem ----- to the contemporary reader who writes few letters and who may doubt that anyone could have such incessant recourse to the pen.

- (A) injudicious
- (B) iniquitous
- (C) unrealistic
- (D) insensate
- (E) superfluous

6. Researchers say that methanol can boost the growth of plants by ----- a natural process known as photorespiration, during which a plant can ----- much of the energy it needs to

grow.

- (A) promoting...waste
- (B) modifying...alter
- (C) blocking...store
- (D) inhibiting...lose
- (E) accelerating...over utilize

7. Although many genuine friendships are entered into only out of pure goodwill ----- with selfish considerations, many real ----- accrue to those who enter into such relations.

- (A) fraught...benefits
- (B) unmixd...advantages
- (C) disguised...deficits
- (D) confused...consequences
- (E) unalloyed...attractions

Section 96

1. During the speeches preliminary to the ship's launching, its designer's expression was pensive and his stare distant; doubtless, he was ----- the ceremony and was anxious to get on with the launch.

- (A) rearranging
- (B) inspecting
- (C) unsure of
- (D) preoccupied with
- (E) impatient with

2. Although not all the women in the group identified themselves as feminists, their lives ----- their shared belief that men and women were equal and that the accomplishments, not the gender, of an individual mattered.

- (A) challenged
- (B) demonstrated
- (C) conflated
- (D) undermined
- (E) contradicted

3. The research committee urged the professor to ----- his claim that he was on the verge of an important discovery, since he had made several ----- assertions in the past.

- (A) modify...irreproachable
- (B) substantiate...implausible
- (C) promote...ambitious
- (D) disseminate...capricious
- (E) verify...valid

4. Traditional Chinese culture opposed music performed solely for entertainment; accordingly, China's musical entertainers were, in the past, ----- a low social status.

- (A) exempt from
- (B) relegated to
- (C) privy to
- (D) honored with
- (E) scornful of

5. Although the diverse local idioms of English in England are not as strong as they once were, their ----- has been -----: television and radio are not the homogenizing forces that they were once thought to be.

- (A) variety...diminished
- (B) importance...exaggerated
- (C) colorfulness...muted
- (D) meaning...misconstrued
- (E) resilience...underrated

6. Some suggest that students who are granted privileges receive them because their teachers wish to make the students -----; more probably, causality flows in the opposite direction, in that teachers are likely to grant privileges to diligent students.

- (A) excitable
- (B) independent
- (C) malleable
- (D) grateful
- (E) conscientious

7. This writer of fiction believed that the novelist should not ----- the narrative, and that such inconspicuousness on the part of the author would preserve the illusion of reality.

- (A) preconceive
- (B) minimize
- (C) hasten
- (D) agonize over
- (E) obtrude into

Section 97

1. Scientists should hope that 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) discovered by
- (B) disregarded by
- (C) opaque to
- (D) inspiring to
- (E) emulated by

2. One side delivered to the other a list of demands so ----- that the recipients assumed their adversaries wanted negotiations to -----.

- (A) unpalatable...fail
- (B) illogical...resume
- (C) unambitious...collapse
- (D) sweeping...succeed
- (E) unexceptionable...falter

3. Despite the fact that the book promises a complete rethinking of the factors contributing to the conflict, the picture that the book paints is -----: the cause it suggests are more orthodox than -----.

- (A) unique...innovative
- (B) commonplace...imitative
- (C) controversial...radical
- (D) familiar...revisionist
- (E) recognizable...conventional

5. ----- by the changes in its mandate that were passed by the legislature, the committee voted to disband rather than to continue operating under such ----- conditions.

- (A) heartened...grim
- (B) hobbled...straitened
- (C) emboldened...auspicious
- (D) untainted...restrictive
- (E) marginalized...encouraging

6. While the politician is unlikely to be an especially inept candidate, it is natural to assume that any blunders he does make in the course of campaign will be ----- by the press corps he has so often -----.

- (A) emphasized...courted
- (B) exaggerated...placated
- (C) overlooked...criticized
- (D) amplified...antagonized
- (E) downplayed...alienated

7. The ----- with which the columnist occasionally fills her articles are so memorable that many people think of her as being far more ----- than she in fact is.

- (A) digressions...concise
- (B) accolades...praiseworthy
- (C) harangues...censorious
- (D) witticisms...obtuse
- (E) pejorative...judicious

Section 98

1. Since one of Professor Roche's oft-repeated adages was that familiarity leads to -----, his students were quite surprised to find him so ----- Return of the Native, a novel he had taught for over 30 years.

- love....enthusiastic over
- contempt....disdainful of
- knowledge....conversant with
- boredom....excited by
- admiration....confused by

2. Reason was once believed to be ----- human, but lately this assumption of intellectual superiority has come under increasingly skeptical scrutiny: most researchers now at least ----- the notion that some animals can think.

- logically....ridicule
- unique....entertain
- Scarcely....embrace
- quintessentially....balk at
- peculiarly....scoff at

3. Powerful as they are, the ----- songs the artist is best known for might sting more and have even greater emotional complexity if one felt that his criticisms were aimed at himself as well as at his unnamed foes.

- accusatory
- altruistic
- mournful
- simplistic
- humble

4. In her novel the sea is ----- symbol: to the narrator it clearly represents everything that is destructive in nature, but at other times it seems to stand for everything in nature that is serenely beautiful.

- an enduring
- an ambiguous
- a coherent
- an obtrusive
- a discrete

5. Despite their extensive efforts to determine the mode of oil -----, scientists still have not ----- the process by which oil is produced.

- dispersion....excluded
- Synthesis....rejected
- creation....investigated
- recovery....condoned
- genesis....established

6. Compared with their parties, politicians are -----: they are considerably less enduring than the organizations in which they function.

- ubiquitous
- autonomous
- fickle

immutable
transitory

7. Chavez' account of her supervisors' ----- decision making belies the agency's image as little more than ----- bureaucracy.

- Cautious....a staid
- ill-informed....a disorganized
- reckless....an incompetent
- Systematic....a methodical
- Headlong....a timorous

Section 99

1. The cause of the disease is fairly simple and has been understood for over a century; by contrast, its symptoms and effects are -----.

- straightforward
- illuminating
- severe
- well researched
- perplexing

2. Throughout the artist's work there runs a thread of psychic darkness strong enough to unnerve the most added sensibility: even her drawings from the comparatively ----- months of her visit to Rome ----- violence secrecy, and despair.

- tranquil....emanate
- morbid....convey
- languid....eschew
- disturbed....express
- felicitous....shun

3. Even among the staid, unemotional denominations of the 1830s and 1840s, the renewal of religious fervor and the necessity of competing with more ----- clerics inevitably led to a greater ----- ministerial showmanship.

- charismatic....cultivation of
- reserved....attraction to
- well-known....disdain for
- conservative....appeal for
- empathetic....distrust of

4. Tuberculosis has long been ----- and ----- disease: for thousands of years, it has continued to afflict humankind without regard for sex, class, occupation, or race.

- an unremitting....selective
- an unpredictable....limitable
- a sporadic....capricious
- a relentless....egalitarian
- a virulent....preventable

5. He found his new acquaintance to be ----- :trying to understand her personality was like peering into an unknown dimension.

- puerile
- imperturbable
- cosmopolitan
- inscrutable
- obdurate

6. The writer has gained such popularity with his readers that even his inanities are now considered -----.

- vacuous
- tedious
- speculative
- allusive

Trenchant

7. The biographer's intense emotional involvement with his subject did not ----- objectivity, since the passionate engagement fostered deep knowledge that was ultimately necessary for truly ----- judgment.
preclude....disinterested
encourage....fair
impede....partisan
advance....pragmatic
admit....reasonable

Section 100

1. Initially a defender of democratic rule, the president ironically soon began to employ the very dictatorial powers that he had once -----.
(A) supported
(B) condemned
(C) created
(D) advocated
(E) recognized
2. The artist was quite -----: he not only painted portraits and illustrated books but also designed furniture and monuments.
(A) unsophisticated
(B) conventional
(C) temperamental
(D) exacting
(E) versatile
3. Because of the likelihood that her new colleague would not approve of her political opinions, the reporter briefly considered remaining quiet, then quickly resolved that she would not ----- her personal views merely for the sake of -----.
(A) flout....posterity
(B) suppress....concord
(C) recant....debate
(D) misrepresent....conflict
(E) advertise....affability
4. The feminist poet's extremely explicit and witty diatribes against social convention were so thoroughly ----- other writers that her idiosyncratic brand of rebellion eventually became the convention of her time.
(A) inimical to
(B) alien to
(C) emulated by
(D) resented by
(E) misunderstood by
5. Although sermons retained their ----- in religious life during most of her twentieth century, they are gradually ----- that central places as churches devote more energy to social activities.
(A) stature....occupying
(B) role....preempting
(C) preeminence....losing
(D) superiority....attaining
(E) marginality....ceding
6. The same environmental process that long ago caused the original degradation of the forest ecosystem are acting as ----- its rehabilitation; scientists therefore intend to try to ----- these processes in order to prevent future damage to the ecosystem.
(A) signals of....eliminate

- (B) irritants to....exacerbate
(C) precursors to....slow
(D) barriers to....counter
(E) obstacles to....facilitate

7. The studies executive lamented the fact that experts who had tried to ----- the reasons why movies succeed or fail commercially had encountered great difficulty in producing mathematical models that could accurately future of unreleased movies.
(A) downplay
(B) falsify
(C) delineate
(D) circumvent
(E) promote

Section 101

1. The noisy begging of a brood of baby birds is a ----- to biologists: why would any helpless, immature organism do something that seems so likely to endanger it by ----- predators.
(A) conundrum....attracting
(B) paradox....outwitting
(C) given....drawing
(D) signal....startling
(E) puzzle....repelling
2. While still -----, Juvenal's later satires ----- a change of tone and some touches of human kindness, as though he had found some consolation at last.
(A) pessimistic....avoid
(B) embittered....show
(C) hopeful....display
(D) sardonic....escape
(E) compassionate....embrace
3. Upon realizing that the indicators of a stressful situation can be extremely -----, the psychologist reconsidered his claim that a reliable way to reduce stress is to recognize stressful situations and then avoid them.
(A) acute
(B) subtle
(C) well-documented
(D) exaggerated
(E) persistent
4. The chief flaw of the work is that it dwells too long on matters that are ----- to its main subject, leaving ----- space for treatment of the heart of the topic.
(A) germane....disproportionate
(B) tantamount....equivalent
(C) ancillary....scant
(D) complementary....compensatory
(E) integral....inadequate
5. For all the scathing precision with which she satirizes the lives of social aspirants and moneyed folk, the writer appears to ----- being part of the world she makes seem so -----.
(A) abhor....shallow
(B) disdain....glamorous
(C) romanticize....mysterious
(D) savor....intoxicating
(E) relish....insufferable
6. The ----- activity that usually accompanies annual conventions of professional scholars is in ill keeping with the

----- and order befitting earnest intellectual endeavor.

- (A) erudite....laxity
- (B) frivolous....gravity
- (C) polemical....dilettantism
- (D) frenetic....levity
- (E) cerebral....sobriety

7. Contrary to the new manager's draconian reputation, most of the work rules and procedures she implemented were relatively -----.

- (A) innocuous
- (B) punctilious
- (C) onerous
- (D) transparent
- (E) uncomplicated

- (A) autonomy
- (B) vitalism
- (C) purposiveness
- (D) obsolescence
- (E) irrelevance

4. As the creation of new knowledge through science has become ---- resistance to innovation has become less ---- taking the form of inertia rather than direct attack.

- A controversial .. sporadic
- B institutionalized .. aggressive
- C essential .. effective
- D public .. circumspect
- E suspect .. lively

5. Lizzie was a brave woman who could dare to incur a great danger for an adequate.

- (A) risk
- (B) combat
- (C) object
- (D) event
- (E) encounter

6. Rousseau's short discourse, a work that was generally ---- the cautious, unadorned prose of the day, deviated from that prose style in its ---- discussion of the physical sciences.

- A critical of .. lengthy
- B superior to .. austere
- C bolder than .. intelligent
- D consistent with .. unrestrained
- E influenced by .. uninspired

7. Certainly Murray's preoccupation with the task of editing the Oxford English Dictionary begot a kind of monomania, but it must be regarded as a ---- or at least an innocuous one.

- (A) tame
- (B) tendentious
- (C) meretricious
- (D) beneficent
- (E) sincere

Section 102

1. When an oppressed group revolts against a society, one must look for the forces that led to the group's ---- that society.

- A disparate .. acknowledgment of
- B specific .. dependence on
- C altered .. redistribution within
- D focused .. interference with
- E underlying .. alienation from

2. Every novel invites us to enter a world that is initially strange; our gradual and selective orientation to its manners ----- infants' -----to their environment.

- A imitates.. welcome
- B completes .. introduction
- C resembles .. adjustment
- D alters .. blindness
- E reinforces .. resistance

3. Superficial differences between the special problems and techniques of the physical sciences and those of the biological sciences are sometimes cited as evidence for the ---- of biology and for the claim that the methods of physics are therefore not adequate to biological inquiry.

section 103

1. Although there are weeks of negotiations ahead, and perhaps setbacks and new surprises, leaders of both parties are ---- that their differences can be resolved.

- (A) optimistic
- (B) perplexed
- (C) apprehensive
- (D) incredulous
- (E) uncertain

2. The losing animal in a struggle saves itself from destruction by an act of ----, an act usually recognized and ---- by the winner.

- A submission.. accepted
- B hostility.. avoided
- C bluffing .. reaffirmed
- D anger.. condoned
- E hatred.. duplicated

3. He never ----the wisdom I had claimed for him. And my friends quickly dismissed my estimate of his ability as ----.

- A repudiated.. irony
- B inhibited .. propaganda
- C demonstrated.. hyperbole
- D masked.. exaggeration
- E vindicated.. understatement

4. It would seem that absolute qualities in art----us, that we can not escape viewing works of art in ---- of time and circumstance.

- A enlighten.. a pattern
- B frighten.. an absence
- C confuse.. a welter
- D elude .. a context
- E deceive.. a milieu

5. This new government is faced not only with-----its economy but also with implementing new rural development programs to ---- the flow of farm workers to the city.

- A managing.. stem
- B offsetting.. harness
- C bolstering.. transmit
- D challenging .. measure
- E modernizing.. subsidize

6. An analysis of the ideas in the novel compels an analysis of the form of the work, particularly when form and content are as ---- as they are in *The House of the Seven Gables*.

- (A) symptomatic
- (B) delineated
- (C) integrated
- (D) conspicuous
- (E) distinctive

7. The blueprints for the new automobile were ----- at first glance. But the designer had been basically too conservative to ---- previous standards of beauty.

- A striking.. flout
- B impractical.. ignore
- C impeccable.. dispel
- D influential ..assess
- E confusing.. incorporate

Section 104

1. Because its average annual rainfall is only about four inches, one of the major tasks faced by the country has been to find ----sources of water.

- (A) discontinuous
- (B) natural
- (C) supplementary
- (D) pervasive
- (E) initial

2. Both television commercials and programs present ---- view of the material world, one which promotes a standard of living that most of us can probably not attain.

- (A) an unrealistic
- (B) an imprudent
- (C) a standardized
- (D) a perplexing
- (E) a banal

3. Although it is unusual to denounce museum-goers for not painting, it is quite common, even for those who are unenthusiastic about sports, to criticize---- for athletic----

- A artists.. ignorance
- B spectators.. inactivity
- C athletes.. snobbery
- D scholars.. apathy
- E commentators.. partiality

4. Because the order in which the parts a given language is decided merely by custom, it is---- to maintain that every departure from that order constitutes a ----of a natural law.

- A traditional.. transformation
- B conventional.. transgression
- C necessary.. prototype
- D unjustifiable.. violation
- E unreasonable.. formulation

5. Most people are shameless ----- where the very rich are concerned, -----curious about how they get their money and how they spend it.

- A prigs.. secretly
- B critics.. endlessly
- C voyeurs.. insatiably
- D exhibitionists.. blatantly
- E ingrates.. selfishly

6. Some biologists argue that each specifically human trait must have arisen gradually and erratically, and that it is therefore difficult to isolate definite----in the evolution of the species.

- (A) fluctuations
- (B) generations
- (C) predispositions
- (D) milestones
- (E) manifestations

7. Ultimately, the book's credibility is strained; the slender, though far from ----, web of evidence presented on one salient point is expected to support a vast ---- of implications.

- A unconvincing.. cacophony
- B nonexistent.. superstructure
- C indispensable.. array
- D intricate.. network
- E imposing.. compendium

Section 105

1. Unlike a judge, who must act alone, a jury discusses a case and then reaches its decision as a group, thus minimizing the effect of ---- bias.

- (A) legal
- (B) professional
- (C) individual
- (D) unexpected
- (E) unarticulated

2. One reason why pertinent fossils are ---- is that crucial stages of evolution occurred in the tropics where it is difficult to explore for fossils, and so their discovery has ----.

- A unique... resulted
- B unconcealable.. declined
- C uncommon.. lagged
- D recent.. resumed
- E prominent .. failed

3. The harmonious accommodation reached by the warring factions exemplifies the axiom that ---- is possible among people of goodwill, even when they have previously held quite ---- perspectives.

- A candor.. indistinguishable
- B tension.. congenial
- C agreement.. unequivocal
- D compromise.. antagonistic
- E coexistence.. fixed

4. The prime minister tried to act but the plans were ---- by her cabinet.

- A frustrated
- B discussed
- C embellished
- D overlooked
- E unleashed

5. Amid the collapsing or out of control mechanical devices, the belching volcano had a disturbingly---- quality, like a character who has stumbled onstage by mistake.

- (A) anomalous
- (B) overwrought
- (C) obdurate
- (D) ephemeral
- (E) derelict

6. It is an error to regard the imagination as a mainly ---- force; if it destroys and alters, it also---- hitherto isolated beliefs, insights, and mental habits into strongly unified systems.

- A visionary.. conjures
- B beneficial.. converts
- C revolutionary.. fuses
- D negative.. shunts
- E synthetic.. integrates

7. The semantic ----- of ancient documents is not unique; even in our own time, many documents are difficult to decipher.

- A aspect
- B pattern
- C opacity
- D intention
- E erudition

Section 106

1. The ---- success of any government depends on its ability to ---- both foreign and domestic policies.

- A political.. implement
- B military.. distribute
- C social.. complete
- D essential.. violate
- E diplomatic.. subsidize

2. Although Ms. Brown found some of her duties to be -----, her supervision of forty workers was a considerable responsibility.

- (A) ambiguous
- (B) provisional
- (C) menial
- (D) unique
- (E) mediocre

3. Since the process of atherosclerosis cannot be ----- in humans, the best treatment known at this time is ---- of the disease.

- A reversed.. prevention
- B discovered.. remission
- C defined.. explanation
- D alleviated.. detection
- E precipitated.. containment

4. Postmodern architecture is not concerned with the easy goal of returning to the past but with the more ---- and difficult aim of ---- historical forms into a new and complex whole.

- A important.. changing
- B subtle.. integrating
- C intellectual.. updating
- D rewarding .. dramatizing
- E ornamental.. compressing

5. In pollen dating, geologic happenings are dated in terms of each other and one can get just so far by matching ---- sequences; but in radiocarbon dating the scale of time is measured in ---- terms of centuries or years.

- A random.. selective
- B irrelevant.. usable
- C vague.. relative
- D independent.. absolute
- E imaginary.. calculable

6. Many welfare reformers would substitute a single, federally financed income support system for the existing ----- of overlapping programs.

- (A) paucity
- (B) core
- (C) functionalism
- (D) participation
- (E) welter

7. Because the report contained much more information than the reviewers needed to see, the author was asked to submit a ---- instead.

- A compendium
- B soliloquy
- C treatise
- D prerequisite
- E critique

Section 107

1. Her lecture gave a sense of how empty the universe is, in spite of the ----- number of stars within it.

- (A) diminishing
- (B) varying
- (C) enormous
- (D) unusual
- (E) limited

2. The wilderness is ---- in that it permits people to face an important reality—one that demands much of them as thinking, reacting, working individuals, not ---- as human machines.

- A foreign.. necessarily
- B intangible.. physically
- C stimulating.. creatively
- D discouraging.. neutrally
- E valuable.. merely

3. Ambrose Bierce's biographers agree that the Civil War was the central experience of his life, the event to which he constantly returned and the ---- that brought some ---- to the hitherto random pattern of his youth.

- (A) ordeal.. coherence

- (B) interruption.. continuity
- (C) climax.. confusion
- (D) escape.. diversion
- (E) hiatus.. rigidity

4. The constitutional guarantee of free speech may have been aimed at protecting native speakers of English from censorship, but it is not a great ---- to interpret it as protecting the right to express oneself in any natural language or dialect.

- (A) enigma
- (B) extension
- (C) sacrifice
- (D) condemnation
- (E) attenuation

5. Although Darwinism was a profoundly ---- world view, it was essentially passive, since it prescribed no steps to be taken, no victories over nature to be celebrated, no program of triumphs to be successively gained.

- (A) limited
- (B) repressive
- (C) debatable
- (D) innovative
- (E) paradoxical

6. Personnel experts say that attractive benefits alone will not always keep ---- executives from changing jobs for better long-range opportunities, but they think the enticements may deter many executives from accepting ---- offers from other companies.

- (A) discontented.. preferable
- (B) ambitious.. routine
- (C) unqualified.. inferior
- (D) experienced.. superior
- (E) dedicated.. advantageous

7. The concept of timelessness is paradoxical from the start, for adult consciousness is ---- by the awareness of duration.

- A intrigued
- B repelled
- C measured
- D accelerated
- E permeated

Section 108

It is true that the seeds of some plants have ---- after two hundred years of dormancy, but reports that viable seeds have been found in ancient tombs such as the pyramids are entirely ----

- A revived.. empirical
- B germinated.. unfounded
- C endured.. irrelevant

- D erupted.. reasonable
- E proliferated.. substantiated

2. Even though many persons in audience jeered the star throughout the play, she --- curtain calls.

- A refused all
- B adored some
- C delayed several
- D appeared for
- F balked at

3. The most technologically advanced societies have been responsible for the greatest ----; indeed, savagery seems to be in direct proportion to ----.

- A wars.. viciousness
- B catastrophes.. ill-will
- C atrocities.. development
- D inventions.. know-how
- E triumphs.. civilization

4. The combination of -----and ----- in Edmund's speech can be starting, especially when he slyly slips in some juicy vulgarity amid the mellifluous circumlocutions of a gentleman of the old school.

- A tact.. innocence
- B raciness.. ribaldry
- C piousness.. modesty
- D elegance.. earthiness
- E propriety.. bashfulness

5. For many young people during the Roaring Twenties, a disgust with the excesses of American culture ---- a wanderlust to provoke an exodus abroad.

- A stymied
- B overwhelmed
- C reflected
- D combined with
- E conflicted with

6. Every new theory not only must ---- the valid predictions of the old theory, but must also explain why those predictions ---- within the range of that old theory.

- A organize.. failed
- B generate.. faltered
- C promote.. functioned
- D refute.. evolved
- E accommodate.. succeeded

7. Human reaction to the realm of thought is often as strong as that to sensible presences; our higher moral life is based on the fact that ---- sensations actually present may have a

weaker influence on our action than do ideas of ----facts.
 A disturbing.. ordinary
 B material.. remote
 C emotional.. impersonal
 D definitive.. controversial
 E familiar.. symbolic

Section 109

1. Even though six players had been injured, the coach announced to the assembled reporters that the team would ---- the championship.
 A ignore
 B win
 C overcome
 D demand
 E refuse

2. Although Jungius detected Galileo's ---- in thinking that the curve assumed by a chain hanging freely between two supports was a parabola, he did not ---- what the true form might be.
 A wisdom.. question
 B rationale.. prove
 C error.. discover
 D sincerity.. conceal
 E ingenuity.. understand

3. Perhaps ----, since an ability to communicate effectively is an important trait of any great leader, it has been the ---- Presidents who have delivered the most notable inaugural addresses.
 A predictably.. exceptional
 B invariable.. famous
 C undeniably.. indomitable
 D reciprocally.. traditionalist
 E impractically.. influential

4. Her remarkable ----, which first became apparent when she repeatedly defeated the old children at school, eventually earned for her some ---- rewards, including a full athletic scholarship and several first-place trophies.
 A sportsmanship.. academic
 B agility.. monetary
 C modesty.. unanticipated
 D speed.. tangible
 E patience.. well-deserved

5. An example of an illegitimate method of argument is to lump ---- cases together deliberately under the ---- that the same principles apply to each.
 A unsuitable.. impression

B disputable.. stipulation
 C irrelevant.. assumption
 D dissimilar.. pretense
 E indeterminate.. rationale

6. The ---- of her career was her achievement of her greatest intellectual authority at the very moment when she was ---- of a compelling subject.
 A irony.. assured
 B dilemma.. certain
 C enigma.. cognizant
 D paradox.. bereft
 E epitome.. despairing

7. Although ordinarily skeptical about the purity of Robinson's motives, in this instance Jenkins did not consider Robinson's generosity to be ----
 A lacking in
 B contrary to
 C alloyed with
 D mitigated by
 E repudiated by

Section 110

1. There are simply no ---- for buying stock in certain industries since rapidly changing environmental restrictions will make a profitable return on any investment very unlikely.
 A incentives
 B arrangements
 C explanations
 D conditions
 E procedures

2. He was widely regarded as a ----- man because he revealed daily his distrust of human nature and human motives.
 A disrespectful
 B cynical
 C confused
 D misinformed
 E financial

3. Suspicious of too powerful a President, Americans nonetheless are ---- when a President does not act decisively.
 (A) unified
 (B) indifferent
 (C) content
 (D) uneasy
 (E) adamant

4. For those Puritans who believed that ----

obligations were imposed by divine will, the correct course of action was not withdrawal from the world but conscientious ---- of the duties of business.

- A practical.. mystification
- B inherent.. manipulation
- C secular.. discharge
- D earthly.. disavowal
- E trying.. moderation

5. Many philosophers agree that the verbal aggression of profanity in certain radical newspapers is not ---- or childish, but an assault on ---- essential to the revolutionaries' purpose.

- A belligerent.. fallibility
- B serious.. propriety
- C insolent.. sociability
- D deliberate.. affectation
- E trivial.. decorum

6. Plants store a ---- of water in their leaves, stems, or understock to provide themselves with a form of ---- that will carry them through the inevitable drought they must suffer in the wild.

- A supply.. tolerance
- B hoard.. insurance
- C reservoir.. accommodation
- D provision.. restoration
- E contribution.. support

7. Although ----- in her own responses to the plays she reviewed, the critic was, paradoxically, ---- those who would deny that a reviewer must have a single method of interpretation.

- A dogmatic.. impatient with
- B eclectic.. suspicious of
- C partisan.. hostile toward
- D capricious.. intrigued by
- E indulgent.. indebted by

Section 111

1. Faraday does not ---- any particular theory; she believes that each theory increases our understanding of some dreams but that no single theory can ---- them all.

- A endorse.. explain
- B discuss.. simplify
- C mention.. replace
- D evaluate.. identify
- E criticize.. eradicate

2. Although his outnumbered troops fought bravely, the general felt he had no choice but to ----- defeat and ----- a retreat.

- A hasten.. suggest

- B seek.. try
- C oversee.. reject
- D overcome.. request
- E acknowledge.. order

3. Despite some allowances for occupational mobility, the normal expectation of seventeenth-century English society was that the child's vocation would develop along familial lines; ---- the career of one's parents was therefore ----.

- A disagreement with .. forbidden
- B divergence from .. limited
- C preparation for .. difficult
- D reliance on .. unanticipated
- E assumption of .. premature

4. The little-known but rapidly expanding use of computers in mapmaking is technologically similar to the more ---- uses in designing everything from bolts to satellites.

- (A) recent
- (B) impromptu
- (C) publicized
- (D) ingenuous
- (E) secure

5. The impact of a recently published collection of essays, written during and about the last presidential campaign, is lessened by its timing; it comes too late to affect us with its ---- and too soon for us to read it out of historical----.

- A foresight.. anxiety
- B research .. consistency
- C assuredness.. skepticism
- D immediacy.. curiosity
- E veracity.. respect

6. It would be misleading to use a published play to generalize about fifteenth-century drama: the very fact of publication should serve as a ---- of the play's ---- character.

- A qualification.. unusual
- B manifestation.. unsophisticated
- C restatement.. untraditional
- D warning.. unrepresentative
- E demonstration.. unliterary

7. The Neoplatonists' conception of a deity, in which perfection was measured by abundant fecundity, was contradicted by that of the Aristotelians, in which perfection was displayed in the ---- of creation.

- (A) profusion
- (B) precision
- (C) variety

- (D) clarity
(E) economy

Section 112

1. Stress is experienced when an individual feels that the ----- of the environment ---- that individual's resources for handling them.
A circumstances.. intensify
B details.. exclude
C demands.. exceed
D facets.. imply
E benefits.. reveal

2. To compensate for the substantial decline in the availability of fossil fuels in future years, we will have to provide at least ---- alternative energy source.
A an anticipated
B an official
C an equivalent
D a derivative
E a redundant

3. Students of the Great Crash of 1929 have never understood why even the most informed observers did not recognize and heed the ----economic danger signals that in ---- seem so apparent.
A obvious.. combination
B early.. conclusion
C direct.. application
D future.. potential
E prior.. retrospect

4. While admitting that the risks incurred by use of the insecticide were not ----, the manufacturer's spokesperson argued that effective ---- were simply not available.
A inconsequential.. substitutes
B unusual.. alternatives
C increasing.. procedures
D indeterminable.. safeguards
E proven.. antidotes

5. Because time in Indian is conceived statically rather than dynamical, Indian languages emphasize nouns rather than verbs, since nouns express the more ---- aspects of a thing.
(A) paradoxical
(B) prevalent
(C) temporal
(D) successive
(E) stable

6. The essence of belief is the establishment of ----; different beliefs are distinguishable by

the different modes of action to which they give rise.
A love
B practice
C trust
D commitments
E allegiances

7. The simplicity of the theory —its main attraction is also its -----, for only by ----- the assumptions of the theory is it possible to explain the most recent observations made by researchers.
A liability.. accepting
B virtue.. qualifying
C downfall.. considering
D glory.. rejecting
E undoing.. supplementing

Section 113

1. Our young people, whose ---- sensitives have not yet become -----, have a purer and more immediate response than we do to our environment.
A native.. excited
B keen.. calloused
C dull.. numbed
D impartial.. objective
E sophisticated.. perceptive

2. The repudiation of Puritanism seventeenth-century England expressed itself not only in retaliatory laws to ---- Puritans, but also in a general attitude of ---- for Puritans.
A restrict.. contempt
B regulate.. regard
C benefit.. affection
D repress.. respect
E evade.. hatred

3. It is a great ----- to be able to transfer useful genes with as little extra gene material as possible, because the donor's genome may contain, in addition to desirable genes, many genes with ---- effects.
A misfortune.. unpredictable
B disappointment .. superfluous
C convenience.. exquisite
D accomplishment.. profound
E advantage.. deleterious

4. Because it has distinct and recognizable typographical form and few recurring narrative conventions, the novel is. of all literary genres, the least susceptible to ----.
(A) misuse

- (B) imprecision
- (C) inquiry
- (D) definition
- (E) innovation

5. The brittle fronds of the Boston fern break easily and become brown, so that the overall appearance of the plant is ---- unless the broken fronds are cut off.

- (A) admired
- (B) overrated
- (C) disparaged
- (D) blunted
- (E) ruined

6. There is no necessary intrinsic connection between a word and the thing it refers to; the relationship is purely ----.

- (A) conventional
- (B) consistent
- (C) strategic
- (D) illustrative
- (E) problematical

7. That the Third Battalion's fifty-percent casualty rate transformed its assault on Hill 306 from a brilliant stratagem into a debacle does not ---- eyewitness reports of its commander's extraordinary ---- in deploying his forces.

- A justify.. rapidity
- B gainsay.. cleverness
- C corroborate.. determination
- D invalidate.. brutality
- E underscore.. ineptitude