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## Verbal Section I

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- 1. Common and easily accessible resources (prey for predators or hosts for parasites) should be, all other things being equal, used frequently, yet in some environments apparently accessible and suitable resources remain \_\_\_\_.
- A. vulnerable
- B. unobtainable
- C. sustainable
- D. depleted
- E. unexploited

2. Even thought the authors repeatedly \_\_\_\_\_ their own shrewdness, they show a remarkable credulousness toward far-fetched ideas such as carbon-eating trees and cloud-making machinery.

A. soft-pedal

B. extol

C. deprecate

D. broaden

E. compromise

3. The (i) \_\_\_\_ of molecular oxygen on Earth-sized planets around other stars in the universe would not be (ii) \_\_\_\_ sign of life: molecular oxygen can be a signature of photosynthesis (a biotic process) or merely of the rapid escape of water from the upper reaches of a planetary atmosphere (an abiotic process).

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. dearth	D. a controversial	
B. presumption	E. an unambiguous	
C. detection	F. a possible	

4. In reviewing cases decided by lower courts, Supreme Court justices search for precedents to justify their arguments. Reliance on precedent (i) \_\_\_\_ judicial restraint: the precedent (ii) \_\_\_\_ a judge's ability to determine the outcome of a case in a way that he or she might choose if there were no precedent.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. promotes	D. establishes	
B. compromises	E. constrains	
C. promulgates	F. prioritizes	

judicial restraint: 司法节制(最高法或者其他法院不应该试图更改符合宪法的法律)

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

Blank (i)

A. stated as absolute

B. refused to reveal

C. backed up extensively

Blank (ii)

D. hedged

E. simplified

F. reiterated

6. To pay for the extra spending under this international poverty plan, each American would have to contribute less than the cost of buying a premium cup of coffee once a week. But financial aid is not (i) \_\_\_\_, and even if the funding recommended here were to (ii) \_\_\_\_ the grandest objectives may well remain unfulfilled. Nonetheless, carefully targeted aid can reward responsible governments, (iii) \_\_\_\_ individual initiative, and alleviate suffering. Many will think that's worth a cup of coffee.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. an impediment	D. be insufficient	G. obviate
B. a panacea	E. recede	H. temper
C. a malady	C. a malady F. materialize	

7. The recent exhibition on Dadaism is nothing if not \_\_\_\_\_, for the visual arts are currently awash in Dadaist gestures and gambits of one variety or another.

A. sensational

B. timely

C. daunting

D. ill-advised

E. opportune

F. misguided

- 8. Despite the general \_\_\_\_ of Roman archaeological studies toward the major cities and their monuments, archaeology has contributed much to a better understanding of rural developments in Roman territory.
- A. openness
- B. indifference
- C. hostility
- D. animus
- E. bias
- F. orientation

- 9. The potential reduction in water lost from the proposed reservoir from evaporation is \_\_\_\_ inconsequential: even the minimum projected reduction would save enough water to furnish the needs of a Denver-sized municipality.
- A. nearly
- B. comparatively
- C. scarcely
- D. rarely
- E. hardly
- F. relatively

- 10. Our mass media are much more fascinated by bad ideas or the failure of good ones than by successes: we drown in bad news —— tales of how things went wrong —— but we have only the most \_\_\_\_ discussion on how they might go right.
- A. incisive
- B. tantalising
- C. trenchant
- D. cursory
- E. illusory
- F. perfunctory

## Verbal Section 2

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

A. ubiquity

B. limitation

C. promise

D. redundancy

E. complexity

2. Studies of hermaphroditic plants may exhibit sampling bias against self-fertilising and cross-fertilising species, thus inflating the frequency of species using a mixed mating system (both self-fertilizing and cross fertilizing); nevertheless the number of mixed-system species is not

\_\_\_\_

A. self-evident

B. static

C. trivial

D. relevant

E. claculable

3. The pupil had a reputation for obduracy, but the teacher found her to be, on the contrary, quite \_\_\_\_\_.

A. zealous

B. astute

C. tractable

D. efficient

E. amusing

4. To abolish the existence of nation-states is neither feasible nor desirable; but insofar as there are collective interests that transcend national boundaries, the (i) \_\_\_\_\_ of nation-states must be (ii) \_\_\_\_ to international institutions.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. sovereignty	D. subordinated	
B. traditions	E. attributable	
C. genealogy	F. analogous	

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

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. disinterested	D. exacting	
B. lucid	E. minimal	
C. conventional	F. accepted	

6.People love to talk about their commutes to and from work: those with an easy commute tend to (i) \_\_\_\_\_, while those who hate their commute think and speak of it as a core affliction, like a chronic illness. Once you raise the subject, the testimonies pour out, and, if your ears are tuned to it, you begin overhearing commute talk everywhere. People who are normally (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ may, when describing their commutes, be unexpectedly(iii) \_\_\_\_\_ divulging the intimate details of their lives.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. grumble	D. inattentive	G. candid in
B. commiserate	E. garrulous	H. economical in
C. gloat	F. circumspect	I. flustered about

- 7. There is revelation on almost every page of this book, and the author's prose is \_\_\_\_ in the best possible way: blunt, sweet, off-kilter, and often quite funny.
- A. eloquent
- B. austere
- C. somber
- D. awkward
- E. solemn
- F. ungainly

- 8. A few decades ago the idea of animal morality would have been met with \_\_\_\_: however, recent research suggests that animals not only act altruistically but also have the capacity for empathy, forgiveness, trust, and reciprocity.
- A. derision
- B. resentment
- C. dismissal
- D. conviction
- E. ridicule
- F. certainty

9. The town's air was consistently \_\_\_\_: depending on the breeze, one might be greeted with the sour effluvia of twenty breweries, choking fumes from the coal tar factory, or brackish smells from the nearby river.

A. malodorous

B. toxic

C. redolent

D. benign

E. noisome

F. anodyne

10. A priori mathematics, according to Galileo, does not \_\_\_\_ the need for observation, but mathematics does allow us to deduce unobservable properties and thus to penetrate further into the structure of nature than observation does.

A. address

B. acknowledge

C. obviate

D. diminish

E. displace

F. appreciate

