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Verbal Section I

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1. The province has long ...

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

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

3. Knowing how (i) ____ she was at work, her colleagues were surprised at her (ii) ____ throughout dinner.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. dependable	D. timidity	
B. diffident	E. assertiveness	
C. diligent	F. punctiliousness	

4. Some academic criticism of popular novels has been (i) ____ in character, being based on the assumption that that wider the appeal, the more (ii) ____ the novel.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. rigorous	D. undesirable	
B. exculpatory	E. accomplished	
C. elitist	F. comprehensible	

5. Researchers note that wolves' otherwise strongly hierarchical society is marked by occasional displays of populist (i) ____ if a pack leader proves a toosnappish tyrant, subordinate wolves will (ii) ____ the top cur.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. umbrage	D. collectively overthrow	
B. expiation	E. eventually placate	
C. torpor	F. quickly appraise	

6. Not all paleontologists agree that connections between the continents were (i) ___ just after the extinction of the dinosaurs. Some hold the view that North America, Asia, and South America had (ii) ___ immediately following the dinosaur extinction, pointing to (iii) ___ between ancient kinds of mammals that existed on all three continents at this time in support of their argument.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. significant	D. lasting differences	G. similarities
B. permanent	E. extensive contacts	H. intermediaries
C. limited	F. trivial likenesses	I. hostilities

- 7. The book aims to illuminate how science has changed the meaning of nothingness from ____ philosophical concept to something concept to something we can almost put under a microscope.
- A. a tangible
- B. a palpable
- C. a nebulous
- D. a nettlesome
- E. an incontrovertible
- F. a vague

- 8. For certain economists, "pure" economic theory, that is, economic theory ____ a specific social structure, is impossible, much like a concept of anatomy that investigates no specific species.
- A. attuned to
- B. abstracted from
- C. derived from
- D. divorced from
- E. sensitive to
- F. analyzed in

9. One of the peculiarities of humans is

- 10. Flash floods are common in desert regions and were widespread before the evolution of trees and woodland soils, in contrast, flash floods are ___ in woodlands, where floodwaters, impeded by trees, form ponds.
- A. overshadowed
- B. redirected
- C. obscured
- D. precluded
- E. mitigated
- F. abated

Verbal Section 2

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1. Anthropologist Jane Goodall

2. The small errors of fact in the work are not sufficient to allow one to (i) _____ Johnson's main thesis, but their cumulative effect is no make the reader (ii) ____ of the quality of his research.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. dismiss	D. skeptical	
B. endorse	E. credulous	
C. decipher	F. appreciative	

3. The museum's compelling new architectural exhibition looks at eleven projects around the world that have had major (i) ____ impacts despite modest budget. It is part of (ii) ____ in the museum's architecture and design department, which in the past has championed architecture's artistic value over its real-world consequences.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	
A. social	D. an emphasis on theory	
B. aesthetic	E. a shift in philosophy	
C. critical	F. a rejection of pragmatism	

4. The usual (i) ____ spending public monies on scientific projects is that such projects have the potential to make our lives healthier, safer, and more productive. However, the fact that science —— even "pure" science —— can strengthen democracy and promote public participation in the political process is hardly ever (ii) ____. It should be Scientific literacy (iii) _____ democracy, and this is an important ancillary benefit of the promotion of science.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. argument against	D. denied	G. stifles
B. rationale for	E. mentioned	H. energizes
C. precedent for	F. gainsaid	I. disregards

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

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. insightful	D. persevere in	G. mistaken
B. judicious	E. recognize	H. prescient
C. alarmist	F. complicate	I. pessimistic

6. Human-caused disturbances, such as habitat destruction and the introduction of nonnative species, are among the leading causes of plant and animal population declines. Most populations are affected by a combination of adverse human pressures, each of which is in itself insufficient to (i) _____ population crash. Therefore, studies of population declines that (ii) ____ individual factors and thus (iii) _____ potential interactions may lead to improper management of declining species.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. delay	D. integrate	G. exaggerate
B. trigger	E. focus on	H. overlook
C. offset	F. ignore	I. anticipate

7. Although a dedicate reader of the book can ____ a brief of chronology of Chappelle's life, the book is nevertheless not a real biography of Chappelle.

A. mass

B. obtain

C. overlook

D. excuse

E. forgo

F. glean

8. Despite their cultural and social significance, rapid growth, and widespread appeal in China, video games —— unlike traditional media —— have received ____ attention from international communication researchers.

A. undue

B. scant

C. excessive

D. focused

E. limited

F. dwindling

9. Although men still dominate the ranks of full professors in the field of astronomy, the increasing numbers of younger women in the field could ____ a change in its gender mix.

A. require

B. alleviate

C. block

D. presage

E. portend

F. hinder

10. In their quest for kinder cutting, physicians increasingly rely on endoscopic surgery, replacing large scalpels and clamps with cameras and ____ tools that snake into the body through tiny holes.

- A. flexibility
- B. rigidity
- C. magnitude
- D. suppleness
- E. enormity
- F. precision

