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# Verbal Section I

第三套

1. Even if he wants to serve again —— and given his obvious love for the job, the assumption among insiders is that he is more likely to stay than go —— there is at least \_\_\_\_ his serving another term.

A. impediment to

B. incentive for

C. precedent for

D. benefit in

E. rationale for

2. The life of fish is dictated by a triumvirate of \_\_\_\_:  
the need to reproduce, the need to eat, and the need  
to avoid being eaten.

A. patterns

B. tears

C. coincidences

D. imperatives

E. accomplishments

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

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. narrow in scope	D. utilitarianism
B. a susceptible to fads	E. parochialism
C. averse to empiricism	F. historicism

4. Hyman's book points out one of the most significant (i) \_\_\_\_ the government bureaucracy has to do with (ii) \_\_\_\_\_. No one in the bureaucracy has to take the responsibility for mistake.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. incentives to	D. impartiality
B. divisions within	E. profligacy
C. weaknesses of	F. accountability

5. Many of the towns that have voted to keep incinerators in the country'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	D. willing
B. favor	E. eager
C. oppose	F. loath

6. Now that photographic prints have become a popular field for collecting, auctions are becoming more (i) \_\_\_\_\_. It is not just the entry of new collectors into the field that is causing this intensification. Established collectors' interests are also becoming more (ii) \_\_\_\_\_. Those who once concentrated on the work of either the nineteenth-century pioneers or the twentieth-century modernists are now keen to have (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ collection.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. competitive	D. fickle	G. comprehensive
B. tedious	E. wide-ranging	H. legitimate
C. exclusive	F. antiquarian	I. impressive



7. Although the business leader is a \_\_\_\_\_ of the free market, the company owed much of its success to government subsidies.

A. student

B. champion

C. detractor

D. beneficiary

E. defender

F. critic

8. The novelist's characters display an astounding degree of naiveté that can belie a sense of \_\_\_\_ some of them develop as an instinctive mode of selfdefense.

A. guile

B. deviousness

C. tractability

D. honesty

E. opportunism

F. sincerity

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

A. asserts

B. concedes

C. guarantees

D. disputes

E. grants

F. maintains

10. In his heyday, Sonny Bono's role in public was \_\_\_\_: he was an accomplished lyricist, a mayoral success story, delegate from Palm Spring, and the husband of an internationally acclaimed vocalist.

A. protean

B. versatile

C. pedestrian

D. prominent

E. circumscribed

F. illustrious

# Verbal Section 2

第二套

1. That Seiberg and Witten lack celebrity can be explained by the \_\_\_\_ nature of their pursuit: the mathematical exploration of four-dimensional space.

A. pedestrian

B. esoteric

C. compelling

D. global

E. univocal

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

A. unsteady

B. ambivalent

C. careless

D. unbounded

E. noticeable

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

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. subversiveness	D. indiscriminate
B. intensity	E. iconoclastic
C. culpability	F. temperate



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

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. delegate	D. controversy over
B. ascribe	E. popularity of
C. liken	F. sophistication of

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

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. abhor	D. unattainable
B. relish	E. insufferable
C. evoke	F. enchanting

6. Within the culture as a whole, the natural sciences have been so successful that the word “scientific” is often used in (i) \_\_\_\_\_ manner: it is often assumed that to call something “scientific” is to imply that its reliability has been (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ by methods whose results cannot reasonably be (iii) \_\_\_\_\_.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. an ironic	D. maligned	G. exaggerated
B. a literal	E. challenged	H. anticipated
C. an honorific	F. established	I. disputed

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

A. minimal

B. trifling

C. marked

D. conspicuous

E. intriguing

F. deleterious

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

A. eccentricity

B. predilection

C. vacillation

D. proclivity

E. wavering

F. cowardice

9. It is hardly \_\_\_\_ the committee calls for: rudimentary competence would be an improvement on the current chaos.

A. accountability

B. disarray

C. unruliness

D. faultlessness

E. loyalty

F. perfection

10. Despite her rather \_\_\_\_ choices, Moreland was neither a rebellious spirit nor someone who saw herself as anything out of the ordinary.

A. unconventional

B. impractical

C. quirky

D. flamboyant

E. successful

F. lucrative

