Context clues are hints in the writing that help you figure out what a word means. Each example below has hints within the passage or sentence to help you figure out the meaning of the word. Read each question CAREFULLY and bubble in the correct answer. The word you are defining is in underlined.

1. No matter where you go, the Internet is following you. Almost every portable device is being made with an Internet connection. Most new TVs and many other appliances come with Internet connections as well. The Internet is truly ubiquitous…. If something is ubiquitous, _____.

a. it is fuzzy and will bite you
b. it is everywhere
c. it costs too much money
d. it causes rashes

2. This is a clandestine operation. It is extremely important that no one discovers what you're doing!... A clandestine operation is supposed to be _____.

a. dangerous
b. harmful
c. exciting
d. secret

3. I believe that if you lower taxes so that people can keep more of the money they earn, it will be an incentive for them to work harder… What is the meaning of "incentive"?

a. a reason to do something
b. a small amount of money
c. a tax
d. a good job

4. In the early 1600s, a dangerous trip across the Atlantic Ocean was a daunting idea. The Europeans, who would someday be known as the Pilgrims, must have been a very determined and brave group of settlers….A daunting task is one that would _____ someone.

a. tickle
b. amuse
c. lose or misplace
d. frighten or intimidate

5. Our new alarm system will wake up the entire neighborhood if an intruder gets in the house.

An intruder is someone who intrudes. To intrude is to _____.

a. be the guest
b. quarrel
c. go where one is not wanted or doesn't belong
d. be very noisy

6. If you don't curtail your spending, you'll be broke in no time at all!... Which word is a synonym of "curtail"?

a. reduce
b. increase
c. calculate
d. misunderstand

7. Put this medicine on your arm and rub it into your skin until it's invisible. It will inhibit the infection's attempt to spread….What does "inhibit" mean?

a. improve
b. slow down
c. itch or burn
d. rise

8. Brea and Elizabeth are having a dispute over which radio station to play at work. It would be so much simpler if they both liked the same kind of music…A dispute is a _____.

a. musical instrument
b. choice of music
c. similarity
d. disagreement

9. When your plan brings us great wealth, you will be rewarded for your sagacity.

a. presentation
b. skill
c. wisdom
d. morality

10. There is a legal battle raging and the judges are concerned that time is running out. Lawyers are being asked to expedite the matter by getting their paperwork in early… Here, what does "expedite" mean?

a. quicken
b. agree on
c. sue
d. discuss

Ed Tech

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

A. Education as a field has been massively and positively influenced by technology. And this influence will be even greater by 2030. In recent times, technology has influenced how businesses are operating from last few decades by Pankaj Samantray of Elets News Network.

B. Education technology is already part of our lives when it comes to learning, thanks to Coronavirus pandemic. It is difficult to find a part of our lives that technology hasn't influenced fundamentally. Educational technology is here for facilitating learning and improving academic performance.

C. Education is as old as humanity itself. Our ancestors were educated within the family or tribe on how to farm, use tools, make fire, and hunt. Eventually, education became confined within the various priesthoods of ancient civilisations until the Greeks established the likes of philosophical mentorship.

D. In the last 2,000 years, there has been an array of education options, such as tutorship, apprenticeship, and seminary school, up until the 19th century when the concept of K-12 (publicly-supported school grades prior to tertiary education) took hold, existing alongside private, higher education institutions to this day.

E. Now, with the advent of sophisticated digital technologies, EdTech is empowering educators to expand their reach, while also empowering students to be able to learn independently via educational software.

F. There are, also, many online libraries that assist teachers and students with comprehensive reading material. Teachers and lecturers are also given the opportunity to post their teaching material online for their students to study.

G. Digital transformation of many educational functions will happen incredibly fast. This transformation can be managed in-house or by outsourcing it to third-party service providers with expertise in specific industries. It's already a fact that many educational organisations are adopting cloud-based technologies for marketing and recruiting, as the competition for attracting the best students is increasing.

H. Multi-channel admissions experiences, where prospective students can interact not only by phone and email but also via social networks, video chat, and other similar technologies, will soon be the norm.

Match the following headings with the paragraphs:

1.   Access through Multiple Devices

2.   Education Options

3.   Influence of Technology

4.   Digitisation

5.   Purpose of Education Technology

6.   Empowerment of Students and Teachers

7.   Evolution of Education

8.   Online Reading Repository

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