




1. The poet W.H. Auden believed that the greatest poets of his age were almost necessarily irresponsible, that the possession of great gifts ----- the propensity to abuse them.  
(A) negates   
(B) captivates  
(C) engenders  
(D) tempers  
(E) obviates
2. 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) infamous  
(E) symbolic
3. Although frequent air travelers remain unconvinced, researchers have found that paradoxically, the (i) ----- disorientation inherent in jet lag also may yield some mental health(ii) -----.
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| (A) temporal   | (D) benefits     |
| (B) indolent   | (E) hazards      |
| (C) random     | (F) deficiencies |
4. Brand Loyalty plays a (i) ----- role in many consumers' buying habits. Market research shows that consumers are likely to spend more on a product they grew up using than they are to try a generic brand that offers the same (ii) ----- at a lower price. The question is, just how much more are shoppers willing to spend for (iii) -----?
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| <b>Blank i</b>  | <b>Blank ii</b>    | <b>Blank iii</b> |
| (A) speculative | (D) constituents   | (G) nostalgia    |
| (B) quotidian   | (E) accolades      | (H) paranoia     |
| (C) appreciable | (F) idiosyncrasies | (I) quality      |
5. 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) duplication  
(C) analogy  
(D) rigidity  
(E) malady  
(F) inflexibility