

## Word Set 2

1. <b>advocate (v.):</b> bolster; buttress
2. <b>antipathy (n.):</b> hatred; animosity
3. <b>complimentary (adj.):</b> acclamatory; <b>adulatory</b>
4. <b>emancipate (v.):</b> free; release
5. <b>idiosyncrasy (n.):</b> unusual behavior
6. <b>imminent (adj.):</b> about to happen; forthcoming
7. <b>impede (v.):</b> prevent; preclude; hinder; forestall
8. <b>jurisdiction (n.):</b> authority
9. <b>metamorphosis (n.):</b> complete change; transformation; <b>transmutation</b>
10. <b>notorious (adj.):</b> infamous
11. <b>perfunctory (adj.):</b> careless; <b>cursor</b>
12. <b>precarious (adj.):</b> unsafe; insecure
13. <b>preposterous (adj.):</b> foolish; inane; preposterous
14. <b>provocative (adj.):</b> 1. attractive 2. likely to provoke
15. <b>travesty (n.):</b> ridiculous show

## Exercise 2

**For each of Questions 1-6, select ONE entry for each blank from the corresponding column of choices.**

- Although the incidence of cases of measles has declined, researchers fear that **eradication** of the disease, once believed to be -----, may not come soon.  
(A) provocative  
(B) notorious  
(C) ludicrous  
(D) **imminent**  
(E) precarious
- Although Johnson feigned great enthusiasm for his employees' project, in reality his interest in the project was so ----- as to be almost nonexistent.  
(A) **complimentary**  
(B) infamous  
(C) perfunctory  
(D) provocative

(E) insecure

3. Inspired interim responses to hitherto unknown problems, New Deal economic stratagems became ossified as a result of bureaucratization, their flexibility and adaptability destroyed by their ----- into rigid policies.

- (A) idiosyncrasy
- (B) animosity
- (C) jurisdiction
- (D) emancipation
- (E) metamorphosis

4. Former principals had made only (i) ----- efforts to rid the school of drugs, but the new principal attacked the problem head-on. As a result, the school has undergone a/an (ii) ----- from "hooked" to "clean."

Blank i	Blank ii
A. precarious	D. transmutation
B. perfunctory	E. animosity
C. imminent	F. authority

5. The results of the experiments performed by Elizabeth Hazen and Rachel Brown were (i) ----- not only because these results made old assumptions sound (ii) ----- but also because they called the prevailing methodology into question.

Blank i	Blank ii
A. idiosyncratic	D. commendatory
B. provocative	E. preposterous
C. forthcoming	F. reckless

6. Ann's view of cages has also led to a strong antipathy toward zoos. If Ann had (i) ----- over all the zoos in the world, she would make them illegal and (ii) ----- all the animals from their captivity. Many people will argue that zoos protect animals, but Ann scoffs at this idea, saying it's preposterous because animals often die when they are being trapped for zoos or shipped to zoos. She believes that the most (iii) ----- life in the wild is preferable to the safest life in captivity.

Blank i	Blank ii	Blank iii
A. antipathy	D. impede	G. precarious
B. travesty	E. advocate	H. notorious
C. jurisdiction	F. emancipate	I. cursory

**For each of Questions 7- 8, select the TWO answer choices that when used to complete the sentence blank, fit the meaning of the sentence as a whole and produce completed sentences that are alike in meaning.**

7. No one is neutral about Stephens; he inspires either uncritical adulation or profound ----- in those who work for him.

- (A) antipathy
- (B) jurisdiction
- (C) idiosyncrasy
- (D) antagonism
- (E) authority
- (F) quirk

8. While the movie *Spellbound* is in many ways a glowing testimonial to the powers of psychoanalysis to overcome the evils of unreason, its portrait of the analytic profession is not entirely -----.

- (A) preposterous
- (B) commendatory
- (C) complimentary
- (D) notorious
- (E) ridiculous
- (F) infamous