**Unit 7 Review & Test**

**For each of Questions 1-8, select one entry for each blank from the corresponding column of choices.**

1. At the annual meeting of International Global Ltd., the members of the board and

    the top administration were seated around the huge mahogany table in the third

    floor conference room. All of the junior staffers were ---------- the folding chairs

    along the wall.

A. assimilated into

B. imposed on

C. relegated to

D. reinstated in

E. infringed on

2. The economics professor had a plan to discourage her ---------- students who though

     blandishments would get them higher grades: any wheedling student would have

     to complete an additional 15-page research paper by the end of the semester.

A. insidious

B. incipient

C. subversive

D. facile

E. obsequious

3. Dean always seemed to go along with the group and changed his opinion to

     complement those around him, and this ---------- nature often irritated his friend.

A. omnipotent

B. malleable

C. impeccable

D. staunch

E. unilateral

4. The misapprehensions that lemmings commit mass suicide by jumping off cliffs

     has been fostered by legends, films, and television commercials; one reason people

     believe the myth may be that lemmings are ---------- to Scandinavia, a region with

     an unusually high suicide rate.

A. indigenous

B. limitless

C. inherent

D. sympathetic

E. holistic

5. The judge decided to hold sentencing in ---------- until the convicted person’s

     counsel could arrange for character witnesses.

A. denunciation

B. disparity

C. antipathy

D. premonition

E. abeyance

6. Haile Selasie, the Emperor of Ethiopia for the most of the twentieth century,

     blamed the rise of evil on the (i) ---------- of people who, because they were no party

     to the events, showed no concern for the (ii) ---------- of the downtrodden.

**Blank (i)                                        (Blank ii)**

A.  approbation                              D. retribution

     B.  impetus                                       E. plight

    C.  nonchalance                              F. hunch

7. This recent evaluation of two artists whose works even experts find difficult to

     distinguish reveals a surprising (i) ----------  in their temperaments: Palmer was

     reserved and courteous, Frazer (ii) ----------  and boastful.

**Blank (i)                                        (Blank ii)**

     A.  disparity                                   D. opportune

     B.  yardstick                                   E. proficient

     C.  ascendancy                              F. choleric

8. Herbert was unable to (i)\_\_\_\_ the results of the survey; (ii) ---------- entirely

     unexpected, the figures were obtained by a market research firm with an

     (iii)---------- reputation.

**Blank (i)**                                     **(Blank ii)                      (Blank iii)**

    A.  exude                                       D. unless                         G. impeccable

    B.   deny                                         E.  whereas                   H. officious

    C.  berate                                       F.  although                   I. unassuming

**For each of Questions 9- 10, 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.**

9. Even though the auditors ---------- the accountant, his reputation, hitherto

     unblemished, was darkened by the allegations of fraud.

A. forestalled

B. exonerated

C. demoted

D. vindicated

E. emancipated

F. adumbrated

10. The courtiers of the time had to be ---------- in order to survive in an atmosphere

       where the least sign of rebellion could lead to banishment or worse.

A. omnipotent

B. obedient

C. sympathetic

D. obsequious

E. belligerent

F. officious

**Question 11 is based on this passage.**

        Governments have only one response to public criticism of socially necessary services: regulation of the activity of providing those services. But governments inevitably make the activity more expensive by regulating it, and that is particularly troublesome in these times of strained financial resources. However, since public criticism of child-care services has undermined all confidence in such services, and since such services are socially necessary, the government is certain to respond.

**11. Which one of the following statements can be inferred from the**

**passage?**

(A) The quality of child care will improve.

(B) The cost of providing child-care services will increase.

(C) The government will use funding to foster advances in child care.

(D) If public criticism of policy is strongly voiced, the government is certain to

       respond.

(E) If child-care services are not regulated, the cost of providing child care will not

       increase.

**Question 12 is based on this passage.**

**12. Which of the following best completes the passage below?**

Established companies concentrate on defending what they already have. Consequently, they tend not to be innovative themselves and tend to underestimate the effects of the innovations of others. The clearest example of this defensive strategy is the fact that -------.

(A) ballpoint pens and soft-tip markers have eliminated the traditional market for

        fountain pens, clearing the way for the marketing of fountain pens as luxury or

        prestige items

(B) a highly successful automobile was introduced by the same company that had

      earlier introduced a model that had been a dismal failure

(C) a once-successful manufacturer of slide rules reacted to the introduction of

       electronic calculators by trying to make better slide rules

(D) one of the first models of modern accounting machines, designed for use in the

       banking industry, was purchased by a public library as well as by banks

(E) the inventor of a commonly used anesthetic did not intend the product to be used

       by dentists, who currently account for almost the entire market for that drug

**Question 13 is based on this passage.**

**13. Which of the following best completes the argument below?**

One effect of the introduction of the electric refrigerator was a collapse in the market for ice. Formerly householders had bought ice to keep their iceboxes cool and the food stored in the iceboxes fresh. Now the iceboxes cool themselves. Similarly, the introduction of crops genetically engineered to be resistant to pests will ----------.

(A) increase the size of crop harvests

(B) increase the cost of seeds

(C) reduce demand for chemical pesticides

(D) reduce the value of farmland

(E) reduce the number of farmers keeping livestock

**Questions 14-16 are based on this passage.**

Immediately relevant to game theory are the sex ratios in certain parasitic wasp species that have a large excess of females. In these species, fertilized eggs develop into females and unfertilized eggs into males. A female stores sperm and can determine the sex of each egg she lays by fertilizing it or leaving it unfertilized. By Fisher‘s genetic argument that the sex ratio will be favored which maximizes the number of descendants an individual will have and hence the number of gene copies transmitted, it should pay a female to produce equal numbers of sons and daughters. Hamilton, noting that the eggs develop within their host—the larva of another  insect—and that the newly emerged adult wasps mate immediately and disperse, offered a remarkably cogent analysis. Since only one female usually lays eggs in a given larva, it would pay her to produce one male only, because this one male could fertilize all his sisters on emergence. Like Fisher, Hamilton looked for an evolutionarily stable strategy, but he went a step further in recognizing that he was looking for a strategy.

14. The author suggests that the work of Fisher and Hamilton was similar in that

       both scientists

 A. conducted their research at approximately the same time

 B. sought to manipulate the sex ratios of some of the animals they studied

 C. sought an explanation of why certain sex ratios exist and remain stable

 D. studied game theory, thereby providing important groundwork for the later

      development of strategy theory

 E. studied reproduction in the same animal species

**For the following question, consider each of the choices separately**

**and select all that apply.**

15. The passage contains information that would answer which of the following

        questions about wasps?

A. How many eggs does the female wasp usually lay in a single host larva?

B. Can some species of wasp determine sex ratios among their offspring?

C. What is the approximate sex ratio among the offspring of parasitic wasps?

16. Which of the following is NOT true of the species of parasitic wasps discussed in

        the passage?

 A. Adult female wasps are capable of storing sperm.

 B. Female wasps lay their eggs in the larvae of other insects.

 C. The adult female wasp can be fertilized by a male that was hatched in the same

      larva as herself.

 D. So few male wasps are produced that extinction is almost certain.

 E. Male wasps do not emerge from their hosts until they reach sexual maturity.

**Questions 17-18 are based on this passage.**

The dark regions in the starry night sky are not pockets in the universe that are devoid of stars as had long been thought. Rather, they are dark because of interstellar dust that hides the stars behind it. Although its visual effect is so pronounced, dust is only a minor constituent of the material, extremely low in density, that lies between the stars. The average density of interstellar material in the vicinity of our Sun is 1,000 to 10,000 times less than the best terrestrial laboratory vacuum. It is only because of the enormous interstellar distances that so little material per unit of volume becomes so significant. Optical astronomy is most directly affected, for although interstellar gas is perfectly transparent, the dust is not.

**For the following question, consider each of the choices separately**

**and select all that apply.**

17. According to the passage, which of the following is a direct perceptual

       consequence of  interstellar dust EXCEPT?

A. Some stars are rendered invisible to observers on Earth.

B. Many visible stars are made to seem brighter than they really are.

C. The dust is conspicuously visible against a background of bright stars.

18. It can be inferred from the passage that it is because space is so vast that

A. little of the interstellar material in it seems substantial

B. normal units of volume seem futile for measurements of density

C. stars can be far enough from Earth to be obscured even by very sparsely

     distributed matter

D. interstellar gases can, for all practical purposes, be regarded as transparent

E. optical astronomy would be of little use even if no interstellar dust existed

**Answer key:** 1. C     2. E  3.B       4. A        5. E       6. C/E       7. A/F    8.B/F/G     9. B/D

                      10.B/D     11. B     12. C       13. C      14. C     15. B    16. D

                      17.B/C           18. C