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Exercise 5: ARTICLE

Questions 1 to 3 refer to the following article.

To help pay for infrastructure improvements, Governor Bill Anderson (1)_____ a \$1 increase on the

1.

- ☐ A. will approve
- ☒ B. has approved ✓
- ☐ C. is approving
- ☐ D. would approve

toll fee for vehicles entering the western turnpikes. The governor's decision took effect last week. It is expected that an amount of \$80 million dollars will be generated from the increase this year and will be used to repair the state's turnpike system. (2)____, the Transport Authority is now scheduling tunnel

2.

- ☐ A. Instead
- ☐ B. Before
- ☒ C. Accordingly ✓
- ☐ D. Similarly

and road renovations to ensure drivers' convenience and safety.

In a press conference held last week, Governor Anderson addressed the motorists' concerns. He said that although the toll fee increase is (3)____, he believes that it will improve road and

3.

- ☒ A. insufficient ✗
- ☐ B. unstable
- ☐ C. inefficient
- ☐ D. unpopular

traffic conditions for all drivers using the turnpike.

Questions 4-6 refer to the following article.

Historic judge resigns

Judge U.W. Clemon, the first black federal judge in Alabama, resigned after serving the state for almost 30 years. (4)_____ his years of service, Clemon presided over many civil and equal rights cases.

4.

- ☐ A. Against
- ☒ B. Throughout ✓
- ☐ C. Since
- ☐ D. Until

Clemon will join Birmingham law firm, White Arnold & Dowd P.C. Sunday, practicing civil and criminal law. "It's a win-win situation, because we pick up somebody with variance of history and knowledge, and it suits the nature of our firm," said Mark White, a shareholder of White Arnold & Dowd. Clemon said he is eagerly (5)_____ joining the firm.

5.

- ☐ A. anticipating
- ☐ B. regretting
- ☒ C. waiting ✓
- ☐ D. wishing

"It has an impressive clientele, and its lawyers do great work," he said.

White said everyone (6)_____ about Clemon joining the firm and the experience he brings with him.

6.

- ☐ A. exciting
- ☐ B. excites
- ☐ C. was exciting
- ☒ D. is excited ✓

Questions 7-10 refer to the following article.

"For our young lawyers, he's a human encyclopedia," White said.

Over the last few months, we have received (7) _____ letters from readers, asking us where they can

7.

- ☐ A. much
- ☐ B. lots
- ☐ C. numbers of
- ☒ D. a lot of ✓

buy some of the items that have been on display in the background of a number of our fashion features. It almost seems that the furnishings and decorative items from those photo shoots have (8) _____ interest than the clothes themselves.

8.

- ☒ A. aroused more ✓
- ☐ B. aroused
- ☐ C. provoked
- ☐ D. made more

For this reason you will notice that, starting on page 78 of this month's edition, we have introduced a new feature entitled "Where can I buy...?" This new section will appear immediately after our main fashion photo feature each month. We will be listing the designers and manufacturers for just about everything you can see in each photo, and we will be giving you the numbers and websites you need to find out more. Many of these items will be made available at a (9) _____ to magazine subscribers.

9.

- ☐ A. bargain
- ☐ B. price off
- ☐ C. major retailer
- ☒ D. discount ✓

All the more reason to take out a subscription! Take a (10) _____ and let us know what you think.

10.

- ☒ A. look ✓
- ☐ B. seat
- ☐ C. rest
- ☐ D. time

Questions 11-13 refer to the following article.

Increasing Fuel Prices Are Everybody's Concern

The price of gasoline has been on the rise for the last few months, and there is no sign of end to this

fuel increase, experts report. The (11)_____ rises are prompting worries from local retailers, not to mention customers.

11.

- ☐ A. immediate
- ☒ B. latest ✓
- ☐ C. shortest
- ☐ D. original

According to Dr. Griff Campbell, a professor at McCall University and a prominent economy specialist, (12)_____ gasoline prices are attributable to higher crude oil prices. He also adds

12.

- ☐ A. rising
- ☐ B. rose
- ☐ C. rise
- ☒ D. risen ✗

that higher fuel prices can lead to undesirable effects on the national economy and might cause inflation. This phenomenon is expected to continue during the end of 2008. Although the impact on the general public seems less severe, the (13)_____ on businesses in shipping and public transport will be evident.

13.

- ☐ A. effected
- ☐ B. effective
- ☒ C. effect ✓
- ☐ D. affect

"This, in turn, will eventually force those business owners to charge their customers higher fees if they want to make profits and maintain their businesses" said Dr. Campbell.

Questions 14-16 refer to the following article.

"Doing Business in Thailand"

For those who are interested in doing business in Thailand

The American Chamber of Commerce has created a highly detailed and (14)_____ guide

14.

- ☒ A. comprehensive ✓
- ☐ B. redundant
- ☐ C. apparent
- ☐ D. variable

that should be treated like a bible by anyone looking to start up a business in Thai land.

From guidance on how to establish an office to the legal and financial aspects of a company, and

even including advice on the local media, the book covers it all. (15)_____ chapter is color-coded with statistical data, graphs, bar charts, and up-to-date listings.

15.

- ☐ A. All
- ☐ B. Any
- ☐ C. Such
- ☒ D. Each ✓

In a nutshell, this guide is tailored for a Thailand audience. It will make you feel (16)_____.

confident, and ready to get serious about starting a business.

16.

- ☐ A. know
- ☐ B. knowingly
- ☐ C. knowledge
- ☒ D. knowledgeable ✓

Questions 17-19 refer to the following article .

Pet Dislikes of Urban Life

According to a survey conducted by the city of Boston, traffic, pollution and noise were found to be the least (17)_____ aspects of living in the city.

17.

- ☒ A. desirable ✓
- ☐ B. erectable
- ☐ C. seasonable
- ☐ D. permissible

The (18)_____, administered as part of the city's local action plan, asked the citizens of Boston

18.

- ☐ A. conference
- ☐ B. lecture
- ☒ C. survey ✓
- ☐ D. discussion

about their likes and dislikes of their surroundings. The results of the survey communicated proximity (27.02 percent) and community character/ village feel (11.54 percent) to be at the top of the list of things most liked about city life. The respondents felt the protection or enhancement of heritage (16.1 percent) and open space (15.59 percent) were the two things they most desired the city to have.

On the other hand, traffic (10.22 percent), general noise (9.98 percent), and parking (7.52 percent) within the main core of the city were the (19)_____attractive parts of living in the city.

19.

- ☒ A. less ✓
- ☐ B. fewer
- ☐ C. a few
- ☐ D. least

Questions 20-22 refer to the following article.

AT THE MOVIES

Reviews by Elisa Reigns Ratings out of 5

STRAIGHT COP CROOKED COP

Canada's two official cultures clash (20)_____ an uptight, by-the-book police officer (Jerry Kirkland)

20.

- ☐ A. when
- ☐ B. despite
- ☒ C. because of ✗
- ☐ D. until

from Vancouver hooks up with a rule-breaking street cop from Quebec (Bruce Huard) for a drug-related murder investigation. The chemistry (21)_____ the lead actors is good, but the

21.

- ☐ A. within
- ☐ B. over
- ☒ C. between ✓
- ☐ D. along

outdated Canadian clichés displayed throughout the movie sometimes were a bit too much for the audience. The story line begins (22) ____ - but starts to lag on toward the latter half of the

22.

- ☐ A. fairly
- ☐ B. directly
- ☐ C. exactly
- ☒ D. quickly ✓

movie, and the plot was too obvious to receive a good rating.

Elisa Reigns