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课前阶段			
课前1天	视频课	-	关于12人班，你需要点开这个视频了解一下，让你更加了解课程，从而更轻松的提分。
阶段-1（第1-4天）			
课程主要讲解内容：时间矛盾及逻辑思维 用易懂、简洁的方式，让你理解填空整体解题思路及方法论。“妈妈从此再也不用担心我的逻辑。”			
第1天	直播一	10	填空整体解题思路及方法论 & 经典例题讲解
第2天	录播+练习	15	1星难度题目串讲
第3天	录播+练习	13	2星难度题目串讲
第4天	直播二	20	1星&2星难度题目解题技巧
阶段-2			
课程主要讲解内容：空间矛盾逻辑思维 难度高一点点，让你逐步感受到自己的进步。这个阶段将会让你感到痛苦，但你要记住，我们要把考GRE这事当回事，对自己更有担当！让我们一起努力干掉GRE。			
第5天	录播+练习	15	3星难度题目串讲
第6天	录播+练习	25	6选2专项串讲（一）
第7天	直播三	20	3星难度解题技巧
第8天	录播+练习	25	6选2专项串讲（二）
第9天	录播+练习	10	复合难度串讲（模考一）
阶段-3			
课程主要讲解内容：复合逻辑思维 难度再上一层楼！题目难度对大家来说只是浮云，坚持、努力才是王道。怎么，都坚持那么多天了，还有几天岂不是轻轻松松？一起搞起来！			
第10天	直播四	20	4星题目解题技巧
第11天	录播+练习	10	复合难度串讲（模考二）
第12天	录播+练习	10	复合难度串讲（模考三）
第13天	直播五	23	复合难度题目解题技巧
第14天	录播+练习	10	复合难度串讲（模考四）

【Day-1】填空整体解题思路及方法论 & 经典例题讲解

1. Throughout the High Middle Ages, the English government became increasingly ____: the document produced in the eleventh century could be placed on one large table, while the documents produced in the thirteenth fill whole rooms.
A. despotic
B. ceremonial
C. aristocratic
D. prolix
E. insular
2. The Labrador duck is one of the most ____ extinct birds: although there are a fair number of specimens, few have yielded reliable data and little is known about the species' breeding patterns.
A. anomalous
B. controversial
C. enigmatic
D. misrepresented
E. cherished
3. The maps in this volume are meant not as guides but as ____: they are designed to make the reader think anew about the city.
A. adornments
B. references
C. truisms
D. provocations
E. valedictions
4. Common and easily accessible resources (prey for predators or hosts for parasites) should be, all other things being equal, used frequently, yet in some environments apparently accessible and suitable resources remain _____.
A. vulnerable
B. unobtainable
C. sustainable
D. depleted
E. unexploited
5. Notwithstanding that the ____ of local branch banks has been so much predicted, in most countries the number of branch banks has increased over the past decade.
A. resurgence
B. proliferation
C. demise
D. profitability
E. reorganization

6. For the urban researcher, the long lives of ancient cities can provide ample chronological data, making up for the paucity stemming from relative _____ of most present-day cities.

- A. complexity
- B. formlessness
- C. transparency
- D. diversity
- E. youthfulness

7. Computers have become adept in rarefied domains once thought to be uniquely human. However, they simultaneously have (i)_____ certain tasks basic to the human experience, including spatial orientation and object recognition, and in so doing, have shown us how (ii)_____ such fundamental skills truly are.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. failed to master	D. outmoded
B. helped to improve	E. common
C. managed to mimic	F. impressive

8. Researchers note that wolves' otherwise strongly hierarchical society is marked by occasional displays of populist (i)_____ if a pack leader proves a too-snappish tyrant, subordinate wolves will (ii)_____ the top cur.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. umbrage	D. collectively overthrow
B. expiation	E. eventually placate
C. torpor	F. quickly appraise

9. Proponents of international regulation of environmental issues have always struggled against scientific uncertainty and economic hostility. The two obstacles, from a political standpoint, often have been closely related, as economic hostile toward environmental regulation for economic reasons have (i)_____ the considerable scientific uncertainty underlying most environmental challenges to (ii)_____ of environmental regulation.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. resolved	D. exaggerate the efficacy
B. gainsaid	E. downplay the legitimacy
C. exploited	F. question the fallibility

10. Recent years have seen a disheartening string of revelations in which everyday items once considered (i)_____ are found to contain (ii)_____ chemicals.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. ubiquitous	D. benign
B. innocuous	E. complex
C. insalubrious	F. baneful

【Day-2】1 星难度题目串讲

1. The Labrador duck is one of the most _____ extinct birds: although there are a fair number of specimens, few have yielded reliable data and little is known about the species' breeding patterns.
A. anomalous
B. controversial
C. enigmatic
D. misrepresented
E. cherished

2. Baker set a new standard for explaining difficult art in language the public could understand; consequently, her books remain exemplars of _____ in art-historical analysis.
A. fashion
B. rigor
C. lucidity
D. erudition
E. grandiosity

3. _____ is valuable in science, even when a scientific idea is true, it can be misused through grandiosity.
A. Humility
B. Experimentation
C. Patience
D. Cooperation
E. Exposure

4. Even months after massive storm, there remained a heavy, suspended sediment load in the surface water overlying the coral reef, the _____ water a testament to the storm's effects.
A. turbid
B. stagnant
C. fathomless
D. turbulent
E. brackish

5. Like all general models, island biogeography theory is _____ reality, capturing just a few important elements of a system while ignoring many others.
A. an adjunct to
B. an improvement on
C. a mirror of
D. a corollary to
E. a simplification of

6. The threat of litigation makes the art authentication industry _____ realm: connoisseurs refuse to communicate in writing and confidential agreements bind authenticators to silence.
- A. an opportunistic
 - B. a clandestine
 - C. a moralizing
 - D. a xenophobic
 - E. an anarchistic
7. Nylenna's study showed that errors in scientific manuscripts submitted for publication often escape reviewer's notice, results that were not _____: when Godlee conducted a study of the same phenomenon, her findings were similar.
- A. credible
 - B. unwelcome
 - C. anomalous
 - D. quantifiable
 - E. consequential
8. By cosmic standards, Earth and its fellow terrestrial planets are chemical _____: they consist of primarily four elements(iron, magnesium, silicon, and oxygen) that are rare elsewhere in the universe.
- A. prototypes
 - B. mavericks
 - C. malefactors
 - D. paragons
 - E. old-timers
9. The evidence depicts an _____ system of tree inspections and care, one in which the crucial job of spotting dangers is left to untrained workers, and essential repairs and pruning are delayed to save money.
- A. overeager
 - B. ineffective
 - C. uneconomical
 - D. unflagging
 - E. intuitive
10. There is _____ in the director's most recent film that keeps the melodramatic possibilities latent in its script safely at bay.
- A. a mawkishness
 - B. a predictability
 - C. an austerity
 - D. an ostentatiousness
 - E. an emotiveness

11. Journalist Michael Pollan is nothing if not (i)_____, committed to investigating our eating habits through (ii)_____ and unwilling to pass judgment on any food-related practice that he has not witnessed firsthand or even joined in.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. an empiricist	D. brilliant theorizing
B. a traditionalist	E. voluminous reading
C. an enthusiast	F. careful observation

12. The museum's compelling new architectural exhibition looks at eleven projects around the world that have had major (i)_____ impacts despite modest budgets. It is part of (ii)_____ in the museum's architecture and design department, which in the past has championed architecture's artistic value over its real-world consequences.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. social	D. an emphasis on theory
B. aesthetic	E. a shift in philosophy
C. critical	F. a rejection of pragmatism

13. A (i)_____ to disseminate the vast scientific knowledge of our time to nonscientists shows real (ii)_____ the magnificent achievement humanity is capable of, like allowing a great work of art to molder in a warehouse.

Blank(i)	Blank (ii)
A. failure	D. pretentious regarding
B. plan	E. sympathy toward
C. willing	F. indifference to

14. Since fibromyalgia's symptoms can be (i)_____ and can (ii)_____ other disorder, and its diagnosis depends largely on patients' descriptions rather than blood tests or biopsies, fibromyalgia's cause and treatment have been the subject of much debate.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. wide-ranging	D. mimic
B. distinctive	E. illuminate
C. debilitating	F. preclude

15. Despite the abundance and importance of maize, its biological origin has been a long-running mystery. The bright yellow, mouth-watering treat does not grow in the wild anywhere on the planet, so its (i)_____ is not at all (ii)_____.

A. utility	D. helpful
B. popularity	E. important
C. ancestry	F. obvious

【Day-3】2 星难度题目串讲

1. Fears that the recent sharp rise in oil prices is an indication that oil is running out appear to be (i)_____. The Middle East still contains vast oil supplies. Even (ii)_____ than in the past, substantial quantities of oil can be profitably stripped from tar and shale.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. contagious	D. less frequent
B. unfounded	E. more accessible
C. sagacious	F. less publicized

2. Standard thermal evolution models of giant planets employ initial conditions that are, to some extent, arbitrarily chosen, selected more for computational expediency than for physical accuracy. Since eventually the initial conditions (i)_____ the evolving planet, this approach is more (ii)_____ for mature planets than it is for young planets.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. become irrelevant to	D. involved
B. are recreated by	E. unpredictable
C. enforce constraints on	F. valid

3. According to Dr. Edith Widder, measuring the level of pollutant in sediment provides a more accurate and robust indication of an estuary's health than does measuring the level of chemicals in the water, since pollution in water is (i)_____, but pollution in sediment is (ii)_____.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. declining	D. significant
B. manageable	E. persistent
C. transient	F. detectable

4. Because it is discussed by humanities scholars from diverse disciplinary backgrounds, "affect" has been (i)_____ defined; nonetheless there has been (ii)_____ the terms "emotion" and "affect" across academic writing in the humanities.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. clearly	D. a paucity of interest in
B. variously	E. a variety of interpretations of
C. narrowly	F. a consistent distinction between

5. Unlike the elected branches of the United States government, where making personal connection with citizens is (i)_____ and almost (ii)_____ political efficacy, the United States Supreme Court continues to maintain that its members should communicate with the public almost exclusively through formal opinions---and even then through ceremonial rituals that date back to the nineteenth century.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. frowned upon	D. a requirement for
B. rampant	E. a detriment to
C. disregarded	F. an irrelevance to

6. For decades, economic ideas have been (i)_____ political purpose. Economists, for example, have peddled their theories as a way of gaining public prominence or political appointment, while politicians have (ii)_____ economic doctrines as possible solutions to the nation's social problems.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. undermined by	D. rejected
B. inspired by	E. ignored
C. exploited for	F. promoted

7. Biologists have little (i)_____ drawing the link between the success of humanity and human (ii)_____. Indeed, many biologists claim that this attribute, the ability to (iii)_____, or, to put it more sharply, to make individuals subordinate their self-interest to the needs of the group, lies at the root of human achievement.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. consensus regarding	D. resilience	G. reflect
B. compunction about	E. sociability	H. communicate
C. justification for	F. uniqueness	I. cooperate

8. The historian of ancient science Otto Neugebauer concluded that Babylonian astronomical texts are (i)_____ because everything has been eliminated from the astronomy except observations and the mathematical consequences of an initial hypothesis about the fundamental character of the astronomical movements. This judgment cohered with the high level of mathematical theory, which (ii)_____ mathematical computation together with empirical observation as (iii)_____ of science and denied any role to speculative hypotheses of a strongly theoretical nature.

Blank(i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. questionable	D. repudiated	G. end result
B. scientific	E. admitted	H. necessary characteristics
C. limited	F. confounded	I. discredited path

9. The skin of the poison dart frog contains deadly poisons called batrachotoxins. But the (i)_____ of the toxins has remained an enigma, as the frog does not (ii)_____ them. Now an analysis suggests that the melyrid beetle is the source. Collected beetle specimens all contained batrachotoxins, suggesting that these beetles are (iii)_____ by the frogs.

Blank(i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. effect	D. pressure	G. eaten
B. origin	E. produce	H. neutralized
C. purpose	F. suffer from	I. poisoned

10. There are two opposing theories about mountain formation and climate over the past 40 million years: either the surge of mountain building (i)_____ the global cooling, or vice versa. The first of these two theories asserts that widespread mountain building cooled the earth as result of (ii)_____ mountains and climate. For example, mountain glaciers tend to be (iii)_____: once established, they increase the reflectivity of the surface, thus lowering temperatures and allowing more ice to form.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. superseded	D. disparity between	G. unpredictable
B. halted	E. feedback between	H. static
C. caused	F. complexity of	I. self-perpetuating

11. Galaxy Zoo set a standard for citizen-scientist participation project. Zealous volunteers (i)_____ the project's organizers by classifying an entire catalog of galaxies years ahead of schedule. (ii)_____ by the (iii)_____ of the volunteers, the Galaxy Zoo team was inspired to pursue lines of research they had never even imagined

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. beguiled	D. Baffled	G. insouciance
B. forestalled	E. Buoyed	H. stoicism
C. astonished	F. Embarrassed	I. alacrity

12. For Plato the art of music was so (i)_____ moral and political reality that any alteration to music system would necessarily require a corresponding political shift. But two and a half millennia later, when classical music is generally seem merely as a lifestyle accessory, Plato's conception seems (ii)_____. To be sure, there are still people who consider classical music to be of (iii)_____ cultural importance, but few of them are able to articulate this convincingly.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. rarely identified with	D. apt	G. marginal
B. tenuously connected to	E. absurd	H. profound
C. firmly anchored in	F. disingenuous	I. uncertain

13. Now that photographic prints have become a popular field for collecting, auctions are becoming more (i)_____. It is not just the entry of new collectors into the field that is causing this intensification. Established collectors' interests are also becoming more (ii)_____. Those who once concentrated on the work of either the nineteenth-century pioneers or the twentieth-century modernists are now keen to have (iii)_____ collections.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. competitive	D. fickle	G. comprehensive
B. tedious	E. wide-ranging	H. legitimate
C. exclusive	F. antiquarian	I. impressive

【Day-4】1 星&2 星难度题目解题技巧

1. She constantly _____ herself for not living up to her own ideals—for not working hard enough or not having motives that were pure enough.

- A. exalted
- B. coddled
- C. excoriated
- D. mollified
- E. deluded

2. Motivation is the hardest of all managerial tasks, and it is _____ to expect a single memo, no matter how well crafted, to have much effect on the staff's attitude.

- A. ingenious
- B. reasonable
- C. fanciful
- D. scrupulous
- E. radical

3. The theory that the 1908 Tunguska event was the explosion of a cosmic body in the sky over Siberia is _____: no one has yet found fragments of the object or any impact craters in the affected region.

- A. long-standing
- B. indisputable
- C. plausible
- D. uncontested
- E. unproven

4. Argument may be an overly (i)_____ word to apply to the gossamer contrivance that is *A Summer of Hummingbirds*. In what seems a self-conscious (ii)_____ of its mascot the book flits from one subject or moment in history to another, following the various whims of its author.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. archaic	D. repudiation
B. imprecise	E. emulation
C. robust	F. misrepresentation

5. The author clearly supports the causes he writes about, but he is more a narrator than (i)_____. Some say he should have included more (ii)_____, but he is wise to let the fact speak for themselves. They are complex enough to prompt many kinds of interpretation, and he would bog down the complicated tale if he tried to adjudicate all of their competing claims.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. a reporter	D. statistical data
B. an advocate	E. analysis of events
C. an adversary	F. detailed descriptions

6. Invention was (i)_____ the work of the ancient Greek historians, whose writings were filled with long and often purely fictitious speeches by great historical figures. The animating force in historical writing was rhetoric rather than (ii)_____. Even well into the eighteenth century, not a few historians continued to understand themselves as artists, given a license to invent.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. discouraged in	D. eloquence
B. a hallmark of	E. evidence
C. exceptional in	F. imagination

7. Many scholars have argued that the United States Supreme Court usually (i)_____ public opinion in its decisions because it fears that it will (ii)_____ if does not, when it does depart from public opinion, it whips up political maelstroms.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. comments on	D. lose public support
B. hews to	E. mitigate public anger
C. overrides	F. create public indifference

8. As cheaper imports drove most California potteries out of business during the 1950s, one company (i)_____. The substantial size and weight of the specialized products produced by Architectural Pottery helped (ii)_____ the company, because it was uneconomical for foreign companies to ship similarly large objects to California.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. stagnated	D. transform
B. diversified	E. insulate
C. flourished	F. finance

9. Hyana Kusiemko and her colleagues speculate that the (i)_____ support among low-income works for increases in the minimum wage is a form of last-place aversion: people who are in a marginally better position than the worst off seek to (ii)_____ to distinguish themselves from those in last place.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. unwavering	D. disavow their willingness
B. vociferous	E. retain their ability
C. tepid	F. dissemble their need

10. For many adults, the adolescent years occupy (i)_____ place in the memory, which to some degree is even quantifiable: give a grown adult a series of random prompts and cues, odds are he or she will recall (ii)_____ number of memories from adolescence.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. a peripheral	D. a disproportionate
B. a privileged	E. a modest
C. an arbitrary	F. an uncertain

11. Paintings created in India during the Mughal dynasty were _____ in ambition but ornamental in presentation: in one direction they have an affinity with newspaper photographs, while in the other they have the intricacy of jewels.

- A. metaphorical
- B. documentary
- C. aesthetic
- D. sectarian
- E. baroque

12. In one theory, as people learn things throughout the day, connections between neurons get strengthened, but during sleep then all synapses are weakened, tenuous connections are _____ and only the strongest bonds could remain.

- A. reinforced
- B. reproduced
- C. replaced
- D. stimulated
- E. severed

13. The novel's heroine shows a remarkable (i)_____ to worship at the altar of youth, in her world, youth is (ii)_____, while age, by contrast, confers competence and wisdom.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. disinclination	D. incredulous
B. desire	E. sagacious
C. tendency	F. callow

14. Conventional deposits of oil and gas are actually the final resting place of far-traveled hydrocarbons that were (i)_____ deeper source beds of organic-rich rock. By contrast, shale gas (ii)_____ its birthplace, remaining in the source bed whose organic matter produced the gas.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. trapped in	D. never leaves
B. generated in	E. swiftly escapes from
C. bound for	F. rarely stays in

15. To abolish the existence of nation-states is neither feasible nor desirable; but insofar as there are collective interest that transcend national boundaries, the (i)_____ of nation-states must be (ii)_____ to international institutions.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. sovereignty	D. subordinated
B. traditions	E. attributable
C. genealogy	F. analogous

16. The meandering journey across the soundscape of the Internet can be (i)_____. Listening to music in this medium often generates anxiety fulfillment: no sooner has one experience begun than the thought of what else is out there intrudes. Putting an old-fashioned disk and letting it play to the end restore a measure of (ii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. liberating	D. choice
B. taxing	E. boredom
C. educational	F. sanity

18. As the pace of the trial (i)_____, the wait at the beginning of the day became less interminable, and the attorneys' requests to suspend proceeding for private conferences with the judge, almost invariably granted early on, were routinely (ii)_____.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. slowed	D. rebuff
B. materialized	E. repeated
C. accelerated	F. recounted

19. Internet in creating handheld computers is fueled by the desire to shrink the size of the electronic circuitry and to create exceptionally small mechanical systems. At this scale, however, physical (i)_____ poses unique challenges. Machining, positioning, and assembling parts by hand are easy at macroscopic scales, but at minute scales these abilities are far from (ii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. deterioration	D. subtle
B. manipulation	E. inflexible
C. durability	F. routine

20. There is a somewhat (i)_____ trend emerging in property law today: though property law historically has been used to legitimize the conquest of indigenous lands, indigenous groups worldwide are now (ii)_____ this same body of law to lay claim to their own cultural resources.

Blank(i)	Bland(ii)
A. ironic	D. circumventing
B. untimely	E. employing
C. redundant	F. invalidating

【Day-5】3 星难度题目串讲

1. If the African farmers face a soil fertility problem, providing funding for fertilizer seems _____.: closer examination of data raises some troubling questions, however.
A. imprudent
B. expensive
C. unimpeachable
D. modern
E. worrisome
2. Given the many thematic strands that the book seeks to draw together into a continuous cord of narrative, it is perforce work of _____, which is not to say that the author's research fails to provide sufficient detail about each of his chosen themes.
A. synthesis
B. conjecture
C. analysis
D. reconstruction
E. accretion
3. Physicists' opinions diverge on whether the unexpected phenomena that can occur in systems more complex than individual particles represent new physical principles, or whether the principles involved are _____, in that they rely, albeit in an extremely complicated way, on known physical principles.
A. extraneous
B. inexpressible
C. derivative
D. heterogeneous
E. uncorrelated
4. From its nineteenth-century beginnings onward, photography was often tasked with providing _____ images of individuals, yet at the same time, photographs were prized for their perceived realism and truthfulness.
A. recognizable
B. candid
C. idealized
D. replicable
E. detailed
5. History teaches us that science is not _____ enterprise, indeed, it is quite the opposite, a motley assortment of tools designed to safeguard researchers against their own biases.
A. an opportunistic
B. an anomalous
C. a haphazard
D. a collective
E. a monolithic

6. Recently released statistics on the prevalence of heart disease in the United States, while (i)_____, nevertheless reflect a decline from heights reached in the 1960s, before health officials began publicly (ii)_____ people to guard against heart disease.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. definitive	D. entreating
B. sobering	E. defying
C. implausible	F. absolving

7. Scientists suspect that athletes may experience augmented bloodstream levels of the hormone oxytocin during competition. (i)_____ considerations, however, make it difficult to (ii)_____ oxytocin levels during sports events: few will willingly interrupt play in the middle of a game in order for scientists to test players' blood.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. Practical	D. predict fluctuations
B. Theoretical	E. quantify changes in
C. Ethical	F. trigger elevation of

8. It was not until 1995 that a planet beyond our solar system was first sighted, a discovery that greatly excited astronomers. Many had supposed that the processes that gave rise to our solar system were not (i)_____, and that there were other planets in the universe. Now, observations had (ii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. manifest	D. caught up with belief
B. replicable	E. provided grounds for skepticism
C. unique	F. put assumptions to the test

9. The author paints a rather dark picture of book publishing as a hidebound industry, one that is facing a profound change in its mode of production but is so (i)_____ its past as to be (ii)_____ opportunities offered by technological change.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. alienated from	D. eager to exploit
B. emboldened by	E. unable to seize
C. encumbered by	F. forced to reconsider

10. When the United States government created the Post Office at the founding of the republic, it didn't invite rival postal firms to compete; in fact, it created a monopoly. That monopoly, however, was (i)_____ free expression because of policies Congress adopted, which (ii)_____ the circulation of newspapers irrespective of their viewpoint and spread postal service throughout the country.

Blank(i)	Bland(ii)
A. conducive to	D. subsidized
B. threatened by	E. limited
C. dependent on	F. trivialized

11. Many of the towns that have voted to keep incinerators in the county's solid waste plan have done so not because they necessarily (i)_____ incinerators, but because they are (ii)_____ to narrow their waste-disposal options.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. question	D. willing
B. favor	E. eager
C. oppose	F. loath

12. For many years, Americans have had a love affair with ferryboats. Ferries are said to relieve our frayed nerves after we've stewed in bumper-to-bumper traffic, and conventional wisdom also says ferries (i)_____ congestion and air pollution by getting us out of our cars. Unfortunately, this (ii)_____ notion recently has (iii)_____ several West Coast mayors, who have in consequence eagerly pursued the implementation of ferry service in their cities.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. contribute to	D. provocative	G. captivated
B. reduce	E. misguided	H. confused
C. cover up	F. cynical	I. outraged

13. With the emergence of scientific history-writing in the late nineteenth century, several authors sought to ignore the glowing myths surrounding George Washington and uncover the human being within, but their biographies were still (i)_____ enough that Washington remained a marbled and remote figure. Indeed, by the 1920s Washington had become such (ii)_____ personage that inevitably someone had to go to the other extreme and try to (iii)_____ the legend.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. ponderous	D. a deified	G. debunk
B. empirical	E. an ignored	H. aggrandize
C. laudatory	F. a misunderstood	I. reproduce

14. Most advocates of space exploration by the United States would not explicitly associate spaceflight with (i)_____, yet that belief is among the roots of arguments (ii)_____ human spaceflight---to seek utopia. Throughout United States history there has been (iii)_____, and many space advocates have used that notion to make their case for exploring and settling space.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. entertainment	D. questioning	G. a hostile region fit only for the most self-reliant
B. irrationality	E. analyzing	H. the ideal location for one to better oneself
C. utopia	F. promoting	I. a paradise corrupted by European civilization

15. The usual (i)_____ spending public monies on scientific projects is that such projects have the potential to make our lives healthier, safer, and more productive. However, the fact that science---even "pure" science---can strengthen democracy and promote public participation in the political process is hardly ever (ii)_____. It should be Scientific literacy (iii)_____ democracy, and this is an important ancillary benefit of the promotion of science.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. argument against	D. denied	G. stifles
B. rationale for	E. mentioned	H. energizes
C. precedent for	F. gainsaid	I. disregards

【Day-6】6 选 2 专项串讲 (一)

1. It is not unusual for American education leaders to hold up another nation as a model for school reform: in the mid-nineteenth century, such figures _____ the professionalism and structure of the Prussian school system.

- A. envied
- B. imitated
- C. hailed
- D. augmented
- E. acclaimed
- F. enhanced

2. The spacecraft's considerable heft forces an unusually _____ route that meanders through the solar system and depends on the gravitational pull of three heavenly bodies.

- A. predetermined
- B. circuitous
- C. indirect
- D. truncated
- E. shortened
- F. sequential

3. Ancient cave painters explored every surface, and although they bypassed certain walls that to us seem just as suitable for decoration as ones they chose, the placement of the art apparently wasn't_____.

- A. inconsequential
- B. capricious
- C. strenuous
- D. undisclosed
- E. arduous
- F. impulsive

4. The stories of silent drama may often have been _____, yet, within those broad outlines, the true artists among silent-film actors could express shadings that had no immediate analogue in language.

- A. implausible
- B. incredible
- C. conventional
- D. elemental
- E. rudimentary
- F. confusing

5. Any antimatter in our part of the universe is necessarily _____ because of the overwhelming preponderance of ordinary matter, by which antimatter is quickly annihilated.
- A. short-lived
 - B. nebulous
 - C. scarce
 - D. concrete
 - E. substantial
 - F. ephemeral
6. Although people often describe the correct trajectory for a thrown or moving object, their efforts to explain that trajectory in terms of physics can reveal _____ understanding of the forces acting on the object.
- A. a naïve
 - B. a subtle
 - C. a fallacious
 - D. an unsophisticated
 - E. a nuanced
 - F. a fresh
7. His own writing style was _____: colorful and tart in its choice of language, willing to run risks in its allusions, metaphors, and verbal juxtapositions, prone to irreverent conclusions designed to surprise or startle.
- A. effusive
 - B. audacious
 - C. lyrical
 - D. striking
 - E. ornate
 - F. emotional
8. The book aims to illuminate how science has changed the meaning of nothingness from _____ philosophical concept to something we can almost put under a microscope.
- A. a tangible
 - B. a palpable
 - C. a nebulous
 - D. a nettlesome
 - E. an incontrovertible
 - F. a vague
9. For certain economists, "pure" economic theory, that is, economic theory _____ a specific social structure, is impossible, much like a concept of anatomy that investigates no specific species.
- A. attuned to
 - B. abstracted from
 - C. derived from
 - D. divorced from
 - E. sensitive to
 - F. analyzed in

10. In their quest for kinder cutting, physicians increasingly rely on endoscopic surgery, replacing large scalpels and clamps with cameras and _____ tools that snake into the body through tiny holes.
- A. flexibility
 - B. rigidity
 - C. magnitude
 - D. suppleness
 - E. enormity
 - F. precision
11. For decades, Pluto seemed to be the mysteriously _____ planet: it was first thought to be about as large as Earth, but, subsequently, measurements had it smaller and smaller.
- A. morphing
 - B. appearing
 - C. dwindling
 - D. orbiting
 - E. contracting
 - F. emerging
12. Every illness is a story, and when Annie's began, it was characterized by the kinds of _____ details that mean nothing until seen in hindsight.
- A. salient
 - B. unexceptional
 - C. conspicuous
 - D. suggestive
 - E. abundant
 - F. nondescript
13. Peoples' decisions about childbearing depend on innumerable personal considerations and societal factors, yet even knowing this, demographers are often _____: their projections of birth rates frequently turn out to be embarrassingly at odds with reality.
- A. sanguine
 - B. flummoxed
 - C. inconsistent
 - D. overconfident
 - E. heartened
 - F. confounded
14. He was one of the most powerful chess players ever and one of the most _____: at the height of his fame he all but dropped out of chess, entering into a self-imposed exile.
- A. perplexing
 - B. creative
 - C. troubled
 - D. infuriating
 - E. enigmatic
 - F. imaginative

15. Consuming 25 to 35 percent of their body weight each day, sea otters are not only _____ but highly specialized eaters, organizing themselves into groups that zero in on specific kinds of prey.
- A. prodigious
 - B. indiscriminating
 - C. fastidious
 - D. picky
 - E. voracious
 - F. omnivorous
16. Although the company still loses the occasional lawsuit, the litigation threat that once seemed so _____ has become quite manageable.
- A. burdensome
 - B. pedestrian
 - C. sporadic
 - D. mundane
 - E. promising
 - F. onerous
17. Although most scientists hold that quantum theory and the theory of general relativity ought to be intimately connected, the theories have remained stubbornly _____.
- A. consistent
 - B. unlinked
 - C. self-contradictory
 - D. estranged
 - E. arbitrary
 - F. congruent
18. Despite its best efforts to stimulate sales, the bookselling business remains far from _____, for its has high fixed costs in wages and rent, and falling prices make these ever harder to.
- A. effective
 - B. healthy
 - C. innovative
 - D. robust
 - E. stingy
 - F. parsimonious
19. Experiments have shown that it is shockingly easy to elicit a sense of _____ among a group of strangers: just tell them they'll be working together as a team.
- A. dominance
 - B. hierarchy
 - C. obedience
 - D. solidarity
 - E. camaraderie
 - F. optimism

20. It is hardly _____ for today's film to try to blur the boundaries between the moral and the immoral. Hollywood has been doing that since at least the 1960s.
- A. entertaining
 - B. original
 - C. novel
 - D. pertinent
 - E. relevant
 - F. insightful
21. The current _____ of repackaged music under Miles Davis' name might prompt any reasonable person to conclude that the recording vault has been plundered bare.
- A. glut
 - B. revival
 - C. hodgepodge
 - D. surfeit
 - E. modicum
 - F. dearth
22. Individuals interested in longevity have sought to fine-tune their bodies with all kinds of _____ diets: only raw foods; only plants; only the flesh, fruit, and nuts that prehistoric humans would have hunted and foraged.
- A. eccentric
 - B. meager
 - C. salutary
 - D. proscriptive
 - E. trendy
 - F. exacting
23. The recent exhibition on Dadaism is nothing if not _____, for the visual arts are currently awash in Dadaism gestures and gambits of one variety or another.
- A. sensational
 - B. timely
 - C. daunting
 - D. ill-advised
 - E. opportune
 - F. misguided
24. Despite the general _____ of Roman archaeological studies toward the major cities and their monuments, archaeology has contributed much to a better understanding of rural developments in Roman territory.
- A. openness
 - B. indifference
 - C. hostility
 - D. animus
 - E. bias
 - F. orientation

25. Our mass media are much more fascinated by bad ideas or the failure of good ones than by successes: we drown in bad news—tales of how things went wrong—but we have only the most _____ discussion on how they might go right.

- A. incisive
- B. tantalizing
- C. trenchant
- D. cursory
- E. illusory
- F. perfunctory

【Day-7】3 星难度解题技巧

1. While the writer was best known for her much-ballyhooed _____, her impact reached far beyond memorable quips.
A. pensiveness
B. drollness
C. stoicism
D. fastidiousness
E. congeniality
2. Though we live in an era of stunning scientific achievement, many otherwise educated people remain indifferent to or contemptuous of such achievement, even going so far as to _____ their ignorance of basic physics.
A. decry
B. condone
C. remedy
D. boast of
E. downplay
3. Slight but _____ variation in the timing of the star's pulses led astronomers to deduce that it was being pulled backwards and forwards by three planets orbiting around it.
A. subtle
B. regular
C. undetectable
D. inconsequential
E. explicable
4. In a production process that is complex and often unpredictable, roles that start out discretely defined may become quite _____.
A. confused
B. perfunctory
C. independent
D. overt
E. exacting
5. Some ethicists worry that a deeper understanding of the brain may be tantamount to _____. if we discover that free will is an illusion of neural circuitry, how will we hold people responsible for their actions?
A. vindication
B. proscription
C. ministration
D. valediction
E. exculpation

6. There are something like 1,400 seed banks around the world, which guard samples of crop plants ranging from alfalfa to yams. But this agricultural archive is (i)_____ as a result of war, storms, scant money, and bad management, particularly in the world's most (ii)_____ places.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. eroding	D. secure
B. expanding	E. turbulent
C. stabilizing	F. cosmopolitan

7. Despite the recent proliferation of gourmet and specialty salts, studies suggest that it would take an unusually (i)_____ palate to (ii)_____ foods prepared with different salts---most salts taste the same to most people.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. broad	D. distinguish
B. indiscriminate	E. enjoy
C. sensitive	F. modify

8. Here was one of the main (i)_____ of oceanography during the first two decades after the Second World War. Support for oceanographic research was based on its utility for making war on other nation. Yet at the same time, oceanography retained an identity that tied it closely to (ii)_____.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. fallacies	D. international cooperation
B. paradoxes	E. military secrecy
C. assumptions	F. naval strategy

9. In the discussions on international patent law, many (i)_____ issues will probably be pushed far into the future. This cautious approach makes diplomatic sense, since attempts over the past 15 years to reach international agreements on patents have (ii)_____ just such sensitive issues.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. contentious	D. approached
B. stimulating	E. articulated
C. subjective	F. foundered on

10. In reviewing cases decided by lower courts, Supreme Court justices search for precedents to justify their arguments. Reliance on precedent (i)_____ judicial restraint: the precedent (ii)_____ a judge's ability to determine the outcome of a case in a way that he or she might choose if there were no precedent.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. promotes	D. establishes
B. compromises	E. constrains
C. promulgates	F. prioritizes

11. In the 1980s, many historians sounded urgent calls for (i)_____ in American historical writing, as longer and longer monographs on smaller and smaller subjects were being written---dazzling studies, but pieces of a puzzle no one was putting together. This scholarship was not illuminating the central themes of history but (ii)_____ them.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. indulgence	D. obscuring
B. detail	E. criticizing
C. synthesis	F. celebrating

12. In her new biography, Gonzales doesn't (i)_____ the aspects of her subject that have drawn criticism but instead treats them with considerable (ii)_____: hardly a fact or assertion goes by her without being sourced in the endnotes.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. explain	D. sympathy
B. acknowledge	E. thoroughness
C. evade	F. ingenuity

13. The shift from extraction to cultivation in forestry involves transforming the production of trees in to a source of industrial productivity, leading to a greater degree of (i)_____ between biophysical nature on the one hand and industry on the other. In the process, nature is increasingly (ii)_____ industry and science.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. separation	D. excluded from
B. antagonism	E. appropriated by
C. entanglement	F. superfluous to

14. Behavioral economists have come to believe that a (i)_____ of choices can be paralyzing as Schwartz pointed out in the recent book *The Paradox of Choice*. Studies of retirement plans show that the more investment choices a plan offers, the less likely people are to participate in it. It may follow, then that a lack of flexibility in certain plans may actually be a (ii)_____. People reasonably (iii)_____ some advantages in exchange for peace of mind.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. surfeit	D. virtue	G. foresee
B. reduction	E. conundrum	H. forestall
C. stabilization	F. revelation	I. forgo

15. The new art museum's (i)_____ building augurs well for that ambitious institution because it speaks of (ii)_____ contemporary architecture on the part of the board of directors that may (iii)_____ equal astuteness about contemporary art.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. nondescript	D. a discernment about	G. conceal
B. outstanding	E. a hostility toward	H. supplant
C. outdated	F. an intoxication by	I. promise

16. Computers make it spectacularly easy to search for particular pieces of information in downloaded texts. And doing research in this strategic, targeted manner can feel (i)_____. Instead of (ii)_____ the organizing logic of the book you are reading, you can approach the book with your own questions and (iii)_____. You, not the author, are the master.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. disorienting	D. disregarding	G. begin to discern the author's intent
B. humbling	E. surrendering to	H. glean precisely what you want from it
C. empowering	F. imitating	I. evaluate the book on its own terms

17. Pioneering medical research scientists' (i)_____ claims regarding the (ii)_____ new researches make the public wonder why their own doctors are not dispensing miracles. There are forces, both external and internal, on scientists that almost require them to (iii)_____. Without money, there is no science. Researchers must constantly convince administrators who control tax dollars, investors, and individual donors that the work they are doing will make a difference.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. modest	D. serious constraints on	G. improvise
B. inflated	E. overblown interpretations of	H. oversell
C. fastidious	F. potential benefits of	I. generalize

18. Despite the occasional (i)_____ of their venues, the culture of corporate conferences is a deeply (ii)_____ conference, each day consisted of nearly nine hours of continuous lectures and panels enlivened by pleasantries or anything that could be construed as a joke. The only (iii)_____ sensory deprivation of the sessions came from the handsome color slides favored by the corporate presenters

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. seclusion	D. sycophantic	G. allusion to
B. opulence	E. ascetic	H. ramification of
C. enormity	F. mercenary	I. respite from

【Day-8】6 选 2 专项串讲 (二)

1 The occasional minor errors, while annoying, do not _____ the basic scholarship or the valuable contribution of this book.

- A. support
- B. uphold
- C. expose
- D. explain
- E. vitiate
- F. impair

2. In American art the line between the good and the goods is not a hard-and-fast boundary, for in a commercial society the membrane that separates spirit and store is always _____.

- A. porous
- B. clogged
- C. permeable
- D. unwavering
- E. steady
- F. imaginary

3. Recent research runs counter to the long-cherished notion that a small drop in body temperature during and after surgery is either _____ or actually protects the patient by slowing metabolism and reducing the body's demand for blood and oxygen.

- A. beneficial
- B. immaterial
- C. inconsequential
- D. preventive
- E. prophylactic
- F. redundant

4. There is a revelation on almost every page of this book, and the author's prose is _____ in the best possible way: blunt, sweet, off-kilter, and often quite funny.

- A. eloquent
- B. austere
- C. somber
- D. awkward
- E. solemn
- F. ungainly

5. A few decades ago the idea of animal morality would have been met with _____; however, recent research suggests that animals not only act altruistically but also have the capacity for empathy, forgiveness, trust, and reciprocity.

- A. derision
- B. resentment
- C. dismissal
- D. conviction
- E. ridicule
- F. certainty

6. The central idea of the worldview known as "consilience" is that all tangible phenomena are based on material processes that are ultimately reducible, however long and _____ the sequences, to the laws of physics.

- A. facile
- B. ethereal
- C. tortuous
- D. superficial
- E. convoluted
- F. protracted

7. Because archaeology explores the most profound changes in human history by means of a grossly incomplete record, it has invited the sort of bold, imaginative interpretation in which speculation too easily becomes _____ evidence.

- A. replaced by
- B. constrained by
- C. untethered from
- D. divorced from
- E. substituted for
- F. constricted by

8. Although evolutionary psychologists do not seem quite as imperialist in their intellectual ambitions as their sociobiologist forebears of the 1970s, they tend, in some critics' view, to be no less _____ in their claims.

- A. abashed
- B. arrogant
- C. impetuous
- D. hubristic
- E. narcissistic
- F. diffident

9. During the eighteenth century, improvements in their material circumstances did not necessarily mean expanded independence for women elite families and, arguably, the social conventions of gentility _____ more of their time and energy.

- A. provided
- B. justified
- C. demanded
- D. granted
- E. exacted
- F. rationalized

10. There are many ways in which rat brains and human brains are _____. Indeed, rat brains are often used as generalized models for all mammalian brains, including our own.

- A. identical
- B. analogous
- C. mysterious
- D. comparable
- E. adaptable
- F. inexplicable

11. The book reaffirms the idea that Africans on the continent have not stopped _____ or responding to their own creations; in fact, African creative agents have ushered in their own modern forms rooted in traditional ideas.

- A. exposing
- B. detecting
- C. absorbing
- D. noticing
- E. generating
- F. originating

12. People enjoy listening to the governor's inspiring speech, and his eloquence lulls his adversaries into underestimating his _____, the tempered steel beneath the sleek suits.

- A. tenacity
- B. resolve
- C. resourcefulness
- D. kindness
- E. compassion
- F. frankness

13. The author takes issue with the ideological blinders that have distorted much migration research, especially _____ modernization theorists and others for their untested assumptions of an immobile preindustrial past.

- A. undermining
- B. citing
- C. castigating
- D. chastising
- E. endorsing
- F. commending

14. Flash floods are common in desert regions and were widespread before the evolution of tress and woodland soils, in contrast, flash floods are _____ in woodlands, where floodwaters, impeded by trees, form ponds.

- A. overshadowed
- B. redirected
- C. obscured
- D. precluded
- E. mitigated
- F. abated

15. Every serious attempt at a historical portrait of the past will subtly absorb the milieu and temperament of its living author, however _____ he or she sets out to be.

- A. entertaining
- B. comprehensive
- C. objective
- D. engaging
- E. rigorous
- F. impartial

16. As a proponent of women's traditional roles, Sarah Hale was adamantly against women's suffrage as thrusting women into an improper sphere; yet she _____ female textile strikers when they publicly protested their mistreatment at miles.

- A. opposed
- B. supported
- C. criticized
- D. championed
- E. challenged
- F. welcomed

17. Many people remember a time when cutting-edge architects, who are these days treated like celebrities, had _____ relationship with the public: for much of the 1960s, big new buildings in cities were often cause for hostility, not celebration.

- A. an antagonistic
- B. an inimical
- C. a symbiotic
- D. an indifferent
- E. an apathetic
- F. an autocratic

18. Ursula Le Guin claims that looking at schoolbooks from around 1900 can be _____, given that the level of literacy and general cultural knowledge expected of a mere ten-year-old was, she notes, "rather awesome".

- A. reassuring
- B. stimulating
- C. dreary
- D. tedious
- E. scary
- F. intimidating

19. Computerized facial-recognition systems can be _____ by any number of factors, from the dirt caked on a camera lens to a hat pulled low over a subject's face.

- A. neutralized
- B. calibrated
- C. augmented
- D. ameliorated
- E. stymied
- F. confounded

20. Contrary to certain recent analyses that paint a dire portrait of soil loss from farmland, a new study of surveying data reaching back to the 1930s shows that erosion rates have been steadily _____.

- A. intensifying
- B. waning
- C. accelerating
- D. worsening
- E. declining
- F. deteriorating

21. When it comes to arriving at brilliant ideas, filtering out distractions might well be _____: if a person's mind is wandering, that person tends to outperform peers in a range of tasks in which flashes of insight are important.

- A. indispensable
- B. irrelevant
- C. overrated
- D. imperative
- E. deleterious
- F. counterproductive

22. There is ample evidence that men and women think, express themselves, and even experience emotions differently, but in the area of sensory perception, psychologists are hard-pressed to identify major _____.

- A. difficulties
- B. innovations
- C. discrepancies
- D. challenges
- E. incongruities
- F. trends

23. What differentiates this book from more traditional works on grammar is that it reserves its _____ not for students of writing, but for teachers who harbor unduly restrictive views.

- A. mockery
- B. skepticism
- C. scolding
- D. approbation
- E. admonishment
- F. commendation

24. Despite _____ leaving their old jobs behind, workers were eager to move because there were to be no layoffs under the union contract at the new location.

- A. jubilation over
- B. indifference to
- C. misgivings about
- D. outrage over
- E. trepidation over
- F. enthusiasm for

25. Caricature can be revealing as well as amusing, and Ager's novel is both. Ager's delineation of class, ethnic, and generational struggle is exaggerated for comical effect, but it _____ nonetheless.

- A. resonates
- B. entertains
- C. diverts
- D. confuses
- E. rings true
- F. falls short

【Day-9】复合难度串讲（模考一）注意，所有模考请在 10 分钟内自测完，再看视频讲解

1. Because of its _____, DNA can be invaluable as exculpatory evidence following a criminal conviction: it can be reliably tested years after a crime has occurred.

- A. versatility
- B. recognizability
- C. durability
- D. verifiability
- E. distinctiveness

2. Throughout the High Middle Ages, the English government became increasingly _____: the document produced in the eleventh century could be placed on one large table, while the documents produced in the thirteenth fill whole rooms.

- A. despotic
- B. ceremonial
- C. aristocratic
- D. prolix
- E. insular

3. Although strikes remain rarer in Britain than in many other European countries, and their economic impact is (i)_____ compared to the great upheavals of the 1970s and 1980s, their number has (ii)_____ after a few years of somewhat greater calm.

A. inconclusive	D. exploded
B. demoralizing	E. declined
C. negligible	F. revived

4. Many of us remember a time when discovery and the thrill of learning were forces in our lives and were (i)_____. Frequently that time happened in a great classroom somewhere, in the hands of the one (ii)_____ teacher we can each remember.

A. elusive	D. consummate
B. inconsequential	E. truculent
C. exciting	F. superfluous

5. Because it is discussed by humanities scholars from diverse disciplinary backgrounds, "affect" has been (i)_____ defined; nonetheless there has been (ii)_____ the terms "emotion" and "affect" across academic writing in the humanities.

A. clearly	D. a paucity of interest in
B. variously	E. a variety of interpretations of
C. narrowly	F. a consistent distinction between

6. Since the 1920s, historical fiction writers in China have emancipated the genre from the traditional notion that (i)_____ was the ultimate goal of history writing. Yet the traditional commitment to (ii)_____ was not simply (iii)_____: this new genre was expected to capture the essence of historical truth even as it allowed space for the writer's imagination.

A. comprehensiveness	D. veracity	G. jettisoned
B. factuality	E. thoroughness	H. rationalized
C. entertainment	F. pleasure	I. acknowledged

7. Precipitation is not _____ in the Atacama Desert west of Andes mountains, and water scarcity is compounded by problems with water appropriation, the existence of agro pastoralists is in jeopardy.

- A. regular
- B. negligible
- C. evident
- D. consistent
- E. insignificant
- F. abundant

8. What differentiates this book from more traditional works on grammar is that it reserves its _____ not for students of writing, but for teachers who harbor unduly restrictive views.

- A. mockery
- B. skepticism
- C. scolding
- D. approbation
- E. admonishment
- F. commendation

9. Like ants' propensity to congregate on one food pile and neglect another, the human tendency to make choices that _____ the observed behavior of others is a self-reinforcing process.

- A. imitate
- B. confirm
- C. avoid
- D. emulate
- E. inhibit
- F. constrain

10. The difficulty of reforming electoral politics is not lack of right tools but the need to put them into the hands of impartial agents: the goal should be to build capacity while _____ partisanship.

- A. expediting
- B. constraining
- C. facilitating
- D. deterring
- E. exacerbating
- F. lamenting

【Day-10】4 星题目解题技巧

1. Memory-prompt technology such as online birthday reminders does more than enhance our recall abilities; it induces us to (i)_____ ever more behaviors to automated processes. Witness the (ii)_____ a program that allows us to create computer greeting cards for the entire year in one setting.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. delegate	D. controversy over
B. ascribe	E. popularity of
C. liken	F. sophistication of

2. So (i)_____ is the reputation of the city's police force for (ii)_____ that whenever a new police chief take office, he or she routinely promises to clean up the force.

Blank(i)	Blank (ii)
A. persistent	D. corruption
B. recent	E. efficiency
C. discouraging	F. inexperience

3. Tagore had a sharply defined sense of the (i)_____ of scientific inquiry. The fact that science dealt in statistics and numbers, that its logic was probabilistic, meant that the domain of moral questions (ii)_____ it: moral questions, for Tagore, required certainties, not probabilities.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. irrationality	D. guarded over
B. limits	E. lay outside
C. futility	F. was subject to

4. Many of the unusual behaviors attributed to crows—such as drinking coffee or presenting gifts to people who feed them—are based on (i)_____ and therefore fall into the category of (ii)_____ rather than science.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. long-term observation	D. anecdote
B. controlled experiments	E. speculation
C. secondhand testimony	F. hypothesis

5. Just because, as a photographer, Friedlander (i)_____ places that most people consider ugly does not mean that he is out to prove they are beautiful. Instead, his work suggests that the photographer simply cannot ignore so much of the built American landscape but is obligated to (ii)_____ what we pass through day in and day out, regardless of (iii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. tends to avoid	D. document	G. authenticity
B. is harshly critical of	E. emulate	H. truthfulness
C. is interested in	F. discredit	I. aesthetics

6. Anna Gavalda's fiction is appealing largely because of her writing style, which is certainly (i)_____. This approach--heavy on the dialogue (and light on the embellishment), feature very short sections (of often only a few sentence) in rapid succession, and in general favor an unadorned directness--makes for whatever appeal her fiction might have. Not surprisingly, this style works better in short-story form than in novels, and the story collection *I Wish someone Were Waiting for Me Somewhere* (ii)_____ her attempt to (iii)_____ it in a novel, as in, for example, *Someone I loved*.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. annoying	D. is thought to precede	G. undermine
B. distinctive	E. fails in comparison with	H. sustain
C. convoluted	F. impresses considerably more than	I. reject

7. To read Joanna Scott is to admire the work of a (i)_____. From sentence to story, she narrates with great skill and (ii)_____, so that the reader soon relaxes in the assurance that a hint or a brushstroke delivered in chapter1 will be (iii)_____ before the novel comes to an end.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. proselytizer	D. deliberation	G. given import
B. sage	E. enthusiasm	H. largely forgotten
C. master	F. flamboyance	I. overwhelmed with details

8. When the Agriculture Department (i)_____ its new dietary guidelines, it laid down a challenge: Eat better, smarter, and healthier or else. The "or else" included a long list of (ii)_____ that (iii)_____ the developed world, from heart disease and osteoporosis to diabetes.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. make public	D. intangibles	G. assuage
B. debunked	E. misconceptions	H. plague
C. refused to consider	F. maladies	I. ignore

9. Not all paleontologists agree that connections between the continents were (i)_____ just after the extinction of the dinosaurs. Some hold the view that North America, Asia, and South America had (ii)_____ immediately following the dinosaur extinction, pointing to (iii)_____ between ancient kinds of mammals that existed on all three continents at this time in support of their argument.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. significant	D. lasting differences	G. similarities
B. permanent	E. extensive contacts	H. intermediaries
C. limited	F. trivial likenesses	I. hostilities

10. Movement from bottom to top, from poor to rich, was rare, even movement from poor to middle class was (i)_____. Statistical analysis of trends in occupation, income, and property ownership, Thernstrom wrote, "yielded rather (ii)_____ conclusions about social mobility in nineteenth-century America." So we might expect Thernstrom to be suspicious now of claims that differences in class could be (iii)_____ if only the public school did a better job.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. an anomaly	D. multifaceted	G. distinguished
B. a cinch	E. pessimistic	H. misapprehended
C. a conjecture	F. unsophisticated	I. obliterated

11. The author argued that the field of sociology has been overly (i)_____, partly because, for many scholars, the edges of the social universe are defined by national borders. In this era of increasing globalization, however, sociology is presented with a historically distinct opportunity to transcend its former (ii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. narrow in scope	D. utilitarianism
B. susceptible to fads	E. parochialism
C. averse to empiricism	F. historicism

12. Nordhaus predict that in the future we will increasingly be (i)_____ ecological problems like global warming rather than (ii)_____ them. We may, for example, make some headway in limiting emissions that contribute to warming, but much of our work will be in adapting to ecological problems and alleviating their effects.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. managing	D. solving
B. analyzing	E. declining
C. transcending	F. mitigating

13. Scientists said that cosmology was the field where the ratio of theory to data was (i)_____: there was an abundance of theories, but almost no data. Recently, however, that ratio has flipped. A huge and ever-increasing amount of data has (ii)_____ all theories but one.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. completely unknown	D. eliminated
B. nearly infinite	E. supported
C. always variable	F. clarified

14. One way to predict the effects of global climate change on an ecosystem is to extrapolate current trend in global change factors into the future. A (i)_____ of this method is that its predictions (ii)_____ actual observation, but the method also makes the questionable assumption that the future will resemble the present.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. virtue	D. dispense with
B. drawback	E. derive from
C. peculiarity	F. improve upon

15. Making the shift to the 90-nanometer manufacturing process has been (i)_____ for semiconductor companies. This process effectively doubles the manufacturing capacity of the industry, but it (ii)_____ enormous technical challenges because some components of the new semiconductor chips are no more than five to seven molecule thick.

Blank(i)	Bland(ii)
A. un unanticipated boon	D. circumvents
B. a routine accomplishment	E. entails
C. a significant struggle	F. resolves

16. A hallmark of certain nineteenth-century mystery novels was the reform agenda of their authors, who ostensibly sought to expose economic injustice while depicting the seamy underside of urban life. In reality, however, these claims to a radical political agenda were often (i)_____, meant to give lurid thrillers the appearance of (ii)_____.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. authentic	D. escapist appeal
B. complicated	E. high-minded purpose
C. disingenuous	F. gripping suspense

17. Laws protecting intellectual property are intended to stimulate creativity, yet some forms of creative work have never enjoyed legal protection—a situation that ought to be of great interest. If we see certain forms of creative endeavor (i)_____ as a result of uncontrolled copying, we might decide to (ii)_____ intellectual property law. Conversely, if unprotected creative work (iii)_____ in the absence of legal rules against copying, we would do well to know how such flourishing is sustained.

Blank(i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. languishing	D. jettison	G. declines in originality
B. proliferating	E. extend	H. manages to thrive
C. diversifying	F. relax	I. openly invites imitation

18. While some commentators suggest that abstraction and complexity in scientific research are signs that a given direction is misguided, Lisa Randall, a professor of physics at Harvard, counters that these qualities instead reflect the success of human ingenuity in (i)_____ the increasingly (ii)_____ challenges that nature presents. They can, however, make it more (iii)_____ to communicate scientific developments, even to colleague.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. creating	D. difficult	G. challenging
B. meeting	E. conspicuous	H. unproductive
C. eschewing	F. pragmatic	I. advantageous

19. The modern iron suspension bridge dates from the early nineteenth century, but it did not have (i)_____ debut. Many early suspension bridges were damaged, if not outright destroyed, by the wind. There were few (ii)_____, however, so the form (iii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (i)	Blank(i)
A. a propitious	D. obvious parallels	G. declined
B. a conspicuous	E. practical alternatives	H. inspired
C. an equivocal	F. unnoticed instances	I. persisted

20. So, perhaps the lesson is that rather than wanting their monarchy to (i)_____ its modernized Scandinavian counterparts, the British public cherishes it most when it is most (ii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. commend	D. egalitarian
B. discount	E. anachronistic
C. emulate	F. regal

【Day-11】复合难度串讲（模考二）

1. Characteristic of the diplomat's new book is the _____ relationship between the evidence adduced and the inferences drawn, the footnotes and citations teeming with ambiguity and complexity, while the summary statements are more dogmatic simplicities.

- A. healthy
- B. shifting
- C. tenuous
- D. compelling
- E. plausible

2. Notwithstanding a lack of _____, nineteenth-century anthologies such as Evert and George Duyckinck's Cyclopaedia of American Literature represents serious attempts to collect the national writings up to that point as a way of establishing the viability of American letters.

- A. bias
- B. earnestness
- C. rigor
- D. ambition
- E. ambiguity

3. In his study of Senegambian cleric Shaykh Mass Kah (1827-1936), Bala S. K. Saho notes that it is difficult to fully (i)_____ many of the oral accounts on which the study relies. Saho's work shows, however, that despite this absence of (ii)_____, oral history can provide useful sources from which historians can reconstruct the past.

A. comprehend	D. partiality
B. reproduce	E. argumentation
C. validate	F. corroboration

4. For a genre that's supposed to be about the future, science fiction has certainly (i)_____ lately, (ii)_____ is what sells best, with readers spending their money on sequels to long-running series.

A. become quite pessimistic	D. suspense
B. been looking backward	E. fantasy
C. anticipated technological developments	F. nostalgia

5. The (i)_____ current-generation solar cells are (ii)_____: although experimental cells have reached efficiencies greater than 40 percent, most commercially available cells in the early part of the twenty-first century still struggle to get past about 20 percent.

A. attractions of	D. clear
B. limitations of	E. unmatched
C. improvements in	F. misunderstood

6. The amount of water flowing through United States streams has (i)_____ during this century, although without giving rise to more frequent floods, according to a new study by the United States Geological Survey. The country appears to be getting (ii)_____ even as its stream flow becomes less (iii)_____.

A. markedly declined	D. wetter	G. benign
B. steadily increased	E. hotter	H. predictable
C. slowly stabilized	F. drier	I. destructive

7. When it comes to arriving at brilliant ideas, filtering out distractions might well be _____.: if a person's mind is wandering, that person tends to outperform peers in a range of tasks in which flashes of insight are important.

- A. indispensable
- B. irrelevant
- C. overrated
- D. imperative
- E. deleterious
- F. counterproductive

8. Matsui is an extremely _____ political tactician, as she generally will withhold her support for a political faction or a policy until she is confident it will prevail.

- A. successful
- B. dogmatic
- C. shrewd
- D. flexible
- E. canny
- F. rigid

9. There is ample evidence that men and women think, express themselves, and even experience emotions differently, but in the area of sensory perception, psychologists are hard-pressed to identify major _____.

- A. difficulties
- B. innovations
- C. discrepancies
- D. challenges
- E. incongruities
- F. trends

10. Robbins' accomplishment is not _____ one: her book makes the topic accessible to a general audience while still providing the sort of analysis that scholars demand.

- A. a trivial
- B. a fascinating
- C. a questionable
- D. an insignificant
- E. an intriguing
- F. an amusing

【Day-12】复合难度串讲 (模考三)

1. Unable to escape their own literary tradition, literary critics either become the _____ of that tradition or, on the contrary, use their knowledge of it to reinterpret writers and trends from new perspectives.

- A. liberators
- B. guardians
- C. successors
- D. antithesis
- E. gadflies

2. Not only was Jarry _____ the pandemonium his play sparked, he actually worked to foment the conflict, organizing a posse to boo if the rest of the audience applauded and cheer if the other attendees booed.

- A. riled by
- B. surprised by
- C. unperturbed by
- D. critical of
- E. detached from

3. Boreal forest is at the southern boundary of the moss-dominated tundra, which remains characteristically treeless because its spongy surface retains water that cannot drain away through the underlying permafrost. But as temperatures rise the permafrost recedes, (i)_____ the (ii)_____ of forest.

A. impairing	D. renewal
B. facilitating	E. incursion
C. decelerating	F. decline

4. As late as the 1990s, Merry Wiesner Hanks argued that developments during the Reformation and the Enlightenment had (i)_____ effects on the participation of women in the field of medicine. She claimed that the (ii)_____ Reformation and Enlightenment women left female health's practitioners restricted to assisting in an unpaid and unrecognized capacity.

A. dire	D. unchanging opportunities for
B. positive	E. worsening positions of
C. ambiguous	F. reader respect for

5. There is (i)_____ evidence that the giant African land snail *a. fulica* is a serious threat to the spread of human disease. Giant snails do carry rat lungworm—infection by which is a common cause of meningitis—but so do many other snail species. Moreover, if the threat posed by *a. fulica* were (ii)_____, one would expect to see an increase in disease rates (iii)_____ a rise in the spread of snails. However, in places like New Caledonia, explosions in giant snail populations have coincided with a fall in the number of meningitis cases.

A. abundant	D. contained	G. corresponding to
B. ambiguous	E. recognized	H. predating
C. little	F. major	I. giving way to

6. There is no sense trying to rehabilitate the reputation of the mosquito; nobody loves such a creature. But it's (i)_____ to (ii)_____ all 2,600 described species of mosquito when it's just 80 or so—3 percent that drink human blood. Among those 2,520 relatively (iii)_____ kinds of mosquitoes, there's even one we'd like to see in greater numbers: Taxorhynchites, the mosquito that eats other mosquitoes.

A. rare	D. malign	G. blameless
B. necessary	E. represent	H. pernicious
C. unfair	F. commend	I. valuable

7. We should be more _____ than we often are when making claims about antiquity—for example, the common statement, "The ancient Athenians invented democracy," is simply not true when put like that.

- A. skeptical
- B. credulous
- C. precise
- D. trusting
- E. equivocal
- F. circumspect

8. The author advocates a diminished role for philosophy, aiming to show that many of the questions traditionally debated among philosophers can be _____ the realm of scientific inquiry.

- A. ceded to
- B. inferred from
- C. relevant to
- D. initiated by
- E. germane to
- F. left to

9. With regard to verity, neutrality, and transparency, nothing about the Internet makes it any different than Gutenberg's printing press, which could serve _____ just as well as truth.

- A. fantasy
- B. bureaucracy
- C. protocol
- D. disinformation
- E. mendacity
- F. panic

10. As astronomers do not yet have a good understanding of the fundamental nature of dark matter, it should not be a surprise that astronomy students' ideas about dark matter are, at best, _____.

- A. superficial
- B. sketchy
- C. inconsistent
- D. mistaken
- E. outdated
- F. far-fetched

【Day-13】复合难度题目解题技巧

1. To criticize a disaster film for being _____ is a bit silly, since people do not go to disaster movies to see an honest portrayed of reality.

- A. expensive
- B. harrowing
- C. derivative
- D. convoluted
- E. implausible

2. The governor might conceivably find a genuine resolution to the budgetary dilemma, but she may be tempted to engage in a deception: a _____ exercise in fiscal prudence.

- A. rigorous
- B. sparkling
- C. specious
- D. blatant
- E. convincing

3. If newspaper consumers are concerned about more than (i)_____ and prefer to read news that is consistent with their beliefs, then (ii)_____ is not a journalistic flaw, but, rather, a cultivated feature. In a competitive news market, producers can use slant to differentiate their products and stave off price competition.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. politics	D. bias
B. accuracy	E. sensationalism
C. expense	F. inconsistency

4. Architecture scholar Sandy McCreery recently argued that traffic congestion, far from being a sign of urban (i)_____, is a mark of urban (ii)_____; congestion promotes contemplation of our surroundings and provides us with a shared experience, thereby fulfilling the essential task of the city.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. plentitude	D. ambition
B. decline	E. privation
C. excitement	F. health

5. The controversy about Alexander the Great's personality derives from the fact that our sources are (i)_____, all eyewitness accounts having perished. What remains is, at best, (ii)_____ (one history, for instance, is based largely on the now-lost memoirs of Alexander's alleged half-brother, Ptolemy) and at worst, highly unreliable.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. outdated	D. secondhand
B. inadequate	E. repetitious
C. abstruse	F. deceptive

6. The (i)_____ of molecular oxygen on Earth-sized planets around other stars in the universe would not be (ii)_____ sign of life: molecular oxygen can be a signature of photosynthesis (a biotic process) or merely of the rapid escape of water from the upper reaches of a planetary atmosphere (an abiotic process).

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. dearth	D. a controversial
B. presumption	E. an unambiguous
C. detection	F. a possible

7. Any number of mysteries to which individual scholars of Athenian history have devoted whole careers are addressed by Ober, and mostly successfully. This will cause some (i)_____ among scholars who have worked for years on a particular problem only to see another scholar suddenly (ii)_____ it.

Blank(i)	Blank(ii)
A. chagrin	D. prolong
B. complacency	E. exacerbate
C. hubris	F. resolve

8. Although Thaler employs an innovative mode of analysis, his study offers yet another examination of quite (i)_____ ground—namely, the cultural ideology of Norwegian-American preservationist writers in the early twentieth century. The history, literature, and changing internal dynamics of the Norwegian subculture in America constitute a particularly well-studied area. Anyone familiar with the authoritative work of scholars in the field will (ii)_____ little in Thaler's study that is (iii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. unfamiliar	D. find	G. accurate
B. well-worked	E. understand	H. new
C. fruitful	F. reveal	I. recognizable

9. One sometimes hears that Marco Polo introduced pasta to the Western world, having encountered it in China. This durable myth, which (i)_____ that nothing should have been known of pasta in Italy until 1295, when Marco Polo returned from the Far East, can easily be (ii)_____ by pointing out that there are Italian references to pasta that (iii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. requires	D. augmented	G. praise its virtues
B. demonstrates	E. debunked	H. can be authenticated
C. symbolizes	F. traced	I. predate that event

10. Part of what currently makes it so (i)_____ to arrive at a scientific understanding of the living world is that while technological advances have produced a cascade of data---from detailed genome sequence to the sophisticated satellite imagery that documents the planet's ecosystems---our ability to(ii)_____ these data still lags far behind their(iii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank	Blank (iii)
A. frustrating	D. gather	G. acquisition
B. intriguing	E. apprehend	H. interpretation
C. challenging	F. dispute	I. implementation

11. Holston characterized a colonial situation as an aggregation of activities and a conjunction of outcomes that, though _____ and at times coordinated, were usually diffuse, disorganized, and even contradictory.

- A. dubious
- B. chaotic
- C. harmonious
- D. linked
- E. imputed

12. Many creative photographers were delighted to find in instant photography a mode that encouraged them to stop viewing photography as _____ and start viewing it as something they could handle with spontaneity, even derision.

- A. sacrosanct
- B. ephemeral
- C. malleable
- D. egalitarian
- E. autonomous

13. Within the field of emotional intelligence research, disagreements remain about whether emotional intelligence can be learned and strengthened or is _____ characteristic.

- A. an expressed
- B. an inborn
- C. an invented
- D. a cultivated
- E. a perceptible

15. Mr. Stevens found that home schooling, far from representing (i)_____ philosophy, (ii)_____ some of the most widely accepted education ideas: that children should be treated as individuals, taught in small numbers, and given a measure of discretion over their own learning.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A. a benign	D. overcomes
B. an orthodox	E. embodies
C. an anomalous	F. anticipates

16. Traditional Vietnamese culture has long promoted the idea of gender equality. Founding myths (i)_____ the equal division of labor in child care for mothers and fathers. As is often the case, however, theoretical commitments are (ii)_____ actual processes. In reality, gender-based (iii)_____ persists.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. obscure	D. incommensurate with	G. parity
B. celebrate	E. surpassed by	H. inclusiveness
C. countermand	F. inspired by	I. stratification

17. Her attempts to wrest fiction free from traditional constraints like plot and character were never entirely popular with readers; nonetheless, her fiction has had _____ influence on critical theory, novel, cinema, and even psychology.

- A. a studied
- B. a negligible
- C. a decisive
- D. an unmistakable
- E. an insignificant
- F. a restorative

18. Considering that space travel was science fiction only decades ago, we should be extremely reluctant to proclaim an idea forever technologically infeasible unless that idea _____ some hard physical constraint.

- A. violates
- B. contravenes
- C. overcomes
- D. transcends
- E. utilizes
- F. introduces

19. The proposition that foraging Native Americans studied the skies is _____: anthropological evidence demonstrates, for example, that the Chumash Indians counted the lunar cycles and established the times of the solstices.

- A. unquestionable
- B. unremarkable
- C. undeniable
- D. unprecedented
- E. unexceptional
- F. unparalleled

20. Lustig's critics argue that what makes him a compelling public speaker is his practice of citing evidence that is merely suggestive in support of a claim and insisting that this evidence is _____.
A. invaluable
B. irrelevant
C. indubitable
D. immaterial
E. insignificant
F. incontrovertible
21. Like ants' propensity to congregate on one food pile and neglect another, the human tendency to make choices that _____ the observed behavior of others is a self-reinforcing process.
A. imitate
B. confirm
C. avoid
D. emulate
E. inhibit
F. constrain
22. It's true that occasional _____ entries might have been edited without damaging the diary's overall impact, but the very completeness of Clara's eloquent reflections conveys a strong sense of the density of a young woman's experiences.
A. verbose
B. redundant
C. long-winded
D. curt
E. mundane
F. laconic
23. While merchants and bankers in thirteenth-century Europe quickly embraced the Hindu-Arabic numeral system, the governing authorities were less _____ it.
A. persuaded by
B. guarded about
C. captivated by
D. open-minded about
E. inhibited about
F. enamored of

【Day-14】复合难度串讲（模考四）

1. Behavior dubbed reprehensible by the residents of the region is considered conventional, even _____ by those of the neighboring region; fortunately, people traveling between the two are resigned to this disparity.

- A. eccentric
- B. compulsory
- C. innovative
- D. unconscionable
- E. transparent

2. Though acquaintances are first overwhelmed by his _____, they soon appreciate that, contrary to appearances, he is not without self-interest.

- A. egotism
- B. magnanimity
- C. ambition
- D. profligacy
- E. brilliance

3. Early in the development of ice age theories, physicists identified the processing(slow gyration) and wobbling of Earth's spin axis as the likely drivers of the ice ages, but geologists (i)_____, and even the painstaking work done in the 1920s and 1930s by Mihution Mplankovitch failed to (ii)_____ of many of the day's geological experts.

A. demurred	D. anticipate the ascent
B. acquiesced	E. assuage the qualms
C. expatriate	F. acknowledge the consensus

4. As a longtime fan of the fashion photography Web site, I wasn't sure if I wanted to see its images presented in a book, with all of the (i)_____ that implies. What I've always enjoyed about the photos is their (ii)_____: they are disposable snapshots of what's going on in the world of style right now.

A. nonchalance	D. elegant
B. commercialism	E. ephemeral
C. permanency	F. mundane

5. This book cannot be evaluated properly without examining the author's choice of format, which is the (i)_____ of the format of standard academic works; here the photographs take center stage, with the text playing only a supporting role. This layout poses many dangers for the serious historian, not the least of which being the (ii)_____ reception that academics—motivated partly by (iii)_____ but also by genuine concern over scholarly standards—generally reserve for books apparently aimed at the popular market.

A. duplicate	D. scornful	G. academic integrity
B. epitome	E. deferential	H. snobbish elitism
C. inverse	F. good-natured	I. collegial sympathy

6. Based on the evidence available, it would be (i)_____ to insist on a wholly negative portrayal of King Prajadhipok. In his own writings and pronouncements as well as in firsthand accounts offered by others, Prajadhipok consistently emerges as (ii)_____ and even-tempered, though (iii)_____.

A. accurate	D. whimsical	G. unexceptional
B. convenient	E. thoughtful	H. vicious
C. facile	F. ingenious	I. innovative

7. Given that the department director was such a feeble contributor, sitting silently at important policy meetings and usually deferring to low-level aides, it was surprising that he had such a reputation for _____.

- A. magnanimity
- B. perspicacity
- C. impartiality
- D. detachment
- E. benevolence
- F. discernment

8. The book captures the _____ of several politicians who spoke publicly of old-time virtues in order to mask private vices.

- A. probity
- B. dissemblance
- C. opportunism
- D. rectitude
- E. ingenuousness
- F. duplicity

9. Upon realizing that the indicators of a stressful situation can be extremely _____, the psychologist reconsidered her claim that a reliable way of reducing stress is to recognize stressful situations and then avoid them.

- A. acute
- B. exiguous
- C. persistent
- D. overstated
- E. tenuous
- F. unrelenting

10. For wily political press officers, the art of spin is not quite supplanting truth with lies, but instead it aspires to replace awkward complexity with catchy _____; successful spin creates the impression of unavoidable common sense.

- A. novelties
- B. slogans
- C. falsehoods
- D. duplicity
- E. simplicity
- F. intelligibility