

# 序言

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- A. cogent
- B. fungible
- C. recondite
- D. preeminent
- E. discretionary

28. In the nineteenth century, geology became so respected among middle-class Britons that the science came to be seen as\_\_\_\_\_, a yardstick by which other disciplines measured their scientific rigor and imaginative power.

- A. accessible
- B. derivative
- C. pragmatic
- D. empirical
- E. paradigmatic

29. Until 2007, Japanese artist Kazuo Shiraga was\_\_\_\_\_collectors in the United States: his current resurgence is helped by the vogue for so-called process-based abstraction and a revival of interest in performance art.

- A. vastly overrated by
- B. widely studied among
- C. close affiliated with
- D. virtually unknown to
- E. deliberately exoticized by

30. One thing both authors have in common is a striking amount of\_\_\_\_\_: they claim to know how massive institutions, some of them richly endowed, all of them central American society and culture, should be reshaped.

- A. hubris
- B. propriety
- C. bias
- D. prescience
- E. indolence



31. Although Smith's book is a valiant attempt to find common ground, the debates surrounding the issue are so \_\_\_\_\_ that it is not clear whether she could ever convince those who held either entrenched position.
- A. rancorous
  - B. irrelevant
  - C. fascinating
  - D. moribund
  - E. trivial
32. Twentieth-century tussles in cosmology illustrate the \_\_\_\_\_ of science, for they highlight both the human drive to explore nature and the limits that our minds inevitably impose on our understanding.
- A. objective methodologies
  - B. theoretical evolution
  - C. cooperative nature
  - D. psychological aspects
  - E. serendipitous discoveries
33. Though humanitarian emergencies are frequent features of television news, such exposure seldom \_\_\_\_\_ the public, which rather seems resigned to a sense of impotency.
- A. paralyze
  - B. demoralizes
  - C. assuages
  - D. galvanizes
  - E. exasperates
34. The watchword in astronomy is \_\_\_\_\_: all claims must be examined critically in the light of current knowledge, and one's mind should never be closed to the possibility that a theory could be wrong.
- A. implausibility
  - B. imagination
  - C. wariness
  - D. determination



- E. incoherency
35. While it is always clear that the author's message is heartfelt, it is mostly buried by shortcomings of style, organization and production, although the book does become more\_\_\_\_\_toward the end.
- A. restrained  
B. intelligible  
C. artless  
D. judgmental  
E. fervent
36. Critics' complaints about the novelist focused mainly on his characters' almost incessant\_\_\_\_\_, suggesting that he should minimize the prattle and instead keep his plots moving smartly ahead.
- A. sentimentality  
B. negativity  
C. foibles  
D. palaver  
E. melancholy
37. The paintings of the 1960s Photo-Realists were meticulously rendered by artists who eschewed abstraction for realistic representation and thus achieved a precisely detailed, impersonal\_\_\_\_\_.
- A. verisimilitude  
B. imagination  
C. idealization  
D. subjectivism  
E. grandiloquence
38. While her coworkers used a different excuse every year to shirk the annual company picnic, Donna was a consistent\_\_\_\_\_, feigning illness every year.
- A. maverick



it was found in, its position in the historical sequence, and how the fossil is positioned relative to other fossils.

Blank (i)

A) inherent in
B) distinct from
C) unknowable from

Blank (ii)

D) enigmatic
E) contextual
F) controversial

26. It is an old vice of criticism-and lately of scholarship-to assume that the meaning of artworks is (i)\_\_\_\_\_by their creators and is then simply “there” waiting only to be decoded by a specially gifted interpreter. That assumption can lead to gross errors, as with the critical interpretations of Theodor Adorno, which are (ii)\_\_\_\_\_by their dependence on the assumption.

Blank (i)

A) made completely transparent
B) fully vested in them
C) left deficient

Blank (ii)

D) engaged
E) vitiated
F) mitigated

27. Fashion designer Elsa Schiaparelli was just nineteen years old when Futurism erupted, but she later heeded that violent, belligerent art movement's call in the (i) \_\_\_\_\_of her broad-shouldered suits, the rawness of her furs and embroidery and her (ii)\_\_\_\_\_attitude, which her contemporaries described as “hard chic,” toward any simpering or mincing in fashion.

Blank (i)

A) swagger
B) fustiness
C) delicacy

Blank (ii)

D) tolerant
E) pugnacious
F) ingenuous

28. Rocks of the Morrison Formation in the western United States yield many dinosaur fossils but few plant fossils. This apparent (i)\_\_\_\_\_of plants leads some scientists to speculate that the region was once mostly barren. But others have (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.



noting that the herbivorous dinosaurs there would have needed an abundant food supply.

Blank (i)

A) attrition
B) dearth
C) attenuation

Blank (ii)

D) abdicated
E) acceded
F) demurred

29. In the mid-1990s, researchers were ware that individuals and subpopulations vary in their susceptibilities to environmental pollutants. However, environmental health scientists, hoping to identify general trends, tended to view these variations as (i) and used methods, in both human and animal studies, to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

Blank (i)

A) warnings
B) distractions
C) advantages

Blank (ii)

D) minimize their effect
E) highlight their ubiquity
F) measure their duration

30. Throughout much of the twentieth century, common scientific sense seemed to dictate that animals could not make a choice based on rational or aesthetic criteria. Such choices were (i)\_\_\_\_\_the mental capacity of humans. Scientists who (ii) this animal-human cognitive divide were often accused of anthropomorphism.

Blank (i)

A) reserved for
B) inconsistent with
C) similar to

Blank (ii)

D) accepted
E) transgressed
F) exacerbated

31. It is incorrect to think of eighth-century Japan as (i)\_\_\_\_\_. In western and central Japan, for example, there was considerable (ii)\_\_\_\_\_with many inhabitants deriving their ancestry from the Wa and Yamato peoples and at least a third being descendants of Korean immigrants unrelated to those peoples.

Blank (i)

Blank (ii)





A) culturally conservative	D) tension
B) politically unstable	E) variation
C) ethnically homogeneous	F) obscurity

32. If a healthy political culture is rooted in conversation and based on honest argumentation, then one of the most (i)\_\_\_\_\_ rhetorical tactics is the use of (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ alternatives, since discussions shaped by this strategy will foreclose the exploration of the full range of possible courses of action.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A) corrosive	D) hypothetical
B) fecund	E) spurious
C) enlightening	F) myriad

33. The landmasses that we see on Earth today have moved around the globe, smashing together and splitting apart several times over the past 3 billion years. These cycles of (i)\_\_\_\_\_ and (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ have affected Earth's crust and underlying mantle, its atmosphere and climate, and the life it supports.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A) stability	D) collapse
B) entropy	E) dispersal
C) amalgamation	F) renewal

34. In talking to reporters about the controversial legislation before Congress, the senator seemed thoughtful and evenhanded, but when he supported that legislation in a subsequent Senate floor speech, his approach was (i)\_\_\_\_\_, as though he regarded opposition to the bill as (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A) tendentious	D) perverse
B) genial	E) inevitable
C) prevaricating	F) serendipitous



25. The journey to (i)\_\_\_\_\_, when it starts from a vantage as (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ as Dunsany's, is often as (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ as the path to glory. How did a writer of such talent and renown wind up nearly forgotten?

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) obscurity	D) eminent	G) unfathomable
B) normalcy	E) reactionary	H) cyclical
C) genius	F) egalitarian	I) munddane

26. Sheila Ramirez is most certainly (i)\_\_\_\_\_, but the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ of her (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ can make it hard for the intended audience to take offense.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) blunt	D) intensity	G) caviling
B) discerning	E) suddenness	H) snobbery
C) insecure	F) guilelessness	I) candor

27. Campuswide discussions on academic integrity can be (i)\_\_\_\_\_ by the fact that faculty and students tend to define cheating in (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ ways. Even when they concur on what cheating means, faculty and students often assign different levels of severity to specific violations. These differences can serve as a major (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ the creation of a commonly accepted set of standards of integrity that are consistently applied to all academic work within the campus community.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) expedited	D) disparate	G) indictment of
B) obscured	E) conventional	H) impediment to
C) hampered	F) rigid	I) metaphor for

28. Biographies tumble off the presses in profusion these days, a (i)\_\_\_\_\_ linked, for better or worse, to the current obsession with celebrity. Some antics complain that biographers too often (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ the messy reality of a life, and it's true that lesser authors simply glorify or, more often, vilify their subjects. But good biographers are far more respectful of (iii)\_\_\_\_\_: the best see not one monolithic truth about a person but many overlapping truths.



Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) boom	D) impose a specious coherence on	G) privacy
B) paucity	E) provide excessive detail about	H) complexity
C) felicity	F) are complete-ly overwhelmed by	I) partiality

29. Common usage treats the adjectives “artificial” and “synthetic” as (i)\_\_\_\_\_. But “synthetic” has meanings that are (ii)\_\_\_\_\_that everyday (iii)\_\_\_\_\_“artificial.” “Synthesis” implies the bringing together of different components to form a union, while “artificial” is defined in opposition to the natural and does not suggest any similar process of combination.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) erchangeable	D) equired for	G) servience to
B) pejorative	E) revealed in	H) conflation with
C) classificatory	F) betrayed by	I) parison to

30. Filler claims that after the social welfare programs of the 1960s, belief that the government has an obligation to provide decent housing for citizens who cannot afford it was (i)\_\_\_\_\_in the United States by the notion that providing suitable shelter for everyone should be (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. Thus today in the (iii)\_\_\_\_\_of taxpayer-sponsored initiatives, we have volunteer home-construction programs, honorable in intent but pitifully limited in scope.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) supplanted	D) a shared civic responsibility	G) absence
B) promulgated	E) an act of private charity	H) name
C) corroborated	F) a profit-oriented enterprise	I) mold

31. Recently, we have been the emergence of the food movement, or perhaps we should say “movements,” since it is (i)\_\_\_\_\_as vet by little more than the recognition that industrial food production is in need of reform because its social or environmental or public health or animal welfare or gastronomic costs are to high. As that list suggests, the activists are coming at the issue (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. Where many social movements, over time, break into various factions representing differing concerns or tactics, the food movement has been (iii)\_\_\_\_\_from its beginning.



Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) tempered	D) in increasing numbers	G) ideological
B) impeded	E) from divergent directions	H) splintered
C) unified	F) with renewed commitment	I) effective

32. To pay for the extra spending under this international poverty plan, each American would have to contribute less than the cost of buying a premium cup of coffee once a week. But financial aid is not (i)\_\_\_\_\_, and even if the funding recommended here were to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ the grandest objectives may well remain unfulfilled. Nonetheless, carefully targeted aid can reward responsible governments (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ individual initiative, and alleviate suffering. Many will think that's worth a cup of coffee.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) an impediment	D) be insufficient	G) obviate
B) a panacea	E) recede	H) temper
C) a malady	F) materialize	I) encourage

33. The difficulty for nineteenth-century advocates of the claim that forests helped regulate climate was that their argument (i)\_\_\_\_\_ historical anecdote and observations. Proving the forest-climate link through verifiable and experimental scientific means rather than observation was (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ for these individuals, a situation that eventually led to the link (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ justifications for forest conservation.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) lacked	D) problematic	G) being revived in
B) discounted	E) unnecessary	H) dropping out of
C) employed	F) straightforward	I) losing out to

34. Our contemporary preference for natural expression over artifice is (i)\_\_\_\_\_ the traditional Western view that the skill with which you expressed a position corresponded closely to the credibility of your argument. Rhetorical styles might vary, but style itself was never a matter of (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. And "style" was not just a well-turned sentence: poor expression, it was believed (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ poor thought.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) a departure from	D) substance	G) ameliorated



B) a reflection on	E) indifference	H) elevated
C) an endorsement of	F) intention	I) betrayed

35. William Newman and Lawrence Principe point out that prior to the seventeenth century the terms “alchemy” and “chemistry” were largely (i)\_\_\_\_\_ in European usage. It was from the third decade of the eighteenth century that the two terms began to (ii)\_\_\_\_\_. Newman and Principe suggest that a third term, “chymistry,” should be used to denote the transitional early modern phase when “alchemy” and “chemistry” were becoming (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) interchangeable	D) coalesce	G) increasingly more convoluted
B) absent	E) proliferate	H) steadily less synonymous
C) misapplied	F) diverge	I) fundamentally less significant

36. The tape recorder is to blame for the (i)\_\_\_\_\_ of the interview and has thus had a (ii) effect on journalism. The possibility of verbatim reproduction has fostered the illusion that the voice of truth is that of the interviewee rather than the more critically detached voice belonging to the journalist. Maybe journalists should return to the lowly notebook, which allows them to (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ while listening, relegating the tape recorder to its real role of invaluable witness.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) glorification	D) negligible	G) edit intelligently
B) superannuation	E) pernicious	H) relinquish control
C) vilification	F) salutary	I) transcribe exactly

37. Although it is quite probable that many small asteroids in the solar system's asteroid belt have (i)\_\_\_\_\_, the total mass of these objects cannot be (ii)\_\_\_\_\_, since the combined gravitational pull of all known asteroids is (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ to fully account for the asteroid belt's effect on the motion of nearby planets such as Mars.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) similar structures	D) diminished	G) sufficient
B) formed by accretion	E) estimated	H) unlikely
C) escaped detection	F) substantial	I) required



- D. insist
- E. doubt
- F. question

25. 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. unimportant
- B. beneficial
- C. preventive
- D. prophylactic
- E. insignificant
- F. redundant

26. Well organized and researched and including all significant discoveries of medical scientists, the History of Western Medicines has been justly called\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. encyclopedic
- B. long-winded
- C. exhaustive
- D. rambling
- E. overbearing
- F. indiscriminating

27. Before 1917, the Russian workforce had been one of the most politically active and vociferous in the world; under Soviets this\_\_\_\_\_disappeared.

- A. skepticism
- B. bravado
- C. diffidence
- D. truculence
- E. belligerence
- F. incredibility



28. Indian physicist Meghnad Saha is an example of\_\_\_\_\_: facing discrimination because of his humble background, he went on to establish the journal Science and Culture to disseminate scientific knowledge without regard for class hierarchies.
- A. originality  
B. serendipity  
C. equanimity  
D. precocity  
E. tenacity  
F. doggedness
29. As the global climate warms, some deserts, expanding to higher latitudes, are beginning to\_\_\_\_\_fertile regions.
- A. augment  
B. endanger  
C. destroy  
D. displace  
E. supplant  
F. enrich
30. Conditions at the training camp for runners were\_\_\_\_\_; few of the runners had proper shoes or a training kit.
- A. unpleasant  
B. tedious  
C. spartan  
D. austere  
E. rigorous  
F. monotonous
31. Although some literary scholars may express disdain for works meant for popular audiences, only the most\_\_\_\_\_proponent of so-called great literature could dismiss the works in a recent anthology of African science fiction as formulaic pulp.
- A. radical  
B. pedantic  
C. oblivious



- D. hidebound
- E. illiberal
- F. charitable

32. There's \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the Broadway adaptation of *The Color Purple* that while hardly true to the harrowing bleakness of the early chapters of Alice Walker's novel, does bring to mind the enjoyably hoke cinematic lavishness of the film version.

- A. a starkness
- B. a splendor
- C. an austerity
- D. a sumptuousness
- E. a frivolousness
- F. a gravity

33. In noting that critical and popular opinions about Li's art coincided, Chang \_\_\_\_\_ the existence of an exception to her general theory of art criticism, which posits that critics' views do not intersect with those of the general public.

- A. asserted
- B. conceded
- C. acknowledged
- D. doubted
- E. pondered
- F. questioned

34. A single, cheap tablet combining an array of drugs that protect against heart disease was \_\_\_\_\_ years ago, but pharmaceutical companies were reluctant to undertake the project because it failed to provide sufficient financial incentive.

- A. banned
- B. broached
- C. proscribed
- D. proposed
- E. authorized
- F. developed





35. There is frequently a protracted time interval between the introduction of an innovative musical composition and its public acceptance: the concert-going public often spurns the \_\_\_\_\_ in favor of the familiar for a prolonged period.
- A. comprehensible
  - B. intricate
  - C. novel
  - D. original
  - E. intelligible
  - F. complex
36. British critics covering African American musicians performing in London in the 1910s had little idea how to distinguish what was authentic African American music from what was \_\_\_\_\_, but they knew such a distinction existed.
- A. eclectic
  - B. genuine
  - C. derivative
  - D. spurious
  - E. legitimate
  - F. specious
37. Church, Nussbaum, Waldman, and Wills have written very different books—Nussbaum and Wills range both farther and deeper—but each of the four strives for \_\_\_\_\_, wanting to save us from the errors of partisans and zealots.
- A. concision
  - B. evenhandedness
  - C. frankness
  - D. trustworthiness
  - E. succinctness
  - F. impartiality
38. While lunar geology may appear to be a relatively \_\_\_\_\_ area of planetary science, it is important to realize that the Moon's surface and interior retain records that shed light on the histories of all terrestrial planets.
- A. parochial



## Section 05

1. One baffling aspect of the novel is its capacity to generate emotional power from a plot that lacks the most elementary\_\_\_\_\_: readers must accept not an occasional coincidence, but a continuous stream of them.

A) synergy
B) continuity
C) naïveté
D) premise
E) credibility

2. The fiftieth birthday of this much-admired musician has, predictably, given rise to various\_\_\_\_\_, including two flattering television documentaries about her life.

A) encomiums
B) diatribes
C) controversies
D) exposés
E) conundrums

3. In the author's view, the idea that individuals have different learning styles, such as auditory or kinesthetic, is (i)\_\_\_\_\_; it may be highly intuitive to many, but it is simply (ii)\_\_\_\_\_.

Blank (i)

A) a foundational assumption
B) an untested hypothesis
C) a pernicious myth

Blank (ii)

D) erroneous
E) demoralizing
F) incontrovertible



4. The (i)\_\_\_\_\_ in local coverage of a rabies outbreak in colonial Hanoi may be startling today, but it cannot be attributed solely to the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ of the era's journalists. Rather, before the advent of modern public health systems, (iii)\_\_\_\_\_ the unpleasantness of the disease and its treatment was seen as a way to ensure that the public remained vigilant against possible sources of contagion.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) reliance on polite euphemisms	D) sycophancy	G) underscoring
B) deference to medical experts	E) squeamishness	H) minimizing
C) degree of gruesome detail	F) sensationalism	I) demystifying

5. Even mild criticism of public radio news reporting seems (i)\_\_\_\_\_, because the (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ such programming regularly receives is well deserved: the reporting is (iii)\_\_\_\_\_. In recent years, though, it has become clear that, for all its excellence, public radio will continue to lose viewers to its flashy but superficial rivals.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) sincere	D) approbation	G) famously tendentious
B) churlish	E) vitriol	H) increasingly meretricious
C) facile	F) skepticism	I) consistently perspicacious

6. The label "melodrama" tends to have (i)\_\_\_\_\_ implications when used to describe a film with historical subject matter. Melodrama is widely perceived as antithetical to cinematic realism and thus, from a perspective that seeks (ii)\_\_\_\_\_ rendering of the historical past, incapable of delivering the necessary (iii)\_\_\_\_\_.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) modest	D) an unabashedly colorful	G) dynamism
B) pejorative	E) a largely heroic	H) enchantment
C) conflicting	F) a seemingly unmediated	I) objectivity



7. Epidemiological studies have found that tea drinkers face a lower risk of heart attacks than do people who \_\_\_\_\_ the brew.
- A. eschew
  - B. appreciate
  - C. imbibe
  - D. forswear
  - E. quaff
  - F. ferment
8. Observing responses to environmental threats, he contrasts planet fetishizers, who imagine a suddenly \_\_\_\_\_ humanity restoring Earth to its pristine state, with planet managers, who believe in the effectiveness of technological control.
- A. headstrong
  - B. penitent
  - C. recalcitrant
  - D. contrite
  - E. timorous
  - F. energized
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ of governmental subsidies to obscure airports that are rarely used underscores the political difficulties of cutting funds from even the most unnecessary projects.
- A. paucity
  - B. effectiveness
  - C. durability
  - D. persistence
  - E. adequacy
  - F. dearth
10. The author's point is not that people should be \_\_\_\_\_ science; he is careful to point out that what science is discovering about humans, for example, is certainly important and worthy of careful consideration.
- A. skeptical toward



- B. dismissive of
- C. ignorant of
- D. zealous regarding
- E. scornful of
- F. passionate about

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## Section 06

1. Enlarged sensory organs in cave-dwelling organisms are not necessarily the rule: the phreatic Texas blind catfish has actually developed \_\_\_\_\_ barbels, whisker-like sensory organs near the mouth that are a prominent feature of other catfish species.

A) protective
B) minute
C) intimidating
D) inordinate
E) fragile

2. It is puzzling that postmodern thinkers have won over so many followers with oracular pronouncements about the “death” or the “deconstruction” of the human subject, when the fact that we are selves, finite but real, appears \_\_\_\_\_.

A) incontrovertible
B) dubious
C) unfathomable
D) unproductive
E) unremarkable

3. The virtual absence of cougars from late prehistoric faunas in the North American Great Basin (i) \_\_\_\_\_ a general scarcity of carnivores from these sites: bobcats, coyotes and badgers are routinely found and even such historically (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ carnivores as bears and wolves are found as well.

Blank (i)

A) largely parallels
B) does not reflect
C) is a consequence of

Blank (ii)

D) widespread
E) rare
F) representative



4. The company CEO's easygoing manner (i)\_\_\_\_\_his (ii)\_\_\_\_\_the job: he was in his office by dawn and hard at work till sunset.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A) belied	D) intensity on
B) amplified	E) suitability for
C) divulged	F) interest in

5. The idea that arguments based on probability are deployed only by (i)\_\_\_\_\_persons is (ii)\_\_\_\_\_even among scientists. Perhaps such an evaluation has partly to do with the origins of the subject in the mathematics of gambling games, not generally regarded as pastimes for people of good character.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
A) exacting	D) widespread
B) disreputable	E) controversial
C) prominent	F) deplored

6. There's 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: Toxorhynchites, the mosquito that eats other mosquitoes.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A) rare	D) malign	G) blameless
B) necessary	E) represent	H) pernicious
C) unfair	F) commend	I) valuable

7. The sailors realized too late that winds had shifted the ice in such a way as to obstruct the ship's path; this process had been so\_\_\_\_\_that it was completed by the time they discovered the effect.



- A. gradual
- B. negligible
- C. unpredictable
- D. time-consuming
- E. inconsequential
- F. imperceptible

8. Throughout human history, intelligence and consciousness have been concepts: those possessing much of the former are assumed, in some ill-defined way, to be more conscious than those less astute.

- A. disputed
- B. allied
- C. conflated
- D. loaded
- E. contested
- F. misjudged

9. On stage, jazz artist James Carter often veers dangerously close to the \_\_\_\_: he becomes a man possessed, his tenor saxophone wailing and whimpering with a musicality so muscular it threatens to consume him.

- A. lugubrious
- B. doleful
- C. intemperate
- D. excessive
- E. idiosyncratic
- F. sublime

10. Researchers concluded that although the success of pearl millet crops in the region varied with seasonal climatic conditions, cultivation remains \_\_\_\_ because of pearl millet's predisposition to perform under stressful growing conditions, including drought.

- A. erratic
- B. advantageous





- C. inconsistent
- D. prevalent
- E. impractical
- F. expedient

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