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- 1.1** 45a109a3 The following text is from Bram Stoker's 1897 novel *Dracula*. The narrator is being driven in a carriage through a remote region at night.
- The baying of the wolves sounded nearer and nearer, as though they were closing round on us from every side. I grew dreadfully afraid, and the horses shared my fear. The driver, however, was not in the least disturbed; he kept turning his head to left and right, but I could not see anything through the darkness.
- As used in the text, what does the word "disturbed" most nearly mean?
- A. Disorganized
 - B. Alarmed
 - C. Offended
 - D. Interrupted
- 1.2** d4a8f7cb Dance choreographer Jawole Willa Jo Zollar aims to give people the opportunity to be _____ her creative process. For example, live performances of her dance *HairStories*, which debuted in 2001, featured videos of people across the United States talking about their hair and audience members sharing pictures of their interesting hairstyles.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. nervous about
 - B. completed by
 - C. delayed by
 - D. involved in
- 1.3** 06b96bfc A musician and member of the Quechua of Peru, Renata Flores Rivera was eager to promote the Quechua language in her music, but she was _____ speaking it. She met this challenge by asking her grandmother, a native speaker of Quechua, to help her pronounce words in her song lyrics and also by taking classes in the language.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. prepared for
 - B. inexperienced with
 - C. skilled in
 - D. excited about
- 1.4** of040c50 The following text is from Yann Martel's 2001 novel *Life of Pi*. The narrator's family owned a zoo when he was a child.
- It was a huge zoo, spread over numberless acres, big enough to require a train to explore it, though it seemed to get smaller as I grew older, train included.
- ©2001 by Yann Martel
- As used in the text, what does the word "spread" most nearly mean?
- A. Hidden
 - B. Discussed
 - C. Extended
 - D. Coated

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- 1.5** 9cdcd902 Charles "Teenie" Harris was a photographer for the *Pittsburgh Courier* from 1936 to 1975. During his career he took over 70,000 photographs documenting everyday life in Pittsburgh's Black communities. The Carnegie Museum of Art maintains thousands of his photographs, carefully _____ them so that audiences can continue to view them well into the future.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. replacing
 - B. inventing
 - C. preserving
 - D. counting
- 1.6** e3f05561 In the 1970s, video cameras became increasingly affordable for ordinary consumers and gave Ulysses Jenkins and other artists capabilities that were previously unavailable except to television broadcasters. Jenkins recognized and took full advantage of this _____ access to powerful technology to create groundbreaking works of video art, such as *Mass of Images* (1978).
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. newfound
 - B. delicate
 - C. inevitable
 - D. habitual
- 1.7** 4a2b2535 A brief book review cannot fully convey the _____ of Olga Tokarczuk's novel *The Books of Jacob*, with its enormous cast of characters, its complicated, wandering plot, and its page numbers that count backward (beginning at 965 and ending at 1).
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. accuracy
 - B. inactivity
 - C. complexity
 - D. restraint
- 1.8** 9ccf463e The following text is from Nella Larsen's 1928 novel *Quicksand*.
- The trees in their spring beauty sent through her restive mind a sharp thrill of pleasure. Seductive, charming, and beckoning as cities were, they had not this easy unhuman loveliness.
- As used in the text, what does the word "beckoning" most nearly mean?
- A. Demanding
 - B. Signaling
 - C. Inviting
 - D. Shifting
- 1.9** ca47273b Biologist Jane Edgeloë and colleagues have located what is believed to be the largest individual plant in the world in the Shark Bay area of Australia. The plant is a type of seagrass called *Posidonia australis*, and it _____ approximately 200 square kilometers.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. acknowledges
 - B. produces
 - C. spans
 - D. advances

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- 1.10** f3fac04f Bioluminescent beetles called fireflies may seem to create flashes of light randomly, but each species of firefly actually has its own special series of repeated flashes and pauses. These unique _____ allow fireflies of the same species to find each other.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. quantities
 - B. decorations
 - C. patterns
 - D. agreements
- 1.11** a2835734 Visual artist Gabriela Alemán states that the bold colors of comics, pop art, and Latinx culture have always fascinated her. This passion for the rich history and colors of her Latinx community translates into the _____ artworks she produces.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. vivid
 - B. unknown
 - C. definite
 - D. reserved
- 1.12** d2eb1df1 In recommending Bao Phi's collection *Sōng I Sing*, a librarian noted that pieces by the spoken-word poet don't lose their _____ nature when printed: the language has the same pleasant musical quality on the page as it does when performed by Phi.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. scholarly
 - B. melodic
 - C. jarring
 - D. personal
- 1.13** 637d0878 The Appalachian Trail is a hiking path in the eastern United States. Much of the 2,000 mile trail passes through wilderness areas. In order to _____ those areas, the United States Congress passed the National Trails System Act in 1968, ensuring that the trail would not be sold or commercially developed.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. borrow
 - B. postpone
 - C. protect
 - D. decorate
- 1.14** 4480fae9 The following text is adapted from Sui Sin Far's 1912 short story "Mrs. Spring Fragrance." Mr. and Mrs. Spring Fragrance immigrated to the United States from China.
- Mrs. Spring Fragrance was unaware that Mr. Spring Fragrance, tired with the day's business, had thrown himself down on the bamboo settee on the veranda, and that although his eyes were engaged in scanning the pages of the *Chinese World*, his ears could not help receiving the words which were borne to him through the open window.
- As used in the text, what does the word "receiving" most nearly mean?
- A. Denying
 - B. Entering
 - C. Carrying
 - D. Hearing

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- 1.15** afd48140 In 1877, 85% of California's railways were already controlled by the Southern Pacific Railroad. The company further solidified its _____ in rail access to the state's Pacific coast when it completed the Sunset Route in 1883: running from Louisiana to Southern California, the route established the first transcontinental rail line across the southern United States.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. dominance
 - B. creativity
 - C. insignificance
 - D. neutrality
- 1.16** bdab32fc Cucurbits, a group of plants that includes squash and melons, relied on mastodons to spread their seeds in the Ice Age. When these animals died out, cucurbits faced extinction in turn, having lost their means of seed dispersal. Around this time, however, the ancestors of Indigenous peoples in North America began raising cucurbits as crops, thus _____ the plants' survival.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. verifying
 - B. multiplying
 - C. comforting
 - D. ensuring
- 1.17** b92c13fa According to statistician Nassim Nicholas Taleb, the best way to predict the amount of time a nonperishable entity (such as a building or a technology) will continue to exist is to examine how long it has survived so far. In this view, an item's age is the strongest _____ how much longer it will last.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. uncertainty about
 - B. indicator of
 - C. motivation for
 - D. criticism of
- 1.18** 849bf8d7 In the mid-nineteenth century, some abolitionist newspapers _____ westward migration in the United States; by printing a letter that described the easy fortunes and high salaries miners could make in California during the Gold Rush, Frederick Douglass's newspaper *North Star* was one such publication that inspired readers to relocate.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. stimulated
 - B. assigned
 - C. opposed
 - D. disregarded

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The following text is from Claude McKay's 1922 poem "Morning Joy." The speaker is looking out a window and observing a wold, or large area of land.

At night the wide and level stretch of wold,
Which at high noon had basked in quiet gold,
Far as the eye could see was ghostly white;
Dark was the night save for the snow's weird light.

I drew the shades far down, crept into bed;
Hearing the cold wind moaning overhead
Through the sad pines, my soul, catching its pain,
Went sorrowing with it across the plain.

As used in the text, what does the word "drew" most nearly mean?

- A. Pulled
- B. Drained
- C. Inspired
- D. Sketched

1.20 9d73c9eb

Osage Nation citizen Randy Tinker-Smith produced and directed the ballet *Wahzhazhe*, which vividly chronicles Osage history and culture. Telling Osage stories through ballet is _____ choice because two of the foremost ballet dancers of the twentieth century were Osage: sisters Maria and Marjorie Tallchief.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. a suitable
- B. a determined
- C. an arbitrary
- D. an unpredictable

1.21 8d579825

The printing of Virginia Woolf's novels featured a creative _____ between Woolf and her sister Vanessa Bell: a talented painter, Bell worked closely with Woolf to create original cover art for most of the novels.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. rebellion
- B. partnership
- C. discovery
- D. disagreement

1.22 47955354

Sumerian civilization (which lasted from around 3300 to 2000 BCE) _____ many concepts that persist into present-day civilizations: for example, the first description of the seven-day week appears in the Sumerian *Epic of Gilgamesh*.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. transformed
- B. introduced
- C. inherited
- D. overlooked

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- 1.23** a3761c7e Physicist Joseph Weber performed _____ work in gravitational wave research in the 1960s and 1970s, conducting key experiments that scientists later used as the basis for their own investigations that led to the first verified detection of a gravitational wave in 2015.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. foundational
 - B. supplementary
 - C. repetitive
 - D. ineffective
- 1.24** 80ebb189 As an architect in Los Angeles in the 1950s, Helen Liu Fong became known for avoiding _____ designs in her buildings. Instead of using standard shapes and colors, she typically explored innovative forms and daring hues.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. creative
 - B. bold
 - C. traditional
 - D. understandable
- 1.25** b0ea8c28 *Sueño de Familia* is an exhibition of drawings, paintings, and ceramics that explores the artistic heritage of US-based artist Yolanda González. The exhibition _____ five generations, featuring works by González's great-grandfather, grandmother, mother, and niece as well as González herself.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. borrows
 - B. spans
 - C. judges
 - D. neglects
- 1.26** 0d402146 US traffic signals didn't always contain the familiar three lights (red, yellow, and green). Traffic lights only _____ red and green lights until the three-light traffic signal was developed in the 1920s.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. avoided
 - B. featured
 - C. appreciated
 - D. disregarded
- 1.27** a4f50d30 Scientists previously thought that all electric eels belong to a single species, but a team of researchers led by zoologist C. David de Santana proved this idea wrong by _____ that there are in fact three distinct species of electric eels.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. pretending
 - B. complaining
 - C. requiring
 - D. demonstrating

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- 1.28** fa7a89f1 Studying how workload affects productivity, Maryam Kouchaki and colleagues found that people who chose to do relatively easy tasks first were less _____ compared to those who did hard tasks first. Finishing easy tasks gave participants a sense of accomplishment, but those who tackled hard tasks first actually became more skilled and productive workers over time.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. secretive
 - B. efficient
 - C. outgoing
 - D. unsympathetic
- 1.29** faa5696c Arturo A. Schomburg was dedicated to preserving books, art, and other materials from peoples of African descent around the world. To get these items, Schomburg _____ friends and colleagues, whom he asked to bring back rare and valuable objects from their international travels. Now, Schomburg's collection is a valuable resource for scholars of Black history and culture.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. admired
 - B. disagreed with
 - C. warned
 - D. depended on
- 1.30** aa7ae735 The following text is adapted from Mohsin Hamid's 2017 novel *Exit West*. Saeed lives with his mother and father. On cloudless nights after a daytime rain, Saeed's father would sometimes bring out the telescope, and the family would sip green tea on their balcony, enjoying a breeze, and take turns to look up at objects whose light, often, had been emitted before any of these three viewers had been born—light from other centuries, only now reaching Earth.
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- As used in the text, what does the word "reaching" most nearly mean?
- A. Arriving at
 - B. Consulting with
 - C. Running to
 - D. Clinging to
- 1.31** 428cd2c1 Some people have speculated that two helmets with attached horns discovered in Denmark in 1942 belonged to Vikings, but scholars have long been skeptical. Archaeologist Helle Vandkilde and colleagues recently provided radiocarbon dates for the helmets, and their findings _____ scholars' skepticism: the helmets date to the Nordic Bronze Age, centuries before the Vikings existed.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. anticipate
 - B. inspect
 - C. reveal
 - D. justify

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1.32 82b7c3b2

The following text is from Booth Tarkington's 1921 novel *Alice Adams*.

Mrs. Adams had always been fond of vases, she said, and every year her husband's Christmas present to her was a vase of one sort or another—whatever the clerk showed him, marked at about twelve or fourteen dollars.

As used in the text, what does the word "marked" most nearly mean?

- A. Staged
- B. Priced
- C. Stained
- D. Watched

1.33 aad56f2b

As a young photographer in the 1950s, William Klein _____ the conventions of photography by creating images that were high contrast and included blurred and distorted elements—features generally seen as flaws. So unorthodox was Klein's work that he had difficulty finding a publisher for his now-iconic 1956 photo book *Life is Good & Good for You in New York*.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. reviewed
- B. defied
- C. respected
- D. prevented

1.34 2390e956

Ronyoung Kim creatively captures the Korean American immigrant experience in her novel *Clay Walls* by writing about a family from three _____ perspectives. The first section of the novel is from the mother Haesu's perspective, the second is from the father Chun's perspective, and the last is from the daughter Faye's perspective.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word?

- A. distinct
- B. required
- C. unintended
- D. unknown

1.35 b507f90f

Latro, the main character of Gene Wolfe's novel *Soldier of the Mist*, is a man in ancient Greece. He completely loses his memory whenever he sleeps. So, before sleeping, Latro records the important experiences of each day on a scroll, carefully choosing which ones to _____.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. suspect
- B. preserve
- C. suggest
- D. imagine

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- 1.36** 2c82068f The following text is from Mark Oshiro's 2018 novel *Anger Is a Gift*. In the novel, Moss and his friends are on a subway train in Northern California.

Lights from the outside world then filled the train car as it rose out of the ground and climbed the elevated track. As long as Moss had lived in West Oakland, he'd never tired of this specific view, so he pointed toward the windows.
"Check it," he said, and the Port of Oakland began to pass by them.

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As used in the text, what does the word "specific" most nearly mean?

- A. Imaginary
- B. Energetic
- C. Correct
- D. Particular

- 1.37** dcObca21 It would be a mistake to _____ the exhibit that artist and curator Joe Baker, who is a member of the Lenape (Delaware) people, has organized at the Brooklyn Public Library. The exhibit, which includes Lenape beadwork from the 1850s as well as modern works that use traditional patterns, is essential viewing.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. complicate
- B. amplify
- C. overlook
- D. assemble

- 1.38** 417f8dfa The following text is from Darcie Little Badger's 2021 novel *A Snake Falls to Earth*. Nina is looking at old family photographs.

Nina couldn't stop looking at the sepia-toned photograph in an oak frame. Propped on the window ledge, it featured a portrait of Great-Great-Grandmother Rosita as a young woman.

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As used in the text, what does the word "featured" most nearly mean?

- A. Displayed
- B. Questioned
- C. Approved
- D. Ignored

- 1.39** 52fe862a Researcher Lucy Salazar is using radiocarbon dating to study Machu Picchu, an ancient Incan fortress in the Andes Mountains. She and her colleagues have found that the site's age differs from the _____ estimate: it is approximately 20 years older than scholars thought when first encountering Machu Picchu in 1911.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. genuine
- B. intentional
- C. independent
- D. original

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- 1.40** 05575bca The following text is adapted from Lewis Carroll's 1871 novel *Through the Looking-Glass, and What Alice Found There*. Alice, a child, is talking to her cat.

"Do you hear the snow against the window-panes, Kitty? How nice and soft it sounds! Just as if someone was kissing the window all over outside."

As used in the text, what does the word "soft" most nearly mean?

- A. Gentle
- B. Sensitive
- C. Shapeless
- D. Bland

- 1.41** edd64a4a The following text is adapted from Charles Chesnutt's 1899 story "The Wife of His Youth." Mr. Ryder is hosting a formal gathering where he will propose marriage to the woman he has been courting.

[A] younger and less cautious man would long since have spoken. But he had made up his mind, and had only to determine the time when he would ask her to be his wife. He decided to give a ball in her honor, and at some time during the evening of the ball to offer her his heart and hand.

As used in the text, what does the word "determine" most nearly mean?

- A. Choose
- B. Influence
- C. Demonstrate
- D. Measure

- 1.42** 03f5a9b7 When marine biologist Brittany Williams played different ocean recordings to groups of oyster larvae, groups that heard sounds of a healthy oyster reef were the most _____. They were twice as likely as other groups to show signs of making a permanent home. This suggests that playing recordings of a healthy ocean reef may encourage oysters to create such a reef.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. responsive
- B. inactive
- C. liked
- D. distressed

- 1.43** afd2a9eb Manul cats are small, shy felines. They live mostly alone in out-of-the-way parts of Asia, such as on Mount Everest. These cats have been difficult to research because their habitats are so _____ large populations of humans.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. full of
- B. drawn to
- C. responsible for
- D. distant from

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1.44 5514fd1f Archaeologist Erika Karuzas works with the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of Montana to preserve culturally significant sites. In 2015 they decided that creating a new national trail connecting many of these sites would _____ their preservation efforts, because the US government provides some protections to national trails that aren't given to other areas.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. inspire
- B. ignore
- C. promote
- D. reduce

1.45 6cf906fc The following text is adapted from José Martí's 1891 poem "At the Salon" (translated by Cecil Charles in 1898). The speaker describes a painting featuring a female figure.

From the sterile soil no ray Of hope in a blade of green, Nor sheltering roof is seen—
Though the skies are heavy and gray. Ah, this is the woman fair Who stole away my heart
In the splendid halls of art Yester-e'en as I wandered there!

As used in the text, what does the word "sheltering" most nearly mean?

- A. Protective
- B. Restrictive
- C. Affectionate
- D. Suspicious

1.46 4d1a9c0d Following the principles of community-based participatory research, tribal nations and research institutions are equal partners in health studies conducted on reservations. A collaboration between the Crow Tribe and Montana State University _____ this model: tribal citizens worked alongside scientists to design the methodology and continue to assist in data collection.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. circumvents
- B. eclipses
- C. fabricates
- D. exemplifies

1.47 44cc5f75 Artificially delivering biomolecules to plant cells is an important component of protecting plants from pathogens, but it is difficult to transmit biomolecules through the layers of the plant cell wall. Markita del Carpio Landry and her colleagues have shown that it may be possible to _____ this problem by transmitting molecules through carbon nanotubes, which can cross cell walls.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. conceptualize
- B. neglect
- C. illustrate
- D. overcome

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- 1.48** 9e501aaf Research conducted by planetary scientist Katarina Milkovic suggests that the Moon's surface may not accurately _____ early impact events. When the Moon was still forming, its surface was softer, and asteroid or meteoroid impacts would have left less of an impression; thus, evidence of early impacts may no longer be present.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. reflect
 - B. receive
 - C. evaluate
 - D. mimic
- 1.49** 0ee67e09 Anthropologist Kristian J. Carlson and colleagues examined the fossilized clavicle and shoulder bones of a 3.6-million-year-old early hominin known as "Little Foot." They found that these bones were _____ the clavicle and shoulder bones of modern apes that are frequent climbers, such as gorillas and chimpanzees, suggesting that Little Foot had adapted to life in the trees.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. surpassed by
 - B. comparable to
 - C. independent of
 - D. obtained from
- 1.50** a318clef The Cambrian explosion gets its name from the sudden appearance and rapid diversification of animal remains in the fossil record about 541 million years ago, during the Cambrian period. Some scientists argue that this _____ change in the fossil record might be because of a shift in many organisms to body types that were more likely to be preserved.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. catastrophic
 - B. elusive
 - C. abrupt
 - D. imminent
- 1.51** 7d84fe2b Particle physicists like Ayana Holloway Arce and Aida El-Khadra spend much of their time _____ what is invisible to the naked eye: using sophisticated technology, they closely examine the behavior of subatomic particles, the smallest detectable parts of matter.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. selecting
 - B. inspecting
 - C. creating
 - D. deciding
- 1.52** d74788e1 British painter Peter Edwards has a _____ painting portraits of notable figures from a variety of different fields. These characteristic works include his esteemed portraits of poet Wendy Cope and soccer player and coach Ryan Griggs.
- Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?
- A. complaint about
 - B. reputation for
 - C. question about
 - D. requirement for

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- 1.53** 8a47383 The National Heritage Fellowship was created to publicly _____ exceptional folk and traditional artists in the United States. In 2015, the fellowship was given to the circus aerialist (mid-air acrobat) Dolly Jacobs to celebrate her lifetime contributions to the arts.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. startle
- B. recognize
- C. familiarize
- D. convey

- 1.54** ba974387 The following text is adapted from Mary Seacole's 1857 autobiography *Wonderful Adventures of Mrs. Seacole in Many Lands*.

That journey across the Isthmus [of Panama], insignificant in distance as it was, was by no means an easy one. It seemed as if nature had determined to throw every conceivable obstacle in the way of those who should seek to join the two great oceans of the world.

As used in the text, what does the word "conceivable" most nearly mean?

- A. Obvious
- B. Imaginable
- C. Straightforward
- D. Uninterrupted

- 1.55** 84f9b577 The following text is from Jhumpa Lahiri's 2003 novel *The Namesake*. Gogol, a child, is at a beach in Massachusetts with his father.

On the beach Gogol collects rocks, digs tunnels in the sand. He and his father wander barefoot, their pant legs rolled halfway up their calves.

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As used in the text, what does the word "collects" most nearly mean?

- A. Increases
- B. Makes
- C. Ignores
- D. Gathers

- 1.56** e3ffb854 The following text is adapted from John Matheus's 1925 short story "Fog."

The fog extended its tentacles over city and river, gradually obliterating traces of familiar landscapes. At five-thirty the old Panhandle bridge, supported by massive sandstone pillars, stalwart, as when erected fifty years before to serve a generation now passed behind the portals of life, had become a spectral outline against the sky.

As used in the text, what does the word "supported" most nearly mean?

- A. Held up
- B. Encouraged
- C. Improved on
- D. Defended

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1.57 b5898291 The equipment from the Apollo Moon landings (1969–1972), such as radiation detectors and temperature probes, remains there to this day, but the data from these missions were mostly inaccessible until a recent data-transfer project made them _____. This project has allowed researcher Seiichi Nagihara to make use of the information in investigating temperature changes on the Moon.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. predictable
- B. complicated
- C. representative
- D. available

1.58 e386a11d *Cat and Plum Blossoms* is an important work of *Nihonga*, or classical Japanese painting. Unlike Kuroda Seiki, who adopted traditional European methods such as painting with oil on canvas, Hishida Shunsō _____ traditional Japanese approaches. For instance, Hishida produced *Cat and Plum Blossoms* by applying color pigments to a silk scroll.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A. distrusted
- B. embraced
- C. released
- D. overlooked