

Reading for the Real World 2 - Unit 11

Name _____

I. Vocabulary: Choose the best word to fill in the blank.

1. Dr. Jensen is a(n) _____ who studies birds that live in the rainforest.
 - a. biologist
 - b. adolescent
 - c. primate
 - d. panelist

2. The world's oldest known _____ dates back to about 8000 BCE.
 - a. rotation
 - b. civilization
 - c. allocation
 - d. liberation

3. While skills and _____ are important in an employee, so is the ability to get along with others.
 - a. consensus
 - b. engineering
 - c. competence
 - d. testosterone

4. It is good for children to _____ with and learn from other children of different ages.
 - a. confirm
 - b. brandish
 - c. observe
 - d. interact

5. There are many cross-cultural differences in _____ concepts, such as the important of punctuality.
 - a. temporal
 - b. prior
 - c. frivolous
 - d. inseparable

II. Cloze Test

Questions 6 - 10

So are educational outcomes and career paths purely a result of socialization, or are they also influenced by ___(6)___ differences? Studies in neuroscience and cognitive psychology have confirmed men and women are indeed working with slightly different equipment. One 2013 study showed that male adolescents have more ___(7)___ connections *within* hemispheres of the brain, whereas females have more connections *between* hemispheres. This makes the “typical” male brain better for motor skills and spatial organization. The female brain seems better suited for analysis and intuitive inference. Similarly, studies in cognitive psychology show differences in ___(8)___. Men score higher on tests of mathematical reasoning and the ___(9)___ of three-dimensional objects in their imagination, for instance. These skills are useful in physics and engineering. Women score higher on tests of ___(10)___ identification— either matching or identifying missing items. These skills are useful in fields like publishing and design.

6. a. spatial
b. useful
c. cognitive
d. biological

9. a. socialization
b. reasoning
c. matching
d. rotation

7. a. mathematical
b. neural
c. educational
d. adolescent

10. a. field
b. detail
c. psychology
d. equipment

8. a. ability
b. analysis
c. design
d. identification

III. Reading Comprehension: Based on the reading in section II, put the information below into the correct columns.

Score better on mental rotation 11. Possibly more suited for engineering 12. Two brains hemispheres more connected	13. Score better on identifying details 14. Possibly more suited for design 15. More neural connections within hemispheres
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Women	Men
	<i>Score better on mental rotation</i>

IV. Word Study: Match the word to its definition.

- a. in the middle of some measurable distance
- b. to spend time with others in a friendly way
- c. relating to a measurable aspect, such as height or width
- d. distribution, especially by an authority
- e. the integration of the worldwide economy

- 16. socialize ____
- 17. globalization ____
- 18. allocation ____
- 19. halfway ____
- 20. dimensional ____

V. Fill in the blank with the correct word.

evolutionary fundamentally globalization socialize allocation

- 21. Do you believe that most people are _____ good?
- 22. _____ theory says that species adapt to their environments over time.
- 23. You will have a chance to relax and _____ with your co-workers at the office holiday party.
- 24. Make sure that the _____ of work among all the group members is fair.
- 25. _____ has helped to dramatically reduce world poverty over the last two decades.

1	2	3	4	5
a	b	c	d	a
6	7	8	9	10
d	b	a	d	b
11	12	13	14	15
Men	Women	Women	Women	Men
16	17	18	19	20
b	e	d	a	c
21	22	23	24	25
fundamentally	Evolutionary	socialize	allocation	Globalization