

Reading for the Real World 2 - Unit 1

Name _____

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

1. People usually consider _____ proof of an event to be quite convincing.
 - a. estimated
 - b. photographic
 - c. lunatic
 - d. circular

2. Every living _____ has its own genetic code.
 - a. organism
 - b. occurrence
 - c. antiquity
 - d. disinformation

3. Since Daniel is a new employee, I _____ that he will have a lot of questions.
 - a. conceal
 - b. spread
 - c. report
 - d. presume

4. Italy has many buildings that date back to _____.
 - a. antiquity
 - b. retraction
 - c. occurrence
 - d. altitude

5. Planes normally fly at a(n) _____ of at least thirty thousand feet, or about nine kilometers.
 - a. retraction
 - b. sighting
 - c. organism
 - d. altitude

II. Cloze Test

Questions 6 - 10

In 1947, the Roswell ____ (6) ____ occurred and eventually became the most famous UFO case in US history. In early July that year, an object crashed onto a sheep ranch near Roswell, New Mexico. All the pieces of the fallen ____ (7) ____ were collected by members of the US Air Force stationed at Roswell Army Air Field. Later in the day, the commander of the base ____ (8) ____ the press that the remains of a “flying ____ (9) ____ ” had been recovered. This news spread worldwide in a matter of hours. Strangely, a few hours after the press release, the commanding general of the Eighth Air Force ____ (10) ____ a second press release asserting that the remains were from a common weather balloon.

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| 6. | a. evidence | 9. | a. material |
| | b. explanation | | b. planet |
| | c. crash | | c. item |
| | d. sight | | d. disc |
| 7. | a. object | 10. | a. claimed |
| | b. release | | b. recovered |
| | c. origin | | c. issued |
| | d. case | | d. detected |
| 8. | a. spread | | |
| | b. informed | | |
| | c. caught | | |
| | d. believed | | |

III. Reading Comprehension: Based on the reading in section II, number the events from 1 to 5 in chronological order.

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| 11. ____ The incident was reported around the world. |
| 12. ____ A military official denied that the object was a UFO. |
| 13. <u>1</u> There was a crash on a sheep ranch in Roswell. |
| 14. ____ An official stated that the object was a “flying disc.” |
| 15. ____ Members of the US military collected parts of the object. |

IV. Word Study: Choose the SYNONYM (=) or ANTONYM (↔) for each word.

16. Which of the following is a synonym for *presume*?
- a. differ
 - b. believe
 - c. capture
 - d. explain
17. Which of the following is an antonym for *antiquity*?
- a. modernity
 - b. community
 - c. flexibility
 - d. activity
18. Which of the following is an antonym for *rational*?
- a. unpopular
 - b. uncommon
 - c. unreasonable
 - d. unknown
19. Which of the following is a synonym for *occurrence*?
- a. alternative
 - b. origin
 - c. truth
 - d. event
20. Which of the following is a synonym for *circa*?
- a. before
 - b. about
 - c. including
 - d. following

V. Fill in the blank with the correct word.

consultation arbitrary clue organism prediction

21. Bacteria are a type of _____ that can make people sick.
22. The context in which a word is used usually provides a(n) _____ to its meaning.
23. My _____ is that the project will succeed.
24. We met with a lawyer for a(n) _____ about the contract.
25. The law that sets the minimum voting age at 18 is kind of _____ --why not 17?

1	2	3	4	5
b	a	d	a	d
6	7	8	9	10
c	a	b	d	c
11	12	13	14	15
4	5	1	3	2
16	17	18	19	20
b	a	c	d	b
21	22	23	24	25
organism	clue	prediction	consultation	arbitrary