

Reading for the Real World 1 Intro - Unit 12

Name _____

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

1. Before you begin your master's degree, you have to finish your _____ degree.
 - a. competitive
 - b. victim
 - c. undergraduate
 - d. campus

2. _____ show that more and more people are consuming media over the Internet instead of on TV.
 - a. Sectors
 - b. Statistics
 - c. Co-signers
 - d. Officials

3. Our company is hosting a _____ on marketing with social media this weekend.
 - a. profit
 - b. debt
 - c. poll
 - d. workshop

4. We are looking for _____ partners who can energetically adapt to changes in the business world.
 - a. accumulating
 - b. budgetary
 - c. crisis
 - d. dynamic

5. Young job seekers often value positions that offer _____ in scheduling so they can choose when and where they work.
 - a. flexibility
 - b. partially
 - c. essentially
 - d. profitability

II. Cloze Test

Questions 6 - 10

Freelance work is one of the most _____ (6) _____ sectors of the global economy. By 2020, for instance, people who earn a living at least _____ (7) _____ from freelance work will make up forty percent of the American workforce. For companies, using a freelancer is usually cheaper than hiring and training a full-time employee. Perhaps more _____ (8) _____, for employees freelancing appeals to those who dream of being their own boss. Freelancers can set their own schedule and select the projects that interest them most. Moreover, their careers are not limited to any one geographical area.

Of course, freelancing also has negative _____ (9) _____. For example, there is the lack of a guaranteed, steady income. Many people would rather have a job with a/an _____ (10) _____ monthly paycheck. Further, the freelance world is highly competitive. Most successful freelancers begin as full-time employees. Holding a traditional job first is essential for developing skills and confidence, as well as building a network of business contacts.

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| <p>6. a. laid off
b. dynamic
c. official
d. statistical</p> | <p>9. a. aspects
b. accountants
c. crises
d. workshops</p> |
| <p>7. a. temptingly
b. profitably
c. interestingly
d. partially</p> | <p>10. a. inspiring
b. campus
c. definite
d. sectored</p> |
| <p>8. a. officially
b. importantly
c. competitively
d. flexibly</p> | |

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

<p>Does not provide a guaranteed monthly paycheck</p> <p>11. Finding work is highly competitive 12. Employees can be their own boss</p>	<p>13. Companies save money 14. Workers can set their own schedules 15. Must have a traditional job first</p>
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Freelance Work	
A. Positive Aspects	B. Negative Aspects
<p>- - -</p>	<p>- Does not provide a guaranteed monthly paycheck - -</p>

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

16. Which of the following is an antonym for *partially*?
- a. importantly
 - b. dynamically
 - c. completely
 - d. basically
17. Which of the following is a synonym for *aspect*?
- a. ability
 - b. significance
 - c. crisis
 - d. feature
18. Which of the following is a synonym for *accumulate*?
- a. inspire
 - b. donate
 - c. create
 - d. gather
19. Which of the following is an antonym for *definite*?
- a. certain
 - b. uncertain
 - c. brief
 - d. lengthy
20. Which of the following is a synonym for *tempt*?
- a. attract
 - b. discourage
 - c. repulse
 - d. permanent

V. Fill in the blank with the correct word.

campus importantly crisis inspiring official
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21. Government _____ will be reviewing their budget plans over the next few weeks.
22. Low oil prices have led to an economic _____ in parts of the world that produce oil.
23. The beautiful _____ is one of the main attractions of this university.
24. Chen's _____ speech prompted a lot of students to support the cause.
25. A career is a way to earn money, but more _____, it's a way to find personal fulfillment in the life.

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6	7	8	9	10
b	d	b	a	c
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B	A	A	A	B
16	17	18	19	20
c	d	d	b	a
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officials	crisis	campus	inspiring	importantly