

Reading for the Real World Intro - Unit 7

Name _____

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

1. After conducting a lot of tests and examinations on the ill patient, doctors have finally come up with a _____.
 - a. commencement
 - b. burial
 - c. diagnosis
 - d. suitor
2. If you leave meat outside in the heat, it will _____ very quickly.
 - a. flee
 - b. font
 - c. decay
 - d. stumble into
3. The referee _____ the boxing a match a draw after reading the judges' scorecards.
 - a. pronounced
 - b. connected
 - c. proportioned
 - d. escaped
4. People do not have to learn how to breathe because it is a/an _____ we are born with.
 - a. artistry
 - b. suitor
 - c. instinct
 - d. boundary
5. Because Wanda's best grade last _____ was only a C+, she has decided to study much harder from now on.
 - a. tomb
 - b. commencement
 - c. pathway
 - d. semester

II. Cloze Test

Questions 6 - 10

One remarkable story recently occurred in the city of Baltimore. The wife of a respected lawyer contracted a sudden, mysterious disease. No doctor could offer a ____ (6) ____, and after intense suffering, she died. She looked like any other corpse and had no pulse, so she was ____ (7) ____ dead. The funeral was held quickly to prevent the body from ____ (8) ____. Afterward, the woman's coffin was placed in her family ____ (9) ____, where it lay undisturbed for three years. Then there was another death in the family. When the iron door of the tomb was opened, the woman's skeleton fell into her shocked husband's arms! After close inspection, her family came to the horrifying conclusion that she had not really been dead at the time of burial. They believed that she had woken up ____ (10) ____ after her burial and had tried to escape, which caused her coffin to fall and break open. It seemed that she had tried to break down the iron door. However, she had failed and had died, trapped inside.

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| 6. | a. boundary
b. diagnosis
c. skeleton
d. suitor | 9. | a. tomb
b. pathway
c. font
d. typography |
| 7. | a. proportioned
b. buried
c. vagued
d. pronounced | 10. | a. subtly
b. calligraphy
c. terribly
d. shortly |
| 8. | a. stumbling
b. commencing
c. decaying
d. flashing | | |

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 woman's heart stopped, so people thought she was dead. |
| 12. ____ Doctors could not find what was wrong with the woman. |
| 13. ____ Three years later, her family found the woman had tried to escape from the tomb. |
| 14. ____ The woman was put in a family tomb. |
| 15. ____ A woman became sick very quickly. |

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

16. Which of the following is an antonym for *subtle*?
- a. clever
 - b. obvious
 - c. half
 - d. whole
17. Which of the following is a synonym for *vague*?
- a. popular
 - b. focused
 - c. artistic
 - d. unclear
18. Which of the following is an antonym for *terribly*?
- a. badly
 - b. well
 - c. extremely
 - d. boundary
19. Which of the following is a synonym for *pathway*?
- a. home
 - b. prison
 - c. route
 - d. garden
20. Which of the following is a synonym for *shortly*?
- a. soon
 - b. later
 - c. smally
 - d. tally

V. Fill in the blank with the correct word.

gut artistic proportionally premature flee
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21. Our new neighbors had to _____ their home country because of the war there.
22. Sylvia's husband has a lot of _____ talent—you should see his paintings and sculptures!!
23. Even though Alannah knew that medicine would be a safer career choice, she decided to follow her _____ and become a circus clown instead.
24. Since the new president was only elected a week ago, it is _____ to judge her ability to lead the country right now.
25. Polar ice will get _____ smaller as global temperatures rise.

1	2	3	4	5
c	c	a	c	d
6	7	8	9	10
b	d	c	a	d
11	12	13	14	15
3	2	5	4	1
16	17	18	19	20
b	d	b	c	a
21	22	23	24	25
flee	artistic	gut	premature	proportionally