

Reading for the Real World Intro - Unit 11

Name _____

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

1. Dogs tend to react _____ when they are praised and given food for their good behavior.
 - a. positively
 - b. painfully
 - c. irrelevantly
 - d. modernly
2. One _____ about left-handed people is that they are more artistic than right-handed people are.
 - a. offspring
 - b. generalization
 - c. respondent
 - d. stranger
3. A cold fusion power generator is still a/an _____ technology, but hopefully scientists will develop it one day.
 - a. biased
 - b. ultimate
 - c. non-existent
 - d. interesting
4. Baby mammals tend to need a lot of _____ care compared to reptiles or fish.
 - a. questionable
 - b. portrayal
 - c. minimum
 - d. parental
5. The nation's constitution describes a set of laws that guarantee the _____ of all citizens, no matter their sex, race, or religion.
 - a. irrelevance
 - b. dowries
 - c. emergence
 - d. equality

II. Cloze Test

Questions 6 - 10

Family law and employment law are two important areas for Men's Rights Activists, or MRAs. Many men feel that ____ (6) ____ leave laws are unfair. Generally, women are given paid time off work to care for a newborn child, but men do not receive the same treatment. In France, a woman may take up to sixteen weeks' paid maternity leave, while a man gets fifteen days' paternity leave. In other countries, paternity leave is unpaid or ____ (7) _____. Further, some recent laws specify that a ____ (8) ____ percentage of women have to be in high positions within companies. MRAs criticize these laws because there are no minimum requirements for men. Family law is also a problem. When parents separate, the mother tends to be given ____ (9) ____ rather than the father. The MRAs say this shows a bias against men. For these reasons, these activists are fighting for ____ (10) ____ for men.

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| 6. | a. perspective
b. parental
c. prostate
d. portrayal | 9. | a. survey
b. custody
c. dowry
d. factor |
| 7. | a. painful
b. ultimate
c. declining
d. non-existent | 10. | a. equality
b. offspring
c. questionnaires
d. paternity |
| 8. | a. modern
b. generalization
c. positive
d. minimum | | |

III. Reading Comprehension: Based on the reading in section II, indicate whether each statement is true (T) or false (F).

11. ____ Men are usually given less time off work than women are after a baby is born.
12. ____ In France, men get fifteen weeks of paternity leave.
13. ____ MRAs are happy that there are no laws about minimum requirements for men in high positions in companies.
14. ____ After a divorce, men are usually given custody of the children.
15. ____ MRAs believe certain laws show a bias in favor of women.

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

- a. offspring
- b. portrayal
- c. questionnaire
- d. ultimate
- e. irrelevant

- 16. ____ a written set of questions given to people in order to collect facts or opinions about something
- 17. ____ not important or relating to what is being discussed
- 18. ____ one's child or children
- 19. ____ eventual
- 20. ____ the way someone or something is shown or described in a book, film, etc.

V. Fill in the blank with the correct word.

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- 21. Teresa's grandmother _____ this bakery in 1955.
- 22. Natalia suffered a _____ knee injury in the volleyball match.
- 23. In an attempt to _____ the office, the management team decided to buy new computers.
- 24. Margaret always tries to look at a disagreement from both _____.
- 25. _____, Pam and Tara sat beside each other during the test and gave all the same answers to the questions.

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b	d	d	b	a
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c	e	a	d	b
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