

1. He was treated like a ____ and cast out from his community.

- A. ascetic
- B. prodigy
- C. prodigal
- D. pariah
- E. tyro

2. The teacher accused me of ____ because my essay was so similar to that of another student.

- A. procrastination
- B. plagiarism
- C. celerity
- D. confusion
- E. decorum

3. We live in a ____ age; everyone thinks that maximizing pleasure is the point of life.

- A. ubiquitous
- B. propitious
- C. sporadic
- D. corrupt
- E. hedonistic

4. Thankfully the disease has gone into ____ ; it may not recur for many years.

- A. treatment
- B. sequestration
- C. quarantine
- D. remission
- E. oblivion

5. People from all over the world are sent by their doctors to breathe the pure, ____ air in this mountain region.

- A. invigorating
- B. soporific
- C. debilitating
- D. insalubrious
- E. aromatic

6. As were many colonial administrators, Gregory was ____ in his knowledge of the grammar of the local language, though his accent was ____ .

- A. deficient - poor
- B. competent - adequate
- C. faultless - awful
- D. well-versed - effective
- E. erratic - eccentric

7. Though Adam Bede is presented to us by the author as ____ fiction, there are none of the life-like meanderings of the story of Amos Barton.

- A. realistic
- B. romantic
- C. imaginative
- D. educational

E. entertaining

8. There is a general ____ in the United States that our ethics are declining and that our moral standards are ____ .

- A. feeling - normalizing
- B. idea - futile
- C. optimism - improving
- D. complaint - deteriorating
- E. outlook - escalating

9. Homo sapiens, the proud splitter of the atom, inventor of the electronic computer, ____ of the genetic code may be humbled by a lowly ____ of the sewers and soils - the microbe.

- A. designer - inhabitant
- B. discoverer - rodent
- C. writer - organism
- D. decipherer - denizen
- E. author - purifier

10. After centuries of obscurity, this philosopher's thesis is enjoying a surprising ____ .

- A. dismissal
- B. remission
- C. decimation
- D. longevity
- E. renaissance

11. The threat of war, far from ____ , lay heavily in the air, and the villagers, while ____ going about their normal activities, were unable to shake off the feeling of impending catastrophe.

- A. receding - ostensibly
- B. diminishing - contentedly
- C. increasing - apparently
- D. escalating - joyfully
- E. subsiding - felicitously

12. Although alarmed by the ____ , Professor Symes had no reason to doubt the ____ of his student's results, for this student was nothing if not reliable.

- A. conclusions - folly
- B. deductions - impudence
- C. implications - veracity
- D. errors - truth
- E. inferences - invalidity