

# SENTENCE COMPLETIONS

1. Among the bony fishes, only the marlin is as \_\_\_\_\_ as the giant bluefin tuna; both fish can swim at speeds in excess of 55 miles per hour.
  - (A) common
  - (B) swift
  - (C) exotic
  - (D) prized
  - (E) limber
  
2. The impressive set design at the opera house is especially \_\_\_\_\_, using massive sets and intricately painted backdrops.
  - (A) scant
  - (B) pragmatic
  - (C) lavish
  - (D) pedestrian
  - (E) pallid
  
3. Management's fears will not be \_\_\_\_\_ until the contract negotiations are settled and the union's pledge to strike \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) relieved...satisfied
  - (B) heightened...resolved
  - (C) addressed...falsified
  - (D) calmed...rescinded
  - (E) disproven...renewed
  
4. Lapresti's analysis, far from showing that we can now \_\_\_\_\_ the economic tenets put forth in Adam Smith's *Wealth of Nations*, concludes that Smith's principles are even more \_\_\_\_\_ today than ever.
  - (A) discard...applicable
  - (B) comprehend...facile
  - (C) adjust...malleable
  - (D) disseminate...valuable
  - (E) ignore...judicious
  
5. Subscribing to the notion that reason should always \_\_\_\_\_ rhetoric, Jarvis tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the use of hyperbole during the debate.
  - (A) supplant...conceal
  - (B) bolster...delete
  - (C) prevail over...avoid
  - (D) conquer...emphasize
  - (E) succeed...heighten
  
6. \_\_\_\_\_ by nature, Maschio picked a fight with almost everyone that he met.
  - (A) Dilatory
  - (B) Affable
  - (C) Exultant
  - (D) Pedestrian
  - (E) Belligerent
  
7. Lie detector testing, a once \_\_\_\_\_ technology for identifying criminals, has been stripped of its \_\_\_\_\_ by a spate of well-regarded articles criticizing the procedure.
  - (A) questionable...popularity
  - (B) unassailable...luster
  - (C) authoritative...anonymity
  - (D) dubious...ignominy
  - (E) matchless...deficiency
  
8. Monica's \_\_\_\_\_ personality contrasted sharply with that of her more gregarious and voluble sibling.
  - (A) solicitous
  - (B) boisterous
  - (C) lenient
  - (D) sagacious
  - (E) diffident
  
9. The usual image of the settling of America is one of a frontier line \_\_\_\_\_ creeping westward as individual pioneers slowly and steadily built homesteads and established new towns.
  - (A) perniciously
  - (B) frenetically
  - (C) lethargically
  - (D) stealthily
  - (E) inexorably
  
10. The savvy politician capitalized on the widespread \_\_\_\_\_ among voters by offering economic hope for the future and invoking change at every opportunity.
  - (A) discordance
  - (B) amity
  - (C) benevolence
  - (D) malaise
  - (E) empathy