

**TEST QUESTIONS 7**

Choose the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the under-lined word or phrase.

1. Industrial cities appeared after the full development of industrial capitalism in the core nation-states of the eighteenth century.

- (A) chief (B) prosperous (C) smallest (D) diverse

2. For calculating a calendar, it is convenient to use the tropical solar year.

- (A) practical (B) critical (C) necessary (D) appropriate

3. All things consist of atoms and molecules that are constantly in motion.

- (A) definitely (B) always (C) hardly (D) uniquely

4. Fossil evidence confirms that the ancient cuttlefish has existed in its present form for more than 20 million years.

- (A) proves (B) suggests (C) clarifies (D) reveals

5. The first swimsuit concealed the shape of the human body.

- (A) hid (B) flattered (C) distorted (D) revealed

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1. Corn and soybeans are cultivated on Maryland's eastern shore.

- (A) grown (B) found (C) cooked (D) acquired

2. Querns have been used for centuries to crush grains.

- (A) harvest (B) transport (C) grind (D) distinguish

3. Rows of suction-like tube feet enable the starfish to creep along the ocean floor.

- (A) crawl (B) feed (C) race (D) settle

4. In the 1930s, the poor business environment created a lack of confidence in the economy.

- (A) dictated (B) produced (C) mirrored (D) accelerated

5. The vivid colors of the opal are produced by impurities or small cracks in the stone.

- (A) particles (B) fractures (C) flaws (D) dents

**TEST QUESTIONS 9**

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1. In the field of artificial intelligence, scientists study methods for developing computer programs that display aspects of intelligent behavior.

- (A) exhibit (B) classify (C) depend on (D) conform to

2. The dim appearance of the Milky Way results from the combined light of stars too far away to be seen with the naked eye.

- (A) faint (B) unique (C) immense (D) curious

3. Thistle plants have dense heads of small, pink or purple flowers.

- (A) gigantic (B) fragile (C) thick (D) vibrant

4. No deep understanding of the solar system can be achieved without an appreciation of the basic properties of the Sun.

- (A) accurate (B) lasting (C) thorough (D) uniform

5. The value of a nation's currency normally fluctuates, depending upon the strength of its economy and its trade balance.

- (A) exports (B) money (C) products (D) treasury

**TEST QUESTIONS 10**

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1. Because much collective behavior is dramatic and unpredictable, theories of such behavior are more evaluative than analytic.

- (A) hazardous (B) unexpected (C) terrifying (D) emotional

2. In contrast to their springtime nuptial plumage, many songbirds revert to a drab plumage during the winter.

- (A) sensitive (B) elaborate (C) different (D) colorless

3. A seed is dormant at the time it is shed by its parent.

- (A) primed (B) inactive (C) minuscule (D) harvested

4. The newspaper trip and the comic book represent the dominant graphic mythology of the twentieth century.

- (A) major (B) magical (C) familiar (D) routine

5. The vast majority of animals exhibit a distinct symmetrical form.

- (A) definite (B) superficial (C) familiar (D) rudimentary

**TEST QUESTIONS 11**

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1. Kapok is made from the silky fibers that encircle the seeds of the tropical silk cotton tree.  
(A) release (B) destroy (C) surround (D) circulate
2. Evidence suggests that the rumor process eliminates the most improbable accounts of an event.  
(A) elicits (B) deletes (C) emphasizes (D) exaggerates
3. The most elementary type of convection can be explained by the fact that heat rises.  
(A) Mentioned (B) erratic (C) prevalent (D) primary
4. The thermostat is an element in some types of fire detection devices.  
(A) a problem (B) an amenity (C) a component (D) an advantage
5. Poorly constructed dwellings cannot withstand severe storms.  
(A) Houses (B) piers (C) boats (D) roads

**TEST QUESTIONS 12**

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1. The candidate's support evaporated after the announcement of his program reached the newspapers and televisions news programs.  
(A) burgeoned (B) suffered (C) broadened (D) disappeared
2. The president's popularity has eroded since the publication of a recent newspaper article.  
(A) recovered (B) shifted (C) intensified (D) deteriorated
3. The natural forest vegetation has entirely disappeared from the landscape.  
(A) slowly (B) reportedly (C) completely (D) conspicuously
4. Lightning is electricity that is discharged as an enormous spark, hitting the closest spot on the ground.  
(A) a mighty (B) a tremendous (C) a blinding (D) a terrifying
5. The trade unions worked hard for an agreement that would be endorsed by their members.  
(A) demanded by (B) supported by (C) attractive to (D) of benefit to