

**TEST QUESTIONS 19**

Choose the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the underlined word or phrase.

1. The fire salamander is so called because of an antiquated belief that it could withstand fire.  
(A) a well-developed (B) an old-fashioned (C) a carefully fabricated (D) a widely held

2. Because of his novel approaches to scientific problem, Edison was able to patent dozens of inventions.  
(A) original (B) varied (C) coherent (D) unbiased

3. The classical economic theory explaining consumer behavior is built on the notion of marginal utility.  
(A) investigation (B) concept (C) effectiveness (D) opposition

4. In deep water, tidal waves are so long and so slight that ships seldom notice their presence.  
(A) suspect (B) relate (C) record (D) observe

5. The human adult heart is normally the size of a clenched fist and weighs about 300 grams.  
(A) roughly (B) actually (C) scarcely (D) typically

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1. President Ford was a frequent opponent of inflationary spending measures passed by Congress.  
(A) Approved (B) Submitted (C) Financed (D) Initiated

2. The evolution of life on Earth may be partially typical of the evolution of life on many other planets.  
(A) Somewhat (B) Exceptionally (C) Nevertheless (D) Occasionally

3. Sword swallowers must first overcome their fear of projecting the sharp sword down their throat.  
(A) Disguise (B) Conquer (C) Treat (D) Accentuate

4. The popular singer Madonna is known for her songs with outlandish lyrics.  
(A) Innovative (B) Bizarre (C) Relaxing (D) Melodical

5. Many nature films omit information about the breeding, parenting, and fishing behavior of the Pel fishing owl.  
(A) Portray (B) Contribute (C) Neglect (D) Narrate

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1. Mollusks, crustaceans, and fish are plentiful in the Chesapeake Bay.

- (A) vanishing                      (B) abundant                      (C) gathered                      (D) declining

2. The coast of California is marked by a rugged mountain range and placid bays.

- (A) calm                      (B) scenic                      (C) sheltered                      (D) shallow

3. The Carnegie Foundation is one of the major philanthropic organizations in the United States.

- (A) partisan                      (B) governmental                      (C) humanitarian                      (D) international

4. From the beginning of the twentieth century, dance phenomena became extremely prolific and colorful.

- (A) rhythm                      (B) fashion                      (C) events                      (D) expression

5. Mollusks have a wide range of locomotory patterns.

- (A) Habits                      (B) Motions                      (C) Controls                      (D) Reactions

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1. The production of steel and the mining of coal are the predominant industries of Pennsylvania.

- (A) principal                      (B) inactive                      (C) archaic                      (D) overlooked

2. Curiosity prompted Leonardo da Vinci to become the world's greatest designer.

- (A) hastened                      (B) defied                      (C) induced                      (D) obliged

3. The first practical calendar was developed by the Egyptians.

- (A) functional                      (B) accurate                      (C) standard                      (D) intricate

4. In order to detect the position of a particle, light must be reflected from it.

- (A) hue                      (B) location                      (C) magnitude                      (D) existence

5. In a recent newspaper poll, the compact disc was mentioned as the most popular medium of recorded music.

- (A) survey                      (B) account                      (C) illustration                      (D) convention

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1. Growth rings in a log are often so clearly visible that they can reliably indicate age.  
(A) periodically (B) dependably (C) approximately (D) ordinarily
2. Organic compounds often contain special groups of atoms, called functional groups, that readily undergo chemical reaction.  
(A) freely (B) reluctantly (C) repeatedly (D) occasionally
3. The construction of the Saint Lawrence seaway was an undertaking of great proportions.  
(A) triumphs (B) renown (C) dimensions (D) sacrifice
4. Folklore holds that mermaids are natural beings who have prophetic powers.  
(A) formidable (B) intrusive (C) predictive (D) analogous
5. Faced with the numerous problems brought on by the new industrial age, wage earners were prone to solve their problems through organization.  
(A) fortunate (B) compelled (C) cautioned (D) inclined

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1. There is a somewhat random character to the evolutionary process.  
(A) potent (B) unique (C) slight (D) peculiar
2. Mankind has made solid progress in the eradication of many harmful illnesses.  
(A) sluggish (B) negligible (C) mediocre (D) substantial
3. The inner harbor of Baltimore was once a contaminated part of the city.  
(A) an affordable (B) a polluted (C) a secure (D) a flourishing
4. The Inuit live in scattered settlements throughout the northern reaches of Canada.  
(A) well-maintained (B) very primitive (C) highly organized (D) widely dispersed
5. The history of human thought on the nature of the cosmos offers a number of remarkable lessons.  
(A) inspiring (B) identical (C) exceptional (D) enlightening