

## 2 Complete the sentences with the words from the boxes.

compensate

estimate

retain

1. No one is sure of the exact number of autistic savants with extraordinary abilities there are in the world, but experts \_\_\_\_\_ that there are fewer than 100.
2. Studies indicate that one hemisphere of a savant's brain may \_\_\_\_\_ for damage to the other hemisphere.
3. With the number of passwords needed for everyday life, it is sometimes difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ all of them in your memory.

anxious

disabled

flexible

predictable

4. Children may feel \_\_\_\_\_ about their first day in a new school because they don't know what to expect.
5. For me, it is very hard to change my plans because I am not very \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Although savants have amazing abilities and knowledge, in other areas of their lives they may be \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Because I know him so well, Sam's reaction to my suggestion was very \_\_\_\_\_.

astonishing

benefit

image

interaction

savant

8. It is sometimes hard for people who are shy to engage in social \_\_\_\_\_, especially with people they don't know well.
9. Daniel Tammet's ability to instantaneously solve complex mathematical problems is \_\_\_\_\_.
10. A(n) \_\_\_\_\_ can exhibit amazing mental powers and is able to memorize huge amounts of information.
11. One \_\_\_\_\_ of my new job is health insurance, and another is two weeks of paid vacation.
12. Even though Daniel had not been to Paris in many years, he still had a clear \_\_\_\_\_ in his mind of what his hotel looked like.

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