Under the microscope

A. VOCABULARY: describing things

Write a word from the box that has the same or the opposite meaning. You will not use one of the words.

circular	cylindrical	delicate	elaborate	filthy	flaky
miniature	multicolored	ridged	~~spiral~~	stringy	

The same meaning

1 twisting spiral
2 round _____
3 tube-shaped _____
4 crumbly _____
5 colorful _____

The opposite meaning

6 mammoth _____
7 clean _____
8 strong _____
9 smooth _____
10 simple _____

Complete the sentences with words from exercise 1A.

1 Microphotography can make tiny things look _____.
2 The _____ wings of a butterfly, which normally don't look very strong, can look like iron gates in a microphotograph.
3 A microphotograph might reveal that something that normally looks tan or brown, such as sand, is actually _____.
4 Something that looks basic, like a fly's eye, might really be very _____ and complex.
5 Something that appears to be dirt-free might, in fact, look _____ close up.

B. GRAMMAR: Quantifiers and prepositions in relative clauses

Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentences.

1. Insect bodies, _____ look smooth to the naked eye, can look rough up close.
   a. most of which b. each of which c. many of whom
1. Microphotography can surprise people, _____ have never wondered what insects look like up close.
   a. most of which b. many of whom c. each of whom
1. Insects, _____ have intricately formed wings and eyes, are more complex than they seem.
   a. each of which b. most of whom c. many of which
1. Microphotographs of bees, for instance, allow us to see their eyes, _____ is covered in tiny hairs.
   a. most of which b. many of which c. each of which
5. Microphotographs of insects were shown to some people, _____ could not guess what the photos depicted.
   a. each of which b. most of whom c. most of which

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