(C) *Match the words in the left column with their definitions in the right column.*

1. ponderous	[ ]	steep
2. precipitous	[ ]	in name or thought only, not real
3. presumptuous	[ ]	extremely dangerous
4. teacherous	[ ]	slow and awkward, boring
5. tentative	[ ]	dangerously unpredictable
6. volatile	[ ]	careful, or uncertain of being completed
7. sketchy	[ ]	overly proud of self or stuck up
8. sporadic	[ ]	resolutely fearless
9. taciturn	[ ]	rude in speech or behaviour
10. surreptitious	[ ]	careful and cautious and wise to be so
11. tenacious	[ ]	making provision for the future, especially to do with money
12. superfluous	[ ]	withdrawn, very anti-social
13. prudent	[ ]	determined
14. provident	[ ]	active at night
15. reciprocal	[ ]	connected in such a way that one completes the other
16. scrupulous	[ ]	unnecessary, more than needed
17. reclusive	[ ]	having moral integrity
18. petulant	[ ]	occasional, infrequent
19. nocturnal	[ ]	saying little
20. ghastly	[ ]	awful, unpleasant and shocking
21. haughty	[ ]	physically harmful or destructive
22. intrepid	[ ]	discrete, secret
23. noxious	[ ]	containing few details, vague
24. nominal	[ ]	made up of parts or things that are very different from one another
25. heterogenous	[ ]	disrespectful and brazen

(D) *Now use some of the words* ***1 - 25*** *above to fill the gaps in the sentences below. You will not need all the words, and you should use each word once only.*

1. She seemed to have a rather _____ manner and held herself in very high regard indeed.
2. The new colour you've chosen for the walls is quite possibly the most _____ thing I've ever seen; it is utterly tasteless.
3. As _____ gasses continued to flow into the air pocket in which the minors were trapped, it was clear that time was running out to launch a successful rescue operation.
4. The Queen is the _____ head of state of Great Britain.
5. Bats are _____ creatures, it's true, but, contrary to what most people believe, while they often rely in the main on sonar and enhanced hearing, most species do, in fact, also have reasonably good eye-sight.
6. There was a(n) _____ agreement in place between the two countries to waive the visa requirements for short-stay holidaymakers of either nationality travelling between the two states.
7. He was as _____ as they come, never venturing much further afield than his front gate to pick up the post; his wife had to do all his errands for him while he virtually led the life of a hermit.
8. The _____ adventurers successfully scouted the heretofore unexplored region of the Amazon that is home to the Tupi tribes.
9. There were some _____ skirmishes, but there have been no full-scale engagements thus far in what is now being termed a phoney war.
10. Details as to exactly what happened remain _____ , but what is now clear is that despite the large number of injuries sustained, no one has been critically hurt.
11. The eagle perched itself on the _____ cliff edge, scouting the horizon for its next unlucky victim.
12. Observers in the country describe the situation as highly _____ , and suggest that there is no telling what could happen next.
13. The reporter's _____ style of delivery often made for painfully slow and dull viewing. He was kept in his job purely on account of his ability to read the situation on the ground accurately and always be first to break the big story.
14. The celebrity's cameo was _____ at best and served to distract viewers from concentrating on the actual story, which was, after all, a very serious and important one that deserved to be told.
15. Her _____ glance now and then was enough of a cue for the man to realise that she was very attracted to him.

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