

IELTS Reading Class: Vocabulary Quiz

Text 06—Attitudes to Language

Choose the letter of the correct definition.

1. If a person is \_\_\_\_\_, they make decisions that are undistorted by emotion or personal bias.  
a. invective                      b. polemic                      c. adherent                      d. objective
2. "of or relating to the scientific study of language"  
a. approach                      b. linguistic                      c. prescriptivism                      d. grammarian
3. "a state of extreme confusion and disorder"  
a. authoritarian                      b. deviation                      c. chaos                      d. polemic
4. "a core idea or belief"  
a. liberalism                      b. tenet                      c. diversity                      d. elitist
5. "A linguist who specializes in the study of grammar and sentence structure"  
a. elitist                      b. authoritarian                      c. grammarian                      d. adherent
6. "A variation from the standard"  
a. deviation                      b. custom                      c. alternative                      d. encounter
7. "to permit someone to ignore a rule"  
a. valid                      b. exempt                      c. legislation                      d. evaluate
8. "abusive language used to express blame or criticism"  
a. authoritarian                      b. motivate                      c. objective                      d. invective
9. "involving dispute; language that stirs up controversy"  
a. polemic                      b. survival                      c. descriptive                      d. liberalism
10. "well grounded in logic and truth"  
a. opposition                      b. linguistic                      c. exempt                      d. valid