

EXERCISE 8-1

Choose the word that is closest in meaning to the word from Reading 1.

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| 1. _____ | revise | a. reread | b. rethink | c. reduce |
| 2. _____ | consider | a. regard | b. allow | c. measure |
| 3. _____ | distinct | a. separate | b. unusual | c. unpleasant |
| 4. _____ | concept | a. theory | b. plan | c. idea |
| 5. _____ | demonstrate | a. protest | b. show | c. question |
| 6. _____ | contradict | a. explain | b. confirm | c. refute |
| 7. _____ | inherent | a. apparent | b. intrinsic | c. obvious |
| 8. _____ | convert | a. transform | b. adapt | c. redeem |
| 9. _____ | conduct | a. initiate | b. carry out | c. transmit |
| 10. _____ | confirm | a. validate | b. approve | c. deny |

EXERCISE 8-2

Complete each of the following sentences with the appropriate choice from the words listed in Exercise 8-1. Be sure to use the correct form of each verb and to pluralize nouns if necessary.

- Every person has a/an _____ personality that makes him or her stand out from the rest.
- After analyzing the data, the team had to _____ their original hypothesis.
- His rude behavior only _____ our negative first impression of him.
- Some people have no _____ of what it means to respect others' privacy.

5. Almost everyone has a/an _____ fear of death that is not so easy to overcome.
6. When people travel to foreign countries, it is natural for them to _____ the local currency into their own.
7. Part of our assignment in Study Skills is to _____ a survey about time management.
8. When you write a refutation, you are supposed to come up with arguments that _____ your thesis.
9. The experiment is designed to _____ how two chemical substances interact.
10. Before you make an important decision concerning your future, you need to _____ all your options.

EXERCISE 8-3

Choose the word that corresponds to the best answer.

1. The word *recognizable* in the passage is closest in meaning to _____
 - (A) popular
 - (B) appreciated
 - (C) distinct
 - (D) understood
2. The word *far-reaching* in the passage is closest in meaning to _____
 - (A) extensive
 - (B) novel
 - (C) significant
 - (D) devastating

EXERCISE 8-4

Choose the word that is closest in meaning to the word from Reading 2.

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| 1. _____ | significant | a. important | b. sudden | c. symbolic |
| 2. _____ | evolution | a. history | b. revolution | c. development |
| 3. _____ | pose | a. raise | b. present | c. constitute |
| 4. _____ | impact | a. collision | b. effect | c. explosion |
| 5. _____ | excess | a. extravagance | b. surplus | c. remainder |
| 6. _____ | estimate | a. opinion | b. acclaim | c. approximation |
| 7. _____ | attribute | a. characterize | b. explain | c. ascribe to |
| 8. _____ | perspective | a. outlook | b. understanding | c. image |
| 9. _____ | alter | a. change | b. evolve | c. refute |
| 10. _____ | criterion | a. condition | b. measure | c. censure |

EXERCISE 8-5

Complete each of the following sentences with the appropriate choice from the words listed in Exercise 8-4. Be sure to use the correct form of each verb and to pluralize nouns if necessary.

- The weather has a major _____ on people's health and well-being.
- She _____ her successful career to the encouragement and support she received from her parents.
- Scientists have recorded a/an _____ increase in the average global temperature.
- By 2020 it is _____ that global tourist revenues will reach in _____ of \$2 trillion.

5. Nuclear waste that is improperly disposed of _____ a serious hazard to the environment and the health of human beings.
6. What _____ do the professors use to evaluate the students' overall performance?
7. Everyone has a different _____ on life and its challenges.
8. The instructor is going to _____ the course content for next semester to make it more relevant to contemporary issues.
9. Darwin's theory of _____ changed the way humans regarded the creation of man.

EXERCISE 8-6

Choose the word that corresponds to the best answer.

1. The word *extinction* in the passage is closest in meaning to _____.
 - (A) movement
 - (B) distinction
 - (C) change
 - (D) disappearance
2. The word *flourish* in the passage is closest in meaning to _____.
 - (A) exist
 - (B) thrive
 - (C) wither
 - (D) wield
3. The word *intrigue* in the passage is closest in meaning to _____.
 - (A) fascinate
 - (B) challenge
 - (C) frustrate
 - (D) amuse