B2: LITERATURE

1.Join the words with their correct meaning

avid	to get an idea of something to understand it better
merit	to make someone very nervous or excited while they are watching or listening to something
to offer a glimpse into	being able to hold one's attention by being interesting and exciting
to keep someone on the edge of their seat	a quality to be so good as to deserve praise or a reward
to draw someone in	unlikely and unconvincing
captivating	having a keen interest in something
far-fetched	to make someone involved in the story
tedious	boring and monotonous

2. Complete the following sentences with the given words

1. As an _____ reader, he has a whole library stocked with different books.
2. The detective's _____ explanation of the motive didn't fit the character of the criminal in the book.
3. While this book lacks _____ merit, it's very entertaining to read.
4. I found the book so _____ that I almost fell asleep while reading it.
5. This shocking documentary held me _____ of my seat for two hours.
6. This book offers a _____ into the life of the rural community of the Midwest.
7. This _____ story kept holding my attention from the first chapter.
8. The pages of the old _____ me in, telling the secrets of the past.

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3. Choose the correct missing word

1. This novel has ..... the test of time since many generations have enjoyed it.
   ☐ A) worked ☐ B) taken ☐ C) stood ☐ D) made
2. The character of Mary ..... our fear of the unknown and our inability to process it.
   ☐ A) embodies ☐ B) gravitates ☐ C) puzzles ☐ D) follows
3. The story barely scratches the ..... of those mysterious events.
   ☐ A) idea ☐ B) shell ☐ C) surface ☐ D) outside
4. Her magic storytelling ..... us in from the first chapter.
   ☐ A) attracted ☐ B) drew ☐ C) appealed ☐ D) won
5. The extreme attention of the author to the character's development sets this book ..... from many other psychological dramas of that period.
   ☐ A) apart ☐ B) away ☐ C) from ☐ D) to
6. The book ..... its name from the flower growing in that remote mountain village.
   ☐ A) sees ☐ B) works ☐ C) derives ☐ D) gets
7. The plot twist at the end caught me ..... guard and turned everything upside down.
   ☐ A) on ☐ B) off ☐ C) of ☐ D) away
8. This book keeps ..... the minds of many readers across many countries.
   ☐ A) settling ☐ B) employing ☐ C) holding ☐ D) occupying
9. The description of the spring garden in the mansion was so ..... that I could even smell roses and fresh grass.
   ☐ A) vivid ☐ B) high-brow ☐ C) far-fetched ☐ D) fast-paced
10. The readers can enjoy an interesting story and ..... and energetic dialogues.
    ☐ A) overrated ☐ B) vivid ☐ C) fast-paced ☐ D) contemporary

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