

Fill in the blanks with the correct collocation or word from the box

gnaw, nascent, wretched, aloof, geek, vista, cargo, burden, consecration, double period, prominent, eminent, auspicious, affable, favorable, discrete Mathematics, unaided, sci-fi, farewell, estate agent

1. The view from the mountain peak opened into a breathtaking _____ of the valley below.
2. After years of struggle, the small startup finally transformed into a _____ company.
3. The professor was an _____ scholar whose research changed modern physics.
4. Despite her beauty, she remained distant and _____ in social gatherings.
5. The ship's _____ included rare spices and exotic goods from across the ocean.
6. He delivered a moving _____ speech before leaving the company.
7. His constant worries about money began to _____ at him every night.
8. She teaches _____ at the university — not an easy subject for most students.
9. After the ceremony of _____, the new temple became a sacred site.
10. The kind and _____ host made everyone feel comfortable at the dinner party.
11. He's a real computer _____ — he can fix almost anything electronic.
12. It was an _____ moment when both sides finally signed the peace agreement.
13. The people live in _____ conditions, with no running water.
14. Carrying the family's financial _____ was too much for him after his father died.
15. The new policy received _____ reviews from the media and citizens alike.
16. We watched a thrilling _____ movie about artificial intelligence and time travel.
17. The _____ student managed to complete the task without any help.
18. A _____ businessman offered to buy the painting for an impressive sum.
19. Our class has a _____ on Mondays, so we study for nearly two hours straight.
20. The _____ helped us sell our old apartment at a good price.

Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence

to meet expectations, to fall short of expectations, bald, bold, decent, faint of heart, precise, twilight, mansion, conducive, infatuation, affair/fling, engender, modest, alias

1. He worked under an _____ to hide his true identity.
 - a) alias
 - b) conducive
 - c) fling

2. She may seem quiet, but she has a very _____ heart and strong opinions.

- a) faint
- b) modest
- c) precise

3. The couple lives in a huge _____ overlooking the lake.

- a) mansion
- b) alias
- c) fling

4. His teenage _____ with his teacher was inappropriate and short-lived.

- a) infatuation
- b) alias
- c) mansion

5. Please be _____ when describing what happened; details matter.

- a) conducive
- b) precise
- c) twilight

6. His first attempt at writing a novel _____ of expectations.

- a) fell short
- b) engendered
- c) met

7. This calm environment is highly _____ to productive work.

- a) conducive
- b) decent
- c) infatuation

8. He's not the kind of man for the _____ — his job requires courage and calm.

- a) faint of heart
- b) modest
- c) infatuation

9. She prefers to live a _____ life, without too much luxury or attention.

- a) modest
- b) bold
- c) precise

10. His words helped to _____ a sense of hope among the people.

- a) engender
- b) meet expectations
- c) mansion

11. It was a _____ decision to criticize the boss so openly.

- a) bold
- b) faint of heart
- c) alias

12. Their short-lived _____ ended as quickly as it began.

- a) modest
- b) affair/fling
- c) twilight

13. The warm colors of the sky at _____ made the scene unforgettable.

- a) bald
- b) twilight
- c) fling

14. He lost all his hair by thirty and is now completely _____.

- a) bold
- b) bald
- c) modest

15. The film completely failed _____ the audience's high hopes.

- a) to meet expectations
- b) modest
- c) conducive

Write down your own sentences with the words and collocations

allies

whim

insatiable

alienating

psychosis

absurdity

sophisticated

appealing

to debunk/refute

cognitive

content

consent

weary

glum

to gush up

algorithm

lecture hall

vindictive

to expel

query

Match the words/phrases with their correct definitions

- 1. to extinct
- 2. to disguise
- 3. intestines
- 4. anticipation
- 5. flee

- 6. to hijack
- 7. equanimity
- 8. ghost
- 9. reliance
- 10. kudos

- 11. to stab
- 12. to mock
- 13. subtle
- 14. explicit
- 15. remote

- A. to change your appearance or behavior so that people do not recognize you
- B. to run away quickly in order to escape danger or capture
- C. calmness and emotional stability, especially in difficult situations
- D. praise or recognition for an achievement
- E. not obvious or easy to notice; delicate and indirect
- F. clearly and directly stated, leaving no room for confusion
- G. far away, distant, or isolated
- H. to depend or have confidence in someone or something
- I. to take control of a vehicle (especially a plane or bus) illegally by force
- J. to laugh at someone in an unkind or insulting way
- K. to end or die out completely (about species)
- L. the long tube in your body through which food passes after it leaves your stomach
- M. the feeling of looking forward to something with excitement or nervousness
- N. an apparition of a dead person
- O. to push a sharp object, especially a knife, into someone