

Vocabulary: Animal Intelligence or Instinct?

Instructions: Read each sentence and choose the best word to complete the sentence.

1. Dolphins show signs of high _____ by solving problems and remembering patterns.
 - a) controversy
 - b) cognition
 - c) perception
 - d) approach

2. The _____ of the octopus is difficult to study because it is so different from mammals.
 - a) unique
 - b) obvious
 - c) unconscious
 - d) acquired

3. Some animals have _____ certain skills by observing humans over time.
 - a) achieved
 - b) acquired
 - c) approached
 - d) perceived

4. The dog's _____ changed when it sensed danger, becoming more alert.
 - a) cognition
 - b) controversy
 - c) behavior
 - d) perception

5. It's still a _____ whether animals can truly think like humans.
 - a) cognition
 - b) controversy
 - c) category
 - d) unconscious

6. Scientists try to _____ wild animals slowly so they don't scare them.
 - a) perceive
 - b) achieve
 - c) approach
 - d) acquire

7. The way birds build nests is not taught; it is _____ knowledge.
- a) acquired
 - b) unconscious
 - c) controversial
 - d) unique
8. Elephants seem to belong to a special _____ of animals with strong memory.
- a) category
 - b) controversy
 - c) perception
 - d) approach
9. _____, crows can recognize human faces and remember them for years.
- a) Obvious
 - b) Apparently
 - c) Unconscious
 - d) Acquired
10. The chimpanzee was able to _____ the task of opening the box using tools.
- a) achieve
 - b) behave
 - c) approach
 - d) categorize
11. The idea that animals feel emotions is no longer _____ in the scientific world.
- a) cognition
 - b) controversial
 - c) obvious
 - d) unconscious
12. The cat's _____ of its environment helps it survive in unfamiliar places.
- a) behavior
 - b) perception
 - c) controversy
 - d) approach