



SECTION 9

Time — 20 minutes

19 Questions

Turn to Section 9 (page 7) of your answer sheet to answer the questions in this section.

Directions: For each question in this section, select the best answer from among the choices given and fill in the corresponding circle on the answer sheet.

Each sentence below has one or two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Beneath the sentence are five words or sets of words labeled A through E. Choose the word or set of words that, when inserted in the sentence, best fits the meaning of the sentence as a whole.

Example:

Hoping to ----- the dispute, negotiators proposed a compromise that they felt would be ----- to both labor and management.

- (A) enforce . . useful
(B) end . . divisive
(C) overcome . . unattractive
(D) extend . . satisfactory
(E) resolve . . acceptable

(A) (B) (C) (D) (E)

- The prose of Richard Wright's autobiographical *Black Boy* (1945) is -----, free of stylistic tricks or evasiveness.
(A) imprecise (B) straightforward (C) deficient
(D) obtrusive (E) elliptical
- It seemed from the size of the crowd, which was -----, and the resonance of its cheers, which were -----, that the team was experiencing a resurgence of popularity.
(A) vast . . hollow
(B) sparse . . thunderous
(C) enormous . . deafening
(D) unimpressive . . muted
(E) negligible . . rousing
- Evidence that the universe is expanding ----- our perception of the cosmos and thus caused a ----- in astronomical thinking.
(A) advanced . . setback
(B) altered . . revolution
(C) contradicted . . truce
(D) reinforced . . crisis
(E) halted . . breakthrough
- Although the theory that widespread lead poisoning contributed to the decline of the Roman Empire has gained -----, the evidence is still -----.
(A) credence . . irrefutable
(B) disrepute . . dubious
(C) acceptance . . convincing
(D) momentum . . systematic
(E) currency . . inconclusive
- The fashion designer favored fabrics that were so ----- as to be virtually transparent.
(A) palpable (B) diaphanous (C) variegated
(D) luxurious (E) anomalous
- Professor Williams disdained tradition: she regularly attacked cherished beliefs and institutions, earning a reputation as -----.
(A) an egalitarian (B) a dowager
(C) a dilettante (D) an iconoclast
(E) a purveyor

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