



SECTION 4

Time — 25 minutes

25 Questions

Turn to Section 4 (page 5) 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) ●

- The movie's plot was -----: once you knew what befell the hero, you could ----- the fate of the villain.

(A) convincing . . misinterpret
(B) misleading . . anticipate
(C) predictable . . foresee
(D) ironic . . endorse
(E) spellbinding . . ignore
- A certain additive put in gasoline to reduce air pollution is actually ----- groundwater, a finding that shows that even the most well-intentioned fixes can sometimes ----- .

(A) liquefying . . founder
(B) contaminating . . backfire
(C) purifying . . boomerang
(D) saturating . . reciprocate
(E) polluting . . prevail
- The biologist's description of the wolf pack was truly -----, devoid of any emotion or personal prejudice.

(A) dispassionate (B) insubstantial (C) esoteric
(D) capricious (E) indignant
- No longer considered -----, the belief that all of Puerto Rico's indigenous Taino people perished centuries ago appears to be a ----- now that modern Taino descendants have come forward.

(A) conclusive . . reality
(B) tenable . . misconception
(C) mythical . . possibility
(D) erroneous . . delusion
(E) hypothetical . . digression
- Although easily angered by our mischievous behavior, our mother could be immediately ----- by our expressions of remorse.

(A) substantiated (B) impugned (C) protected
(D) united (E) mollified
- Scientists wonder what to do with the dead satellites, jettisoned rockets, drifting paint flecks, and other ----- orbiting Earth.

(A) flotsam (B) reconnaissance (C) decimation
(D) raiment (E) sustenance
- Although aging brings about profound physiological changes, it does not often alter an individual's -----: an irascible thirty year old will probably still be ----- at seventy.

(A) disposition . . cantankerous
(B) anatomy . . churlish
(C) outlook . . benevolent
(D) personality . . laconic
(E) stature . . robust
- The commentator characterized the electorate as ----- because it was unpredictable and given to constantly shifting moods.

(A) mercurial (B) corrosive (C) disingenuous
(D) implacable (E) phlegmatic

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