Test Completion Test 10

1. The success of the business venture _____ his expectations; he never thought that the firm would prosper.

- C A. confirmed
- C B. belied
- C. nullified
- C D. fulfilled
- C E. ratified

2. The journalist (i)_____ the efforts of the drug squad to control drug peddling, claiming that they had actually (ii)_____ the problem.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
C A. commended	D. delineated
B. deprecated	C E. mollified
C. noted	F. exacerbated

3. Since the Romans failed to subjugate the tribes in Northern Britain, they built a wall in a (i) _____ attempt to (ii) _____ the natives. After all, what wall can (iii) _____ the determined?

Blank (i)		
A. seemingly	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
overoptimistic	D. intimidate	C. deter
C B. thoroughgoing	C E. exclude	C H. conquer
C. successful	C F. barricade	C I. circumscribe

4. The professor became increasingly _____ in later years, flying into a rage whenever he was opposed.

- A. taciturn
- C B. voluble
- C. subdued
- C D. contrite
- E. irascible

5. To Simon, not usually so (i)____, their bantering talk seemed (ii)____. Actually their exchanges masked underlying (iii)____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. inscrutable	C D. amicable	G. antagonism
C B. unperceptive	E. exasperating	C H. assumptions
C. perspicacious	F. hostile	I. geniality

6. The new systematic nomenclature was so (i)_____ that many chemists preferred to (ii)_____ the older trivial names that were at least shorter. At least, that is the ostensible reason. Actually, tradition seems to carry more weight than (iii)_____ with some scientists.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)	Blank (iii)
A. succinct	D. revert to	C G. chronology
[©] B. cumbersome	C E. adopt	C H. longevity
C. irrational	C F. suspend	C I. system

7. Even though the auditors (i)_____ the accountant, his reputation, hitherto unblemished, was (ii)_____ by the allegations of fraud.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
C A. indicted	C D. enhanced
C B. betrayed	C E. tarnished
C. vindicated	F. condoned

8. Many so-called social playwrights are distinctly _____; rather than allowing the members of the audience to form their own opinions, these writers force a viewpoint on the viewer.

- A. conciliatory
- ^O B. prolific
- C. iconoclastic
- O D. didactic
- C E. contumacious

9. The archaeologist, viewing the fragmentary remains of the ancient city, reflected on the (i)_____ of human (ii)_____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
C A. impermanence	C D. endeavor
C B. dearth	E. thought
C. durability	F. humility

10. He was normally entirely (i)_____, but in the embarrassing situation in which he found himself he felt compelled to (ii)____.

Blank (i)	Blank (ii)
C A. equable	C D. concede
B. considerate	E. prevaricate
C. forthright	F. capitulate

Answer Key

- 1. B
- 2. BF
- 3. AEG

- 4. E
- 5. BDG
- 6. BDI
- 7. CE
- 8. D
- 9. AD
- 10. CE