

Choose the BEST answer for each question. To indicate your choice, use a 2B pencil to blacken the appropriate space on your answer sheet for each question.

Example:

It was Joan's first visit to the country and everything was fresh and ____ to her.
(A) dull (B) quickly (C) new (D) excited

Answer:

A B C D
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VOCABULARY

Instructions: Choose the answer that best completes each sentence below.

1. What has ____ about this sudden change in her personality?
(A) thought (B) brought (C) come (D) wrought
2. My brother has a healthy ____ on life.
(A) outpost (B) outset (C) outlet (D) outlook
3. I was ____ by the unexpected turn of events that led to me winning this award.
(A) gratified (B) mortified (C) solidified (D) sensitized
4. If you do not stop ____ from the company, you will end up in a correctional facility.
(A) embezzling (B) cheating (C) corrupting (D) breaking in
5. "How's your leg, Jack?" Tom asked. "It's better," Jack replied, "I think it's on the ____."
(A) mend (B) way (C) wagon (D) cast
6. Our decision was based on the ____ that they would agree to our terms.
(A) stimulation (B) resumption (C) consumption (D) presumption
7. A large portion of Thailand's economy is ____ toward the tourist trade.
(A) measured (B) geared (C) figured (D) leaned
8. I don't know ____ she went so quickly when in fact she needn't have gone at all.
(A) how (B) because (C) if (D) why
9. Fortunately, they showed ____ in responding to the provocation.
(A) restraint (B) pettiness (C) appreciation (D) callousness
10. They issued a ____ that their firm had been involved.
(A) deletion (B) deposit (C) denial (D) demarcation
11. Share prices are in free ____ in Tokyo this morning.
(A) fall (B) rise (C) up (D) down
12. Trying to find a job during a depression is no ____ matter.
(A) smiling (B) lively (C) cheery (D) laughing

ANALOGIES

Instructions: Select the best answer to complete the analogy X:Y::Z:____, which can be read as: "X is to Y as Z is to ____."

13. Lethargic:energetic::Safe:____
(A) dangerous (B) notorious (C) precocious (D) nebulous

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14. Poor:money::Blind:_____ (A) notification (B) vision (C) sensation (D) perception
15. Crispy:cracker::Blonde:_____ (A) teeth (B) hair (C) eyes (D) skin
16. Gutsy:brave::charming:_____ (A) sardonic (B) savvy (C) svelte (D) suave
17. State:country::petal:_____ (A) stem (B) leaf (C) fragrance (D) flower
18. Whale:mammal::poodle:_____ (A) feline (B) canine (C) fish (D) bird

ERROR RECOGNITION

Instructions: Identify the one underlined word or phrase that should be changed for the sentence to be correct.

19. This chapter compares and contrasts the politic use and impact of quotas on hiring practices in the latter half of the twentieth century.
(A) (B) (C) (D)
20. Oftentimes, it's difficult to know whether a copy machine is on its last legs or if its got a couple months left in it.
(A) (B) (C) (D)
21. There are way few jobs in banking at the moment that you're not really in a position to pick and choose.
(A) (B) (C) (D)
22. If he can stay out by her friends until midnight, why can't I?
(A) (B) (C) (D)
23. I won't name names, but their are some people in this room who have broken several of the club's rules.
(A) (B) (C) (D)

CLOZE TEST - Instructions: Choose the best answer to fill in the following blanks.

Researchers today reported their most recent findings on autism. They said that genes that effect early neural growth could be key to autistic disorders, since "the genetic and the non-genetic ____ (24) ____ to autism, by definition, have to exert their effect very early in brain development, either *in utero* or in the first months or couple of years of life."

Still, they ____ (25) ____ that the new study only points to potential leads for future research. Because of the study's particular methodology, no one finding reached statistical ____ (26) _____. Dr. Peterson noted, "This is all very strong evidence, and a very good set of leads, but we can't ____ (27) ____ say that we have proved the involvement of these regions in autism," he said.

Dr. Scherer, another researcher on the project, said that, ____ (28) ____ in very rare instances, there isn't likely to be a single gene responsible for autism.

24. (A) fabrications (B) contributions (C) allocations (D) demonstrations
25. (A) harassed (B) monitored (C) stressed (D) supervised
26. (A) significance (B) awareness (C) refutation (D) manifestation
27. (A) not (B) yet (C) so (D) near
28. (A) always (B) moreover (C) otherwise (D) except

How do you ____ (29) ____ up The Beatles on a square inch of sticky paper? That was the challenge facing Johnson Banks, the British graphic design team, after it was ____ (30) ____ to design a set of postage stamps for the Royal Mail to commemorate the 50th anniversary of John Lennon's first meeting with Paul McCartney on July 6, 1957, at a school fete in their native Liverpool.

"We tried virtually ____ (31) ____," said Michael Johnson, who led the project. "We explored the band's lyrics. We experimented with the band walking across the stamps, which ended up with them walking across Abbey Road." Finally they decided to create stamps in the shape ____ (32) ____ stacks of The Beatles' albums, like "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band," "Abbey Road" and "Revolver." "Probably more than any other band, their album sleeves became ____ (33) ____," explained Johnson. "The idea was to let the albums ____ (34) ____ for themselves."

29. (A) add (B) sum (C) fill (D) make
30. (A) observed (B) manifested (C) optioned (D) commissioned
31. (A) plenty (B) a lot (C) everything (D) the whole thing
32. (A) of (B) on (C) for (D) with
33. (A) unbelievable (B) iconic (C) mobile (D) elucidating
34. (A) talk (B) chat (C) speak (D) yak

READING COMPREHENSION

Instructions: Read each of the following passages and choose the best answer to each question.

Lasers beamed from space have detected what researchers have long suspected: big sloshing lakes of water underneath Antarctic ice. These lakes, some stretching across hundreds of square miles, fill and drain so dramatically that the movement can be seen by a satellite looking at the icy surface of the southern continent, glaciologists reported in Thursday's editions of the journal *Science*.

Global warming did not create these big pockets of water -- they lie beneath some 2,300 feet of compressed snow and ice, too deep to be affected by temperature changes on the surface -- but knowing how they behave is important to understanding the impact of climate change on the Antarctic ice sheet, study author Helen Fricker said by telephone.

About 90 percent of the world's fresh water is locked in the thick ice cap that covers Antarctica; if it all melts, scientists estimate it could cause a 23-foot rise in world sea levels. Even a 39-inch sea level rise could cause havoc in coastal and low-lying areas around the globe, according to a World Bank study released this week. "Because climate is changing, we need to be able to predict what's going to happen to the Antarctic ice sheet," said Fricker, of the Scripps Institute of Oceanography and the University of California, San Diego.

To detect the subglacial lakes, Fricker and her colleagues used data from NASA's ICESat, which sends laser pulses down from space to the Antarctic surface and back, much as sonar uses sound pulses to determine underwater features. The satellite detected dips in the surface that moved around as the hidden lakes drained and filled beneath

the surface glaciers, which are moving rivers of ice. "The parts that are changing are changing so rapidly that they can't be anything else but (sub-surface) water," she said. "It's such a quick thing."

"Quick" can be a relative term when talking about the movement around glaciers, which tend to move very slowly. But one lake that measured around 19 miles by 6 miles caused a 30 foot change in elevation at the surface when it drained over a period of about 30 months, Fricker said.

35. According to the passage, the newly discovered lakes were found as a result of
(A) global warming (B) drilling the ice sheet (C) satellite experiments (D) laser surgery
36. Antarctica contains 90% of the world's
(A) ice (B) fresh water (C) subglacial lakes (D) salt water
37. The tone of this passage is
(A) alarming (B) inspiring (C) matter-of-fact (D) commonsensical
38. The best title for this passage is:
(A) Laser Eyes Locate Antarctic Lake
(B) Massive Lakes Detected Under Antarctica
(C) 23-foot Rise in Sea Levels Possible
(D) Climate Change Affects Antarctic Ice Sheet
39. What does "relative" mean in the last paragraph?
(A) next of kin (B) family member (C) variable (D) various
40. A three-to-four foot rise in sea levels would
(A) not cause any damage (B) wreak havoc throughout the world
(C) severely affect coastal areas (D) wipe out the Antarctic ice sheet

Opening the book on business

He is a self-deceiving failure in the workplace who is sacked, humiliated and then dies. Yet for Harvard Business School Professor Joseph Badaracco, Willy Loman is the perfect study model for aspiring executives. Loman, the eponymous protagonist of Arthur Miller's classic play "Death of a Salesman" is among a series of literary figures Badaracco draws on to illustrate issues of leadership and authority.

For the past decade he has used plays, novels and short stories to teach Harvard MBA students that the toughest business tests often require them to draw on their characters as much as any learned skill, or theoretical business model. Badaracco has now turned his perennially popular course into a book, "Questions of Character: Illuminating the Heart of Leadership through Literature." The title is aimed at general readers as well as would-be CEOs, said Badaracco, who is professor of business ethics at Harvard Business School.

41. 'He' in the first sentence refers to
(A) a Harvard professor (B) a fictional character (C) a playwright (D) a business executive
42. 'Eponymous' in line three means one for whom something is
(A) believed (B) known (C) supposed (D) named
43. Badaracco has been using stories to teach MBA students for approximately ten
(A) months (B) years (C) semesters (D) courses
44. According to this passage, Badaracco's lectures at Harvard are _____
(A) sometimes well-attended.
(B) misunderstood by other faculty.
(C) in high demand by students.
(D) a result of collaboration with many authors.

45. Badaracco believes that _____
(A) literature can teach lessons to executives
(B) novels should be studied throughout the Harvard curriculum
(C) role-playing characters helps CEOs empathize with workers
(D) executives need to incorporate writing skills into their business models

The Fourth Factor

"Tell me how you used your sense of humor to defuse a difficult situation or teach an important lesson?" As a dean, I ask questions like that regularly when interviewing job candidates. In academe, we hire faculty members based on their teaching, research, and service, so I also ask a lot of questions about each of those facets of a candidate's career. But there's a fourth factor that is important, too -- attitude.

I ask unusual questions during interviews to increase the likelihood that my university hires someone who, in addition to possessing significant knowledge and experience, has the attitudes that are essential to enhancing learning, teaching, and departmental culture on the campus. To get a glimpse into a candidate's character, I might ask the applicant to "describe your perfect day." One applicant sent to me after receiving high marks from the search committee responded, "I would sleep until noon and then lie in bed the rest of the day watching TV -- I just subscribed to the 24-hour sports channel -- and eating snack foods."

That answer triggered further inquiry into the applicant's energy and motivational levels, his willingness to learn new things, and his ability to engage in meaningful interactions with others. By the end of the interview, I was certain that he was not a good fit for our program. He was not offered the position.

It's not always so easy to make reliable and valid determinations about a candidate's attitudes in the short span of an interview. Fortunately, research with roots in the "perceptual psychology" work of the late Arthur W. Combs shows that effective educators possess discernable attitudes (Combs called them "perceptions" and used the term synonymously with "values, attitudes and beliefs") about themselves, students, and teaching.

Further, those qualities can be observed and measured during the interview process through the systematic use of carefully crafted questions. By listening thoughtfully to the answers, valuable insights can be garnered into how applicants perceive themselves, their students, and their chosen profession.

46. The writer of the article is describing how he or she hires a(n) _____.
(A) administrative assistant (B) professor (C) research scientist (D) university librarian
47. "Get a glimpse into" in the second paragraph means _____.
(A) create (B) teach (C) recreate (D) understand
48. The author of this article feels that suitable job applicants can be chosen by using the appropriate _____.
(A) attitudes (B) qualities (C) determinations (D) questions
49. The main idea of this paragraph is that _____.
(A) applicants who are terminally lazy will have difficult finding a position
(B) research is the critical factor in making hiring decisions
(C) garnering appropriate applicants is more difficult than the writer expected
(D) a candidate's suitability can be determined using the appropriate tests
50. The writer asks candidates to "describe their perfect day" in order to see if they are _____ for the position.
(A) suitable (B) recommended (C) capable (D) necessary