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QUESTION NO: 1

Jim works for $15.50 per hour for a health care facility. He is supposed to get a 75 cent per hour raise at one year of service. What will his percent increase in hourly pay be?

A. 2.7%

B. 3.3%

C. 133%

D. 4.8%

E. 105%

ANSWER: D

QUESTION NO: 2

TEACHER : INSTRUCTION

A. lawyer : crime

B. army : regiment

C. doctor : disease

D. student : learning

E. guard : protection

ANSWER: E

Explanation:

This is an “inherent function” analogy. The function of a TEACHER is to provide INSTRUCTION for another; similarly, the function of a guard is to provide protection for another. As for choice (D), although the “function” of a student might be said to learn, it is not to provide learning for another. So choice (E) is not as strong an analogy as choice (D).

QUESTION NO: 3

What Dr. Walther has shown is that many of the standard statistical techniques that are supposed to insure against _____ correlations are inadequate in this case. (Choose two.)

A. numerical

B. specious

C. elementary

D. paltry

E. quantifiable

F. spurious

ANSWER: B F

QUESTION NO: 4

Fifteen buoys, numbered 1 to 15, are positioned equidistantly along a straight path for a sailboat race. The race begins at buoy 1, and 45 minutes into the race the fastest boat reaches buoy 10. At the same average speed, how many minutes will it take the boat to race from buoy 10 to buoy 15?

A. 45

B. 32.5

C. 25

D. 22.5

E. 15

ANSWER: C

Explanation:

In 45 minutes, the boat traveled 9 (not 10) segments (from one buoy to the next). That means it takes the boat 5 minutes to travel the length of 1 segment. At buoy 10, 5 additional segments remain ahead. Since the boat's average speed is the same before and after buoy 10, it takes the boat 5 × 5 = 25 minutes to travel from buoy 10 to buoy 15.

QUESTION NO: 5

In his splendid new biography of Flaubert, Frederick Brown deftly dismantles the most durable myth concerning the novelist – that Flaubert was miraculously transformed into a committed realist with the writing of Madame Bovary. Robert Baldick offers one version of the myth: "In his early works ... Flaubert tended to give free rein to his flamboyant imagination, but on the advice of his friends he later disciplined his romantic exuberance in an attempt to achieve total objectivity and a harmonious prose style." The only problem with this account is that it doesn't stand up to scrutiny. Flaubert followed the realism of Madame Bovary with the fantastical Salammbô, and paired "A Simple Heart" with his hothouse fantasy, "Hérodias."

In the context of the passage, the reference to Baldick's "version" serves to (Choose all that apply.)

A. flesh out 2 conventional view regarding Flaubert

B. present a framework for further research into Flaubert

C. offer a useful corrective to Brown's approach to Flaubert

ANSWER: A C

QUESTION NO: 6 - (HOTSPOT)

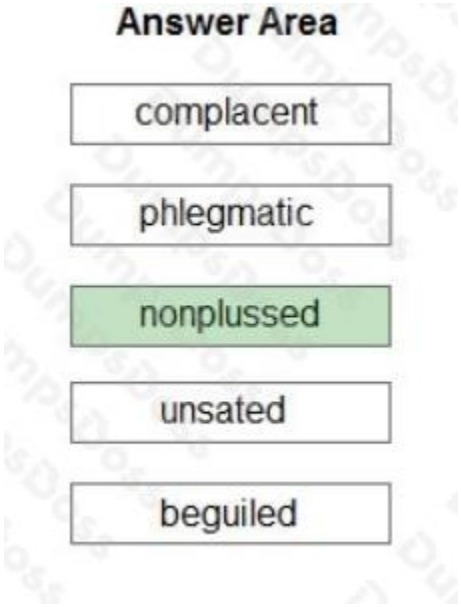
HOTSPOT

The movie has a surfeit of inscrutable characters and tortuous subplots, so it is no surprise that viewers leaving the recent screening appeared _____.

Hot Area:



ANSWER:



Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 7

Even though no other urban center on Earth thrived for so long, the ancient Mesopotamian city of Uruk remains _____ in comparison with its more famous neighbor, Babylon. (Choose two.)

A. prominent

B. obscure

C. unknown

D. ornate

E. popular

F. prosperous

ANSWER: B C

QUESTION NO: 8

The spacecraft's considerable heft forces an unusually _____ route that meanders through the solar system and depends on the gravitational pull of three heavenly bodies. (Choose two.)

A. predetermined

B. circuitous

C. indirect

D. truncated

E. shortened

F. sequential

ANSWER: B C

QUESTION NO: 9

LETHARGIC : ENERGY

A. despondent : melancholy

B. leisurely : relaxation

C. notorious : infamy

D. mellow : wrath

E. lavish : extravagance

ANSWER: D

QUESTION NO: 10

Sarah is twice as old as her youngest brother. If the difference between their ages is 15 years. How old is her youngest brother?

A. 10

B. 15

C. 20

D. 25

E. 30

ANSWER: B

Explanation:

The following system of equations may be used to solve the problem: (s = 2b; s – b = 15). Substituting 2b for s, in the second equation, gives: 2b – b = 15, where b = 15. The younger brother is 15 years old.

QUESTION NO: 11

The length of Cassie's family room is exactly two thirds the length of her master bedroom. Both rooms are rectangular, and the area of the two rooms is the same. If Cassie's family room has a length of L and a width of W, which of the following represents the perimeter of her master bedroom?

A. 2L +4/3W

B. 3L +2/3W

C. 3L + 1/3W

D. 3/2L +W

E. 3L +4/3W

ANSWER: E

Explanation:

Since the two areas both equal L × W, the master bedroom (the longer room) must have a length 3/2L of and a width of 2/3W. Accordingly, the perimeter of the master bedroom = (2) (3/2L) + 2 (3/2W), or 3L + 4/3W.

QUESTION NO: 12

The _____ of governmental subsidies to obscure airports that are rarely used underscores the political difficulties of cutting funds from even the most unnecessary projects. (Choose two.)

A. paucity

B. effectiveness

C. durability

D. persistence

E. adequacy

F. dearth

ANSWER: A F

QUESTION NO: 13

James invested $4,000 at 5% interest per year; how long will it take him to earn $200 in simple interest?

A. 1 year

B. 2 years

C. 3 years

D. 4 years

E. 5 years

ANSWER: A

Explanation:

Simple interest may be calculated using the formula, I = Prt, where Prepresents the principal amount, r represents the rate, and t represents the length of time. Substituting 200 for I, 4000 for P, and 0.05 for r gives 200 = (4000)(0.05)t. Thus, t = 1. It will take him 1 year to earn $200 in simple interest.

QUESTION NO: 14

Column A	Column B
The greatest common factor of 20, 45, and 90	The sum of $\frac{3}{5}$, $\frac{5}{3}$ and 5

A. The quantity in Column A is greater;

B. The quantity in Column B is greater;

C. The quantities are equal;

D. The relationship cannot be determined from the information given.

ANSWER: B

Explanation:

First, Quantity A: The greatest common factor of 20,45, and 90 is 5. As for Quantity B, the sum of the three numbers given is clearly greater than 5. That's all you need to know to conclude that Quantity B is greater than Quantity A and that the correct answer is choice (B).

QUESTION NO: 15

Despite relying on the well-to-do for commissions, the portrait painter was no sycophant: he did not _____ when it came to depicting his patrons' wrinkles, blemishes, or self-satisfied expressions. (Choose two.)

A. demur

B. dissimulate

C. exaggerate

D. hyperbolize

E. excel

F. scruple

ANSWER: C D

QUESTION NO: 16 - (HOTSPOT)

HOTSPOT

Many of her followers remain (i) _____. to her, and even those who have rejected her leadership are unconvinced of the (ii) _____ of replacing her during the current turmoil.

Hot Area:



ANSWER:



Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 17

Observing responses to environmental threats, he contrasts planet fetishizers, who imagine a suddenly _____ humanity restoring Earth to its pristine state, with planet managers, who believe in the effectiveness of technological control. (Choose two.)

A. headstrong

B. penitent

C. recalcitrant

D. contrite

E. timorous

F. energized

ANSWER: B D

QUESTION NO: 18

Accounts of early opera performances – both of the performances themselves and of their social milieu – indicate that the origins of the genre were anything but _____; it began at the peak. (Choose two.)

A. lavish

B. disreputable

C. sumptuous

D. decadent

E. plebeian

F. humble

ANSWER: E F

QUESTION NO: 19

Some experts estimate that the recreational salmon fishery in British Columbia contributes more to the province's economy than the commercial salmon fishery does – a surprising statistic given the political _____ of the commercial fishery in the province. (Choose two.)

A. naïveté

B. prominence

C. supremacy

D. ingenuousness

E. salience

F. resurgence

ANSWER: B E

QUESTION NO: 20

3/4 – 1/2 = ?

A. 1/4

B. 1/3

C. 1/2

D. 2/3

E. 2/5

ANSWER: A

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