

Reading for the Real World 2 - Unit 9

Name _____

I. Vocabulary: Choose the best word to fill in the blank.

1. Being good at sports requires a high level of _____.
 - a. status quo
 - b. euphoria
 - c. coordination
 - d. feedback
2. Red eyes are a(n) _____ of a lack of sleep.
 - a. apparatus
 - b. pulse
 - c. counterpart
 - d. indicator
3. Throwing a successful party takes _____ planning and hard work.
 - a. elaborate
 - b. informal
 - c. oppressive
 - d. meaningless
4. Tanya changed her major to literature after she realized that writing was her _____.
 - a. metric
 - b. platform
 - c. device
 - d. niche
5. A _____ athlete, Robert excels at baseball, soccer, and basketball.
 - a. bodily
 - b. sedentary
 - c. phenomenal
 - d. quantitative

II. Cloze Test

Questions 6 - 10

Extreme sports began as a sort of counterculture. To many youths fed up with the status quo, traditional sports presented a narrow framework with rules and ____ (6) ____ that seemed oppressive. Extreme sports, by contrast, presented a more informal framework and the ____ (7) ____ to do what they wanted, how they wanted. Some extreme sports are less-controlled versions of their ____ (8) ____ counterparts. For instance, scuba diving places an emphasis on safety and the proper use of equipment, but “free-diving” challenges participants to reach great underwater depths without the help of a breathing ____ (9) _____. Similarly, “free running” and parkour—best described as urban gymnastics—are based on ____ (10) ____ associated with track and field and traditional gymnastics.

6. a. participants
b. challenges
c. enthusiasts
d. regulations

9. a. chemical
b. apparatus
c. activity
d. adrenaline

7. a. emphasis
b. endeavor
c. opportunity
d. sense

10. a. skills
b. designers
c. successes
d. athletes

8. a. incredible
b. reminiscent
c. traditional
d. proper

III. Reading Comprehension: Based on the reading in section II, put the information below into the correct columns.

are more informal 11. include scuba diving 12. include free diving	13. place importance on safety 14. have many rules 15. include parkour
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Traditional Sports	Extreme Sports
	<i>are more informal</i>

IV. Word Study: Choose the SYNONYM (=) or ANTONYM (↔) for each word.

16. Which of the following is a synonym for *broadly*?
- a. nervously
 - b. traditionally
 - c. generally
 - d. seemingly
17. Which of the following is a synonym for *bodily*?
- a. physical
 - b. stressful
 - c. personal
 - d. narrow
18. Which of the following is an antonym for *elaborate*?
- a. common
 - b. frightening
 - c. commercial
 - d. simple
19. Which of the following is an antonym for *systematic*?
- a. dangerous
 - b. careless
 - c. extreme
 - d. sedentary
20. Which of the following is an antonym for *phenomenal*?
- a. popular
 - b. precise
 - c. quantitative
 - d. ordinary

V. Fill in the blank with the correct word.

feedback broadly quantitative informal pulse
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21. Could you please read my essay and give me some _____?
22. This class is very _____; the students call the teacher by her first name.
23. You can feel your _____ at your wrist and at your neck.
24. We _____ agree, although we have some minor differences of opinion.
25. To do _____ research, a person has to understand statistics.

1	2	3	4	5
c	d	a	d	c
6	7	8	9	10
d	c	c	b	a
11	12	13	14	15
Traditional Sports	Extreme Sports	Traditional Sports	Traditional Sports	Extreme Sports
16	17	18	19	20
c	a	d	b	d
21	22	23	24	25
feedback	informal	pulse	broadly	quantitative