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In questions 1 and 2, choose the option opposite in meaning to the word in *italics*

1. The class prefect was one of the main *actors* of the occasion....
A. critics B. spectators
C. guests D. performers
2. The governor *declined* to give audience to the journalist.
A. ignored B. accepted
C. forgot D. rejected

In the following sentences, choose the word that best completes the meaning

3. After the strike the traders the prices of their goods.
A. beat up B. beat down
C. beat on D. beat off
4. The judge the decision of the lower court.
A. held up B. abolished
C. upheld D. reversed
5. Professor Nweke since 1984.
A. has been teaching B. has taught
C. was teaching D. had been taught

In questions 6 and 7, choose the option nearest in meaning to the word in *italics*

6. Our aunt has expressed deep appreciation for Onyinye's *invaluable* assistance during the party.
A. immeasurable B. praiseworthy
C. selfless D. worthless
7. Many world leaders have continued to condemn the South African Prime Minister for his *truculent* posture.
A. impetuous B. impertinent
C. aggressive D. impervious
8. It is usually hard to change the course of action when one crosses the *Rubicon*. The underlined expression, as used in this sentence, means to
A. pass through a place called Rubicon

- B. cross a river called Rubicon
- C. cross a bridge called Rubicon
- D. be irrevocably committed

In the following question, select the option that best explains the information conveyed in the sentence.

9. "It is irrational for one to count one's chickens before the eggs hatched."
A. The eggs are not to be broken
B. Not everything works out as outlined
C. One should not regard one's eggs as chickens
D. It is senseless to hatch one's eggs prematurely

In the following question, the word in capital letters has an emphatic stress. Choose the option that best fits the expression in the sentence.

10. He wrote it **BOLDLY**.
A. Did she write it boldly?
B. Did he draw it boldly?
C. How did he write it?
D. Will he write it boldly?

SUCCESS QUOTE

"Don't wait until everything is just right. It will never be perfect. There will always be challenges, obstacles and less-than-perfect conditions. So what? Get started now. With each step you take, you will grow stronger and stronger, more and more skilled, more and more self-confident and more and more successful."

~ Mark Victor Hansen

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1. **Ans. B**
2. To *decline* means to refuse politely to *accept* or to do something. **Ans. B**
3. After the strike the traders *beat down* the prices of their goods. This means that the traders reduced the prices at which they were selling their goods. **Ans. B**
4. In a court of law, to *uphold* means to agree that a previous decision was correct or that a request is reasonable. **Ans. C**
5. The sentence is a present perfect continuous tense. It begins in the past, continues till the present with the intention of extending into the future. The structure is
Subject + has/have + been + gerund... **Ans. A**
6. *Invaluable* is used to describe something that is extremely useful, inestimable or immeasurable. Note that the opposite of *valuable* is *valueless* or *worthless*. **Ans. A**
7. When someone is *truculent*, he aggressively or sullenly refuses to accept something or do what is asked. **Ans. C**
8. The Rubicon is a point at which any action taken commits the person taking it to a further course of action that cannot be avoided. **Ans. D**
9. When you tell someone not to count their chickens before the eggs hatch, you are trying to tell them not to be too confident that something will be successful because something may still go wrong. **Ans. B**
10. Of all the options, the question, "How did he write it?" is the only one that accurately corresponds to the statement given. It is a direct question to the given statement. **Ans. C**

SUMMARY OF ANSWERS

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| 1.B | 2.B | 3.B | 4.C | 5.A |
| 6.A | 7.C | 8.D | 9.B | 10.C |

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In Questions 1 - 3 choose the option **NEAREST IN MEANING** to the word in *italics*.

1. Ugo has often been described as *belligerent*.
A. attractive B. combative
C. innocent D. patient
2. Mohammed does his work with so much *ardour*.
A. enthusiasm B. discouragement
C. knowledge D. indifference
3. The policy has been *espoused* by the ruling party.
A. rejected B. outlined
C. supported D. condemned

In each of questions 4 to 5, fill each gap with the most appropriate option from the list provided.

4. I am sure that my mother will not find out. She is so that she will accept anything I tell her.
A. credible B. credulous
C. creditable D. incredible
E. incredulous
5. My father told me to take the money from it.
A. whoever offers B. whomever offers
C. ever who offers D. whomsoever offer

Reference Text:

Read the passage below carefully and answer the question that follows.

One day, Alan, a friend of mine, who likes country life, was fishing in a river, when he caught a trout. He tried to pull the fish in but it slipped off the hook, flew over his head and landed in a field behind him.

Alan put down his rod, went through the gate and started searching for his trout. Some people, obviously from the city, were having a picnic in the field. One of the men shouted 'What on earth are you doing?' Thinking that it was a stupid question because they could see how he was dressed, Alan replied 'Fishing'.

'Don't be silly, the fish are down in the river', answered the man. 'Fish don't live in fields!' He turned to his friends, laughing, thinking that he had made a good joke.

"Oh, but they do", said Alan. 'They jump out of

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