

SMALL TEST 1**1. Complete the sentences with the right form of the word in CAPITALS.**

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| 1. His plan to get attention BACKFIRED, and instead of being promoted he lost his job. | FIRE |
| 2. We had an UNSPOKEN agreement not to ask personal questions. | SPEAK |
| 3. In order to confirm or DISRPOVE the phenomena, certain criteria have to be decided in order for the theory to have any value. | APPROVAL |
| 4. It was UNDENIABLE that low wages as well as unemployment were a major cause of poverty. | DENY |
| 5. There's no point in rushing – she's INVARIABLY late. | VARY |
| 6. She looked back with LONGING on the good old days. | LONG |
| 7. The cream contains vitamin A to NOURISH the skin. | NUTRITION |
| 8. She has written an INSIGHTFUL account of the modern art world. | SIGHT |
| 9. The rocking MOVEMENT of the boat made Sylvia feel sick. | MOVE |
| 10. While the text is hugely INFORMATIVE, it suffers from a number of important shortcomings. | INFORM |

2. Fill in the missing words in the below sentences; you cannot change the letters provided.

1. If you've got a cold or SORE throat, they can advise which over-the-counter medicines to take.
2. Her shoes got SOAKED as she walked through the wet grass.
3. The drugs did nothing to ALLEVIATE her pain.
4. The amount of money that some countries spend on weapons is mind-BOGGLING.
5. Some people believe that the family is the BEDROCK of society. (=the main principles on which something is based)
6. The clams were delicious. LIKEWISE, the eggplant was excellent. (= similarly)
7. When the pop star tried to leave her hotel, she was BESIEGED by waiting journalists and fans. (= surrounded)
8. Sarah was LOATH to tell her mother what had happened. (= reluctant)
9. The story is a page-TURNER; the details are gripping; the horror, well, it's horrifying.
10. ZEITGEIST is the defining spirit or mood of a particular period of history.

3. Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.

1. That area of beach was OFF limits to us 'city kids'.
2. Segregation on the basis of race is a denial of equal protection IN violation of the Constitution. 38a.
3. Aunt Bella sat at the table, poring OVER catalogues, surveying the accounts, calculating.
4. She knew she had been unfair to him and it weighed heavily DOWN her mind for a long time.
5. The school takes a very tough line ON drugs.