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Word Up #21 Quiz

1. Which sentence uses the word **distinctive** correctly?
 - A. My SUV was so **distinctive** that it got lost in the sea of black SUVs in the parking lot.
 - B. Morgan Freeman is recognized for his **distinctive** voice, making him a frequent choice for voice over narration.
 - C. My military uniform was considered standard issue and **distinctive**, making it hard for my parents to pick me out at graduation.
 - D. The **distinctive** party was boring and like every other fundraiser she had attended over the past couple of years, so Lainey decided to leave early.

2. Which word is a synonym for **scurilous**?
 - A. Clean
 - B. Decent
 - C. Insulting
 - D. Polite

3. Which sentence uses the word **nemesis** incorrectly?
 - A. Jacklin was not happy when her **nemesis** won the pageant.
 - B. Annalee and Molly have been **nemesis** since middle school and will serve as each other's maid of honor in their weddings this year.
 - C. Even though the series spans 7 books, the protagonist's **nemesis** stays the same throughout the novels until the end when he is defeated.
 - D. When Alex saw his **nemesis** was now his partner on the big project that could potentially earn him a promotion at work, he became enraged and nervous about his future.

4. Which word is an antonym for **sulk**?
 - A. Happiness
 - B. Brood
 - C. Mope
 - D. Pout

5. Complete the analogy: **Marvel**: _____ :: Normal : Expected
 - A. Disinterest
 - B. Disregard
 - C. Expected
 - D. Wonder

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6. Which sentence uses the word **embrace** incorrectly?

- A. I **embraced** my son's hand so he could run off and play on the playground.
- B. Asia tried to **embrace** the idea of her parent's divorce, but she still had a hard time accepting it.
- C. After winning the national championship, Jim Valvano ran around the court looking for someone to **embrace** and celebrate with.
- D. Harry begged his grandmother to **embrace** his new fiancé, Megan, but she refused to do so stating she does not come from the right type of family.

7. What is the meaning of **heirloom** as it is used in the following sentence:

*The painting had little monetary value, but it was precious to me since it is an **heirloom** from my great grandmother.*

- A. A fresh and current item
- B. A modern event praised by family members
- C. An antique passed down through the generations
- D. A state of the art and contemporary work of value

8. What is a synonym for **inferior**?

- A. Important
- B. Necessary
- C. Lesser
- D. Extraordinary

9. What is the meaning of **commemorate** as it is used in the following sentence:

*A monument and a small museum **commemorate** the historic event.*

- A. Disregard
- B. Forget
- C. Ignore
- D. Honor

10. What is an antonym for **ambush**?

- A. Assault
- B. Attack
- C. Liberate
- D. Trap

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