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Word Up #5 Quiz

1. Which sentence uses the word **inept** correctly?

- A. Carolina was confident she was the **inept** dancer in the competition and would easily win first place.
- B. The **inept** CEO was able to turn the struggling company around to where it earned a profit for the first time in 3 years.
- C. Even after hours of driver's ed, Jaylin was a completely **inept** driver who could not back out of his house without hitting something.
- D. Charlotte was **inept** in school, therefore she graduated top of her class and received acceptance letters to all the top universities across the country.

2. Which word is a synonym for **obscure**?

- A. Clear
- B. Concealed
- C. Obvious
- D. Straightforward

3. Which sentence uses the word **ruthless** incorrectly?

- A. The **ruthless** dictator ruled out of fear and would imprison anyone who challenged his authority.
- B. The **ruthless** leader genuinely cared about his workers earning the affection and deception of all of his employees.
- C. Although typically quiet and reserved, Seth became **ruthless** on the basketball court and would stop at nothing to win.
- D. Brad appears nice and friendly when he is on TV, but behind closed doors he is said to be a **ruthless** man who treats his assistant like a slave.

4. Which word is an antonym for **apathetic**?

- A. Caring
- B. Disinterested
- C. Indifferent
- D. Uncaring

5. Complete the analogy: **Robust**: _____ :: Unstable: Weak

- A. Fragile
- B. Ineffective
- C. Soft
- D. Strong

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6. Which sentence uses the word **timid** correctly?

- A. The **timid** troops stormed into battle knowing they were going to defeat the enemy.
- B. The As she earned in high school gave her a **timid** feeling for when she started college.
- C. The reigning world champions walked **timidly** on the field for their first game of the season.
- D. Since she had never held a wild animal before, Mackenzie was very **timid** at the idea of holding the snake at the petting zoo.

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

*Her parents never knew what to expect when Annabelle came home from school since her moods were **fickle** and varied.*

- A. Constant
- B. Unpredictable
- C. Reliable
- D. Stable

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

- A. Bright
- B. Cheerful
- C. Depressing
- D. Lively

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

*After weeks of holding them back, the soldiers could no longer **impede** the enemy's advances, so they retreated to safety.*

- A. Deter
- B. Encourage
- C. Help
- D. Permit

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

- A. Fuss
- B. Laugh
- C. Sob
- D. Whimper

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