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Word Up #17 Quiz

1. Which sentence uses the word **superior** correctly?
 - A. All of their **superior** ideas kept failing, so they ended up giving up their mission to find the long lost unicorn lair.
 - B. Since the house was considered **superior**, it did not catch the attention of buyers and sat on the market for over a year.
 - C. Due to her **superior** research, analytical, people, and communication skills, Riley was able to work her way to partner of the law firm in record time.
 - D. His latest novel, *Death of the Water Bottle*, was so **superior** compared to his previous books that he failed to make any money off it, and it caused him to question his career path.
2. Which word is a synonym for **intrigue**?
 - A. Bore
 - B. Depress
 - C. Displease
 - D. Interest
3. Which sentence uses the word **ambush** incorrectly?
 - A. The soldiers were lying on the side of the road waiting to **ambush** the enemy's tank as it drove by.
 - B. Watching my cat jump out of her hiding place and **ambush** our clueless pet goat was the funniest thing I've \ seen in a long time!
 - C. Since everyone wanted to be the first to get an interview, the reporters **ambushed** the national champions as soon as the last second ticked off the clock.
 - D. The world leaders met face to face for a planned **ambush** so the journalists could get pictures of the friendly exchange designed to put to rest reports of tension between the two countries.
4. Which word is an antonym for **scrounge**?
 - A. Beg
 - B. Give
 - C. Hunt
 - D. Search
5. Complete the analogy: **Inauguration**: _____ :: Precarious : Unsteady
 - A. Conclusion
 - B. Ending
 - C. Finish
 - D. Starting

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

- A. Air slowly leaked out of the inflatable raft after a floating stick **punctured** the side.
- B. The city **punctured** a stone wall around the lighthouse in an effort to save it from the effects of erosion.
- C. Justin and Ana **punctured** 500 multicolored balloons and filled up their dad's truck to surprise him on his 50th birthday.
- D. Thankfully the tire shop was able to **puncture** our tire after it went flat so we could get back on the road in order to make it home for the holidays.

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

*Although **democracy** gives you the right to vote, it does not guarantee your preferred candidate will win the election.*

- A. A government in which people participate in the elections of their leaders.
- B. A government in which the king or queen has absolute power over the people.
- C. A government that is run by a single individual that holds the power over the land.
- D. A government that is run by a small group of self-appointed people and companies.

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

- A. Develop
- B. Decrease
- C. Lengthen
- D. Strengthen

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

*Communication is **crucial** for making any type of relationship work.*

- A. Insignificant
- B. Minor
- C. Important
- D. Voluntary

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

- A. Continue
- B. Quit
- C. Refuse
- D. Withhold

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