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## Word Up #8 Quiz

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

- A. The baseball players seemed relaxed, confident, and **reluctant** to win the Little League World Series this season.
- B. Even though Army proved to be a cautious driver and had her permit for over a year, her father was **reluctant** to let her get her license.
- C. Rebekah fearlessly walked into the examination room with a **reluctant** feeling since she had studied for weeks and was 100% positive she would pass the test.
- D. When Makenzie found out Jayden cheated on her with her best friend while she was out of town for her grandmother's funeral, she was so angry, totally over it, and reluctant to break up with him.

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

- A. Calm
- B. Dull
- C. Indifferent
- D. Intense

3. Which sentence uses the word **simultaneously** correctly?

- A. The new receptionist became flustered when the phone rang and 3 new customers walked in **simultaneously**.
- B. The police officer interviewed each suspect **simultaneously** in an effort to get one of them to confess without peer pressure.
- C. Even though everyone thought the identical twins would do things together, their contrasting interests required them to do things **simultaneously**.
- D. Since there were so many people in the race, the directors decided to stagger the start time based on ability so all of the runners could start the race **simultaneously**.

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

- A. Confidence
- B. Enthusiasm
- C. Uncertainty
- D. Trust

5. Complete the analogy: **Eloquent**: \_\_\_\_\_ :: **Passionate**: Calm

- A. Active
- B. Dull
- C. Interesting
- D. Lively

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

- A. The senior won a scholarship for his **notorious** volunteer work at the children's home.
- B. The part of the beach that is **notorious** for rip tides is closed off to prevent drownings.
- C. Since the **notorious** criminal was being released early from prison due to a technical error, the police had to hold a press conference to warn the public.
- D. When Sarah received her schedule, she groaned with frustration since she found out she will have Mr. Green who is **notorious** for giving 3 hours of math homework each night.

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

*Although the **conspirator** did not act alone, his punishment was more severe since he planned the entire crime.*

- A. Accomplice
- B. Opponent
- C. Rival
- D. Stranger

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

- A. Accept
- B. Approve
- C. Praise
- D. Regret

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

*The experienced swimmer began to **flounder** in the deep end after suffering a severe side cramp, and the lifeguard had to jump in to save him.*

- A. Hide
- B. Succeed
- C. Struggle
- D. Timid

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

- A. Attentive
- B. Bored
- C. Disinterested
- D. Ignorant

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