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81. Hotels were among the earliest facilities that bound the United States together. They were both creations and creators of communities, as well as symptoms of the frenetic quest for community.

The word "bound" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) led
- (B) protected
- (C) tied
- (D) strengthened

82. The growing custom of regularly assembling from afar the representatives of all kinds of groups, not only for political conventions, but also for commercial, professional, learned, and avocational ones... in turn supported the multiplying hotels.

The word "assembling" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) announcing
- (B) motivating
- (C) gathering
- (D) contracting

83. In the past, as today, men, women, and children adorned themselves with beads. In some cultures still, certain beads are often worn from birth until death, and then are buried with their owners for the afterlife.

The word "adorned" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) protected
- (B) decorated
- (C) purchased
- (D) enjoyed

84. Besides their wear ability, either as jewelry or incorporated into articles of attire, beads possess the desirable characteristics of every collectible: they are durable, portable, available in infinite variety, and often valuable in their original cultural context as well as in today's market.

The word "attire" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) ritual
- (B) importance
- (C) clothing
- (D) history

85. Beads are miniature bundles of secrets waiting to be revealed: their history, manufacture, cultural context, economic role, and ornamental use are all points of information one hopes to unravel.

The word "unravel" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) communicate
- (B) transport
- (C) improve
- (D) discover

86. Even the most mundane beads may have traveled great distances and been exposed to many human experiences.

The word "mundane" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) carved
- (B) beautiful
- (C) ordinary
- (D) heavy

87. Next, the crossbill snakes its long tongue into the gap and draws out the seed. Using the combined action of the bill and tongue, the birds cracks open and discards the woody seed covering and swallows the nutritious inner kernel.

The word "discards" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) eats
- (B) breaks
- (C) finds out
- (D) gets rid of

88. As a rule, large billed crossbills are better at seeming seeds from large cones while small billed crossbills are more deft at removing the seeds from small, thin scaled cones.

The word "deft" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) hungry
- (B) skilled
- (C) tired
- (D) pleasant

89. It was she, a Baltimore printer, who published the first official copies of the Declaration, the first copies that included the names of its signers and therefore heralded the support of all thirteen colonies.

The word "heralded" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) influenced
- (B) announced
- (C) rejected
- (D) ignored

90. The primary reason was skepticism that a railroad built through so challenging and thinly settled a stretch of desert, mountain, and semiarid plain could pay a profit.

The word "skepticism" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) doubt
- (B) amazement
- (C) urgency
- (D) determination

91. In discussing the Pacific Railroad bill, the chair of the congressional committee bluntly stated that without government subsidy no one would undertake so unpromising a venture; yet it was a national necessity to link East and West together.

The word "subsidy" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) persuasion
- (B) financing
- (C) explanation
- (D) penalty

92. However, the concept of number and the counting process developed so long before the time of recorded history (there is chaeological evidence that counting was employed by humans as far back as 50,000 years ago) that the manner of this development is largely conjectural.

The word "conjectural" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) complex
- (B) based on guessing
- (C) unbelievable
- (D) supported by careful research

93. Probably the earliest way of keeping a count was by some simple tally method, employing the principle of one-to-one correspondence. In keeping a count of sheep, for example, one finger per sheep could be turned under.

The word "employing" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) using
- (B) paying
- (C) focusing
- (D) hiring

94. Then, perhaps later, an assortment of vocal sounds was developed as a word tally against the number of objects in a small group.

The word "assortment" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) instrument
- (B) variety
- (C) surplus
- (D) symbol

95. Their products, primarily silver plates and bowls, reflected their exalted status and testified to their customers' prominence.

The word "exalted" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) unusual
- (B) uncertain
- (C) surprising
- (D) superior

96. Colonial copper smithing also came of age in the early eighteenth century and prospered in northern cities.

The phrase "came of age" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) established itself
- (B) declined
- (C) became less expensive
- (D) was studied

97. This is why glass shatters so easily when dealt a blow, why glass deteriorates over time, especially when exposed to moisture, and why glassware must be slowly reheated and uniformly cooled after manufacture to release internal stresses induced by uneven cooling.

The word "induced" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) joined
- (B) missed
- (C) caused
- (D) lost

98. Granite may be found on the surface of the contemporary landscape, but from its coarse texture we know that it must have formed through slow cooling at a great depth and later been laid bare by erosion.

The word “contemporary” is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) vast
- (B) natural
- (C) existing
- (D) uneven

99. Except for Boston, whose population stabilized at about 16,000 in 1760, cities grew by exponential leaps through the eighteenth century.

The phrase "exponential leaps" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) long wars
- (B) new laws
- (C) rapid increases
- (D) exciting changes

100. A fire ant queen emits a chemical signal that identifies her to the colony's workers. They respond by scurrying to gather around her. The decomposing corpse of a dead ant also generates a signal, to which workers respond by eliminating the corpse from the nest.

The word "scurrying" is closest in meaning to which of following?

- (A) agreeing
- (B) appearing
- (C) competing
- (D) rushing