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# ANSWERS TO EXERCISES

## MATCHING

### LESSON 1

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

## MULTIPLE-CHOICE TEST QUESTIONS

1. **D** autonomous—dependent
2. **C** persistent—constant
3. **A** haphazardly—carelessly
4. **A** disruptive—disturbing
5. **D** adverse—unfavorable
6. **B** condemn or oppose their use
7. **C** actually—truly
8. **A** abrupt—sudden
9. **D** acceptable—permissible
10. **B** acclaim—praise

### LESSON 2

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

1. **C** celebrated—renowned
2. **A** energetic—vigorous
3. **C** distribution—dispensing
4. **A** contemporary—current
5. **D** appealing—alluring
6. **D** view city life as advantageous
7. **D** advent—arrival
8. **A** agile—nimble
9. **C** encouraged—stimulated
10. **A** collide with—are in opposition to

### LESSON 3

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

1. **D** intolerable—unbearable
2. **B** enrich—enhance
3. **A** vital—indispensable
4. **A** ongoing—current
5. **D** revitalize—restore
6. **D** looks the same as its environment
7. **B** analysis—examination
8. **C** annoying—bothersome
9. **A** ancient—old
10. **D** anticipated—predicted

### LESSON 4

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

1. **B** deceptive—misleading
2. **C** petition—appeal
3. **B** concurred—agreed
4. **B** tempt—entice
5. **A** astounding—astonishing
6. **C** insist on reducing them
7. **D** asserted—declared
8. **B** arbitrary—haphazard
9. **A** designated—authorized
10. **C** astute—perceptive

### LESSON 5

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

1. **C** shed—discarded
2. **A** brilliance—radiance
3. **D** unique—rare
4. **A** persuade—convince
5. **A** in conjunction with—along with
6. **A** interests a lot of scientists
7. **A** cautioned—warned
8. **D** delicate—fragile
9. **A** bears—produces
10. **B** baffle—puzzle

### LESSON 6

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

1. **A** immense—massive
2. **C** conventional—traditional
3. **A** routinely—ordinarily
4. **B** curious—peculiar
5. **B** rigid—stiff
6. **B** some have less of a hold on a user's attention
7. **D** complex—intricate
8. **A** emitted—released
9. **B** commonplace—standard
10. **C** coarse—rough

## MATCHING

## LESSON 7

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

MULTIPLE-CHOICE  
TEST QUESTIONS

1. **B** reveals—discloses
2. **D** purposefully—deliberately
3. **C** distort—deform
4. **C** diverse—different
5. **B** prosperous—thriving

6. **A** is entirely interested only in itself
7. **D** core—central
8. **D** convenient—practical
9. **C** confirms—proves
10. **A** concealed—hid

## LESSON 8

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

1. **B** flaws—defects
2. **B** reflect—mirror
3. **D** settle—colonize
4. **A** distinguish—discriminate
5. **D** fragments—particles

6. **D** kept ballooning from becoming more popular
7. **A** cultivated—grown
8. **C** crush—grind
9. **D** creep—crawl
10. **B** engendered—produced

## LESSON 9

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

1. **B** vibrant—brilliant
2. **D** enduring—lasting
3. **C** gigantic—enormous
4. **A** impressive—imposing
5. **D** depth—thoroughness

6. **C** population is the largest per square kilometer
7. **A** display—exhibit
8. **D** dense—thick
9. **C** deep—thorough
10. **D** currency—money

## LESSON 10

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

1. **D** rudimentary—basic
2. **D** superficial—shallow
3. **A** prime—chief
4. **B** hazardous—dangerous
5. **C** phenomenal—exceptional

6. **C** the most talented are few in number
7. **C** dramatic—emotional
8. **B** drab—colorless
9. **A** dominant—major
10. **C** distinct—definite

## LESSON 11

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

1. **C** encircles—surrounds
2. **C** eliminated—deleted
3. **D** elementary—primary
4. **B** element—component
5. **A** dwellings—abodes

6. **B** are more numerous than compacts
7. **B** erratic—inconsistent
8. **D** prevalent—commonplace
9. **D** exaggerates—embellishes
10. **A** dispersed—scattered

## LESSON 12

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

1. **D** evaporated—disappeared
2. **D** eroded—deteriorated
3. **C** entirely—completely
4. **B** benefit—assistance
5. **B** endorsed—supported

6. **B** were alleged to exist
7. **D** burgeoning—thriving
8. **C** broaden—enlarged
9. **A** recovered—retrieved
10. **D** enormous—tremendous

**MATCHING**

**LESSON 13**

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

**MULTIPLE-CHOICE  
TEST QUESTIONS**

- 1. **A** suitable—appropriate
- 2. **C** crucial—critical
- 3. **A** inaccessible—remote
- 4. **D** predicted—anticipated
- 5. **B** heroines—idols

- 6. **B** in front of each other
- 7. **B** evident—apparent
- 8. **A** exhausted—depleted
- 9. **C** face—confront
- 10. **A** facets—aspects

**LESSON 14**

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

- 1. **B** ample—abundant
- 2. **C** arid—dry
- 3. **C** defying—resisting
- 4. **D** avert—prevent
- 5. **B** spacious—expansive

- 6. **A** basically well designed and built
- 7. **D** functions—roles
- 8. **B** freshly—recently
- 9. **A** fertile—rich
- 10. **C** feigning—pretending

**LESSON 15**

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

- 1. **B** halt—stop
- 2. **A** substantially—significantly
- 3. **D** mysterious—baffling
- 4. **A** rejects—refuses
- 5. **C** boosts—promotes

- 6. **D** was nearly entirely eliminated
- 7. **B** perilous—dangerous
- 8. **D** harmful—unhealthy
- 9. **B** handle—manage
- 10. **D** gained—attained

**LESSON 16**

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

- 1. **D** systematically—methodically
- 2. **A** recover—retrieve
- 3. **D** meticulous—conscientious
- 4. **D** encompass—include
- 5. **B** unlikely—doubtful

- 6. **B** more conscious of the situation
- 7. **B** infancy—beginnings
- 8. **D** inadvertent—unexpected
- 9. **C** emphasizes—highlights
- 10. **A** heighten—intensify

**LESSON 17**

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

- 1. **A** evoke—produce
- 2. **B** inundated—overwhelmed
- 3. **A** intrinsic—inherent
- 4. **D** intentionally—deliberately
- 5. **C** instantly—immediately

- 6. **B** occurs slowly over time
- 7. **A** agitated—disturbed
- 8. **D** nominal—moderate
- 9. **C** confidential—secret
- 10. **A** inordinate—excessive

**LESSON 18**

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

- 1. **C** narrow—thin
- 2. **B** means—method
- 3. **A** absurd—ridiculous
- 4. **A** limber—flexible
- 5. **C** lack—shortage

- 6. **B** information for and against
- 7. **B** feasible—possible
- 8. **C** robust—strong
- 9. **D** swift—fast
- 10. **C** fallacy—misconception

## MATCHING

## LESSON 19

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

MULTIPLE-CHOICE  
TEST QUESTIONS

1. **A** antiquated—outmoded  
 2. **A** novel—original  
 3. **B** notion—concept  
 4. **D** triggered—generated  
 5. **D** normally—typically  
 6. **D** are against its continuation  
 7. **A** unbiased—objective  
 8. **D** investigate—probe  
 9. **A** coherent—logical  
 10. **B** transformed—altered

## LESSON 20

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

1. **A** pass—approve  
 2. **A** partially—somewhat  
 3. **B** overcome—conquer  
 4. **B** outlandish—bizarre  
 5. **C** omit—neglect  
 6. **A** play in an offensive way  
 7. **D** disguise—concealment  
 8. **A** narrate—relate  
 9. **D** innovative—inventive  
 10. **C** accentuate—emphasize

## LESSON 21

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

1. **B** plentiful—abundant  
 2. **D** sheltered—protected  
 3. **C** philanthropic—humanitarian  
 4. **D** phenomena—occurrences  
 5. **A** decrease—decline  
 6. **A** combines chemically with the acid  
 7. **C** placid—calm  
 8. **A** reactions—responses  
 9. **D** scenic—picturesque  
 10. **D** vanish—disappear

## LESSON 22

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

1. **A** predominant—principal  
 2. **C** disregarded—overlooked  
 3. **A** practical—functional  
 4. **D** hasten—accelerate  
 5. **A** polls—surveys  
 6. **C** explain what causes them  
 7. **B** induces—prompts  
 8. **C** archaic—ancient  
 9. **A** hue—color  
 10. **D** inactive—idle

## LESSON 23

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

1. **B** reliably—dependably  
 2. **A** readily—freely  
 3. **C** proportions—dimensions  
 4. **C** prophetic—predictive  
 5. **D** prone—inclined  
 6. **B** is famous for the violin players  
 7. **D** analogous—similar  
 8. **D** periodically—regularly  
 9. **A** compelled—obliged  
 10. **D** intruded—imposed

## LESSON 24

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

1. **C** somewhat—slightly  
 2. **D** solid—substantial  
 3. **B** contaminated—polluted  
 4. **D** scattered—distributed  
 5. **C** remarkable—exceptional  
 6. **A** only these animals have this capacity  
 7. **C** discern—determine  
 8. **A** mediocre—average  
 9. **D** parallel—similar  
 10. **B** peculiar—distinctive

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**LESSON 25**

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

**MULTIPLE-CHOICE TEST QUESTIONS**

- 1. **D** situated—located
- 2. **B** profoundly—significantly
- 3. **A** sharply—severely
- 4. **A** infrequently—rarely
- 5. **D** founded—established

- 6. **B** on a moment's notice and without thinking
- 7. **C** impulsive—capricious
- 8. **A** isolated—secluded
- 9. **B** brief—fleeting
- 10. **C** exhibits—displays

**LESSON 26**

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

- 1. **A** streams—flows
- 2. **D** striking—remarkable
- 3. **C** spontaneous—instinctive
- 4. **D** particular—specific
- 5. **B** spanning—covering

- 6. **B** can be analyzed in a variety of ways
- 7. **B** legitimate—authentic
- 8. **A** chaotic—disorganized
- 9. **A** exemplifies—symbolize
- 10. **D** gratifying—satisfying

**LESSON 27**

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

- 1. **C** automatic—involuntary
- 2. **D** synthesis—combination
- 3. **B** symbols—signs
- 4. **B** sustained—consistent
- 5. **A** supposedly—presumably

- 6. **C** the ship's name, *Titanic*, was appropriate
- 7. **A** odd—strange
- 8. **B** marvel—wonder
- 9. **C** demonstrations—displays
- 10. **D** ingredients—elements

**LESSON 28**

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

- 1. **D** underestimates—miscalculates
- 2. **A** undeniably—absolutely
- 3. **C** trapped—retained
- 4. **A** tranquility—peacefulness
- 5. **C** toxic—poisonous

- 6. **B** combat disease-causing bacteria
- 7. **C** curative—healing
- 8. **A** debilitating—weakening
- 9. **C** aggravating—irritating
- 10. **C** conceivably—possibly

**LESSON 29**

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

- 1. **C** acknowledge—concede
- 2. **A** requisite—required
- 3. **D** unravel—separate
- 4. **D** vague—unclear
- 5. **A** precious—fine

- 6. **D** may be somewhat difficult to find
- 7. **A** volume—quantity
- 8. **B** vast—huge
- 9. **D** assortments—selections
- 10. **A** acquire—obtain

**LESSON 30**

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

- 1. **B** woo—attract
- 2. **A** sporadic—occasional
- 3. **C** widespread—extensive
- 4. **A** weak—ineffective
- 5. **C** forfeit—relinquish

- 6. **C** authorities impose a large fine
- 7. **C** witty—humorous
- 8. **A** wanton—senseless
- 9. **C** charisma—appeal
- 10. **D** endure—persevere