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ASVAB Section Eight : Paragraph comprehension

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**QUESTION 1**

"There was an air of calm and reserved opulence about the Weightman mansion that spoke not of money squandered, but of wealth prudently applied." – Henry Van Dyke, The Mansion.

In this passage, what is the inferred meaning of "opulence"?

- A. Peacefulness
- B. Affluence
- C. Extravagance
- D. Age

Correct Answer: B

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**QUESTION 2**

Due process, the guarantee of fairness in the administration of justice, is part of the 5th Amendment to the

U.S. Constitution. The 14th Amendment further requires states to abide by due process. After this amendment was enacted, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down many state laws that infringed on the civil

rights guaranteed to citizens in the Bill of Rights.

According to the above passage, due process \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. is an outdated concept
- B. guarantees fairness in the justice system
- C. never became part of the U.S. Constitution
- D. is the process by which winning lottery tickets are selected

Correct Answer: B

Explanation:

Nothing in the paragraph supports Choice "is an outdated concept", which is incorrect.

When an amendment is passed, it becomes part of the Constitution, so Choice "never became part of the U.S. Constitution" is incorrect.

The passage doesn't support Choice "is the process by which winning lottery tickets are selected".

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**QUESTION 3**

General Dwight Eisenhower was one of the most significant military leaders in the history of the United States. Although

he was a brilliant strategist and had the heart of a lion, his concern was for the safety and well-being of his "boys." All who served under General Eisenhower were devoted to him, and looked to him as a father, devoted more to their leader than to the cause. For that reason, every casualty struck General Eisenhower as if it were his own kin.

According to the passage, what kind of man can we assume that General Dwight Eisenhower was?

- A. Aloof and cold.
- B. Timid and uncertain.
- C. Militarily aggressive at all costs.
- D. Intelligent and compassionate.

Correct Answer: D

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#### QUESTION 4

DNA, a nucleic acid contained in all living material, orders every cell to reproduce in a certain manner. In feet, DNA molecules determine both the form and function of all living cells.

DNA is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. found only in animals
- B. one kind of cell
- C. a nucleic acid
- D. a nuclear device

Correct Answer: C

Explanation:

The fact that DNA is a nucleic acid is stated in the first sentence. Answers "found only in animals", "one kind of cell", and "a nuclear device" are all incorrect details.

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#### QUESTION 5

The success or failure of a conference lies largely with its leader. A leader's zest and enthusiasm must be real, apparent, and contagious. The leader is responsible for getting the ball rolling and making the attendees feel as if the meeting is theirs and its success depends on their participation. A good, thorough introduction helps establish the right climate.

A good title to this paragraph would be \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Lead by Example
- B. The Importance of Proper Introductions

C. Leading a Successful Conference

D. Conference Participation Basics

Correct Answer: C

Explanation:

Choice "Lead by Example" is always a good philosophy but isn't pertinent to the main point of the passage.

Choices "The Importance of Proper Introductions" and "Conference Participation Basics" are subpoints, which support the main point of the passage, which is how to lead a successful conference.

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