Vocabularly Quiz 1 of 9

Name _____

Party One — Sentence Completion

_____ **1.** What at first appeared to be a fad, has much more _____ than expected.
a. promote b. dote c. tantalize d. smelt e. longevity

_____ **2.** The costume designer used a knife to make a number of _____ in the denim cloth.
a. cynosures b. infiltrates c. projectiles d. flecks e. lacerations

_____ **3.** They could not wait for the _____ presentation to end; it was entirely Powerpoint.
a. masochist b. vapid c. lackadaisical d. efficient e. engaging

_____ **4.** Without a letter of reference, the _____ stands little chance of being selected.
a. zealot b. pauper c. vanguard d. progeny e. aspirant

_____ **5.** The clouds were _____ gray; it would certainly rain this afternoon.
a. ashen b. bilious c. retirement d. vogue e. bland

_____ **6.** Because the boss loved to be told that he himself was always right, he only hired _____.
a. pragmatists b. sycophants c. employees d. narcissists e. hedonists

_____ **7.** Jane _____ in many hobbies but is an expert in only one: racecar driving.
a. stokes b. reciprocates c. dabbles d. learns e. represses

_____ **8.** The many types of chocolates in the window _____ those who walk by the candy store.
a. promote b. dote c. tantalize d. yoke e. incapacitate

_____ **9.** The young woman's _____ singing melted the old woman's heart.
a. dulcet b. fledgling c. rousing d. apathetic e. cogent

_____ **10.** To _____ all help on such a large project was a very bad choice.
a. eschew b. prattle c. quarry d. yoke e. incapacitate

_____ **11.** The computer's exterior, though flashy, is _____ to its stunning performance.
a. cursive b. extrinsic c. dank d. erudite e. chaffing

_____ **12.** His _____ from writing lasted little more than one year.
a. cession b. empathy c. hiatus d. reprimand e. precedent

_____ **13.** With new anti-immigration laws, the US is increasingly _____.
a. reprimand b. xenophobia c. naiveté d. potential e. intransigence

_____ **14.** Without having enough practice, Edith's flute recital turned into a complete _____.
a. precarious b. debacle c. reprieve d. labyrinth e. victory

_____ **15.** The girls _____ near the stage's exit hoping to glimpse the singer as she comes off stage.

a. writhe b. yield c. loiter d. rout e. prolong

_____ **16.** After the plenary meeting, the medical society has decided to _____ a new ethics code.
a. ape b. demystify c. loll d. inaugurate e. outwit

_____ **17.** The _____ was deafening and confirmed that the concert had been warmly received.
a. precedent b. quarry c. cadence d. ovation e. martinet

_____ **18.** There is a great _____ of information about the extremely reclusive writer's life.
a. variegated b. prolixity c. preamble d. paucity e. overwrought

_____ **19.** After Jack saw the new team _____, he was overjoyed that he had made the team.
a. dormer b. hedonist c. yen d. roster e. turncoat

_____ **20.** Many past recipients consider winning the Nobel Prize to be the _____ of their careers.
a. nadir b. commencement c. antithesis d. acme e. significance

_____ **21.** Many overweight Americans suffer from a _____ lifestyle lacking adequate exercise.
a. stoic b. droll c. dormant d. vehement e. sedate

_____ **22.** Without any _____ evidence, his argument was mostly smoke and mirrors.
a. practical b. askew c. inferred d. empirical e. cursory

_____ **23.** Their football coach was a _____ drilling them every day.
a. incarnation b. martyr c. lachrymose d. zealot e. martinet

_____ **24.** James wrote a _____ modifying his will and leaving his newfound wealth to his dog.
a. stratagem b. reprimand c. dossier d. codicil e. deed

_____ **25.** Marx argued predicted that _____ would one day control all the factors of production.
a. proletarians b. zephyrs c. zealots d. denizens e. vampires

Party Two — Matching

_____ Gorge	A. Deliverance from a charge
_____ Acquittal	B. Improve
_____ Bigotry	C. Stubborn intolerance.
_____ Rubble	D. To treat gently
_____ Dais	E. Museum manager
_____ Emulate	F. Raised platform for guests of honor.
_____ Ameliorate	L. Small, steep-walled canyon
_____ Frolicsome	G. Intimidate; frighten.
_____ Loiter	H. Imitate
_____ Pauper	I. Mistaken; wrong
_____ Curator	J. Gentle breeze; west wind
_____ Reciprocal	K. Prankish; gay
_____ Smirk	M. Start; initiate; install in office
_____ Coddle	N. Unerring
_____ Typhoon	O. Hang around; linger
_____ Zephyr	P. Motherly
_____ Sycophant	Q. Very poor person
_____ Promontory	R. Monarch; sovereign
_____ Erroneous	S. Headland
_____ Potentate	T. Mutual; exchangeable; interacting
_____ Maternal	U. Broken fragments
_____ Infallible	V. Conceited smile
_____ Daunt	W. Servile flatterer; bootlicker; yes man
_____ Inaugurate	X. Tropical hurricane or cyclone

_____ Codify	A. Sharp; bitterly pungent
_____ Douse	B. Aversion; dislike
_____ Prolific	C. Deadly; having a malign influence; ominous
_____ Debacle	D. Soothing or mild; agreeable
_____ Bland	E. Worthless products of an endeavor
_____ Dais	F. Arrange (laws, rules) as a code; classify
_____ Acrid	G. Point directly overhead in the sky; summit
_____ Sedulous	H. Raised platform for guests of honor
_____ Repress	I. Based on experience
_____ Practitioner	J. Enthusiastic applause
_____ Baleful	K. Wring from; get money by threats
_____ Heyday	L. Bearing of fruit; fulfillment; realization
_____ Inexorable	M. Bravery
_____ Stratagem	N. Time of greatest success; prime
_____ Chaff	O. Deceptive scheme.
_____ Zenith	P. Relentless; unyielding; implacable
_____ Valor	Q. Sudden downfall; complete disaster
_____ Ovation	R. Plunge into water; drench; extinguish
_____ Matriarch	S. Lacking purpose or zest
_____ Log	T. Record of day-to-day activities
_____ Empirical	U. Producing tears
_____ Extort	V. Woman who rules a family
_____ Antipathy	W. Someone engaged in a profession
_____ Lachrymose	X. Abundantly fruitful
_____ Lackadaisical	Y. Restrain; crush; oppress
_____ Fruition	Z. Diligent; hardworking