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READ THE PASSAGES AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS (5 each question):

Passage 1

All birds have feathers, and feathers are **peculiar** to birds. No other major group of animals is easy to categorize. All birds have wings, too, but there are other winged creatures, such as bats and certain insects.

Many adaptations are found in both feathers and wings. Feathers form the soft down of geese and ducks, the **showy** plumes of ostriches and egrets, and the strong flight feathers of eagles and condors. Wings vary from the short, broad ones of chickens, which seldom fly, to the long, slim ones of albatrosses, which spend almost all their lives soaring on air currents. In penguins, wings have been modified into flippers and feathers into a waterproof covering. In kiwis, the wings are almost impossible to **detect**.

Yet **diversity** among birds is not as striking as it is among mammals. The difference between a hummingbird and an emu is great, but **hardly** as dramatic as that between a bat and a whale. It is variations in details rather than in **fundamental** patterns that have been important in the adaptation of birds to many kinds of ecosystems.

Glossary:

down: *soft, short feathers found under the outer feathers of water birds that keep these birds warm.*

---> respostas corretas

1. In the passage, the phrase **peculiar to** is closest in meaning to

- (A) necessary for
- (B) important to
- (C) symbolic of
- (D) unique to

2. The word **categorize** in the passage is closest in meaning to

- (A) appreciate
- (B) comprehend
- (C) classify
- (D) visualize

3. Which of the following is closest in meaning to the word **detect** in the passage?

- (A) utilize
- (B) observe

- (C) extend
- (D) describe

4. In the passage, the word **diversity** is closest in meaning to

- (A) function
- (B) heredity
- (C) specialty
- (D) variety

5. The word **hardly** in the passage is closest in meaning to

- (A) definitely
- (B) not nearly
- (C) possibly
- (D) not softly

6. Which of the following could best be substituted for the word **fundamental** in the passage?

- (A) basic
- (B) shifting
- (C) predictable
- (D) complicated

Passage 2



Manufactured in the **tranquil** New England town of Concord, New Hampshire, the famous Concord Coach came to **symbolize** the Old West. Its **rugged** body and a suspension system made of leather straps could handle the hard jolts from rough roads. A journalist describing a railroad shipment of thirty coaches **bound for Wells, Fargo and Company** wrote, ‘They are **superbly** decorated... the bodies red and the running parts yellow. Each door is painted, mostly with landscapes, and no two coaches are exactly alike.’

Wells, Fargo and Company was founded in 1852 to provide mail and banking services for the gold camps of California and later won a monopoly on express services west of the Mississippi. A Wells, Fargo Concord coach carried nine to fourteen passengers as well as baggage and mail. The accommodations were by no means **plush**. However, while conditions may have been primitive and service not always **prompt**, the stagecoach was still the fastest method of travel through much of the Far West.

7. The word **tranquil** in the passage is closest in meaning to

- (A) busy
- (B) industrial
- (C) peaceful
- (D) tiny

8. The word **symbolize** in the passage is closest in meaning to

- (A) fulfill
- (B) represent
- (C) deny

(D) transform

9. Which of the following is closest in meaning to the word **rugged** in the passage?

(A) streamlined

(B) roomy

(C) sturdy

(D) primitive

10. The phrase **bound for** in the passage is closest in meaning to

(A) belonged to

(B) headed for

(C) built by

(D) owned by

11. In the passage, the word **superbly** is closest in meaning to

(A) occasionally

(B) surprisingly

(C) professionally

(D) wonderfully

12. In the passage, the word **plush** is closest in meaning to

(A) inexpensive

(B) clean

(C) convenient

(D) luxurious

13. The word or phrase closest in meaning to **prompt** in the passage is

(A) polite

(B) on time

(C) available

(D) at risk

Passage 3

To the Hopi people of Arizona, the institutions of family and religion are of **paramount** importance. The Hopi believe in a **harmonious** existence that makes the self-sacrificing individual the ideal. The Hopi individual is trained from birth to feel that his or her responsibility to and for the Peaceful People - the Hopi's own term for themselves. Fighting, **bullying**, and attempting to surpass others bring automatic **rebuke** from the community.

Implicit in the Hopi view is an original and integrated theory of the universe. With this, they organize their society in such a way as to obtain a measure of security from a **hazardous** environment made up of **foes**, famines, and plagues. They conceive the universe - humans, animals, plants, and supernatural spirits - as an orderly system functioning under rules known only to them. These rules govern their behavior, emotions, and thoughts in a **prescribed** way.

14. The word **paramount** in the passage is closest in meaning to

- (A) greatest
- (B) differing
- (C) equal
- (D) decreasing

15. Which of the following is closest in meaning to the word **harmonious** in the passage?

- (A) cooperative
- (B) hostile
- (C) philosophical
- (D) exclusive

16. The word **bullying** in the passage is closest in meaning to

- (A) lying
- (B) organizing
- (C) entertaining
- (D) tormenting

17. In the passage the word **rebuke** is closest in meaning to

- (A) prestige
- (B) reaction
- (C) criticism
- (D) compliment

18. Which of the following could best be substituted for the word **hazardous** in the passage?

- (A) dangerous

- (B) random
- (C) familiar
- (D) changing

19. The word **foes** in the passage is closest in meaning to

- (A) fears
- (B) needs
- (C) failures
- (D) enemies

20. The word **prescribed** in the passage is closest in meaning to

- (A) illogical
- (B) set
- (C) unbearable
- (D) harsh