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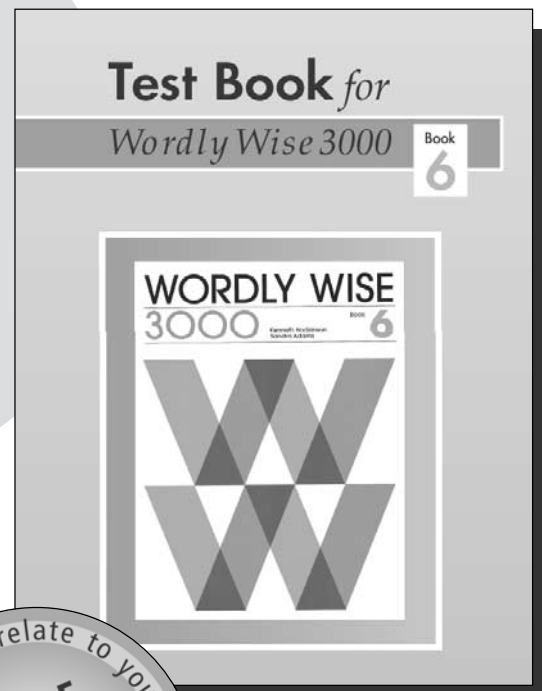
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## Book 6, Lesson 5 Test

Find a *SYNONYM* for each underlined word. Circle the letter of your answer.

1. It was a major undertaking to satisfy the cyclists' voracious appetites.
  - a constant
  - b anxious
  - c light
  - d ravenous
  
2. Speculating in international currency was Mitch's hobby.
  - a spending
  - b guessing
  - c investing
  - d profiting
  
3. There are many impediments to earning a college degree.
  - a obstacles
  - b bridges
  - c distractions
  - d dangers
  
4. Joseph Stalin was a Soviet despot who was responsible for the deaths of millions.
  - a benefactor
  - b tyrant
  - c patron
  - d pushover
  
5. Ms. Perera can always be counted on to give sagacious advice.
  - a absurd
  - b reckless
  - c foolish
  - d wise

Find an **ANTONYM** for each underlined word. Circle the letter of your answer.

6. Her indolence affected her ability to keep a job.

- a dedication
- b inefficiency
- c idleness
- d drowsiness

7. Politics had been a source of strife at the dinner table on countless holidays.

- a boredom
- b struggle
- c fighting
- d harmony

8. Rising property taxes threatened to impoverish the new homeowner.

- a diminish
- b worry
- c enrich
- d hinder

9. Andy made a point to enunciate his words.

- a mumble
- b pronounce
- c sing
- d project

10. Most state holidays are secular.

- a religious
- b commonplace
- c worldly
- d mundane

Choose the *BEST* way to complete each sentence or answer each question. Circle the letter of your answer.

11. Crops in impoverished soil are most likely to

- a grow.
- b die.
- c blossom.
- d thrive.

12. To venerate something means to treat it with

- a respect.
- b contempt.
- c fondness.
- d sympathy.

13. A cynic is not

- a suspicious.
- b doubtful.
- c skeptical.
- d trusting.

14. Contemporaries are of the same

- a country.
- b ingredients.
- c time.
- d magnitude.

15. Someone who is callow is least likely to be

- a skilled.
- b young.
- c new.
- d inexperienced.

## SAT Sneak Preview

1. Zach is always cynical of his sisters' motives when they start — him.
  - (A) teasing
  - (B) chasing
  - (C) helping
  - (D) attacking
  - (E) mocking
2. Although they were callow, the freshmen surprised the juniors by organizing their fundraising team so —.
  - (A) effectively
  - (B) sloppily
  - (C) poorly
  - (D) hastily
  - (E) quietly
3. INDOLENT : WORK ::
  - (A) hungry : eat
  - (B) stingy : hoard
  - (C) liar : deceive
  - (D) gossip : rumor
  - (E) messy : straighten
4. Despite her reputation for sagacity, Trisha never wore a —.
  - (A) watch
  - (B) belt
  - (C) hat
  - (D) seatbelt
  - (E) smile
5. Though the team started the tournament with the voracious — of the student body, interest waned quickly once it became clear that they were —.
  - (A) opposition ... winning
  - (B) support ... outmatched
  - (C) wishes ... talented
  - (D) regards ... losing
  - (E) hopes ... silly