Reading for the Real World Intro - Unit 7

Name _____

I. Vocabulary: Choose the best word to fill in the blank.

1. After conducting a lot of tests on the ill patient, doctors have finally come up with a _____.
    a. commencement
    b. burial
    c. diagnosis
    d. suitor

2. If you leave meat outside in the heat, it will _____ very quickly.
    a. flee
    b. font
    c. decay
    d. stumble

3. When he was _____ the winner of the boxing a match, the crowd cheered.
    a. pronounced
    b. connected
    c. proportioned
    d. escaped

4. People do not have to learn how to breathe because it is a/an _____ we are born with.
    a. artistry
    b. suitor
    c. instinct
    d. boundary

5. Because Wanda's best grade last _____ was only a C+, she has decided to study much harder from now on.
    a. tomb
    b. commencement
    c. pathway
    d. semester

II. Cloze Test

Questions 6 - 10

One remarkable story recently occurred in the city of Baltimore. The wife of a respected lawyer contracted a sudden, mysterious disease. No doctor could offer a ___(6)___, and after intense suffering, she died. She looked like any other corpse and had no pulse, so she was ___(7)___ dead. The funeral was held quickly to prevent the body from ___(8)___. Afterward, the woman's coffin was placed in her family ___(9)___, where it lay undisturbed for three years. Then there was another death in the family. When the iron door of the tomb was opened, the woman's skeleton fell into her shocked husband's arms!

After close inspection, her family came to the horrifying conclusion that she had not really been dead at the time of burial. They believed that she had woken up ___(10)___ after her burial and had tried to escape, which caused her coffin to fall and break open. It seemed that she had tried to break down the iron door. However, she had failed and had died, trapped inside.

6. a. boundary
   b. diagnosis
   c. skeleton
   d. suitor

7. a. proportioned
   b. buried
   c. fled
   d. pronounced

8. a. stumbling
   b. commencing
   c. decaying
   d. flashing

9. a. tomb
   b. pathway
   c. font
   d. typography

10. a. subtly
    b. calligraphy
    c. terribly
    d. shortly

III. Reading Comprehension: Based on the reading in section II, number the events from *1* to *5* in chronological order.

11. ___ The woman's heart stopped, so people thought she was dead.
12. ___ Doctors could not find what was wrong with the woman.
13. ___ Three years later, her family found the woman had tried to escape from the tomb.
14. ___ The woman was put in a family tomb.
15. ___ A woman became sick very quickly.

IV. Word Study: Choose the SYNONYM (=) or ANTONYM (↔) for each word.

16. Which of the following is an antonym for *subtle?*
    a. clever
    b. obvious
    c. half
    d. whole

17. Which of the following is a synonym for *vague?*
    a. popular
    b. focused
    c. artistic
    d. unclear

18. Which of the following is an antonym for *terribly?*
    a. badly
    b. well
    c. extremely
    d. boundary

19. Which of the following is a synonym for *pathway?*
    a. home
    b. prison
    c. route
    d. garden

20. Which of the following is a synonym for *shortly?*
    a. soon
    b. later
    c. small
    d. tall

V. Fill in the blank with the correct word.

gut	artistic	proportionally	premature	flee

21. Our new neighbors had to _____ their home country because of the war there.
22. Sylvia's husband has a lot of _____ talent—you should see his paintings and sculptures!!
23. Even though Alannah knew that medicine would be a safer career choice, she decided to follow her _____ and become a circus clown instead.
24. Since the new president was only elected a week ago, it is _____ to judge her ability to lead the country right now
25. Michael is a very large, tall man, so his feet are _____ big.

1	2	3	4	5
c	c	a	c	d
6	7	8	9	10
b	d	c	a	d
11	12	13	14	15
3	2	5	4	1
16	17	18	19	20
b	d	b	c	a
21	22	23	24	25
flee	artistic	gut	premature	proportionally