Reading for the Real World Intro - Unit 10

Name _____

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

1. The couple is looking for a local _____ to design their new beach house.
    a. vaccination
    b. stance
    c. architect
    d. mentor

2. All of my brother's art is good, but I think this painting of our parents is his _____.
    a. broadcast
    b. masterpiece
    c. integration
    d. curation

3. After the two companies _____, they combined the skills of their employees and became more successful.
    a. bonded
    b. descended
    c. merged
    d. contemplated

4. Many people love wearing silk because of its soft, smooth _____.
    a. function
    b. texture
    c. spiral
    d. sandstone

5. The new curtains match the sofa, thus bringing a sense of _____ to the style of the room.
    a. unity
    b. masterpiece
    c. fringe
    d. interaction

II. Cloze Test

Questions 6 – 10

Streaming services don't just host shows. They also offer recommendations based on your viewing history. This can be very convenient but also very limiting. Platforms that utilize targeted advertising and curation tend to direct users toward content focused on a very narrow set of topics and viewpoints. For some, this goes unnoticed or is seen as a minor inconvenience. But this type of targeting can become harmful when it leads a person down a path towards _____(6)_____ groups such as anti-vaxxers (people opposed to vaccinations) and then continues to provide content that _____(7)_____ these radical ideas.

Although some criticize traditional _____(8)_____ television for its inconvenience, it does provide people with common ground. People _____(9)_____ by watching television together and talking about their favorite shows. Broadcast television gives families a reason to gather together and allows friends and coworkers to connect over shared interests. Sadly, though, streaming services have contributed to the decline in these kinds of meaningful _____(10)_____.

6. a. spiral
   b. organic
   c. masterpiece
   d. fringe

7. a. reruns
   b. reinforces
   c. merges
   d. contemplates

8. a. broadcast
   b. biased
   c. curation
   d. function

9. a. descend
   b. bond
   c. mentor
   d. revitalize

10. a. stances
    b. legend
    c. availabilities
    d. interactions

III. Reading Comprehension: Based on the reading in section II, put the information below into the correct columns.

~~Greater convenience but also more limits~~ a. Use of targeted advertising and curation b. Family, friends, and coworkers interact	c. People start believing in d. Streaming services recommend shows e. People watch broadcast TV together

Cause	Effect
11. _____ →	~~Greater convenience but more limits~~
12. _____ →	14. _____ fringe ideas
13. _____ →	15. _____ and connect

IV. Word Study: Match the word to its definition.

a. whatsoever
b. mentor
c. unity
d. facilitate
e. meaningful

16. ___ to help happen to make possible
17. ___ at all
18. ___ having real importance or value
19. ___ a usually older and more experienced teacher and adviser
20. ___ a condition of harmony or wholeness

V. Fill in the blank with the correct word.

pseudoscientific	integration	contemplate	descend	stance

21. The _____ of exercise into your daily routine can improve both your physical and mental health.
22. The group says it has evidence that the Earth is flat, but that is silly, _____ nonsense.
23. Before you _____ about which college to attend, you should first think about what kind of career path you want to follow.
24. In about fifteen minutes, the plane will start to _____ into Seoul.
25. The CEO's _____ is that the company should expand internationally, but many high-level managers disagree.

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c	b	c	b	a
6	7	8	9	10
d	b	a	b	c
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d	a	e	c	b
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d	a	e	b	c
21	22	23	24	25
integration	pseudoscientific	contemplate	descend	stance