

## GRE Sentence Equivalence Practice Paper 4

### Part 1

1. There are some people who say that they ---- remember seeing the accused around the shop on the day of the theft.

- A) habitually
- B) freely
- C) surely
- D) steadily
- E) distinctly
- F) softly

2. Although George did not want to take the trouble to perform such a demanding job, he accepted it ----.

- A) reluctantly
- B) loyally
- C) considerably
- D) infinitely
- E) unwillingly
- F) honestly

3. Although the residents ---- wrote to the authorities asking for a recreational area, they haven't received a response yet.

- A) hugely
- B) merely
- C) casually
- D) repeatedly
- E) roughly
- F) frequently

4. With a wave of his hand, the magician made the rabbit ----, which surprised the children at the circus a lot.

- A) disappear
- B) adjust
- C) ignore
- D) vanish
- E) vary
- F) harmonize

5. We don't know all the circumstances, so it would be pointless to ---- on what had happened.

- A) flatten
- B) contemplate
- C) achieve
- D) execute

- E) measure
- F) speculate

6. I'm afraid I won't be able to help you as I can't ---- the exact details of the report.

- A) remind
- B) remember
- C) compel
- D) recall
- E) nominate
- F) require

7. The new law ---- a man to claim money from the government if he has no work.

- A) intends
- B) enables
- C) empower
- D) surveys
- E) presumes
- F) purchases

8. After being bedridden for months, James found that his muscles had atrophied, which initially —— his ability to walk or lift heavy objects.

- a. belittled
- b. castigated
- c. hampered
- d. bolstered
- e. curtailed
- f. improved

9. A field trip was arranged so that this troupe of \_\_\_\_\_ dancers could observe the real masters of their art.

- (A) seasoned
- (B) fledgling
- (C) expert
- (D) torpid
- (E) novice
- (F) lithe

10. Many people erroneously believe that humans are naturally \_\_\_\_\_ to distrust or even fear that outside of their social or cultural group; anthropologists and social scientists, however, have consistently shown that xenophobia is a learned behavior.

- (A) indoctrinated
- (B) proven
- (C) prone
- (D) disposed
- (E) taught
- (F) compelled

## Part 2

1. The children were so naughty that the babysitter's patience with them ---- as the hours went by.

- A) diminished
- B) underwent
- C) healed
- D) installed
- E) weakened
- F) erased

2. While my mother was looking through her documents the other day, she came across a letter and when she read it, old memories ---- in her.

- A) hindered
- B) roused
- C) interrupted
- D) deserved
- E) awoke
- F) raised

3. My sister completely ---- all our objections and accepted the job offer overseas.

- A) evacuated
- B) composed
- C) trapped
- D) neglected
- E) regained
- F) disregarded

4. After three days, the hijackers ---- themselves to the police yesterday.

- A) invaded
- B) submitted
- C) detested
- D) surrendered
- E) wasted
- F) accompanied

5. The commander ---- that the enemy would try to cross the river and so seized the bridge.

- A) regretted
- B) foresaw
- C) anticipated
- D) betrayed
- E) supported
- F) negotiated

6. John's ambition is both a(n) ---- and a weakness for him as it may either leads him to success or a total failure.

- A) effort
- B) attempt
- C) affection
- D) dispute
- E) ability
- F) strength

7. The pills you had given brought considerable ---- from the pain in my chest.

- A) support
- B) relief
- C) tolerance
- D) remedy
- E) patience
- F) fortune

8. By framing the new law as a question of urgent safety rather than of privacy, the government obviated the need to pass through the standard channels of legislation, effectively \_\_\_\_\_ all formal dissent and relegating any would-be naysayer from a position of engaged activist to that of a powerless bystander.

- (A) curtailing
- (B) undermining
- (C) targeting
- (D) lobbying
- (E) instigating
- (F) facilitating

9. Isherwood's sympathy for communism during the interwar period was not only a reaction against fascism, but also a mark of his fellow feeling for the laboring classes and his \_\_\_\_\_ to engage as an equal with working people.

- (A) disinclination
- (B) hankering
- (C) proclivity
- (D) implacability
- (E) unwillingness
- (F) joviality

10. Only by overlooking the grievances frequently expressed by her constituency could the incumbent think that the pandering advertisements would do anything but \_\_\_\_\_ her campaign.

- (A) bolster
- (B) aggrieve
- (C) encourage
- (D) hobble
- (E) hamstring
- (F) restore

### Part 3

1. The government should cut their ---- on defense and start to spend more on education.

- A) cost
- B) rate
- C) pace
- D) spending
- E) expenditure
- F) mass

2. The convict's lawyer said she understood the ---- of her actions and was prepared to go to jail.

- A) outcome
- B) disposal
- C) disagreement
- D) consequence
- E) obligation
- F) nomination

3. Mr. Summons is an essential figure in our office as the ---- of his work experience cannot be underestimated.

- A) admiration
- B) approval
- C) value
- D) consent
- E) worth
- F) permission

4. Even the most security-conscious computer user is under constant ---- from computer viruses.

- A) warning
- B) caution
- C) instinct
- D) danger
- E) notice
- F) threat

5. Nobody knows the ---- of the belief but the stork is believed to carry babies to families.

- A) symbol
- B) origin
- C) duration
- D) interval
- E) distance
- F) birth

6. Many companies prefer to hire ---- workers so that they don't have to pay them benefits.

- A) tender
- B) transparent
- C) ecological
- D) transient
- E) portable
- F) interim

7. Frog larvae can be difficult to tell apart from salamander larvae since both of them look very ----.

- A) genuine
- B) identical
- C) competent
- D) alike
- E) exhausted
- F) hospitable

8. It was a surprise to everyone at the company when a manager known for his strict abidance to rules was himself the subject of an \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) award
- B) investigation
- C) honor
- D) accolade
- E) inquiry
- F) incentive

9. Stagnancy of the economy does not necessarily indicate advancement; periods of inactivity have been known to be followed by \_\_\_\_\_ economic growth.

- A) increasing
- B) decreasing
- C) progressing
- D) unpredictable
- E) unforeseen

F) declining

10. A study of Native American histories reveals a curious lack of records about these minority cultures: the smaller the population, the less \_\_\_\_\_ the record appears to be.

- A) unfinished
- B) incomplete
- C) interesting
- D) thorough
- E) engaging
- F) detailed