

Choose the answer that best completes the sentence or answers the question.

1. When you talk about computer *code*, you mean
 - a. language
 - b. lyrics
 - c. compositions
 - d. reports
2. If a graduate student writes a *thesis*, he or she writes
 - a. a financial-aid request
 - b. a dissertation
 - c. an application
 - d. a letter of recommendation
3. What is the opposite of *empirical*?
 - a. based on facts
 - b. verifiable
 - c. hypothetical
 - d. based on data
4. Read this sentence.
The actor has an impressive *repertoire* of characters.

Repertoire means
 - a. work
 - b. stockpile
 - c. costumes
 - d. resume

Juan is still seething because Pluto is no longer considered a major planet. (He likes to hold a grudge. This *chapter* in the ever-changing history of the *cosmos* occurred in 2006.) After its discovery in 1930, Pluto was classified as the ninth planet in our solar system and the one most distant from the sun. Then, it was reclassified as a dwarf planet. "I went to an astronomy *lecture* and everything I thought I knew about Pluto was *pulverized!*," he said. "Pluto had been demoted." The International Astronomical Union (IAU) voted on the change. (Its members are professional astronomers in *academia* and research.) The IAU's *thesis* was that space objects must satisfy three requirements to be considered a major planet. Poor Pluto only fulfilled two out of three.

5. In line 2, *chapter* means
 - a. range
 - b. order
 - c. thesis
 - d. part
6. In line 2, what could be substituted for *cosmos*?
 - a. a list of nine planets
 - b. a galaxy
 - c. light years
 - d. the universe
7. Which is NOT another word for *lecture* (line 4)?
 - a. conference
 - b. talk
 - c. lesson
 - d. speech
8. In line 5, Juan uses *pulverized* when he could also use
 - a. censored
 - b. unappreciated
 - c. scolded
 - d. crushed
9. The word *academia* (line 6) means
 - a. an honorary society
 - b. the world of education
 - c. an international panel
 - d. a private college
10. What does *thesis* (line 7) mean?
 - a. lecture
 - b. vote
 - c. claim to fame
 - d. central idea

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| 1. ANS: A | PTS: 1 |
| 2. ANS: B | PTS: 1 |
| 3. ANS: C | PTS: 1 |
| 4. ANS: B | PTS: 1 |
| 5. ANS: D | PTS: 1 |
| 6. ANS: D | PTS: 1 |
| 7. ANS: A | PTS: 1 |
| 8. ANS: D | PTS: 1 |
| 9. ANS: B | PTS: 1 |
| 10. ANS: D | PTS: 1 |