ENGLISH VOCABULARY TESTS

Softening and Strengthening Adverbs Quiz: Slightly, Utterly

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1. The second draft is ___ better than the first, but it still needs work.
A) slightly **B)** utterly
C) spotlessly **D)** abundantly

2. In a formal letter: “We were ___ surprised by your decision to close the branch.”
A) somewhat **B)** dead
C) spotlessly **D)** blissfully

3. Unemployment is ___ higher than last month: 4.1% instead of 4.0%.
A) wildly **B)** marginally
C) hopelessly **D)** utterly

4. My joke didn’t get a laugh; the boss just looked ___ amused.
A) hopelessly **B)** acutely
C) mildly **D)** spotlessly

5. My uncle’s tie was ___ ridiculous, nothing too bad, but his plan to drive to Australia was ___ ridiculous.
A) faintly … utterly **B)** utterly … faintly
C) faint … utter **D)** faintly … utter

6. The restaurant is lovely, if ___ expensive.
A) a touching **B)** a touched
C) in touch **D)** a touch

7. Compared with other European capitals, Budapest is ___ cheap.
A) relative **B)** relatively
C) relationally **D)** related

8. To be honest, I’m ___ that this is a good idea.
A) not entire sure **B)** entirely not sure
C) not entirely sure **D)** not entirely sured

9. The newspaper’s figure was ___ inaccurate: 10,000 instead of 1,000.
A) wildly **B)** slightly
C) marginally **D)** faintly

10. After the cleaners left, the flat was ___ clean.
A) spotless **B)** spotlessly
C) spottily **D)** spotted

11. The manager made it ___ clear that nobody could leave early.
A) abundant **B)** abundance
C) abundantly **D)** abundancy

12. The tourists sunbathed, ___ that a storm was coming.
A) acutely unaware **B)** blissful unaware
C) blissfully aware **D)** blissfully unaware

13. As the youngest person in the meeting, Tom was ___ aware that everyone else was older.
A) blissfully **B)** acutely
C) dead **D)** spotlessly

14. All the streets looked ___ similar, and soon we were ___ lost.
A) striking … hopeless
B) strikingly … hopeful
C) strikingly … hopelessly
D) abundantly … hopelessly

15. My grandmother is ___ independent: she says the bus app is ___ easy and refuses lifts.
A) fierce … dead **B)** fiercely … death
C) wildly … deadly **D)** fiercely … dead

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