ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

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Explanations

1. ***Prolific*** and ***barren*** are _____.
✓ **B) antonyms**
Prolific means producing a lot, such as many works, ideas or offspring (**a prolific writer**). **Barren** means producing nothing, unable to bear fruit or offspring (**barren land**). Their meanings are opposite, so they are antonyms.

2. ***Earthly*** and ***mundane*** are _____.
✓ **A) synonyms**
Mundane comes from Latin **mundus**, 'world'. It means belonging to this world rather than to heaven, which is also the meaning of **earthly**. Its everyday sense is ordinary or dull (**mundane chores**). The two words share a meaning, so they are synonyms.

3. ***Innumerable*** and ***myriad*** are _____.
✓ **A) synonyms**
Myriad means countless, too many to count (**myriad stars**), and **innumerable** means exactly the same. They are synonyms.

4. ***Dissident*** and ***conforming*** are _____.
✓ **B) antonyms**
A **dissident** disagrees with and openly opposes official or established views (**a political dissident**). **Conforming** means following the accepted rules or views. The meanings are opposite, so they are antonyms.

5. ***Laudable*** and ***deplorable*** are _____.
✓ **B) antonyms**
Laudable means deserving praise (**a laudable effort**). **Deplorable** means deserving strong criticism, very bad (**deplorable conditions**). They are antonyms.

6. ***Matchless*** and ***inimitable*** are _____.
✓ **A) synonyms**
Inimitable means impossible to imitate, so good or unique that no one can copy it (**her inimitable style**). **Matchless** means having no equal. The two words are synonyms.

7. ***Exhausted*** and ***jaded*** are _____.
✓ **A) synonyms**
Jaded means worn out or wearied, often dulled by too much of something (**jaded by years of travel**). This matches **exhausted**, so the two words are synonyms.

8. ***Short-sighted*** and ***myopic*** are _____.
✓ **A) synonyms**
Myopic literally means unable to see distant things clearly. Figuratively, it means lacking foresight (**a myopic policy**). Both senses match **short-sighted**, so the words are synonyms.

9. ***Demonstrable*** and ***unverifiable*** are _____.
✓ **B) antonyms**
Demonstrable means able to be proved or shown clearly (**a demonstrable fact**). **Unverifiable** means impossible to prove or confirm. The meanings are opposite, so they are antonyms.

10. ***Callow*** and ***inexperienced*** are _____.
✓ **A) synonyms**
Callow means young and inexperienced, immature (**a callow youth**). It shares its meaning with **inexperienced**, so the two words are synonyms.

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