


9. Most investors were dissatisfied with their _____ a t _____ gains.
10. Are you so wrapped up in your own _____ g o _____ that you give no thought to others?



EXERCISE 3.34: COMPOSITION

Answer in two or three sentences.

1. Why is it difficult for vain individuals to admit that they are fallible?
- _____
- _____
- _____
2. Who is more likely to be popular—a modest champion or an overweening one? Why?
- _____
- _____
- _____
3. What would be your most important criterion in arbitrating a dispute between two members of your family? Explain.
- _____
- _____
- _____
4. Would you regard it as nugatory if your opponent in an election distorted one of your statements? Why, or why not?
- _____
- _____
- _____
5. Someone with a bias against consumers heads a consumer-protection agency. In what sense is this situation preposterous? But what might be a rational explanation for it?
- _____
- _____
- _____

 **EXERCISE 3.35: ANALOGIES**

In the space at the left, write the *letter* of the pair of words that most nearly approaches the relationship between the capitalized words.


- 1. CONTOUR : STATUE
 - a. shadow : body
 - b. coastline : island
 - c. peak : mountain
 - d. area : surface
 - e. original : imitation

- 2. CRUX : ARGUMENT
 - a. title : book
 - b. bridge : river
 - c. kernel : nut
 - d. door : house
 - e. costume : actor

- 3. CONCAVE : CONVEX
 - a. bowl : platter
 - b. bulge : dent
 - c. cup : saucer
 - d. cavity : swelling
 - e. building : dome

- 4. HYPOTHESIS : TRUTH
 - a. supposition : fact
 - b. proof : conclusion
 - c. deceit : honesty
 - d. folly : wisdom
 - e. guess : blunder

- 5. RATIONALIZING : SELF-DECEPTION
 - a. speculating : thrift
 - b. egoism : shyness
 - c. cogitating : brain
 - d. brazenness : courtesy
 - e. boasting : vanity

 **EXERCISE 3.36: SIMILAR AND CONTRARY**

Fill in the missing letters so that each line contains three words or phrases with similar meanings and one with a contrary meaning.

Similar Meaning	Similar Meaning	Similar Meaning	Contrary Meaning
Sample: s <u>y</u> mmetry	bal <u>a</u> <u>n</u> ce	harm <u>o</u> <u>n</u> y	<u>a</u> symmetry
1. dej <u> </u> ted	s <u> </u> d	dep <u> </u> ssed	el <u> </u> ed
2. ga <u> </u> t	emaci <u> </u> <u> </u> d	l <u> </u> an	b <u> </u> ly
3. melan <u> </u> <u> </u> ly	sadly tho <u> </u> <u> </u> tful	pen <u> </u> ve	buo <u> </u> <u> </u> t
4. c <u> </u> pulent	o <u> </u> se	p <u> </u> tly	th <u> </u>