

**GRE Verbal Reasoning – Reading Comprehension – Set 1**

**1. The passage implies which of the following about the current cost of generating electricity?**

- A. It is higher than it would be if better technologies for capturing carbon dioxide were available.
- B. It is somewhat less than the cost of electricity transmission and distribution.
- C. It constitutes at most half of the delivered price of electricity.
- D. It is dwelt on by policymakers to the exclusion of other costs associated with electricity delivery.
- E. It is not fully recovered by the prices charged directly to electricity consumers.

**Correct Answer: C**

**Consider each of the three choices separately and select all that apply.**

2. The passage suggests that extensive use of sequestration would, over time, have which of the following consequences?

- A. The burning of fossil fuels would eventually cease to produce atmospheric accumulations of carbon dioxide.
- B. The proportion of the delivered price of electricity due to generation would rise and then decline.
- C. Power plants would consume progressively lower quantities of fossil fuels.

**Correct Answer: B**

**GRE Verbal Reasoning – Text Completion Questions – Set 1**

**1. It is refreshing to read a book about our planet by an author who does not allow facts to be (1)\_\_\_\_\_ by politics: well aware of the political disputes about the effects of human activities on climate and biodiversity, this author does not permit them to (2)\_\_\_\_\_ his comprehensive description of what we know about our biosphere. He emphasizes the enormous gaps in our knowledge, the sparseness of our observations, and the (3)\_\_\_\_\_, calling attention to the many aspects of planetary evolution that must be better understood before we can accurately diagnose the condition of our planet.**

<b>Blank (1)</b>	<b>Blank (2)</b>	<b>Blank (3)</b>
overshadowed	enhance	plausibility of our hypotheses
invalidated	obscure	certainty of our entitlement
illuminated	underscore	superficiality of our theories

**Correct Answer:** overshadowed, obscure, and superficiality of our theories

2. Vain and prone to violence, Caravaggio could not handle success: the more his (1)\_\_\_\_\_ as an artist increased, the more (2)\_\_\_\_\_ his life became.

Blank (1)	Blank (2)
temperance	tumultuous
notoriety	providential
eminence	dispassionate

**Correct Answer:** eminence and tumultuous

### GRE Verbal Reasoning – Sentence Equivalence Questions – Set 1

1. Although it does contain some pioneering ideas, one would hardly characterize the work as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. orthodox
- B. eccentric
- C. original
- D. trifling
- E. conventional
- F. innovative

**Correct Answer:** C and F