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Your Narrative Compass: 9th Grade Irregular Verbs Quiz

Correctly identify and apply ten past tense verb forms found in high school level literature and professional communication.

- 1. In her latest novel, the protagonist _____ the heavy burden of her family's secrets for decades.**
 - A. bore
 - B. beared
 - C. born
 - D. borned
- 2. The past tense of the verb 'forecast' (e.g., in a business report) can remain 'forecast' without adding '-ed'.**
 - A. True
 - B. False
- 3. Complete the sentence: After the earthquake, the foundation of the old library _____ during the reconstruction.**
 - A. sank
 - B. sunken
 - C. sinked
 - D. sunk
- 4. Identify the correct form: By the time the curtain rose, the lead actor had _____ his lines perfectly.**
 - A. spoke
 - B. speaked
 - C. spoken
 - D. spaked
- 5. Which of the following sentences utilizes the correct past tense form of 'swing'?**
 - A. The pendulum swang back and forth.
 - B. The pendulum swung back and forth.
 - C. The pendulum swunged back and forth.
 - D. The pendulum had swang back and forth.
- 6. The past tense of 'mean' is 'meant', which involves a vowel sound change even though the spelling only adds a 't'.**
 - A. True
 - B. False
- 7. During the colonial era, many explorers _____ across the Atlantic in search of new trade routes.**

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- A. strived
- B. strove
- C. striven
- D. strive

8. Fill the gap: The witness _____ an oath before giving her testimony in the courtroom.

- A. swore
- B. swore
- C. sworn
- D. swared

9. Select the correct form: The fragile peace treaty was _____ after the border dispute escalated.

- A. broke
- B. breaked
- C. broken
- D. brake

10. The verb 'burst' becomes 'burst' when describing an event in the past, such as a balloon popping.

- A. True
- B. False