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SEMINAR 2

The Fine Arts – Answer Key

Task 3

1. h 2. d 3. f 4. b 5. e 6. c 7. g 8. a

Task 4

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| 1. enjoy, but feel guilty (bad): indulge | 10. subject: discipline |
| 2. perceiving, taking in: consuming | 11. to negate: deny |
| 3. tiring: exhausting | 12. exact: precise |
| 4. to show: to reflect | 13. the use of the paint brush: brush stroke |
| 5. complete interest, total experience: immersion | 14. environment: setting |
| 6. strong effect: impact | 15. more and more: increasingly |
| 7. refuse: reject | 16. materials for developing photos: darkroom chemistry |
| 8. pedantic: patronizing | 17. reactions, feelings: responses |
| 9. the actions involved in making a sculpture: strike of the mallet against the chisel | 18. expressive: eloquent |

Task 6 – Possible closing sentences:

1. **A – best answer**
2. **B – not likely; too specific**
3. **A – no – no conclusion**
4. **B – not likely; new information**
5. **B – best answer**
6. **A – ok answer**

Task 9 – Listening – Tapescript

A: So this is her **husband** – Diego Rivera. She can't have fallen in love with him for his looks, can she?

B: No, I **reckon** he must have been very rich or very intelligent.

C: Actually he was both **highly** intelligent and very rich. At first, Frida's **father** was against her marrying Diego, because he was a communist, but **he** finally agreed to it because **he** couldn't pay **his** daughter's medical expenses anymore. Frida must have **spent** a fortune on doctors and operations over the years.

B: Oh, yes, what a **terrible** life – first polio and then that awful accident. It's **amazing** she produced so many paintings, isn't it?

A: Yes, she must have been an **incredibly** brave woman.

B: But the marriage didn't work out too well, did it?

C: Well, it had its **ups and downs**.

B: She painted this one with the cropped hair while they were **separated**, didn't she?

C: Yes, that's right.

B: She really looks like a man here. In fact, she looks as if she's got a moustache! And why was she **dressed** in a man's suit?

A: I thought it might have had something to do with women's **liberation**. You know – she cut off her hair to symbolize equality or something.

C: No, the reason she cut off her hair and put on a man's suit is because Diego Rivera loved her long hair and also loved the **traditional** women's Mexican dresses she used to wear.

She did it to hurt him.

B: And why did they divorce?

C: Nobody really knows. Diego **may** have found out about Frida's affair with Leon Trotsky, or it could have been Frida who was unhappy about Diego's affair with an American film star. What we are **sure** about is that Frida was very unhappy about the divorce.

A: But they were back together by the time she painted "Roots".

C: Yes, they remarried a year after they separated. She painted this one when her health was beginning to **deteriorate**. She must have been in a lot of pain.

B: I find this one rather depressing . The rocks she's lying on don't look very comfortable. I suppose they **represent** her pain.

C: Probably, but actually, if you look at the expression on her face, she **looks** quite calm. I think the green leaves **suggest** hope. In spite of everything, she was a very **optimistic** person. The last painting she did was called "Viva la vida – Long Live Life".

Task 10

1. like 2. as 3. as...as 4. like 5. like 6. as...as 7. as

Task 11

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| 1. the best-known | 6. madder |
| 2. the funniest | 7. less interesting |
| 3. greater, wider | 8. The longest-lived, most influential |
| 4. The more famous, the higher | 9. easier |
| 5. the least difficult | |