1. Not many people have heard of Marguerite Johnson. She is far better known by her
   ______________________, Maya Angelou.

2. Maya Angelou wrote about her life in a multi-volume autobiography. The passage you
   have read is a very __________________ version of that life.

3. Angelou’s books describe human behavior in all its forms. She shows not only how
   __________________ people can be but also how noble they can be.

4. Bertha Flowers, who loved books, was a strong influence on the young girl. Maya
   __________________ her friend and became a lover of books too.

5. The Arkansas of the 1930s described by Angelou seems like another planet. Her stories
   __________________ memories of a time of deep racial divisions.

6. When Maya was a child, a line was drawn to keep African Americans in their place.
   Anyone crossing that line would be __________________ immediately.

7. A number of characters come alive in the pages of Angelou’s autobiography. Momma is a
   __________________ presence in the first book in the series.

8. Momma kept her independence because she owned the store in Stamps. As the
   __________________, Momma didn’t have to take orders from anyone.
9. Momma had many fine qualities. The one Maya admired the most was her grandmother’s ________ in coping with bigotry.

10. Momma refused to back down in the face of bigotry. She was an ________ defender of the right to be treated equally.

11. Momma hoped the white dentist would treat Maya, as it was an emergency. Despite Maya’s ________ toothache, the dentist refused to see her.

12. In the confrontation that followed, Momma was expected to give way. But Momma refused to ________ herself by doing so and stood up to the dentist.

13. Angelou records in her books the interesting times she lived through. They include the ________ years of the Civil Rights movement.

14. Angelou tries to match her poetry to her life. Her language is sometimes ________, perhaps as a reflection on the hard realities of life.

15. Maya Angelou and President Clinton both came from Arkansas. Perhaps that is why he invited her to his ________ as the nation’s 42nd president.