1. “It is a place where ritual and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_are woven tightly together, a place where soldiers move in unfamiliar ways, where uncanny images arrest the eye.

2. For an American, there is no more honorable place to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and there is no more sobering place to visit… “

3. For the sentries of the Army’s Third Infantry, it is another night in a string that stretches to more than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_nights in an endless vigil here.

4. The first “unknown” died in battle in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and was interred at Arlington in 1921. He was followed by “unknowns” from World War II, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and Vietnam.

5. Today the tomb also represents over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ “unknowns” from all wars.

6. “Each and every one of these stones represents a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, someone who had an impact on American history.”

7. Name three things that are checked when candidates are dressing for the tomb guard duty.

8. A 16th of an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is too much to be off on a measurement for the tomb guard uniform.

9. These soldiers, when they step out those doors, represent \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_million Americans in saying \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. You’ll see old veterans who come here to see the changing of the guard. When they leave, they are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

11. Caisson burial is a tradition that grew out of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. At the time, caissons were used to haul ammunition and artillery to the front. Empty caissons were quickly used to haul \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and injured to the rear.

12. Who can have a caisson burial?

13. In the space of a day, crews will dig \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ new graves, remove a 145 year old oak tree, and mow \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_acres of grass. They will power wash over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ headstones and set 23 more, and they must do it all unobtrusively.

14. The land once belonged to a man called George Washington Parke Custis. He was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Martha Custis and the adopted grandson of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

15. His daughter, Mary, in “an odd twist of fate” married a young soldier named \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who abandoned the house after the start of the Civil War.

16. More than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ different aspects of a tomb guard’s uniform are checked.

17. The Arlington Ladies provide an essential service. They keep any family member from going through the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ alone.

18. Anyone who has served in the military is aware that it really is a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

19. By 1864, more than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_soldiers had died in the Civil War. The United States needed someplace to bury the bodies.

20. By refusing to accept Mary Custis Lee’s property \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ payments, the United States was able to declare her in default. The United States confiscated the property and sold it at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The United States was the highest bidder.

21. By the end of the Civil War, more than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_men were buried on the Arlington Estate.

22. Mary Custis Lee’s son sued the United States government. The U.S. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Court ruled in his favor. On March 3rd, 1883, he was paid \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_dollars for his grandfather’s estate.

23. In 1909, William Howard Taft became the first \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_buried at Arlington. The one event that changed Arlington was the burial of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

24. The memorial bridge links Robert E. Lee and Abraham Lincoln. Kennedy stated that he “could stay up here \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

25. The U.S. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Troops knew what it was to fight for freedom more than anyone else because they were, literally, fighting for their freedom from slavery.

26. Sergeant Lineer will evaluate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ aspects of the tomb guard tasks. He always has a serious look on his face and people think he looks \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

27. The sentinel’s walk is guided by the number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Traditionally considered a number of the highest honor, the sentinel’s steps, even the length of his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, are a function of the number 21.

28. “It is an unending, unchanging ritual regardless of snow, heat, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or rain.”

29. Why is it harder for the staff to provide a burial service for someone who was killed in Iraq?

30. More than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_years ago, a man set out to build George Washington a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. It didn’t turn out exactly as he planned, but a memorial it remains. Today it honors an idea bigger than Washington, the idea that of giving the last full measure when your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ calls.