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VERBAL REASONING TESTS

Below are illustrated four example questions. There are some practice questions for you to try on the other side of the paper.

Example Questions

1. Here are two clues to a certain word:

It means the opposite to SLOW
It sounds like CLICK

What is the word?

Solution: The answer is QUICK: quick means the opposite to slow, and quick sounds like click.

2. Underline two words, one from each bracket which mean most nearly the same as each other:

(clever, cunning, nasty) (ugly, stupid, sly)

Solution: (clever, cunning, nasty) (ugly, stupid, sly)

Cunning and Sly have been underlined since they most nearly mean the same as each other.

3. The words below can be connected by writing in the brackets a word which rhymes with the word in capitals on the left:

GRACE dogs (.....) rabbits

Solution: (chase). The word chase rhymes with grace, and dogs chase rabbits.

4. Underline the correct word in the brackets:

HOT is to COLD as DRY is to (BONE CHILLY WET WARM)

Solution: (BONE CHILLY WET WARM)

HOT is opposite to COLD and WET is opposite to DRY.

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. Write one letter in the brackets to complete the first word and start the second:

WEIGH (...)OUGH

2. Fill in the missing word on the right:

glance, prance

glide, (.....)

3. Write one word in the brackets to continue this series:

facts, act ; later, ate ; soaks (.....)

4. Underline two words, one from each bracket, which mean most nearly the opposite of each other:

(careful, fresh, active)

(tall, lazy, strange)

5. Underline the correct word in brackets:

NIGHT is to DAY as SPRING is to:
(BED POND JUMP AUTUMN)

6. Fill in the missing word on the right:

HARM (WARM) COOL : NAPPY (.....) SAD

7. Which of the following words means most nearly the same as BRIGHT:

DIM SHINY BITTER COLD WARM

8. Find the missing word in the brackets to make a complete word using the clue on the left:

An animal like a large mouse: An O(.....)ION is another word for a speech.

Answers: 1. T 2. pride 3. oak 4. active, lazy
5. AUTUMN 6. HAPPY 7. SHINY 8. RAT