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VERBAL SAMPLE QUESTIONS

Multiple Choice

Please read the following instructions carefully:

- ❖ Do not begin the test or open this booklet until you are advised to do so.
- ❖ This test has 60 questions and you will have 35 minutes to complete it.
- ❖ Work as quickly and as accurately as possible.
- ❖ Answers should only be marked on the answer sheet provided.
- ❖ All working out should be done on a separate sheet of paper.
- ❖ If you need to change an answer, rub out your answer completely and mark the new answer clearly.
- ❖ If you are unable to answer a question, select the most appropriate answer on the answer sheet.
- ❖ If you finish before time, check your answers.

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In each of the following questions choose one word from *each* set of brackets that are *similar* to each other.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

[original sphere copy]
[identical authentic circle]

ANSWER

original authentic

Q 1

[forfeit hold picture]
[copy surrender win]

Q 2

[neat elder patient]
[oak orderly chaos]

Q 3

[harvest scoop favour]
[excavate icecream bury]

In each of the following questions choose one word from *each* set of brackets to complete the analogies. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

Car is to [road garage driver]
as
ship is to [cloud sea ramp]

ANSWER

road sea

Q 4

Late is to [hour prompt after]
as
early is to [before time morning]

PLEASE CONTINUE

Q 5

Lamb is to [sheep wolf cub]
as
caterpillar is to [wasp moth fly]

Q 6

Eager is to [enthusiastic anger bored]
as
apathetic is to [keen uninterested always]

In each of the following questions find the *next* number in the series.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

1 3 5 7 ?

ANSWER

9

Q 7

1 8 27 64 ?

Q 8

52 25 50 23 47 20 ?

Q 9

9 11 13 14 17 17 ?

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions find the *number* that will balance the equation.
Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

$$23 + 17 - 5 = 7 \times 6 - ?$$

ANSWER

7

Q 10

$$64 \div 4 + 15 = 78 \div 6 + ?$$

Q 11

$$9 \times 8 - 2 = 15 \times 5 - ?$$

Q 12

$$42 + 28 = 72 \div 3 + ?$$

In each of the following questions choose one word that would come in the *middle* if the following were put in order.
Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

June March April July May

ANSWER

May

Q 13

trio sextet duet quartet quintet

Q 14

pond ocean puddle sea lake

Q 15

one few many several all

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions find one letter that will go in the brackets to make *four* proper words.
Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

fai () ope

ca () ail

ANSWER

r (fair rope car rail)

Q 16

hal () empo

roo () rail

Q 17

el () eg

lea () ill

Q 18

leas () rode

mat () at

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions one letter can be taken out from the word on the *left* and added to the word on the *right* to make two new proper words. You are not allowed to change the order of the letters. Find the *letter* that can be taken out. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

blend pace

ANSWER

l (bend place)

Q 19

mister face

Q 20

plaice yet

Q 21

graze ion

◆ ◆ PLEASE CONTINUE ◆ ◆

In each of the following questions choose one word from the *five* that will go with the words in the brackets. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

mend close join button strong
(unite combine) (fasten attach)

ANSWER

join

Q 22

speed bad cold abrupt gradual
(rude unfriendly) (sudden quick)

Q 23

cultivate yield provide loss increase
(surrender submit) (produce grow)

Q 24

safe care problem guard magnet
(charge protection) (trouble worry)

In each of the following questions there are two groups of words. The word in the brackets of the *first* group is made from letters of the words on either side of the brackets. The missing word in the brackets of the *second* group should be made in the same *order* as the word in the first group. Find this missing word.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

pan [pat] top
hug [] map

ANSWER

hum

Q 25

cramp [blame] bleep
prism [] hotel

◆ ◆ PLEASE CONTINUE ◆ ◆

Q 26

come [fume] fuel
gold [] wipe

Q 27

great [grade] bead
sweet [] trip

In each of the following questions find the required number.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

Q 28

If 5 is added to a number and then 3 taken away, the answer is 16.

Find the number.

Q 29

If 10 is added to a number, it becomes 15 less than 32.

Find the number.

Q 30

If 8 is taken away from a number, the answer is 5 more than 30.

Find the number.

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of following questions a three-letter word is *missing* from the word in capitals.

Find this *three-letter* word that will complete the word in capitals without rearranging the letters.
Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

Steam *CONSES* on cold windows.

ANSWER

DEN (CONDENSES)

Q 31

The cricket match was *ADONED* due to heavy rain.

Q 32

The *CION* on the front page of the newspaper was effective.

Q 33

The girl tripped and broke the *FE* of her glasses.

In each of the following questions choose two words that are *different* from the others.
Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

one number three eight ninth

ANSWER

number ninth

Q 34

lamb horse leveret cow fawn

Q 35

turban hair bowler beret kilt

Q 36

mars milkyway saturn twix mercury

PLEASE CONTINUE

From the *information* given answer the following questions.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

John and Amar have 12 balls altogether.
If John gives one ball to Amar, then both will have equal number of balls.
If Amar gives one ball to John, then John will have twice as many balls as Amar has.

Q 46

How many balls has John?

Q 47

How many balls has Amar?

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

In each of the following questions the first two pairs of letters are related to each other. Find the *missing pair* of letters that is related to the *third* pair in the same way as the first two pairs.

You may use the above alphabet. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

CD becomes *FG*
as
MN becomes []

ANSWER

PQ

Q 48

KM becomes *QS*
as
GI becomes []

Q 49

SU becomes *PV*
as
NO becomes []

PLEASE CONTINUE

Q 50

AY becomes *FS*
as
VW becomes []

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

In each of the following questions find the *letters* that continue each series.

You may use the above alphabet.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

AB CD EF GH []

ANSWER

IJ

Q 51

ET GQ IN KK MH []

Q 52

BK EN HQ KT NW []

Q 53

EF VU GH TS IJ []

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions a four-letter word can be found in between *two consecutive* words without changing the order of letters. Find the *two* words that contain this four-letter word.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

They stood around the apple tree.

ANSWER

the apple (heap)

Q 54

A meadow was used as a picnic expanse.

Q 55

There were three desperate footballers on the bench.

Q 56

They went out despite arctic weather conditions.

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In each of the following questions find the answer as a *letter* by substituting numbers for letters. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

If $A = 3$, $B = 1$, $C = 6$, $D = 4$,
 $E = 2$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$C \div A \times E = ?$$

ANSWER

D

Q 57

If $A = 6$, $B = 12$, $C = 21$, $D = 45$,
 $E = 11$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$(D + C) \div A = ?$$

Q 58

If $A = 4$, $B = 84$, $C = 6$, $D = 15$,
 $E = 12$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$B \div A - C = ?$$

Q 59

If $A = 25$, $B = 7$, $C = 5$, $D = 50$,
 $E = 20$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$(A \times B - D) \div C = ?$$

Q 60

If $A = 17$, $B = 16$, $C = 9$, $D = 13$,
 $E = 23$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$A + C + D - E = ?$$

◆ ◆ END OF TEST ◆ ◆

Name:

Date of Birth:

EXAMPLE

original identical
 sphere authentic
 copy circle

1

forfeit copy
 hold surrender
 picture win

2

neat oak
 elder orderly
 patient chaos

3

harvest excavate
 scoop icecream
 favour bury

EXAMPLE

road cloud
 garage sea
 driver ramp

4

hour before
 prompt time
 after morning

5

sheep wasp
 wolf moth
 cub fly

6

enthusiastic keen
 anger uninterested
 bored always

EXAMPLE

7
 9
 8
 11
 10

7

125
 120
 103
 81
 115

8

41
 43
 44
 15
 16

9

24
 20
 18
 22
 21

EXAMPLE

6
 7
 8
 9
 11

10

17
 20
 18
 36
 22

11

5
 15
 4
 25
 40

12

40
 45
 27
 46
 34

EXAMPLE

June
 March
 April
 July
 May

13

trio
 sextet
 duet
 quartet
 quintet

14

pond
 ocean
 puddle
 sea
 lake

15

one
 few
 many
 several
 all

EXAMPLE

m
 r
 l
 n
 p

16

f
 o
 t
 m
 l

17

k
 f
 m
 l
 d

18

t
 h
 m
 f
 e

EXAMPLE

b
 l
 e
 n
 d

19

m
 i
 s
 t
 e

20

p
 l
 a
 i
 c

21

g
 r
 a
 z
 e

EXAMPLE

mend
 close
 join
 button
 strong

22

speed
 bad
 cold
 abrupt
 gradual

23

cultivate
 yield
 provide
 loss
 increase

24

safe
 care
 problem
 guard
 magnet

EXAMPLE

mug
 hum
 gap
 hap
 pug

25

hopes
 holds
 horse
 hoist
 homes

26

pile
 wide
 pipe
 wild
 wile

27

swipe
 swift
 sweep
 sweet
 swept

EXAMPLE

28

15
 14
 18
 12
 9

29

12
 17
 8
 7
 9

30

15
 27
 48
 38
 43

EXAMPLE

DAN
 DEN
 TEN
 DIN
 SIN

31

BEN
 BIN
 BAN
 AND
 BAD

32

AMP
 ANT
 ALL
 APT
 EAT

33

LAP
 RAM
 RIM
 ICE
 RUN

EXAMPLE

one
 number
 three
 eight
 ninth

34

lamb
 horse
 leveret
 cow
 fawn

35

turban
 hair
 bowler
 beret
 kilt

36

mars
 milkyway
 saturn
 twix
 mercury

EXAMPLE ZQL <input type="checkbox"/> BSN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BTN <input type="checkbox"/> CSN <input type="checkbox"/> ASL <input type="checkbox"/>	37 BANG <input type="checkbox"/> BING <input type="checkbox"/> BAND <input type="checkbox"/> BAPG <input type="checkbox"/> BAMG <input type="checkbox"/>	38 QAKQ <input type="checkbox"/> RBKR <input type="checkbox"/> QBKQ <input type="checkbox"/> QBKP <input type="checkbox"/> PBKP <input type="checkbox"/>	39 ZUXQ <input type="checkbox"/> YVXS <input type="checkbox"/> ILGI <input type="checkbox"/> ZUXR <input type="checkbox"/> ZVXR <input type="checkbox"/>	EXAMPLE 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 26 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 13 <input type="checkbox"/>	40 38 <input type="checkbox"/> 46 <input type="checkbox"/> 36 <input type="checkbox"/> 52 <input type="checkbox"/> 44 <input type="checkbox"/>	41 81 <input type="checkbox"/> 145 <input type="checkbox"/> 197 <input type="checkbox"/> 160 <input type="checkbox"/> 169 <input type="checkbox"/>	42 22 <input type="checkbox"/> 16 <input type="checkbox"/> 23 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 29 <input type="checkbox"/>
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EXAMPLE FG <input type="checkbox"/> IJ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JI <input type="checkbox"/> JK <input type="checkbox"/> KJ <input type="checkbox"/>	51 PE <input type="checkbox"/> NE <input type="checkbox"/> OD <input type="checkbox"/> OE <input type="checkbox"/> OF <input type="checkbox"/>	52 QY <input type="checkbox"/> QA <input type="checkbox"/> RZ <input type="checkbox"/> PZ <input type="checkbox"/> QZ <input type="checkbox"/>	53 QP <input type="checkbox"/> RQ <input type="checkbox"/> KQ <input type="checkbox"/> RP <input type="checkbox"/> KL <input type="checkbox"/>	EXAMPLE They stood <input type="checkbox"/> stood around <input type="checkbox"/> around the <input type="checkbox"/> the apple <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> apple tree <input type="checkbox"/>	54 A meadow <input type="checkbox"/> meadow was <input type="checkbox"/> was used <input type="checkbox"/> used as <input type="checkbox"/> picnic expanse <input type="checkbox"/>	55 There were <input type="checkbox"/> three desperate <input type="checkbox"/> footballers on <input type="checkbox"/> on the <input type="checkbox"/> the bench <input type="checkbox"/>	56 They went <input type="checkbox"/> went out <input type="checkbox"/> out despite <input type="checkbox"/> despite arctic <input type="checkbox"/> arctic weather <input type="checkbox"/>
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EXAMPLE A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/>	57 A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/>	58 A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/>	59 A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/>	60 A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/>
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Guidance for Parents

Premium Series Practice Papers

Premium Series practice papers have been produced to provide children practice for their actual secondary school selection examinations.

The style of the practice papers is as close to the actual examination as possible. We have tried to cover a wide range of question types that can possibly appear in secondary school selection examinations.

This sample contains 60 questions.



Administering the Practice Test

It is important to create an environment as close to the real examination as possible. Your child should be comfortable and in a quiet well-lit area where they are unlikely to be disturbed during the test.

Prior to the test, go through the instructions with your child to ensure that they understand what is required of them. Work through the examples together so that your child fully understands what each question is asking them to do.

Remind the child not to spend too much time over one question. Explain that some questions they might find difficult and it is better to attempt more questions rather than spending too much time over one question.

Once the child has completed a question they must select one of the five possible answers on the answer sheet. A horizontal line should be drawn in the appropriate box using a pencil. Any mistakes should be erased completely before the correct answer is marked.

Allow your child 35 minutes to complete the test. Do not start timing until they have read the instructions and understood the example.

If the child has not completed the test within 35 minutes, make a note of the last question your child has answered. After this allow your child to complete the test.



Marking

The answers are given on the other side of this sheet. Give one mark for each question your child has answered correctly. Convert the results into a percentage. The score your child obtains on these tests is not necessarily the score your child will obtain in the actual examination. Generally a score of at least 85% is required on these test papers to indicate possible success.

You can help your child to improve their score by covering the techniques required in areas where your child is weak. Also the child can significantly improve their speed by doing more practice papers. Remember that regular practice will reinforce learning and also increase speed.



Answers Verbal Reasoning Sample Questions

Sample Questions

1. forfeit, surrender 2. neat, orderly 3. scoop, excavate 4. after, before 5. sheep, moth 6. enthusiastic, uninterested
7. 125 8. 43 9. 21 10. 18 11. 5 12. 46 13. quartet 14. lake 15. several 16. t 17. k 18. e 19. t 20. i
21. r 22. abrupt 23. yield 24. care 25. hoist 26. wild 27. swipe 28. 14 29. 7 30. 43 31. BAN 32. APT
33. RAM 34. horse, cow 35. hair, kilt 36. milkyway, twix 37. BANG 38. QBKQ 39. ZUXR 40. 46 41. 169
42. 23 43. cap, size 44. lever, age 45. page, ant 46. 7 47. 5 48. MO 49. KP 50. AQ 51. OE 52. QZ 53. RQ
54. picnic expanse 55. three desperate 56. despite arctic 57. E 58. D 59. A 60. B
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