



11 Plus

Paper [4]

Verbal Reasoning

Total marks: [40]

Time allowed: 25 minutes

Instructions

- You have 25 minutes.
- Dictionaries are not allowed.
- There are 40 marks available. If you get stuck, go onto the next question and come back at the end.
- Each question is worth 1 mark.
- Use either pen or pencil and write your answers on the paper.

Full name _____

Questions

Section One: Opposite Meanings

Choose the words from each bracket which have the most opposite meaning.

1. (ascend, rocket, space) (atmosphere, descend, ground)
2. (debate, chair, concur) (dissent, focus, agree)
3. (crowd, speech, disperse) (group, congregate, leave)
4. (eloquent, pretty, large) (big, taciturn, comrade)
5. (ethic, diligent, ground-breaking) (lackadaisical, new, motorised)

Section Two: Similar Meanings

Choose the words from each bracket which have the most similar meaning.

1. (mythology, noble, cloak) (wand, legend, peasantry)
2. (space, paper, commission) (assignment, exam, test)
3. (motion, bicycle, unstoppable) (hero, relentless, chase)
4. (circle, encircle, round) (surround, oval, square)
5. (concerned, restful, friend) (fiend, troubled, timely)

Section Three: Compound Words

Choose two words, one from each set of brackets, to make a new word.

1. (bright, warn, fore) (sea, see, eyes)
2. (life, price, old) (saver, war, age)
3. (under, over, between) (come, them, stick)
4. (cruel, mean, anger) (while, when, man)
5. (hair, comb, brush) (at, in, on)

Section Four: Hidden Words

Find the hidden four-letter word at the end of one word and the start of the next.

1. Ranjit thought back to that heyday when everything was joyful.
2. We have stores full of grain for our cows.
3. Push underneath to find the latch.
4. Tumeric makes our curry a lovely colour.
5. His car is in desperate need of a good wash.

Section Five: Codes

You will need the alphabet to help you answer these questions.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1. If the code for BATMAN is ABSNZO, what is the code for SUPERWOMAN?
2. If HFKKOV is the code for SUPPLE, what is ILYFHG the code for?
3. If the code for COLLEGE is BMIHZAX what is the code for UNIVERSITY?
4. If UDQAZK is the code for VERBAL, what is MTLADQ the code for?
5. If the code for MAGIC is NZTRX, what is the code for SUPERB?

Section Six: Puzzles

1. My mum's birthday is 19th February. My dad's birthday is fifteen days later. It is not a leap year. What day is my dad's birthday?
2. I was born in February 1979. My brother was born in September 1982. How many months apart were we born?
3. If the days of the week are put in reverse alphabetical order, which one comes fourth?
4. If the months of the year are put in alphabetical order, which one comes sixth?
5. How many days are in June?

Section Seven: Numbers

What is the next number in this sequence?

1. 1, 3, 6, 10
2. 2, 3, 5, 7
3. 1, 8, 27, 64
4. 3, 6, 12, 24
5. 1, 6, 11, 16

Section Eight: Adding Letters

Find a letter which can be added to the start of all of these words to make a new word

1. ellow ield esterday
2. ainbow abbit adiant
3. eart oney ouse
4. emon alf eaf
5. usic ango onkey

Answers

Section One

1. ascend - descend
2. concur - dissent
3. disperse - congregate
4. eloquent - taciturn
5. diligent – lackadaisical

Section Two

1. mythology - legend
2. commission - assignment
3. unstoppable - relentless
4. encircle - surround
5. concerned – troubled

Section Three

1. Foresee
2. Lifesaver
3. Overcome
4. Meanwhile
5. Combat

Section Four

1. they
2. vest
3. shun
4. sour
5. scar

Section Five

1. RVOFQXNNZO
2. ROBUST
3. TLFZRZLLAKN
4. NUMBER
5. HFKVIY

Section Six

1. 6th March

2. 43 months
3. Sunday
4. July
5. 30 days

Section Seven

1. 15
2. 11
3. 125
4. 48
5. 21

Section Eight

1. y
2. r
3. h
4. l
5. m

