



8 Plus examination

Paper 1

Verbal reasoning

Total marks: [40]

Time allowed: [25]

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.
- You should write in full sentences.

Full name _____

Section One: Missing Letters

One letter starts and ends each of these pairs of words. Write the correct letter.

1. ric (?) ach
2. pos (?) elp
3. jum (?) ush
4. hea (?) ich
5. sai (?) ear
6. ban (?) ain
7. bod (?) elp
8. jai (?) eap
9. hor (?) uts
10. exa (?) eet

Section Two: Compound Words

Choose the word that goes after the word in CAPITALS to make a new word

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|----------|--------|-------|--------|
| 1. NOTE | novel | book | packet |
| 2. SUPER | cat | hero | plan |
| 3. BED | room | hair | ladder |
| 4. FOOT | broken | table | ball |
| 5. ARM | chair | cast | leg |
| 6. KEY | lock | hole | space |
| 7. SUN | flower | moon | hot |
| 8. HAIR | head | curly | cut |

9. BABY sit cry nappy

10. BREAK things fast lunch

Section Three: Letter Connections

You will need the alphabet for this section

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

Find the missing letter. Count backwards and forwards in the alphabet to help you.

1. C is to D as E is to _____

2. Z is to X as Y is to _____

3. M is to J as U is to _____

4. B is to Z as C is to _____

5. H is to M as P is to _____

6. F is to H as M is to _____

7. W is to S as H is to _____

8. Z is to C as Y is to _____

9. I is to F as Q is to _____

10. A is to C as H is to _____

Section Four: Logic Puzzles and Riddles

1. Ahmed is a firefighter. All firefighters wear uniforms. If these statements are true, which of the following statements is true (choose one)?

- a. Ahmed wears a uniform.
- b. All firefighters are men.
- c. Firefighters wear sandals.

2. Polly drives a forklift truck. You need a licence to drive a forklift truck. If these statements are true, which of the following statements is true (choose one)?

- a. Polly likes her job.
- b. Polly has a licence.
- c. Forklift trucks are red.

3. All roses have thorns. The flower in my hand is a rose. If these statements are true, which of the following statements is true (choose one)?

- a. Roses are only found in the countryside.
- b. All flowers have thorns.
- c. The flower in my hand has thorns.

4. Erisha, Mike, Ed and Grace all take part in a snooker competition. Mike wins. Grace comes last. Erisha comes second. Ed doesn't come last.

Which of these statements is false?

- a. Grace comes fourth.
- b. Ed comes third.
- c. Mike comes first.
- d. Erisha wins.

5. Khadijah, Erin, Muhammad and Paula are going to the cinema. Khadijah has £5 to spend on snacks and drinks. Muhammad has £3. Erin has £10. Paula has twice as much as Muhammad.

Which of these statements is true?

- a. Paula has the smallest amount of money.
- b. Khadijah buys three hotdogs.
- c. Erin has £6 to spend.
- d. Muhammad has the most money to spend.

6. Ben, James, Katy, Pui and Jo are in the sports centre. Pui tries swimming and crazy golf. Katy just tries swimming. James tries crazy golf, football and badminton. Ben and Jo try football.

Which is the most popular sport to try?

- a. swimming
- b. crazy golf
- c. football
- d. badminton

7. Claire, Miles and Pranav go for a walk to spot birds. Claire spots a thrush, two blackbirds and a crow. Miles spots a crow and a bluetit. Pranav spots a crow, a starling and two thrushes. Who spots the most birds?

- a. Claire
- b. Pranav
- c. Miles
- d. Claire and Pranav

8. Jenny, Penny, Emma, Kate and Holly go on holiday. Kate takes three books to read. Penny takes two. Emma takes five. Holly takes twice as many as Penny. Jenny doesn't take any.

Which of the following statements is **definitely** true?

- a. Jenny doesn't like reading.
- b. Penny takes half as many books as Emma.
- c. Holly's books are longer than Emma's books.
- d. Holly takes four books on holiday.

9. Henry's favourite colour is pink. Joseph's favourite colour is purple. Sam likes pink and purple. James likes blue and green. Which of the following statements is false?

- a. Henry doesn't like purple.
- b. Sam likes different colours.
- c. Everyone likes some colours.
- d. Blue and green are colours.

10. If all cars have engines and some cars are white, which of the following statements must be true?

- a. All cars are white.
- b. All white cars have engines.
- c. Cars are all expensive.

d. Cars are big.

ANSWERS

Section One: Missing Letters

1. e
2. h
3. p
4. r
5. d
6. g
7. y
8. l
9. n
10. m

Section Two: Compound Words

1. book
2. hero
3. room
4. ball
5. chair
6. hole
7. flower
8. cut
9. sit
10. fast

Section Three: Letter Connections

1. F
2. W
3. R
4. A
5. U
6. O
7. D
8. B
9. N
10. J

Section Four: Logic Puzzles and Riddles

1. a
2. b
3. c
4. d
5. c
6. c
7. d
8. d
9. a
10. b



