



11+ Verbal Reasoning Practice Paper 3 — Answers

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These answers belong with JDScience 11+ Verbal Reasoning Practice Paper 3. Check letter-by-letter on codes. Equivalent synonyms or antonyms are accepted where listed.

Suggested time: Mark after the timed paper · **Answers:** 30 answers

Answers and short explanations

Use this booklet only after finishing the matching practice paper. Equivalent wording is accepted where the meaning is the same.

1. Section A — Word meanings. Which word is closest in meaning to scarce? A) plentiful B) rare C) heavy D) sudden

Answer: B) rare

Why: Scarce means in short supply.

2. Which word is closest in meaning to cautious? A) careless B) noisy C) careful D) rapid

Answer: C) careful

Why: Cautious means taking care to avoid risk.

3. In The path was obscure, obscure is closest to: A) well lit B) unclear / hard to see C) short D) crowded

Answer: B

Why: Obscure here means not clear or not easily seen.

4. Section B — Synonyms and antonyms. Find two words closest in meaning: weary eager tired sharp

Answer: weary and tired

Why: Both mean worn out.

5. Find two words closest in meaning: ancient modern costly old

Answer: ancient and old

Why: Both mean from long ago.

6. Give an antonym of expand.

Answer: shrink / contract / reduce / decrease

Why: Expand means grow larger.

7. Give an antonym of arrival.

Answer: departure / leaving / exit

Why: Arrival is coming; the opposite is going away.

8. ALWAYS is to NEVER as ALL is to ? A) many B) some C) none D) most

Answer: C) none

Why: ALWAYS/NEVER are opposites; ALL/NONE are opposites.

9. Section C — Letter codes. If the code for WIND is XJOE, what is the code for CALM?

Answer: DBMN

Why: Each letter moves one place forward.

- 10.** If the code for GATE is FZSD, what is the code for OPEN?
Answer: NODM
Why: Each letter moves one place back.
- 11.** If BRICK is written as CSJDL, what is the code for STONE?
Answer: TUPOF
Why: Each letter moves one place forward.
- 12.** The letters of JUMP are each moved two places forward. What is the code?
Answer: LWOR
Why: J → L, U → W, M → O, P → R.
- 13.** Section D — Number codes. A=1, B=2, C=3 and so on. What is the value of MAP?
Answer: 30
Why: M=13, A=1, P=16. 13+1+16=30.
- 14.** Using A=1, B=2, C=3 and so on, what is the value of KEY?
Answer: 41
Why: K=11, E=5, Y=25. 11+5+25=41.
- 15.** If C=3, A=1, T=20, what is the code number for CAT written as three two-digit parts joined? Write the three letter-values in order, separated by dashes.
Answer: 3-1-20
Why: C=3, A=1, T=20.
- 16.** Letters are coded as their place in the alphabet. Which word has the total 24? A) BEE B) ADD C) CAT D) DOG
Answer: C) CAT
Why: C+A+T = 3+1+20=24. BEE=2+5+5=12; ADD=1+4+4=9; DOG=4+15+7=26.
- 17.** Section E — Odd one out. Which word does not belong? robin sparrow thrush trout wren
Answer: trout
Why: Trout is a fish; the others are birds.
- 18.** Which word does not belong? kilogram metre litre hour centimetre
Answer: hour
Why: Hour measures time; the others are common metric measures of mass, length or capacity.
- 19.** Which word does not belong? jumper scarf mitten kettle coat
Answer: kettle
Why: Kettle is not an item of clothing.
- 20.** Section F — Word pairs. Knife is to cut as pen is to ? A) ink B) write C) paper D) desk
Answer: B) write
Why: A knife is used to cut; a pen is used to write.
- 21.** Nest is to bird as kennel is to ? A) cat B) horse C) dog D) fish
Answer: C) dog
Why: A nest houses a bird; a kennel houses a dog.
- 22.** Author is to book as composer is to ? A) piano B) song / music C) stage D) audience
Answer: B) song / music
Why: An author produces a book; a composer produces music.
- 23.** Section G — Compound words. Which pair makes a real compound word? 1 light 2 house 3 mill 4 stone A) 1+2 B) 2+4 C) 3+1 D) 4+3
Answer: A) 1+2
Why: light + house = lighthouse.

24. Which pair makes a real compound word? 1 rain 2 drop 3 desk 4 lamp A) 3+4 B) 1+2 C) 2+3 D) 1+4

Answer: B) 1+2

Why: rain + drop = raindrop.

25. Insert a letter that finishes the first word and starts the second: CAR _ ATE

Answer: D (CARD / DATE)

Why: D makes CARD and DATE.

26. Section H — Alphabet sequences. Find the next letter: E H K N ?

Answer: Q

Why: Each letter moves three places on.

27. Find the next letter: T R P N ?

Answer: L

Why: Each letter moves two places back.

28. Find the next pair: AC EG IK ?

Answer: MO

Why: Each letter of the pair jumps three places: A → E → I → M and C → G → K → O.

29. Find the next letter: B E J Q ?

Answer: Z

Why: Gaps grow: +3, +5, +7, then +9. Q + 9 letters = Z.

30. The alphabet is written backwards. Which letter is three before C in this reverse alphabet? (Z Y X ...)

Answer: F

Why: Reverse order: ... F E D C B A. Three before C (towards Z) is F.