

A Test of the Academic Word List: Test A

Instructions

Choose a word on the left that matches a meaning on the right. Write the number of that word next to its meaning. Here is an example:

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| 1. business | | |
| 2. clock | _____ | part of a house |
| 3. horse | _____ | animal with four legs |
| 4. pencil | _____ | something used for writing |
| 5. shoe | | |
| 6. wall | | |

You answer it the following way:

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| 1. business | | |
| 2. clock | — 6 — | part of a house |
| 3. horse | — 3 — | animal with four legs |
| 4. pencil | — 4 — | something used for writing |
| 5. shoe | | |
| 6. wall | | |

You do not use all of the words. In the example above, the words *business*, *clock*, *shoe* did not have a meaning for you to choose.

If you do not know the meaning of a word you do not need to answer that question. If you think you know the word you can guess.

1. environment	_____	the close study of something
2. principle	_____	money received
3. response	_____	the surrounding conditions and influences
4. assumption	_____	
5. analysis	_____	
6. income	_____	
1. similarity	_____	something that can change
2. data	_____	a problem
3. variable	_____	a way of doing something
4. method	_____	
5. section	_____	
6. issue	_____	
1. site	_____	a place
2. commission	_____	keeping in the same condition
3. definition	_____	a group with a special job to do
4. maintenance	_____	
5. achievement	_____	
6. conduct	_____	
1. authority	_____	the language, art and behavior of a society
2. culture	_____	something valuable that can be used
3. injury	_____	deciding if something is good enough
4. range	_____	
5. evaluation	_____	
6. resource	_____	
1. location	_____	the amount a container can hold
2. partnership	_____	one thing coming after another
3. exclusion	_____	money kept for a special purpose
4. fund	_____	
5. sequence	_____	
6. volume	_____	
1. contribution	_____	another choice
2. alternative	_____	something given to help
3. task	_____	piece of work to do
4. instance	_____	
5. component	_____	
6. reaction	_____	
1. regime	_____	something that regularly goes around
2. status	_____	a system of government
3. summary	_____	the present condition of something
4. prediction	_____	
5. approximation	_____	
6. cycle	_____	

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| 1. commit | _____ | to agree to do some work |
| 2. predict | _____ | to find a way in |
| 3. access | _____ | to come out |
| 4. emerge | _____ | |
| 5. modify | _____ | |
| 6. mechanise | _____ | |
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| 1. licence | _____ | a fight or disagreement |
| 2. draft | _____ | a purpose or aim |
| 3. conflict | _____ | the study of the mind |
| 4. stability | _____ | |
| 5. psychology | _____ | |
| 6. objective | _____ | |
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| 1. academic | _____ | the same |
| 2. liberal | _____ | involving the brain or thought |
| 3. precise | _____ | involving the study of ideas |
| 4. mental | _____ | |
| 5. equivalent | _____ | |
| 6. transitory | _____ | |
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| 1. expert | _____ | a talk at a university |
| 2. brief | _____ | based on ideas not on real things |
| 3. abstract | _____ | amount of money paid |
| 4. lecture | _____ | |
| 5. ministry | _____ | |
| 6. fee | _____ | |
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| 1. incentive | _____ | all of someone's possessions |
| 2. display | _____ | an encouragement |
| 3. allocation | _____ | an amount given out |
| 4. estate | _____ | |
| 5. utility | _____ | |
| 6. tape | _____ | |
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| 1. global | _____ | freely decided, not forced |
| 2. definite | _____ | clear, sure |
| 3. hierarchical | _____ | in a system from highest to lowest |
| 4. classical | _____ | |
| 5. reversed | _____ | |
| 6. voluntary | _____ | |
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| 1. confirm | _____ | to take away something that is not needed |
| 2. insert | _____ | to say for certain |
| 3. transmit | _____ | to put in |
| 4. eliminate | _____ | |
| 5. quote | _____ | |
| 6. isolate | _____ | |

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| 1. paragraph | | |
| 2. contradiction | _____ | strength or great feeling |
| 3. schedule | _____ | extra information at the end of a book |
| 4. intensity | _____ | a program of work |
| 5. exhibit | | |
| 6. appendix | | |
| 1. radical | | |
| 2. uniform | _____ | extreme |
| 3. contemporary | _____ | at the present time |
| 4. crucial | _____ | not said directly |
| 5. implicit | | |
| 6. widespread | | |
| 1. minimise | | |
| 2. relax | _____ | to reach |
| 3. found | _____ | to happen at the same time |
| 4. coincide | _____ | to badly change the shape |
| 5. attain | | |
| 6. distort | | |
| 1. accommodation | | |
| 2. team | _____ | something that people do not agree about |
| 3. controversy | _____ | a group of people working together |
| 4. vision | _____ | a place to stay |
| 5. portion | | |
| 6. manual | | |
| 1. forthcoming | | |
| 2. straightforward | _____ | not wanting to do something |
| 3. odd | _____ | unusual |
| 4. persistent | _____ | very large |
| 5. enormous | | |
| 6. reluctant | | |