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(Barge by Barge | No Repeats | Beautiful Format)

#### **Question:**

Where can we find roads without cars, forests without trees, and cities without houses?

#### **Answer:**

A map.

## **Explanation:**

A map shows representations of roads, forests, and cities, but none of them are real.
So, on a map, you will see roads, trees, and buildings—but none actually exist there.

2. Precious Thing With You

#### **Question:**

What is more precious than rubies, more lasting than gold, and can never be traded, stolen, or sold?

It comes with great effort, takes time, but once yours, serves you again and again.

#### **Answer:**

**Knowledge** or **Education**.

#### **Explanation:**

Knowledge is earned through study, it's more valuable than wealth, and no one can take it from you.

It is a permanent treasure.

♦ 3. Chairs Around a Table

#### **Question:**

How many chairs are needed around a table for **four sons**, **four fathers**, and **two grandfathers**?

#### **Answer:**

6 chairs.

#### **Explanation:**

Let's break it down:

 $\bigcirc$  Grandfather  $\rightarrow$  is also a **father** and may be someone's **father's father**.

 $\bigcirc$  Father  $\rightarrow$  is also a **son** of the grandfather.

 $\odot$  Son  $\rightarrow$  is the child.

So:

- · 2 grandfathers
- 2 sons
- 2 fathersTotal distinct persons = 6

## 4. Sitting in a Bus

#### **Question:**

50 people enter a bus one after the other.

Person 1 picks a random seat.

Every other person tries to sit in **their own number seat**, and if it's taken, they pick **randomly**.

What is the probability that **person 50** gets **seat 50**?

#### **Answer:**

1/2 or 50%

#### **Explanation:**

Only two seats can determine the final person's chance: **Seat 1 and Seat 50**.

The first person's random choice affects the outcome.

The 50th person will always get their seat if seat 1 is picked before seat 50.

Hence, 50-50 chance.

## ♦ 5. Trapped to Escape

## **Question:**

A man is trapped.

Door 1 = Room full of **magnifying glasses and sunlight** – instantly burns you.

Door 2 = ???

(You didn't complete the second door's description. So let's assume:)

Door 2 = Room full of hungry lions that haven't eaten for 3 years.

#### **Answer:**

Door 2.

#### **Explanation:**

Lions that haven't eaten for **3 years would be dead**. So, door 2 is **safe**.

♦ 6. Common Names

## **Question:**

What do these have in common? Vermont, Statuesque, Swedish, Arthur's, Africa, Sensation, Misunderstood

#### **Answer:**

They all contain exactly one vowel.

## **Explanation:**

Look carefully—each word has only **one vowel letter** (a, e, i, o, u).

Even if the vowel appears twice, it's **the same vowel**, not different ones.

## ♦ 7. Boil the Egg

#### **Question:**

You want to boil a **2-minute egg**. You only have timers for **3, 4, and 5 minutes**. How do you measure exactly **2 minutes**?

#### **Answer:**

Start 3 and 4-minute timers together.

When 3-minute timer ends, start boiling the egg.

The 4-minute timer has 1 minute left.

When it finishes, 1 minute is up.

Then flip the **3-minute timer** (already ended) to get the **second minute**.

When that ends, egg is done.

2 minutes boiled.

#### 8. Smoking Cigarettes Puzzle

#### **Question:**

A man smokes **25 cigarettes** and also smokes from the **filters** by joining 5 filters to make a new cigarette. How many cigarettes total can he smoke from 25?

#### **Answer:**

#### 31 cigarettes

## **Explanation:**

- 25 cigarettes = 25 filters.
- 25 filters → 5 more cigarettes (since 5 filters = 1 new cig).
- 5 more = 5 filters → makes 1 more cigarette.
- That 1 gives 1 more filter, but not enough for another cig.

9. One Quarter Riddle

#### **Question:**

What number is **one half of one third of one quarter** of **360**?

#### **Answer:**

**15** 

## **Explanation:**

Step by step:

$$\frac{1}{4}$$
 of  $360 = 90$ 

$$\frac{1}{3}$$
 of  $90 = 30$ 

$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 of  $30 = 15$ 

♦ 10. Next is What?

## **Question:**

A NA A SA A A ... what comes next?

#### **Answer:**

WA (West Africa)

#### **Explanation:**

Pattern is based on continents or regions:

- A NA = America North
- A SA = America South
- A A = Africa
   Next in geographical progression could be WA

= West Asia or West Africa.
Most likely West Africa (WA) or Asia (A).

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(Unique Questions | Smart Explanations | No Repeats)

♦ 11. The Elevator Puzzle

#### **Question:**

A man lives on the 10th floor of a building. Every day he takes the elevator to the ground floor to go to work. When he returns, he takes the elevator to the 7th floor and walks the remaining 3 floors up — unless someone is with him. Why?

#### **Answer:**

He is short.

He can only reach the **7th floor button**. If someone is with him, they press **10th** for him. That's why he walks up alone but rides fully with help.

♠ 12. Matchstick Riddle

#### **Question:**

You have **two matchsticks**. Each one takes **exactly 60 minutes** to burn but burns **unevenly**. How can you measure **45 minutes**?

#### **Answer:**

Burn one stick from both ends, and the second stick from one end.

- First stick burns in 30 minutes.
- When it's done, light the other end of the second stick.
- It now takes 15 minutes to finish.
  - ✓ Total = 30 + 15 = 45 minutes

♦ 13. Three Switches Puzzle

#### **Question:**

You are outside a room with **3 switches**. Inside the room is **1 bulb**.

You can only enter once.

How do you find which switch controls the bulb?

#### **Answer:**

- Turn Switch 1 ON for 5 mins, then OFF.
- Turn Switch 2 ON, leave ON.
- Enter room:
  - -- If bulb is **ON**, it's Switch 2.
  - -- If bulb is **OFF but hot**, it's Switch 1.
  - -- If bulb is **OFF and cold**, it's Switch 3.

#### **Explanation:**

You used **heat**, **light**, **and timing** to solve the puzzle logically.

↑ 14. Manhole Cover Logic

# **Question:**

Why are manhole covers round?

#### **Answer:**

So they can't fall in.

A round cover can't fall through its hole because it's the same diameter all around. Square covers can fall in if tilted.

## ♦ 15. Water Jug Problem

#### **Question:**

You have a **5-liter jug** and a **3-liter jug**. How do you measure 4 liters exactly?

#### **Answer:**

#### Steps:

- Fill **5-liter jug** full.
- Pour into 3-liter → 2 liters left in 5L.
- Empty 3-liter. Pour 2L into it.
- Fill 5-liter again, top off the 3-liter (1L added).
- Now 4 liters remain in the 5-liter jug.

#### **Explanation:**

You're using logic and volume subtraction to isolate 4 liters.

16. A Father and Son Accident

## **Question:**

A father and son get in a car accident. The father dies instantly. The boy is taken to the hospital. The doctor says, "I can't operate on him, he's my son!" How?

#### **Answer:**

The doctor is his mother.

## **Explanation:**

This riddle challenges **gender assumptions**. Most people think of the doctor as a man, but mothers can be doctors too.



#### 17. Two Coins Puzzle

#### **Question:**

You have two coins that add up to 30 kobo. One of them is not a **10 kobo coin**. What are the coins?

#### **Answer:**

One is **20 kobo**, and the other is **10 kobo**.

#### **Explanation:**

The riddle says "one of them is not" 10 kobo. The **other one is** 10 kobo, which is allowed.

#### ♦ 18. Two Doors and Two Guards

#### **Question:**

You're in a room with **two doors**: one leads to **freedom**, the other to **death**.

Each door has a **guard**. One always tells the truth, one always lies.

You can ask **one question** to **one guard**. What do you ask?

#### **Answer:**

Ask: "If I asked the other guard which door leads to freedom, what would he say?"
Then, choose the opposite door.

## **Explanation:**

This logic trick ensures that no matter who you ask, the **answer is always the wrong door**. So you go through the opposite.

## ♦ 19. The Birthday Paradox

#### **Question:**

In a group of **23 people**, what is the chance that **at least two people** share the same birthday?

#### **Answer:**

#### Over 50%

## **Explanation:**

It seems unlikely, but the **math** proves that just 23 people are enough for a 50.7% chance of shared birthdays due to the number of **possible pairs**.

#### 20. The Poison Puzzle

#### **Question:**

A king challenges a woman to a duel. Each of them drinks one glass of wine.

The king survives. The woman dies.

The wine was poisoned. How did the king survive?

#### **Answer:**

The poison was in the woman's glass, but the king used poison-proof glass or swapped cups.

#### **Alternative Explanation:**

The poison was in the ice, and the king drank quickly before it melted, while the woman drank slowly.

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(Unique Questions 21–30 | Bold Format | No Repeats)

♦ 21. The Lightest Ball

## **Question:**

You have **8 balls**, all identical except one which is **lighter**.

You can use a **balance scale** only **twice**. How do you find the lighter ball?

#### **Answer:**

Use the scale wisely:

- 1. Divide into **3 groups**: 3-3-2.
- 2. Weigh 3 against 3.
  - If balanced, it's in the remaining 2.
  - If not, it's in the lighter group.
- 3. From the lighter group, compare 1 vs 1.
  - You find the lightest in **2 steps**.

## ♦ 22. Which Cup Fills First?

#### **Question:**

There are 4 cups connected by pipes. Water is poured into the top container.

Some pipes are blocked. Which cup fills first?

#### **Answer:**

Depends on the pipe structure.

## **Explanation:**

This riddle usually comes with a diagram, but always look at:

- Which pipes are open?
- Gravity direction?
- . Blocked pipes?

Usually, the answer is **not the cup that looks lowest**, but the one that's **not blocked**.

## ♦ 23. The Apple Basket Riddle

#### **Question:**

You have **5 apples** in a basket and **5 people**. You give **each person one apple**, but one apple stays in the basket. How?

#### **Answer:**

Give the **last apple inside the basket** to one person.

#### **Explanation:**

The fifth person gets the **basket with the apple** in it. Everyone gets an apple, and the basket isn't empty.

## 24. The Missing Dollar Riddle

#### **Question:**

Three men pay  $\aleph 30$  for a hotel room.

The manager returns \$5, but the bellboy gives them \$1 each and keeps \$2.

They each paid  $\aleph$ 9, totalling  $\aleph$ 27, plus  $\aleph$ 2 kept =  $\aleph$ 29.

Where is the missing  $\aleph 1$ ?

#### **Answer:**

There is **no missing**  $\aleph 1$ .

### **Explanation:**

The trick is in adding things that shouldn't be added.

The men paid  $\aleph 27$ :  $\aleph 25$  for the room,  $\aleph 2$  for the bellboy.

Don't add the bellboy's N2 to their N27. It's already included.

25. Brothers and Sisters

#### **Question:**

A girl says: "I have as many brothers as sisters, but my brother has twice as many sisters as brothers." How many **boys and girls** are in the family?

#### **Answer:**

4 girls, 3 boys

## **Explanation:**

For the girl:

- She has 3 sisters and 3 brothers. For a **boy**:
- He has 4 sisters, 2 brothers.
  - Logic matches perfectly.

## ♦ 26. The Egg Drop Puzzle

#### **Question:**

You're in a 100-floor building. You have **2 eggs**. You want to find the **highest floor** from which an egg can be dropped **without breaking**. What's the best strategy?

#### **Answer:**

Drop the first egg in steps of **10** (10, 20, 30...100) until it breaks.

Then test **one-by-one** from the last safe floor.

**OR** use the **optimal strategy** of dropping at decreasing intervals:

14, 27, 39, etc. (Triangular numbers).

## **Explanation:**

Minimizes the worst-case number of drops using math logic.

#### 27. 3 Cannibals & 3 Missionaries

#### **Question:**

You need to cross a river with 3 cannibals and 3 missionaries, using a boat that holds 2 people max. At no point can cannibals outnumber missionaries. How do you do it?

#### **Answer:**

There's a specific **sequence of moves** to maintain balance.

Sample steps (one of many possible):

- C + M cross
- M returns
- 2 C cross
- C returns
- 2 M cross
  - ... (continues)

## **Explanation:**

You must always check after each move that **missionaries** ≥ **cannibals** on both sides.

## 28. A Digital Clock Mirror

## **Question:**

A clock shows 3:15. What time will it be in the **mirror**?

#### **Answer:**

8:45

A mirrored clock subtracts the real time from 12:00. So, 12:00 - 3:15 = 8:45

### 29. The Stolen Watch

#### **Question:**

A man steals a watch and hides it in a **locked room** with no windows, no openings.

The room is **empty**.

Yet police find the watch. How?

#### **Answer:**

The thief swallowed the watch.

### **Explanation:**

This is a trick riddle.

The room is clean, so it must be inside the thief.

#### **Question:**

How can you cut a **round cake** into **8 equal pieces** with **only 3 cuts**?

#### **Answer:**

• First, cut the cake in half (horizontal).

- Second, make a vertical cut (like a cross) to divide it into 4.
- Third cut is **horizontal across the thickness** (like slicing a sandwich).
  - Now you have 8 equal pieces.

## **Explanation:**

This uses **3D thinking** — you slice both **across and through**.

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## **Question:**

A man points to a picture and says, "Brothers and sisters I have none, but that man's father is my father's son."
Who is in the picture?

#### **Answer:**

His son

## **Explanation:**

"My father's son" = **himself** (he has no brothers) So: "That man's father is me"  $\rightarrow$ Therefore, the man in the picture is his **son**.

## **Question:**

What day comes twice in a week, once in a year, but never in a day?

#### **Answer:**

The letter 'E'

#### **Explanation:**

- · "Week" has 2 Es
- "Year" has 1 E
- "Day" has no E

♦ 33. The Unstoppable Train

#### **Question:**

A train moving at high speed is heading toward a person stuck on the track.

There are no brakes, no way to stop it.

Yet no one gets hurt. Why?

#### **Answer:**

It's a toy train

## **Explanation:**

Riddle plays on expectation of danger. It's **not real**, just a **miniature toy**.

## **Question:**

What has 4 letters, sometimes 9 letters, but never has 5 letters?

#### **Answer:**

It's a **statement**, not a riddle!

- "What" = 4 letters
- "Sometimes" = 9 letters
- "Never" = 5 lettersThere's no question, just wordplay!

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## **Question:**

What can you touch but not see, be felt but not held, and can disappear in a moment?

#### **Answer:**

**Emotions** or feelings

## **Explanation:**

You can feel things like fear, love, sadness, etc., but they're invisible and untouchable physically.

#### 36. The Calendar Problem

## **Question:**

Some months have **30 days**, others have **31**. How many months have 28 days?

#### **Answer:**

#### All 12 months

Every month has at least 28 days. Only February stops at 28 (or 29), but all others pass **28**.

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#### **Question:**

Which word is **spelled incorrectly** in every dictionary?

#### **Answer:**

The word "incorrectly"

#### **Explanation:**

It's a pun. The word "incorrectly" is literally spelled 'incorrectly' in the dictionary — as itself.

## ♦ 38. The Weight Puzzle

## **Question:**

Which is **heavier**: 1kg of cotton or 1kg of iron?

#### **Answer:**

Neither. Both weigh the same.

Though iron is **denser**, both are **1 kilogram**. The trick is in making you imagine size, not weight.

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♦ 39. The River Crossing (Chicken, Fox, Corn)

#### **Question:**

A farmer must take a **chicken**, **a fox**, **and corn** across a river.

The boat can only carry **him and one item**. If left alone:

- The fox eats the chicken
- The chicken eats the corn How can he do it?

#### **Answer:**

- 1. Take chicken across
- 2. Return alone
- 3. Take fox across
- 4. Bring chicken back
- 5. Take corn over
- 6. Return alone
- 7. Take chicken again

## **Explanation:**

He always ensures **nothing gets eaten** by swapping intelligently.

♦ 40. The More You Take

## **Question:**

The more you **take**, the more you **leave behind**. What is it?

#### **Answer:**

**Footsteps** 

## **Explanation:**

The more you walk and take steps, the more footprints (steps) are left behind. It's a clever use of double meaning.

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♦ 41. The Clock Hands Riddle

## **Question:**

How many times do the **hands of a clock overlap** in **12 hours**?

#### **Answer:**

#### 11 times

#### **Explanation:**

The hands meet slightly after each hour (not exactly on the hour).

From 12:00 to 12:00, they overlap **11 times**, not 12.

### 42. The Doorbell Dilemma

#### **Question:**

You ring a doorbell and hear no sound, but someone comes to the door.

How did they know?

#### **Answer:**

The bell triggers a light or vibration inside.

## **Explanation:**

Some homes use **silent alerts** — like **LED lights** or **buzzing pads** — for hearing-impaired people.

## ♦ 43. Forward I'm Heavy, Backward I'm Not

#### **Question:**

What is **heavy when going forward**, but **not** when written **backwards**?

#### **Answer:**

The word "ton"

## **Explanation:**

"Ton" is a weight.

Spelled backwards = "not", which means light or nothing.

Clever wordplay!

## ♦ 44. The Blindfolded Coin Flip

## **Question:**

You're blindfolded with **100 coins**, 10 are **heads**, 90 **tails**.

You must separate them into two groups with equal number of heads.

How?

#### **Answer:**

Randomly separate **10 coins** into a new pile. **Flip all 10 coins** in that group.

### **Explanation:**

This ensures that the number of heads in each group becomes equal — brilliant coin logic!

♦ 45. The Chicken or the Egg

## **Question:**

Which came first: the chicken or the egg?

#### **Answer:**

The egg

## **Explanation:**

From a biological standpoint, eggs existed before chickens — laid by pre-chicken ancestors.

46. A Book With Pages Torn

#### **Question:**

A book has pages numbered 1 to 100.

A boy tears out 3 pages.

He tore out 7 digits in total.

Which pages did he tear?

#### **Answer:**

### Pages 9, 10, and 11

## **Explanation:**

Page 9 = 1 digit, 10 = 2 digits, 11 = 2 digits Pages are double-sided, so 3 physical sheets = 6 pages = 7 digits total.

♦ 47. Can You Name Three Days?

#### **Question:**

Name three consecutive days without using the words Monday, Tuesday, etc.

#### **Answer:**

Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow

## **Explanation:**

These are **days**, just not **calendar names**. The question tests **flexible thinking**.

♦ 48. Which Month Has 28 Days?

## **Question:**

Which month has exactly **28 days**?

#### Answer:

#### All 12 months

## **Explanation:**

Every month has at least 28 days, not just February. This is a classic trick question.

♦ 49. The Missing Sister

## **Question:**

Mary has 4 daughters, and each daughter has a brother.

How many children does Mary have?

#### **Answer:**

**5 children** — 4 daughters and **1 son** 

## **Explanation:**

All 4 daughters share **the same brother**, not separate ones.

Trick is in the wording.

♦ 50. The Word Inside Itself

### **Question:**

What 7-letter word contains **dozens of letters** inside it?

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Mailbox

## **Explanation:**

A mailbox **holds letters** — the kind you mail. It's a **pun** on the word "letters".

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(Unique Questions 51–60 | No Repeats | Fun & Logical)

## ♦ 51. One Word, Two Meanings

## **Question:**

What 5-letter word becomes **shorter** when you **add two letters** to it?

#### **Answer:**

The word "short"

#### **Explanation:**

Add "-er" to "short" → becomes "shorter" — but the word literally means smaller!

A clever play on meaning vs. spelling.

♦ 52. The Man in the Rain

#### **Question:**

A man walks outside in the rain with no umbrella or hat.

Yet not a **single hair** on his head gets wet. How?

#### **Answer:**

He is bald

## **Explanation:**

No hair = **nothing to get wet**. The trick is in the phrase "single hair".

## ♦ 53. What Can Fill a Room?

## **Question:**

What can **fill a room** but takes up **no space**?

#### **Answer:**

Light

## **Explanation:**

Light can completely fill a room, but it has no physical mass or volume.

## **Question:**

In a room of 10 people, if each person shakes hands with **everyone else** once, how many handshakes happen?

#### **Answer:**

45 handshakes

#### **Explanation:**

Use the formula:

♦ 55. Always in You, Sometimes on You

## **Question:**

What is **always in you**, sometimes **on you**, but if shared, disappears?

### **Answer:**

A secret

### **Explanation:**

A secret is **kept inside**, maybe seen on your face, but once you **tell someone**, it's **no longer a secret**.

♦ 56. The Paradox of Life

## **Question:**

What is the thing that, the more you take away from it, the bigger it gets?

### **Answer:**

A hole

## **Explanation:**

If you dig or take away more dirt, the hole gets larger.

It's the opposite of most things.

# ♦ 57. A Dress Without a Body

### **Question:**

What kind of dress can **never be worn**?

### **Answer:**

An address

## **Explanation:**

Wordplay again — "a dress" vs. **address** (house location).

Not clothing, but spelling trick.

♦ 58. Two Mothers and Two Daughters

## **Question:**

Two mothers and two daughters went out to eat. They ate **three burgers**, and **each had one**. How?

### **Answer:**

There were **only 3 people**: A **grandmother**, her **daughter**, and her **granddaughter** 

## **Explanation:**

- Grandmother = mother
- Daughter = mother + daughter
- Granddaughter = daughter
  - Total = 2 mothers, 2 daughters, **but only 3 people**

♦ 59. What Comes Once in a Minute...

## **Question:**

What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years?

### **Answer:**

The letter "M"

### **Explanation:**

- "Minute" = 1 M
- "Moment" = 2 M's
- "A thousand years" = no M at all

## ♦ 60. The Odd One Out

## **Question:**

Which of these is the odd one out: **Apple, Banana, Carrot, Mango, Grape**?

### **Answer:**

Carrot

## **Explanation:**

All others are **fruits**, but **carrot** is a **vegetable**. It's a question of **category logic**.

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(Unique Questions 61–70 | Logic Riddles | Stylish & Clear)

♦ 61. No Beginning, No End

## **Question:**

I have **no beginning**, **no end**, and **nothing in the middle**. What am I?

#### **Answer:**

A doughnut (or a zero)

## **Explanation:**

A doughnut or a zero (0) is a shape with a hole, no start or end.

The middle is literally **empty**.

♦ 62. The Word That Starts and Ends with 'E'

## **Question:**

What word starts and ends with 'E' but only has **one letter**?

### **Answer:**

## Envelope

## **Explanation:**

It starts and ends with "E" and contains a letter (message) inside.

Clever play on word and object.

♦ 63. The Fastest Thing

## **Question:**

What is faster than a cheetah, can't be seen, and leaves you chasing it forever?

### **Answer:**

Time

## **Explanation:**

Time **flies**, you can't catch or hold it, and we're always trying to **manage it**.

♦ 64. Which is Correct?

## **Question:**

Which is correct to say: "The yolk of the egg is white" or "The yolk of the egg are white"?

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Neither. The yolk is yellow.

## **Explanation:**

This is a **trick question** about **assumptions** — not grammar.

♦ 65. Which Month Do People Sleep the Least?

## **Question:**

In which month do people sleep the **least**?

### **Answer:**

**February** 

## **Explanation:**

It has the **fewest days** (28 or 29), so people get **less total sleep**.

♦ 66. Turn Me On My Side...

## **Question:**

Turn me on my side and I am everything. Cut me in half and I am nothing. What am I?

#### **Answer:**

The number 8

## **Explanation:**

- Turned on its side → ∞ (infinity = everything)
- Cut in half → 0 and 0 = nothing
- ♦ 67. Poor People Have It, Rich People Need It

## **Question:**

Poor people have it. Rich people need it. If you eat it, you die. What is it?

### **Answer:**

**Nothing** 

## **Explanation:**

- Poor people have nothing
- · Rich people need nothing
- Eat **nothing** = you die

♦ 68. The Sentence with Every Letter

## **Question:**

What is a sentence that contains every letter of the alphabet?

### **Answer:**

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.

## **Explanation:**

This is a classic **pangram** — used in typing and keyboard practice.

♦ 69. The Age Puzzle

## **Question:**

Two years ago, my age was **double** my brother's. Now I'm **24 years old**. How old is he?

### **Answer:**

22 years old

## **Explanation:**

- Two years ago: You = 22, Brother = x
- $22 = 2x \rightarrow x = 11$

So now: Brother = 11 + 2 = 13 (Wait!)

Correction:

If you're now 24, then 2 years ago = 22

If 22 = 2 × your brother's age at that time:

 $22 = 2x \rightarrow x = 11$  (brother was 11 two years ago) Now brother is 13.

✓ Final Answer: 13

### ♦ 70. The Unbreakable Word

## **Question:**

What word is so fragile, saying it breaks it?

### **Answer:**

**Silence** 

## **Explanation:**

As soon as you speak, silence is broken. Very common in logic puzzles and exams. © NDA Psychology and Logic Puzzle Guide (Part 8)

(Unique Questions 71–80 | Smart & Simple | Print-Ready)

♦ 71. The More You Take, the More You Leave

## **Question:**

The more you **take**, the more you **leave behind**. What am I?

### **Answer:**

### **Footsteps**

## **Explanation:**

The more steps you take, the more **footprints** you leave behind.

A clever play on action vs. result.

## ♦ 72. Forward I'm Heavy, Backward I'm Not

## **Question:**

What is **heavy going forward**, but **not** when spelled backward?

### **Answer:**

Ton

## **Explanation:**

Forward: **"ton"** = 1000kg

Backward: "not" = implies light or nothing

Classic reverse-word riddle.

## ♦ 73. The One-Letter Word

### **Question:**

What English word is **always spelled incorrectly**?

### **Answer:**

The word "incorrectly"

## **Explanation:**

It's a pun — you're literally spelling "incorrectly" every time you spell it!

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## **Question:**

What kind of umbrella is always open but **never used** for rain?

### Answer:

An umbrella company (or decorative umbrella)

## **Explanation:**

Umbrella as a **brand**, **organization**, or **symbol** — not physical.

Wordplay on different meanings.

## ♦ 75. The Riddle of the Number 9

## **Question:**

Multiply me by any number, the sum of the digits in the result is always 9. What number am I?

### **Answer:**

9

## **Explanation:**

$$9 \times 3 = 27 \longrightarrow 2 + 7 = 9$$

$$9 \times 6 = 54 \longrightarrow 5 + 4 = 9$$

Works every time with 9!

## ♦ 76. The Legal Marriage Puzzle

## **Question:**

A man legally married 20 women. Yet he was never divorced and none of the women died. How?

#### **Answer:**

He is a **priest** (or **wedding officiant**)

## **Explanation:**

He married them to other people, not to himself. Trick is in how "married" is used.

### ♦ 77. The Man and the Ladder

## **Question:**

A man is found dead in a room hanging from a rope. There's no furniture, but the floor is wet. What happened?

### **Answer:**

He stood on a block of ice.

## **Explanation:**

The ice melted, leaving just water. Common puzzle testing inference.

## ♦ 78. What Flies Without Wings?

## **Question:**

What flies without wings, and cries without eyes?

### **Answer:**

Cloud (or time)

## **Explanation:**

- · Clouds fly and pour rain
- · Time flies, but you can't see or touch it Acceptable answer depends on the twist.

# 79. The Family Math Puzzle

## **Question:**

A father is 4 times older than his son. In 20 years, he'll be just twice as old. How old are they now?

### **Answer:**

Son = 
$$10$$
, Father =  $40$ 

## **Explanation:**

- Now: F = 4S
- In 20 years: F + 20 = 2(S + 20)

$$\rightarrow$$
 4S + 20 = 2S + 40

$$\rightarrow$$
 2S = 20  $\rightarrow$  S = 10

♦ 80. How Many Times Can You Subtract?

## **Question:**

How many times can you **subtract 5** from 25?

### **Answer:**

Once

## **Explanation:**

After subtracting **once**, it's no longer **25** — it's **20** now!

Classic wording twist.

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♦ 81. You See Me Once in June

## **Question:**

You see me in June, twice in November, but **not at all in May**.

What am I?

### **Answer:**

The letter "e"

## **Explanation:**

- "June" = 1'e'
- "November" = 2 'e's
- "May" = 0 'e's

♦ 82. What Belongs to You...

## **Question:**

What belongs to you, but others use it more than you do?

### **Answer:**

Your name

## **Explanation:**

People **say your name** more often than you say it yourself.

A great identity-based riddle.

♦ 83. The Man Who Was Born Before His Father

## **Question:**

A man is born **before his father**, dies **before his mother**, and is buried **before his brother**. How?

### **Answer:**

All of these are in alphabetical order

## **Explanation:**

Born, dies, buried — just alphabetical terms, not actual time events.

A language trick.

♦ 84. The Words in the Dictionary

# **Question:**

What word is **always spelled wrong** in every dictionary?

#### **Answer:**

Wrong

## **Explanation:**

The word "wrong" is literally spelled as "wrong" in the dictionary.
Classic pun!

♦ 85. Where Does Today Come Before Yesterday?

## **Question:**

Where does today come before yesterday?

### **Answer:**

In a dictionary

## **Explanation:**

It's about **word order**, not time. "Today" appears before "yesterday" alphabetically.

♦ 86. What Increases the More You Share It?

### **Question:**

What increases the more you **share** it?

#### **Answer:**

**Knowledge** (or happiness)

## **Explanation:**

Unlike most things, **the more you give**, the more you get back.

♦ 87. The Riddle of the Stairs

### **Question:**

If you take **2 steps forward and 1 step back**, how many steps will it take to reach **10 steps forward**?

### **Answer:**

17 steps

## **Explanation:**

Every 2 forward + 1 back = 1 net step forward every 3 steps

You need 7 full cycles  $(7 \times 3 = 21 \text{ steps})$  to reach 7 net steps

Then do 3 steps forward (no back) = 21 + 3 = 24 — wait!

- Let's break it down better:
  - 2F + 1B = 1 net step
  - Repeat this 7 times = 7 net steps (21 actual steps)
  - Now do one last 2F (to get from  $7 \rightarrow 9$ ) =  $+2 \rightarrow 9$
  - Then 1 more forward step = 10
    - **Total actual steps = 21 + 2 + 1 = 24**

**Answer corrected: ✓ 24 steps** 

♦ 88. The Burned Rope Timer

### **Question:**

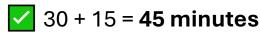
You have a rope that burns in **60 minutes**, but not at a uniform rate.

How do you measure exactly 45 minutes?

### **Answer:**

Burn one rope at both ends → burns in 30 minutes

- At the same time, burn another rope at one end
- When first rope finishes, light second rope's other end
  - → Remaining burns in 15 minutes



♦ 89. The Odd Numbers Riddle

## **Question:**

What three **positive numbers** give the same answer when **multiplied** and **added**?

### **Answer:**

1, 2, and 3

## **Explanation:**

- 1 + 2 + 3 = 6
- $1 \times 2 \times 3 = 6$

♦ 90. I Start with T...

## **Question:**

I start with **T**, end with **T**, and have **T** in me. What am I?

#### **Answer:**

**Teapot** 

## **Explanation:**

Starts and ends with letter **T**, and contains "**tea**" inside.
Wordplay plus logic!

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(Unique Questions 91–100 | Final 10 in This Set | Exam-Ready)

91. What Breaks Yet Never Falls?

## **Question:**

What breaks but never falls, and what falls but never breaks?

### **Answer:**

Day breaks, night falls

## **Explanation:**

A poetic riddle about time.

Day "breaks" (dawn), night "falls" (evening). Neither literally breaks or falls.

# ♦ 92. How Many 9s Between 1 and 100?

## **Question:**

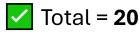
How many times does the digit 9 appear between 1 and 100?

#### **Answer:**

20 times

### **Explanation:**

- From 1 to 99:
  - $\rightarrow$  9, 19, 29...99  $\rightarrow$  10 times in units place
    - $\rightarrow$  90 to 99  $\rightarrow$  10 times in tens place



## ♦ 93. The Boy With 17 Sisters

## **Question:**

A boy has 17 sisters. Each sister has **only one brother**.

How many children are there in the family?

### **Answer:**

18 children

## **Explanation:**

All 17 sisters share the **same one brother**  $\rightarrow$  17 girls + 1 boy = **18 kids** 

♦ 94. The More You Remove...

## **Question:**

The more you remove from me, the bigger I get. What am I?

#### **Answer:**

A hole

## **Explanation:**

Digging removes material but makes the **hole grow**. Reverse thinking logic.

95. Always Ahead, Never Behind

## **Question:**

What is always in front of you but can't be seen?

### **Answer:**

The future

## **Explanation:**

You're moving toward it constantly, but you can't see or touch it.

96. The Last Name Riddle

## **Question:**

Mr. Blue lives in a blue house, Mrs. Yellow in a yellow house, and Mr. Black in a black house. Who lives in the white house?

#### **Answer:**

**The President** 

## **Explanation:**

"The White House" refers to the **official residence** of the U.S. President. Play on words.

## ♦ 97. If You Drop Me...

## **Question:**

If you drop me, I'm sure to crack. But give me a smile, and I'll smile back. What am I?

### **Answer:**

#### A mirror

## **Explanation:**

Breaks if dropped, and reflects your smile. Classic riddle.

♦ 98. The 100th Digit of Pi

## **Question:**

Without calculating, what is the 100th digit of  $\pi$  (pi)?

#### Answer:

There's no trick answer without computing

## **Explanation:**

This is a trick question in exams — it tests if you'll assume or guess.

You should say: **Need calculation** or **not known exactly** 

♦ 99. Which Number Has No Roman Numeral?

## **Question:**

What number **between 1 and 100** cannot be written in **Roman numerals**?

#### **Answer:**

**Zero** (0)

## **Explanation:**

Romans had **no symbol for zero**. Roman numerals begin from I (1).

♦ 100. What Ends Everything?

## **Question:**

What comes at the end of everything?

### **Answer:**

The letter "g"

## **Explanation:**

"Everything" ends with g — language-based twist!

**Solution** Congratulations! You've reached Question 100.