

VERBAL REASONING PRACTICE PAPER 3



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Please mark boxes with a thin horizontal line like this —.

EXAMPLE

The film —
film ended —
ended happily —
happily after —
after all.

1

The girl —
girl ate —
ate the —
the sponge —
sponge cake.

2

Soon they —
are all —
all going —
going on —
on holiday.

3

Glass bottles —
bottles should —
should be —
be kept —
kept upright.

4

We get —
get ripe —
ripe apples —
apples in —
in October.

5

My drink —
drink is —
is hotter —
hotter than —
than yours.

6

He had —
had hurt —
hurt his —
his knee —
knee badly.

EXAMPLE

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EXAMPLE

office —
shop —
start —
work —
begin —
end —

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work —
type —
succeed —
labour —
plan —
office —

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soup —
fork —
bowl —
bread —
dish —
knife —

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stone —
sea —
beach —
hill —
rock —
grass —

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sand —
bucket —
water —
garden —
spade —
pail —

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circus —
funny —
laugh —
game —
clown —
witty —

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flower —
tree —
leaf —
spring —
blossom —
grass —

EXAMPLE

black —
mouse —
red —
green —
hut —
over —
under —
cricket —
tennis —
badminton —

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over —
under —
cricket —
tennis —
badminton —
joy —
laugh —
cry —
sad —
scream —

20

joy —
laugh —
cry —
sad —
scream —
hat —
feet —
coat —
head —
shoes —

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bathroom —
kitchen —
garden —
bedroom —
lawn —
lightning —
thunder —
hail —
sleet —
snow —

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beneath —
because —
beware —
behind —
between —

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Malcolm —
Mohammed —
Beth —
Sally —
Robin —

EXAMPLE

bud —
beg —
dug —
bed —
wed —
tale —
bale —
base —
tape —
peat —

26

tale —
bale —
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tape —
peat —
the —
tea —
sat —
set —
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lord —
door —
prod —
loop —
pool —
tail —
tile —
last —
lost —
tale —

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reads —
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deals —
alert —
leads —
spot —
step —
stop —
eats —
spat —

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EXAMPLE

STU —
SND —
UPF —
SRQ —
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HOG —
BIN —
BIT —

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HIT —
HOT —
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UFGRC —
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ZJKWG —
YJLVG —
BGDDSZG —
BIDFSBG —
DIFFUZI —
DGFDUZI —
EJGGVCJ —
SAUSAGE —
FEEDING —
SPROUTS —
PUDDING —
LASAGNE —

34

EELS —
SPOT —
POOL —
POND —
SOFT —
NYQSY —
NXPUB —
NBQUY —
RZVSI —
NBPUA —

36

11+VR-3 PLEASE TURN OVER

Please mark boxes with a thin horizontal line like this .

EXAMPLE

LAD
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RED

38

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CAN
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PAR
COT
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RUN
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EXAMPLE

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by
open
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44

back
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pane
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bar
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EXAMPLE

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EXAMPLE

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colour
apple
red
narrow

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plant
green
live
knife
sharp
ice

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distant
fly
sky
swim
sea
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writing
novel
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door
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tight
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EXAMPLE

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EXAMPLE

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In these sentences, a word of **four letters** is hidden at the **end** of one word and the **beginning** of the next word.

Find the pair of words that contains the hidden word and mark this answer on the answer sheet.

Example The film ended happily after all.

- A** The film
- B** film ended
- C** ended happily
- D** happily after
- E** after all.

Answer **film ended** (The hidden word is **mend**.)

1 The girl ate the sponge cake.

- A** The girl
- B** girl ate
- C** ate the
- D** the sponge
- E** sponge cake.

2 Soon they are all going on holiday.

- A** Soon they
- B** are all
- C** all going
- D** going on
- E** on holiday.

3

Glass bottles should be kept upright.

- A Glass bottles
- B bottles should
- C should be
- D be kept
- E kept upright.

4

We get ripe apples in October.

- A We get
- B get ripe
- C ripe apples
- D apples in
- E in October.

5

My drink is hotter than yours.

- A My drink
- B drink is
- C is hotter
- D hotter than
- E than yours.

6

He had hurt his knee badly.

- A He had
- B had hurt
- C hurt his
- D his knee
- E knee badly.

In these questions, find the number that will complete the sum correctly and mark it on the answer sheet.

Example $3 + 5 = 6 + [?]$

- A 1 B 2 C 3 D 4 E 5

Answer 2

7 $68 + 75 + 23 = 85 + [?]$

- A 79 B 80 C 81 D 82 E 83

8 $33 \div 11 + 5 = 16 \div [?]$

- A 2 B 3 C 4 D 6 E 8

9 $6 \times 9 = 5 \times [?] + 4$

- A 7 B 8 C 9 D 10 E 11

10 $3 \times 9 + 8 = 5 \times [?]$

- A 5 B 6 C 7 D 8 E 9

11 $100 \div 20 = 6 \times [?] - 7$

- A 2 B 3 C 4 D 5 E 6

12 $4 \times 4 - 8 = [?] \div 4$

- A 12 B 16 C 24 D 30 E 32

In these questions, find **two** words, **one** from each group, that are **closest in meaning**.
Mark **both** words on the answer sheet.

Example (office shop start) (work begin end)

- | | |
|----------|---------|
| A office | X work |
| B shop | Y begin |
| C start | Z end |

Answer start begin

1 2 (work type succeed)

(labour plan office)

1 / (soup fork bowl)

(bread dish knife)

- | | |
|--------|---------|
| A soup | X bread |
| B fork | Y dish |
| C bowl | Z knife |

15 (stone sea beach)

(hill rock grass)

- A** stone **X** hill
 - B** sea **Y** rock
 - C** beach **Z** grass

16 (sand bucket water)

(garden spade nail)

- | | |
|----------|----------|
| A sand | X garden |
| B bucket | Y spade |
| C water | Z nail |

17

(circus funny laugh)

(game clown witty)

- A** circus
- B** funny
- C** laugh

- X** game
- Y** clown
- Z** witty

18

(flower tree leaf)

(spring blossom grass)

- A** flower
- B** tree
- C** leaf

- X** spring
- Y** blossom
- Z** grass

In these questions, three of the five words are related in some way.

Find the **two** words that do **not** go with these three and mark them **both** on the answer sheet.

Example black mouse red green hut

- A** black
- B** mouse
- C** red
- D** green
- E** hut

Answer **mouse** **hut**

19

over under cricket tennis badminton

- A** over
- B** under
- C** cricket
- D** tennis
- E** badminton

20

joy laugh cry sad scream

- A** joy
- B** laugh
- C** cry
- D** sad
- E** scream

21

hat feet coat head shoes

- A** hat
- B** feet
- C** coat
- D** head
- E** shoes

22

bathroom kitchen garden bedroom lawn

- A** bathroom **B** kitchen **C** garden **D** bedroom **E** lawn

23

lightning thunder hail sleet snow

- A** lightning **B** thunder **C** hail **D** sleet **E** snow

24

beneath because beware behind between

- A** beneath **B** because **C** beware **D** behind **E** between

Read the following information, then find the correct answer to the question and mark it on the answer sheet.

25

Malcolm, Mohammed, Beth, Sally and Robin all have pets.

Malcolm, Mohammed and Robin each have a dog.

Malcolm has a cat.

Sally loves horses but only has a rabbit and a snake.

Mohammed also has a snake.

Beth and Robin have a parrot each.

Who keeps the fewest pets?

- A** Malcolm
- B** Mohammed
- C** Beth
- D** Sally
- E** Robin

In these questions, the three words in the second group should go together in the **same way** as the three in the first group.

Find the word that is missing in the second group and mark it on the answer sheet.

Example (man [mat] tip) (bug [?] dew)

- A bud B beg C dug D bed E wed

Answer bud

26 (hour [ogre] gave) (step [?] able)

- A tale B bale C base D tape E peat

27 (hen [not] pot) (eat [?] she)

- A the B tea C sat D set E hat

28 (chain [hate] paste) (blood [?] droop)

- A lord B door C prod D loop E pool

29 (plead [date] enter) (gloat [?] stile)

- A tail B tile C last D lost E tale

30 (torch [chart] parts) (trial [?] berth)

- A reads B laird C deals D alert E leads

31 (weird [ware] azure) (stoat [?] pleat)

- A spot B step C stop D eats E spat

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

The alphabet is here to help you with these questions.

You need to work out a **different** code for **each** question.

Choose the correct answer and mark it on the answer sheet.

Example If the code for **FOOT** is **ENNS**, what is the code for **TOE**?

- A** STU **B** SND **C** UPF **D** SRQ **E** SNE

Answer **SND**

32 If the code for **CRY** is **FUB**, what does **ELQ** mean?

- A** HIT **B** HOT **C** HOG **D** BIN **E** BIT

33 If the code for **BLACK** is **DNCEM**, what is the code for **WHITE**?

- A** YJKVG **B** UFGRC **C** ZKLWH **D** ZJKWG **E** YJLVG

34 If the code for **LEOPARD** is **KFNQZSC**, what is the code for **CHEETAH**?

- A** BGDDSZG **B** BIDFSBG **C** DIFFUZI **D** DGFDUZI **E** EJGGVCJ

35 If the code for **SATSUMA** is **RBSTTNZ**, what does **RQQPTUR** mean?

- A** SAUSAGE **B** FEEDING **C** SPROUTS **D** PUDDING **E** LASAGNE

36 If the code for **FROG** is **GTRK**, what does **TRRX** mean?

- A** EELS **B** SPOT **C** POOL **D** POND **E** SOFT

37 If the code for **TRAIN** is **RSXJJ**, what is the code for **PASTE**?

- A** NYQSY **B** NXPUB **C** NBQUY **D** RZVSI **E** NBPUA

In these sentences, the word in capitals has had three letters next to each other taken out. These three letters will make one correctly spelt word without changing their order. The sentence that you make must make sense. Mark the correct three-letter word on the answer sheet.

Example The cat scratched him with his **CS**.

- A LAD B LAW C HAD D RAW E RED

Answer **LAW** (The word in capitals is **CLAWS**.)

38 She pulled her **SF** around her to keep warm.

- A COT B CAN C TAR D HAT E CAR

39 John goes to **SCS** every Thursday.

- A PAR B COT C OUT D ARE E OUR

40 They rode chestnut **MS** while on holiday.

- A ATE B AIR C ARE D OUT E OWL

41 They kept the bottles in a **CE**.

- A HAT B HIM C RIM D RAT E ROT

42 The girl was **HST** and owned up to what she had done.

- A APE B OWN C ONE D ARE E WON

43 She hid it in the **FS** of her coat.

- A RUN B OLD C OWL D ROC E AIR

In these questions, find **two** words, **one** from each group, that together make **one** correctly spelt word, without changing the order of the letters. The word from the first group always comes first. Mark **both** words on the answer sheet.

Example (out by open) (bite like side)

- A out
 - B by
 - C open

Answer out side

44 (back four front) (pane ground under)

- A** back **X** pane
 - B** four **Y** ground
 - C** front **Z** under

45 (ear are under) (grind were wear)

- A ear
 - B are
 - C under
 - D grind
 - E were
 - F wear

46 (ever green red) (house moor dye)

- | | |
|---------|---------|
| A ever | X house |
| B green | Y moor |
| C red | Z dye |

47

(top in out)

(form shape shop)

- A** top
- B** in
- C** out

- X** form
- Y** shape
- Z** shop

48

(win red bar)

(rose doe gain)

- A** win
- B** red
- C** bar

- X** rose
- Y** doe
- Z** gain

49

(man boy say)

(fell age here)

- A** man
- B** boy
- C** say

- X** fell
- Y** age
- Z** here

In these questions, find the number that continues the series in the most sensible way and mark it on the answer sheet.

Example 2 4 6 8 [?]

- A** 16
- B** 11
- C** 10
- D** 9
- E** 12

Answer **10**

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3 6 12 24 [?]

- A** 64
- B** 48
- C** 12
- D** 4
- E** 16

51

23 15 27 19 31 [?]

A 22

B 23

C 25

D 29

E 27

52

14 11 21 18 28 25 35 [?]

A 32

B 42

C 40

D 30

E 33

53

5 3 11 9 [?]

A 20

B 19

C 15

D 17

E 21

54

12 21 39 75 [?]

A 57

B 113

C 101

D 147

E 99

55

40 39 35 40 30 41 [?]

A 50

B 20

C 42

D 25

E 39

Read the following information, then find the correct answer to the question and mark its letter on the answer sheet.

56

Randeep, Kim and Jon go to the cinema every Friday.

The film always starts at 6.30 pm.

Jon is never more than 20 minutes early, and Randeep can be up to 10 minutes late.

If these statements are true, only one of the sentences below **must** be true.

Which one?

- A** Kim is always on time.
- B** Jon could arrive by 6 pm.
- C** Randeep doesn't like the cinema much.
- D** Randeep would always have arrived before 6.45 pm.
- E** Jon and Kim always arrive early.

In these questions, find the **two** words, **one** from each group, that will complete the sentence in the best way. Mark **both** words on the answer sheet.

Example **Big** is to (small orange colour) as **wide** is to (apple red narrow).

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| A small | X apple |
| B orange | Y red |
| C colour | Z narrow |

Answer **small narrow**

57

Leaf is to (plant green live) as **blade** is to (knife sharp ice).

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|----------------|----------------|
| A plant | X knife |
| B green | Y sharp |
| C live | Z ice |

58

Aeroplane is to (distant fly sky) as **submarine** is to (swim sea near).

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|------------------|---------------|
| A distant | X swim |
| B fly | Y sea |
| C sky | Z near |

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Book is to (writing novel paper) as **window** is to (door house glass).

- | | |
|------------------|----------------|
| A writing | X door |
| B novel | Y house |
| C paper | Z glass |

60

Selfish is to (tight crab generous) as **cruel** is to (type kind child).

- | | |
|-------------------|----------------|
| A tight | X type |
| B crab | Y kind |
| C generous | Z child |

61

Fore is to (ground front head) as **rear** is to (back leg air).

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|-----------------|---------------|
| A ground | X back |
| B front | Y leg |
| C head | Z air |

62

May is to (month might season) as **Friday** is to (end day Thursday).

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| A month | X end |
| B might | Y day |
| C season | Z Thursday |

In these questions, one letter can be moved from the first word to the second word to make two new words.

The letters must **not** otherwise be rearranged and **both** new words must make sense.

Find the letter that moves and mark it on the answer sheet.

Example pound or

- A p B o C u D n E d

Answer u (The two new words are **pond** and **our**.)

63 plant pay

- A p B l C a D n E t

64 brush cad

- A b B r C u D s E h

65 proven give

- A p B r C o D v E n

66 cheap grim

- A c B h C e D a E p

67 hostel on

- A h B o C s D t E e

68 irate clam

- A i B r C a D t E e

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

The alphabet is here to help you with these questions.

Find the letters that will complete the sentence in the best way and mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

Example **AB** is to **CD** as **PQ** is to [?]

- A** RT **B** SR **C** ST **D** RS **E** QR

Answer **RS**

69 **HI** is to **KL** as **NO** is to [?]

- A** AB **B** EF **C** TU **D** ST **E** QR

70 **ZY** is to **XW** as **VU** is to [?]

- A** NM **B** PO **C** RQ **D** TS **E** TR

71 **CF** is to **IL** as **OR** is to [?]

- A** KJ **B** ON **C** UW **D** UX **E** XZ

72 **ZW** is to **TQ** as **NK** is to [?]

- A** HG **B** JH **C** HE **D** EB **E** NL

73 **CD** is to **GH** as **KL** is to [?]

- A** RS **B** PQ **C** NO **D** OP **E** ST

74 **BH** is to **WF** as **CD** is to [?]

- A** YB **B** XB **C** YA **D** XA **E** AY

In these questions, the **same** letter must fit into **both** sets of brackets, to complete the word in front of the brackets and begin the word after the brackets.

Find this letter and mark it on the answer sheet.

Example mea [?] able si [?] op

- A p B n C f D t E c

Answer t (The four words are **meat, table, sit, top**.)

75 poe [?] ean fro [?] ile

- A t B g C l D m E b

76 ta [?] each sna [?] art

- A t B d C m D r E p

77 bas [?] asy fin [?] ating

- A s B e C d D m E h

78 cro [?] alk pa [?] in

- A p B t C w D b E d

79 brea [?] ink pin [?] now

- A k B t C d D s E r

80 sa [?] ear ver [?] olk

- A f B d C t D p E y