

VERBAL SAMPLE QUESTIONS

Multiple Choice

Please read the following instructions carefully:

- Do not begin the test or open this booklet until you are advised to do so.
- This test has 50 questions and you will have 32 minutes to complete it. **The actual Premium Series practice paper contains 80 questions.**
- Work as quickly and as accurately as possible.
- Answers should only be marked on the answer sheet provided.
- All working out should be done on a separate sheet of paper.
- If you need to change an answer, rub out your answer completely and mark the new answer clearly.
- If you are unable to answer a question, select the most appropriate answer on the answer sheet.
- If you finish before time, check your answers.

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In each of the following questions choose one word from *each* set of brackets that are *similar* to each other.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

[original sphere copy]
[identical authentic circle]

ANSWER

original authentic

Q 1

[forfeit hold picture]
[copy surrender win]

Q 2

[neat elder patient]
[oak orderly chaos]

Q 3

[harvest scoop favour]
[excavate icecream bury]

In each of the following questions choose one word from *each* set of brackets to complete the analogies. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

Car is to [road garage driver]
as
ship is to [cloud sea ramp]

ANSWER

road sea

Q 4

Late is to [hour prompt after]
as
early is to [before time morning]

PLEASE CONTINUE

Q 5

Lamb is to [sheep wolf cub]
as

caterpillar is to [wasp moth fly]

Q 6

Eager is to [enthusiastic anger bored]
as
apathetic is to [keen uninterested always]

In each of the following questions find the *next* number in the series.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

1 3 5 7 ?

ANSWER

9

Q 7

1 8 27 64 ?

Q 8

52 25 50 23 47 20 ?

Q 9

9 11 13 14 17 17 ?

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions find the *number* that will balance the equation.
Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

$$23 + 17 - 5 = 7 \times 6 - ?$$

ANSWER

7

Q 10

$$64 \div 4 + 15 = 78 \div 6 + ?$$

Q 11

$$9 \times 8 - 2 = 15 \times 5 - ?$$

Q 12

$$42 + 28 = 72 \div 3 + ?$$

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions find one letter that will go in the brackets to make *four* proper words.
Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

fai () ope

ca () ail

ANSWER

r (fair rope car rail)

Q 13

hal () empo

roo () rail

Q 14

el () eg

lea () ill

Q 15

leas () rode

mat () at

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions one letter can be taken out from the word on the *left* and added to the word on the *right* to make two new proper words. You are not allowed to change the order of the letters. Find the *letter* that can be taken out. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

blend pace

ANSWER

l (bend place)

Q 16

mister face

Q 17

plaice yet

Q 18

graze ion

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions choose one word from the *five* that will go with the words in the brackets.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

(unite combine) (fasten attach)

ANSWER

join

Q 19

(rude unfriendly) (sudden quick)

Q 20

(surrender submit) (produce grow)

Q 21

(charge protection) (trouble worry)



In each of the following questions there are two groups of words. The word in the brackets of the *first* group is made from letters of the words on either side of the brackets. The missing word in the brackets of the *second* group should be made in the same *order* as the word in the first group. Find this missing word.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

pan [pat] top
hug [] map

ANSWER

hum

Q 22

cramp [blame] bleep
prism [] hotel

PLEASE CONTINUE

From the *information* given answer the following questions.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

John and Amar have 12 balls altogether.
If John gives one ball to Amar, then both will have equal number of balls.
If Amar gives one ball to John, then John will have twice as many balls as Amar has.

Q 38

How many balls has John?



ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

In each of the following questions the first two pairs of letters are related to each other. Find the *missing pair* of letters that is related to the *third pair* in the same way as the first two pairs.

You may use the above alphabet. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

CD becomes *FG*
as
MN becomes []

ANSWER

PQ

Q 39

KM becomes *QS*
as
GI becomes []

Q 40

SU becomes *PV*
as
NO becomes []

◆ ◆ PLEASE CONTINUE ◆ ◆

Q 41

AY becomes *FS*

VW becomes []



ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

In each of the following questions find the *letters* that continue each series.

You may use the above alphabet.

Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

AB CD EF GH []

ANSWER

IJ

Q 42

ET GQ IN KK MH []

Q 43

BK EN HQ KT NW []

Q 44

EF VU GH TS IJ []

◆ ◆ PLEASE CONTINUE ◆ ◆

In each of the following questions a four-letter word can be found in between *two consecutive* words without changing the order of letters. Find the *two* words that contain this four-letter word. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

They stood around the apple tree.

ANSWER

the apple (heap)

Q 45

A meadow was used as a picnic expanse.

Q 46

There were three desperate footballers on the bench.

Q 47

They went out despite arctic weather conditions.

PLEASE CONTINUE

In each of the following questions find the answer as a *letter* by substituting numbers for letters. Mark the correct answer on the answer sheet.

EXAMPLE

If $A = 3$, $B = 1$, $C = 6$, $D = 4$,
 $E = 2$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$C \div A \times E = ?$$

ANSWER

D

Q 48

If $A = 6$, $B = 12$, $C = 21$, $D = 45$,
 $E = 11$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$(D + C) \div A = ?$$

Q 49

If $A = 4$, $B = 84$, $C = 6$, $D = 15$,
 $E = 12$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$B \div A - C = ?$$

Q 50

If $A = 25$, $B = 7$, $C = 5$, $D = 50$,
 $E = 20$

Find the answer for the following sum.

$$(A \times B - D) \div C = ?$$

END OF TEST

Name:

Date of Birth:

EXAMPLE

original identical
 sphere authentic
 copy circle

1

forfeit copy
 hold surrender
 picture win

2

neat oak
 elder orderly
 patient chaos

3

harvest excavate
 scoop icecream
 favour bury

EXAMPLE

road cloud
 garage sea
 driver ramp

4

hour before
 prompt time
 after morning

5

sheep wasp
 wolf moth
 cub fly

6

enthusiastic keen
 anger uninterested
 bored always

EXAMPLE

7
 9
 8
 11
 10

7

125
 120
 103
 81
 115

8

41
 43
 44
 15
 16

9

24
 20
 18
 22
 21

EXAMPLE

6
 7
 8
 9
 11

10

17
 20
 18
 36
 22

11

5
 15
 4
 25
 40

12

40
 45
 27
 46
 34

EXAMPLE

m
 r
 l
 n
 p

13

f
 o
 t
 m
 l

14

k
 f
 m
 l
 d

15

t
 h
 m
 f
 e

EXAMPLE

b
 l
 e
 n
 d

16

m
 i
 s
 t
 e

17

p
 l
 a
 i
 c

18

g
 r
 a
 z
 e

EXAMPLE

mend
 close
 join
 button
 strong

19

speed
 bad
 cold
 abrupt
 gradual

20

cultivate
 yield
 provide
 loss
 increase

21

safe
 care
 problem
 guard
 magnet

EXAMPLE

mug
 hum
 gap
 hap
 pug

22

hopes
 holds
 horse
 hoist
 homes

23

pile
 wide
 pipe
 wild
 wile

24

swipe
 swift
 sweep
 sweet
 swept

EXAMPLE

DAN
 DEN
 TEN
 DIN
 SIN

25

BEN
 BIN
 BAN
 AND
 BAD

26

LAP
 RAM
 RIM
 ICE
 RUN

EXAMPLE

one
 number
 three
 eight
 ninth

27

lamb
 horse
 leveret
 cow
 fawn

28

turban
 hair
 bowler
 beret
 kilt

EXAMPLE

ZQL
 BSN
 BTN
 CSN
 ASL

29

BANG
 BING
 BAND
 BAPG
 BAMG

30

QAKQ
 RBKR
 QBKQ
 QBKP
 PBKP

31

ZUXQ
 YVXS
 ILGI
 ZUXR
 ZVXR

EXAMPLE

4
 8
 26
 7
 13

32

38
 46
 36
 52
 44

33

81
 145
 197
 160
 169

34

22
 16
 23
 8
 29

EXAMPLE

air pearl
 rope port
 out ring

35

cap sole
 on size
 land van

36

lever sum
 men pool
 fair age

37

mile away
 stew ant
 page stun

EXAMPLE

38

6
 8
 7
 9
 10

EXAMPLE

OP
 QP
 PQ
 RP
 PS

39

MP
 NO
 MN
 MO
 LO

40

KP
 TK
 KQ
 JP
 LP

41

AR
 BQ
 AQ
 AP
 ZQ

EXAMPLE

FG
 IJ
 JI
 JK
 KJ

42

PE
 NE
 OD
 OE
 OF

43

QY
 QA
 RZ
 PZ
 QZ

44

QP
 RQ
 KQ
 RP
 KL

EXAMPLE

They stood
 stood around
 around the
 the apple
 apple tree

45

A meadow
 meadow was
 was used
 used as
 picnic expanse

46

There were
 three desperate
 footballers on
 on the
 the bench

47

They went
 went out
 out despite
 despite arctic
 arctic weather

EXAMPLE

A
 B
 C
 D
 E

48

A
 B
 C
 D
 E

49

A
 B
 C
 D
 E

50

A
 B
 C
 D
 E

Guidance for Parents

Premium Series Practice Papers

Premium Series practice papers have been produced to provide children practice for their actual secondary school selection examinations.

The style of the practice papers is as close to the actual examination as possible. We have tried to cover a wide range of question types that can possibly appear in secondary school selection examinations.

This sample contains 50 questions.



Administering the Practice Test

It is important to create an environment as close to the real examination as possible. Your child should be comfortable and in a quiet well-lit area where they are unlikely to be disturbed during the test.

Prior to the test, go through the instructions with your child to ensure that they understand what is required of them. Work through the examples together so that your child fully understands what each question is asking them to do.

Remind the child not to spend too much time over one question. Explain that some questions they might find difficult and it is better to attempt more questions rather than spending too much time over one question.

Once the child has completed a question they must select one of the five possible answers on the answer sheet. A horizontal line should be drawn in the appropriate box using a pencil. Any mistakes should be erased completely before the correct answer is marked.

Allow your child 32 minutes to complete the test. Do not start timing until they have read the instructions and understood the example.

If the child has not completed the test within 32 minutes, make a note of the last question your child has answered. After this allow your child to complete the test.



Marking

The answers are given on the other side of this sheet. Give one mark for each question your child has answered correctly. Convert the results into a percentage. The score your child obtains on these tests is not necessarily the score your child will obtain in the actual examination. Generally a score of at least 85% is required on these test papers to indicate possible success.

You can help your child to improve their score by covering the techniques required in areas where your child is weak. Also the child can significantly improve their speed by doing more practice papers. Remember that regular practice will reinforce learning and also increase speed.



Answers Verbal Reasoning Sample Questions

Sample Questions

1. forfeit, surrender 2. neat, orderly 3. scoop, excavate 4. after, before 5. sheep, moth 6. enthusiastic, uninterested 7. 125
8. 43 9. 21 10. 18 11. 5 12. 46 13. t 14. k 15. e 16. t 17. i 18. r 19. abrupt 20. yield 21. care 22.
hoist 23. wild 24. swipe 25. BAN 26. RAM 27. horse, cow 28. hair, kilt 29. BANG 30. QBKQ 31. ZUXR
32. 46 33. 169 34. 23 35. cap, size 36. lever, age 37. page, ant 38. 7 39. MO 40. KP 41. AQ 42. OE 43.
QZ 44. RQ 45. picnic expanse 46. three desperate 47. despite arctic 48. E 49. D 50. A
