



Bright Young Things | Academic Tuition

Year 5 Verbal Reasoning Worksheet 72

Name:

Date started:

- Try to work neatly
- Pay careful attention to what each set is asking for.
- Make sure to ask for help should you need it.

There are ten marks available for each set and fifty in total for each worksheet.

| Set 1 | Set 2 | Set 3 | Set 4 | Set 5 |
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Worksheet total
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Verbal Reasoning – Language Creativity

Set 1 – Compound Words

Choose the two words, one from each group, that go together to form a new word. The word in the first group always comes first.

Example

| | | |
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| Question | Can | Bat |
| | Did | Sin |
| | Slip | Not |

Answer – Cannot

| | | |
|----|-----|------|
| 1. | No | Fort |
| | Be | Ring |
| | Spa | Try |

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| 2. | Front | Wards |
| | Back | Time |
| | Face | Force |

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| 3. | Are | Part |
| | Any | Fall |
| | Try | Body |
| 4. | An | Other |
| | On | Outer |
| | In | Area |
| 5. | Hit | Flower |
| | Sun | Storm |
| | Sure | Sleep |
| 6. | Per | Get |
| | Lie | Day |
| | For | Man |
| 7. | Long | Ball |
| | Eye | Pick |
| | Teeth | Stop |
| 8. | While | Ever |
| | What | Even |
| | Soon | Form |

9. House Strap
 Tight Lane
 Part Hold
10. Be On
 Alone Stand
 Kept Side

Set 2 – Letter Shift

Move one letter from the first word and add it to the second word to make two new words.

Example

Question – Sharp Lit [] []

Answer – Harp, Slit

1. Scream Hat [] []

2. Flail Fit [] []

3. News Tip [] []

4. Wring Fury [] []

5. Pains Long [] []

6. Ghost Bare [] []

7. Cyan Fair [] []

8. Rout Moth [] []

9. Moist Grin [] []

10. Bloat Cost [] []

Set 3 – Word Relations

Change the first word of the third pair in the same way as the other pairs to give a new word.

Example

Question – Crush Rush Brash Rash Crack []
Answer – Rack

1. Angle Nag Ignore Gin Abdicate []
2. Glass Last Crush Rust Steam []
3. Plant Play Trash Tray Greek []
4. Bear Bare Moor More Pour []
5. Ghost Goat Most Moat Boast []
6. Society Yes Trail Let Telecom []
7. Collect Toll Parted Dart Morticians []
8. Candle Cane Sombre Some Tundra []
9. Same Mess Late Tell Sale []
10. Furry Fury Forum Form Proud []

Set 4 – Hidden Word

Write the four-letter word hidden at the end of one word and the beginning of the next word. The order of the letters may not be changed.

Example

Question – The dog was frightened by the noise

Answer – Then

1. When hanging up a painting, the frame should match the wall as much as possible.
2. Lucifer was an angel who had fallen to Earth many years ago.
3. Many people keep ferrets as pets, as long as they are tame and house-trained that is!
4. The wolves gave out a howl sharply into the night, calling for their sisters to emerge.
5. Our radar keeps jamming in the airports!
6. If we want the school to be inspected, we must allow educational authorities inside.
7. Using tar aids the proper construction of roads in the local area.
8. Any zoo that keeps a hippo should advise people as to how dangerous they can be.
9. Over years and years much has changed around here.
10. In order for a singer to work with a band, they must make their tempo keep rhythm!

Set 5 – Understanding Text

Read the short passage below and then answer the questions. There are 5 questions in total relating to the same passage.

Menacing clouds hung low in the sky as Mary made her way to school. Their black colour and thick, hideous appearance sent a chill down her spine and urged her onwards to her destination as far as her legs could carry her. She was so anxious when she did arrive that the teacher, seeing her ashen face and trembling fingers, took her aside into another room and gave her a mug of herbal tea to calm down.

1. What word could replace 'menacing' here?
 - a. Demanding
 - b. Amusing
 - c. Threatening
 - d. Pulsing

2. What made the clouds appear so menacing?
 - a. They were a terrifying colour and shape
 - b. They made noises that scared Mary
 - c. Because they reminded her of monsters
 - d. Because they brought terrible rain with them

3. What does the phrase 'sent a chill down her spine' mean?
 - a. Made her feel suddenly excited
 - b. Made her back suddenly hurt
 - c. Made her suddenly very scared
 - d. Made her quite confused

4. Why do you think the clouds made Mary so nervous?
 - a. They made her feel something bad was going to happen
 - b. They were going to bring rain with them
 - c. They were going to make her late for school
 - d. They sounded like her parents

5. Why do you think the teacher needed to calm Mary down?
 - a. So she would be able to smile at the teacher
 - b. So that she could hand in her homework
 - c. So that she would be able to concentrate in class
 - d. So that she could pay the teacher

The walls of the ancient castle loomed so loftily above the gathered crowd that you couldn't see even the tops of the parapets. Realising that it would take many hours to get to the other side and continue on their journey, the crowd decided to find something to eat in the nearby village. As they looked around however, they were suddenly struck by the quiet emptiness of their surroundings and they realised they might have to go hungry.

1. Which of these sentences is the best definition of 'loftily'?
 - a. Extending broadly around
 - b. Extending upwards in a curved line
 - c. Extending upwards to a great height
 - d. Extending downwards to a great depth

2. What do you think 'parapets' are?
 - a. A type of wall
 - b. A type of bird
 - c. A type of tree
 - d. A type of person

3. Why did the crowd decide to find something to eat?
 - a. Because they could smell delicious food
 - b. Because there was no food inside the castle
 - c. Because they needed food to take with them on their journey
 - d. Because they would get too hungry trying to cross the castle

4. What does it mean to be 'suddenly struck' by something?
 - a. To immediately realise
 - b. To be hit hard on the head
 - c. To forget something quickly
 - d. To suddenly panic

5. Why did the crowd realise they might have to go hungry?
 - a. Because the villagers seemed hostile
 - b. Because they had forgotten their food
 - c. Because the journey seemed hopeless
 - d. Because the village seemed deserted