

11-Plus Verbal Reasoning Quiz - Word Connections 1 (Questions)

Words can be connected because they are opposites.

In this series of 11-plus verbal reasoning quizzes, you have to find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way. Choose the correct answer from the four choices available. The correct answer might be two opposites, two synonyms, or two words that share another characteristic.

If you enjoying reading and your reading comprehension skills are good, you should find these questions fairly straightforward. However, before you get stuck in, read the example and make sure you follow it, so that you'll know exactly what you need to do to get ten out of ten.

Also remember to read the helpful comments that appear once you've chosen your answer - these are there to explain why the answers are correct.

Example: Start is to (*begin end today*) as end is to (*less finish send*)

begin finish

begin send

end finish

today less

Answer: The correct answer is *begin finish*

begin is a synonym of start and *finish* is a synonym of end and the others are unrelated.

1. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.
massive is to (*gigantic small big*) as tiny is to (*small average miniscule*).
- gigantic small
 - small average
 - gigantic miniscule
 - big average

2. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.
Ugly is to (*beautiful pretty attractive*) as old is to (*young aged ancient*).
- beautiful young
 - pretty ancient
 - beautiful ancient
 - attractive aged

3. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.
French is to (*France country language*) as Flemish is to (*Germany nation Belgium*).
- France Belgium
 - France Germany
 - country nation
 - language Belgium

4. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.
High is to (*building height tall*) as deep is to (*water shallow depth*).
- building water
 - height water
 - tall shallow
 - height depth

5. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.
Freedom is to (*liberty jail captivity*) as anger is to (*fury raged calm*).
- captivity raged
 - jail calm
 - liberty fury
 - liberty raged

6. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.
Orange is to (*banana yellow fruit*) as lemon is to (*duck juice apple*).
- banana apple
 - banana juice
 - yellow duck
 - fruit apple

7. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Heavy is to (*metal lift lead*) as thin is to (*diet slim paper*).

- metal paper
- lead paper
- lift diet
- lift slim

8. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Wheat is to (*crop corn tractor*) as barley is to (*rice field whiskey*).

- corn rice
- corn field
- crop field
- crop whiskey

9. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Draw is to (*pencil artist scribble*) as sing is to (*tenor orchestra music*).

- pencil orchestra
- artist music
- scribble tenor
- artist tenor

10. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Shallow is to (*deep water end*) as warm is to (*ice fire snow*).

- deep ice
- water fire
- water snow
- end fire

11-Plus Verbal Reasoning Quiz - Word Connections 1 (Answers)

1. Find **TWO** words, **ONE** from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

massive is to (*gigantic small big*) as tiny is to (*small average miniscule*).

- gigantic small
 small average
 gigantic miniscule
 big average

The correct answer is *gigantic miniscule* because *gigantic* is a synonym of massive and *miniscule* is a synonym of tiny

2. Find **TWO** words, **ONE** from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Ugly is to (*beautiful pretty attractive*) as old is to (*young aged ancient*).

- beautiful young
 pretty ancient
 beautiful ancient
 attractive aged

The correct answer is *beautiful young* because *beautiful* and *young* are both opposites of ugly and old

3. Find **TWO** words, **ONE** from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

French is to (*France country language*) as Flemish is to (*Germany nation Belgium*).

- France Belgium
 France Germany
 country nation
 language Belgium

The correct answer is *France Belgium* because French is the language spoken in France and Flemish is one of the languages spoken in Belgium. Do you know other languages Belgians speak?

4. Find **TWO** words, **ONE** from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

High is to (*building height tall*) as deep is to (*water shallow depth*).

- building water
 height water
 tall shallow
 height depth

The correct answer is *height depth* because height is the the noun we get from the adjective high and depth is the noun we get from the adjective deep. What is the noun from the adjective strong?

5. Find **TWO** words, **ONE** from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Freedom is to (*liberty jail captivity*) as anger is to (*fury raged calm*).

- captivity raged
 jail calm
 liberty fury
 liberty raged

The correct answer is *liberty fury* because liberty and freedom mean the same thing. The only choice which means the same as anger is fury. Raged is close, but it is a verb, while anger is a noun

6. Find **TWO** words, **ONE** from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Orange is to (*banana yellow fruit*) as lemon is to (*duck juice apple*).

- banana apple
 banana juice
 yellow duck
 fruit apple

The correct answer is *banana apple* because orange and banana are both types of fruit, while lemon and apple are also types of fruit. No other choice works

7. Find **TWO** words, **ONE** from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Heavy is to (*metal lift lead*) as thin is to (*diet slim paper*).

- metal paper
 lead paper
 lift diet
 lift slim

The correct answer is *lead paper* because lead is heavy and paper is thin. The answers we needed were both nouns which could be described by heavy and thin. Metal might have worked but some metals are not heavy!

8. Find **TWO** words, **ONE** from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.

Wheat is to (*crop corn tractor*) as barley is to (*rice field whiskey*).

- corn rice
 corn field
 crop field
 crop whiskey

The correct answer is *corn rice* because wheat and corn are both crops, while barley and rice are also crops. Remember the extra puzzle in question 3? The official languages spoken in Belgium include French, German and Belgian Dutch. Regional languages include Walloon and Flemish

9. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.
Draw is to (pencil artist scribble) as sing is to (tenor orchestra music).
- pencil orchestra
 - artist music
 - scribble tenor
 - artist tenor

The correct answer is *artist tenor* because draw is something an artist does, while song is something a tenor does. A tenor is a singer with a very high voice. Other types of singer include alto and baritone. Remember the puzzle from question 4? The noun we can get from strong is strength

10. Find TWO words, ONE from each set in brackets below that will complete the sentence in the most sensible way.
Shallow is to (deep water end) as warm is to (ice fire snow).
- deep ice
 - water fire
 - water snow
 - end fire

The correct answer is *water fire* because shallow is an adjective that can be applied to water, while warm is an adjective that can be applied only to the word fire in the choices available. Imagine warm ice! Congratulations! You have completed the first in the Word Connections series