1.15-2 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 2: 10-minute Pack

GL ASSESSMENT / CSSE 11+ Entrance English (GL Assessment / CSSE style) · about 10 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

1 Which word means the OPPOSITE of OPTIMISTIC?

- [ ] A) pessimistic
- [ ] B) hopeful
- [ ] C) proud
- [ ] D) cheerful
- [ ] E) confident

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2 Which word means the OPPOSITE of CAUTIOUS?

- [ ] A) wise
- [ ] B) nervous
- [ ] C) careful
- [ ] D) reckless
- [ ] E) alert

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3 Which word means the OPPOSITE of STATIONARY?

- [ ] A) motionless
- [ ] B) silent
- [ ] C) heavy
- [ ] D) still
- [ ] E) moving

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4 Which word means the OPPOSITE of MAGNANIMOUS?

- [ ] A) generous
- [ ] B) proud
- [ ] C) petty and mean-spirited
- [ ] D) shy
- [ ] E) truthful

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5 'Priya was elated when she found out she had won the poetry competition.' What does 'elated' mean in this sentence?

- [ ] A) extremely happy
- [ ] B) worried
- [ ] C) confused
- [ ] D) exhausted
- [ ] E) embarrassed

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6 'The old bridge looked precarious, swaying slightly whenever a lorry crossed it.' What does 'precarious' mean here?

- [ ] A) unstable and likely to collapse
- [ ] B) sturdy and safe
- [ ] C) very wide
- [ ] D) brightly painted
- [ ] E) newly built

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7 'After the long drought, the farmers were relieved when the rain finally came.' What does 'drought' mean here?

- [ ] A) a sudden storm
- [ ] B) a type of crop disease
- [ ] C) a period of heavy rainfall
- [ ] D) a farming festival
- [ ] E) a period of dry weather with little or no rain

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8 'The museum's new exhibit was so intricate that visitors studied it for hours, marvelling at every tiny detail.' What does 'intricate' mean here?

- [ ] A) simple and plain
- [ ] B) very large
- [ ] C) extremely complicated and detailed
- [ ] D) old-fashioned
- [ ] E) dimly lit

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9 Which word is closest in meaning to FEEBLE?

- ☐ A) tall
- ☐ B) cheerful
- ☐ C) powerful
- ☐ D) weak
- ☐ E) angry

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10 'The council's decision to close the library was met with widespread indignation from local residents.' What does 'indignation' mean here?

- ☐ A) approval
- ☐ B) anger at something considered unfair
- ☐ C) sadness
- ☐ D) indifference
- ☐ E) confusion

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Mark scheme · 1.15-2 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 2: 10-minute Pack

Question 1

A) pessimistic - is the direct opposite of optimistic **B1**

Answer: A) pessimistic

Question 2

D) reckless - is the direct opposite of cautious **B1**

Answer: D) reckless

Question 3

E) moving - is the direct opposite of stationary **B1**

Answer: E) moving

Question 4

C) petty and mean-spirited - is the direct opposite of magnanimous **B1**

Answer: C) petty and mean-spirited

Question 5

A) extremely happy - matches the sense of elated in context **B1**

Answer: A) extremely happy

Question 6

A) unstable and likely to collapse - matches the sense of precarious in context **B1**

Answer: A) unstable and likely to collapse

Question 7

E) a period of dry weather with little or no rain - matches the sense of drought in context **B1**

Answer: E) a period of dry weather with little or no rain

Question 8

C) extremely complicated and detailed - matches the sense of intricate in context **B1**

Answer: C) extremely complicated and detailed

Question 9

D) weak - matches the meaning of feeble (lacking physical strength) **B1**

Answer: D) weak

Question 10

B) anger at something considered unfair - matches the sense of indignation in context **B1**

Answer: B) anger at something considered unfair

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