1.15-2 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 2: 30-minute Pack

GL ASSESSMENT / CSSE 11+ Entrance English (GL Assessment / CSSE style) · about 30 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

1 'Rather than admit her mistake, Aisha resorted to a rather disingenuous excuse that fooled nobody.' What does 'disingenuous' mean here?

- [ ] A) extremely nervous
- [ ] B) completely honest
- [ ] C) very confident
- [ ] D) well-rehearsed
- [ ] E) not truly sincere or straightforward

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2 Which prefix means 'not' or 'the opposite of', as in the word 'unhappy'?

- [ ] A) un-
- [ ] B) over-
- [ ] C) re-
- [ ] D) sub-
- [ ] E) pre-

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3 Which word means 'to write something again', formed using the prefix 're-'?

- [ ] A) reveal
- [ ] B) reword
- [ ] C) return
- [ ] D) rewrite
- [ ] E) rewind

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4 The root 'phon', found in words such as 'telephone' and 'microphone', relates to which sense?

- [ ] A) touch
- [ ] B) sound
- [ ] C) sight
- [ ] D) taste
- [ ] E) smell

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5 Which of these words uses the suffix '-ology', meaning 'the study of'?

- [ ] A) telephone
- [ ] B) biography
- [ ] C) autograph
- [ ] D) geology
- [ ] E) photograph

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6 The word 'circumnavigate' combines the prefix 'circum-' (meaning 'around') with a root most nearly meaning:

- [ ] A) to sail or travel
- [ ] B) to write
- [ ] C) to build
- [ ] D) to speak
- [ ] E) to measure

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7 Which word is closest in meaning to STUBBORN?

- [ ] A) obstinate
- [ ] B) shy
- [ ] C) generous
- [ ] D) flexible
- [ ] E) confused

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8 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'Please put the book over ___ on the shelf.'

- [ ] A) where
- [ ] B) their
- [ ] C) there
- [ ] D) hair
- [ ] E) they're

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9 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'The teacher gave us some useful ___ for the exam.'

- [ ] A) advize
- [ ] B) advise
- [ ] C) advizes
- [ ] D) advice
- [ ] E) adviced

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10 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'The new rule will ___ how students use the library.'

- [ ] A) effected
- [ ] B) affective
- [ ] C) affect
- [ ] D) affection
- [ ] E) effect

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11 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'The chef received a lovely ___ about her cooking.'

- [ ] A) complementary
- [ ] B) comment
- [ ] C) complaint
- [ ] D) complement
- [ ] E) compliment

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12 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'Doctors have to ___ medicine for many years before they are fully qualified.'

- [ ] A) practice
- [ ] B) practise
- [ ] C) practiced
- [ ] D) practising
- [ ] E) practices

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13 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'The lorry remained completely ___ at the red traffic light.'

- [ ] A) stationary
- [ ] B) stationing
- [ ] C) station
- [ ] D) stationery
- [ ] E) stationed

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14 Which sentence is correct? 'I will ___ you on the best course of action.'

- [ ] A) adviced
- [ ] B) advice
- [ ] C) advise
- [ ] D) advize
- [ ] E) advises

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15 Which word means the OPPOSITE of PRUDENT?

- [ ] A) wise
- [ ] B) foolish
- [ ] C) sensible
- [ ] D) careful

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16 Which word is closest in meaning to EAGER?

- [ ] A) reluctant
- [ ] B) enthusiastic
- [ ] C) exhausted
- [ ] D) doubtful
- [ ] E) silent

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17 The root 'aud', found in words such as 'audience' and 'auditorium', relates to:

- [ ] A) taste
- [ ] B) sight
- [ ] C) touch
- [ ] D) movement
- [ ] E) hearing

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18 Which word means the OPPOSITE of FIXED?

- [ ] A) steadfast
- [ ] B) immobile
- [ ] C) rooted
- [ ] D) mobile

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19 Which word means the OPPOSITE of ALTRUISTIC?

- [ ] A) selfish
- [ ] B) noble
- [ ] C) kind-hearted
- [ ] D) generous

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20 Which sentence uses 'their' and 'they're' correctly?

- [ ] A) "They're books are old."
- [ ] B) "They're bags are in the hall."
- [ ] C) "Their coming tomorrow."
- [ ] D) "Their going on holiday."
- [ ] E) "They're planning a surprise."

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21 'The journalist remained impartial about the controversial decision, presenting both points of view.' What does 'impartial' mean here?

- [ ] A) biased
- [ ] B) partisan
- [ ] C) fair and unbiased
- [ ] D) emotional
- [ ] E) lacking knowledge

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22 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'The bicycle was left completely ___ in the garage for the winter.'

- [ ] A) stationery
- [ ] B) stations
- [ ] C) stationary
- [ ] D) stationed

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23 Which sentence correctly uses the contractions?

- [ ] A) "Your going to be late."
- [ ] B) "Your the best friend ever."
- [ ] C) "Youre happy about the news."
- [ ] D) "Its' a beautiful day."
- [ ] E) "You're invited to the party."

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24 Which sentence uses 'your' and 'you're' correctly?

- [ ] A) "Your ideas are excellent."
- [ ] B) "Your' coming to my party."
- [ ] C) "You're book is on the table."
- [ ] D) "Its your problem to solve."
- [ ] E) "You're car needs repair."

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25 Which word is closest in meaning to CANDID?

- [ ] A) confused
- [ ] B) elegant
- [ ] C) frank and honest
- [ ] D) secretive
- [ ] E) cowardly

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26 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'Musicians have to ___ their scales every day to maintain their skill.'

- [ ] A) practised
- [ ] B) practice
- [ ] C) practicing
- [ ] D) practise

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27 'The children were ecstatic about the surprise birthday party.' What does 'ecstatic' mean?

- [ ] A) nervous
- [ ] B) disappointed
- [ ] C) worried
- [ ] D) overjoyed
- [ ] E) bored

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28 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'A lack of sleep will ___ your concentration during the test.'

- [ ] A) effective
- [ ] B) affect
- [ ] C) effect
- [ ] D) effected

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29 Which word means the OPPOSITE of WARY?

- [ ] A) trusting
- [ ] B) suspicious
- [ ] C) distrustful
- [ ] D) fearful

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30 'The ice beneath the skaters looked perilous, creating concern among observers.' What does 'perilous' mean here?

- [ ] A) beautiful
- [ ] B) slippery
- [ ] C) old
- [ ] D) thick and solid
- [ ] E) dangerous

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Mark scheme · 1.15-2 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 2: 30-minute Pack

Question 1

E) not truly sincere or straightforward - matches the sense of disingenuous in context **B1**

Answer: E) not truly sincere or straightforward

Question 2

A) un- - is the prefix meaning 'not' **B1**

Answer: A) un-

Question 3

D) rewrite - correctly combines 're-' with 'write' **B1**

Answer: D) rewrite

Question 4

B) sound - correctly identifies the sense linked to the root 'phon' **B1**

Answer: B) sound

Question 5

D) geology - is the word built from the suffix '-ology' **B1**

Answer: D) geology

Question 6

A) to sail or travel - is the meaning of the root in 'circumnavigate' **B1**

Answer: A) to sail or travel

Question 7

A) obstinate - matches the meaning of stubborn (refusing to change one's mind) **B1**

Answer: A) obstinate

Question 8

C) there - is the correct homophone for a location **B1**

Answer: C) there

Question 9

D) advice - is the correct noun spelling of 'advice' **B1**

Answer: D) advice

Question 10

C) affect - is the correct verb 'affect' **B1**

Answer: C) affect

Question 11

E) compliment - is the correct spelling of 'compliment' meaning praise **B1**

Answer: E) compliment

Question 12

B) practise - is the correct UK verb spelling 'practise' **B1**

Answer: B) practise

Question 13

A) stationary - is the correct spelling of 'stationary' meaning not moving **B1**

Answer: A) stationary

Question 14

C (advise) cao **B1**

Answer: C) advise

Question 15

B (foolish) cao **B1**

Answer: B) foolish

Question 16

B) enthusiastic - matches the meaning of eager (keen and enthusiastic) **B1**

Answer: B) enthusiastic

Question 17

E (hearing) cao **B1**

Answer: E) hearing

Question 18

D (mobile) cao **B1**

Answer: D) mobile

Question 19

A (selfish) cao **B1**

Answer: A) selfish

Question 20

E ("They're planning a surprise.") cao **B1**

Answer: E) "They're planning a surprise."

Question 21

C (fair and unbiased) cao **B1**

Answer: C) fair and unbiased

Question 22

C (stationary) cao **B1**

Answer: C) stationary

Question 23

E ("You're invited to the party.") cao **B1**

Answer: E) "You're invited to the party."

Question 24

A ("Your ideas are excellent.") cao **B1**

Answer: A) "Your ideas are excellent."

Question 25

C) frank and honest - matches the meaning of candid (open and truthful) **B1**

Answer: C) frank and honest

Question 26

D (practise) cao **B1**

Answer: D) practise

Question 27

D (overjoyed) cao **B1**

Answer: D) overjoyed

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Question 28

B (affect) cao **B1**

Answer: B) affect

Question 29

A (trusting) cao **B1**

Answer: A) trusting

Question 30

E (dangerous) cao **B1**

Answer: E) dangerous

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