# 1.15-4 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 4: 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 CONCEAL?

- [ ] A) ignore
- [ ] B) to reveal or make obvious
- [ ] C) hide
- [ ] D) remove
- [ ] E) protect

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**2** Which word means the OPPOSITE of TRANSPARENT?

- [ ] A) clear
- [ ] B) honest
- [ ] C) visible
- [ ] D) obvious
- [ ] E) impossible to see through or understand clearly

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**3** 'During the meeting, Zara gave a remarkably frank account of what had gone wrong, holding nothing back.' What does 'frank' mean here?

- [ ] A) rehearsed and formal
- [ ] B) official
- [ ] C) very brief
- [ ] D) honest and direct, without hiding anything
- [ ] E) confusing and unclear


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**4** 'Deepak's explanation of the maths problem was so lucid that even the students who had been struggling all lesson finally understood.' What does 'lucid' mean here?

- [ ] A) clear and easy to understand
- [ ] B) complicated
- [ ] C) lengthy and detailed
- [ ] D) boring
- [ ] E) quiet

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**5** 'The head teacher's speech at the awards evening was full of platitudes about hard work and teamwork, offering nothing that had not been said a hundred times before.' What does 'platitude' mean here?

- [ ] A) a joke
- [ ] B) a warning
- [ ] C) a compliment
- [ ] D) an unoriginal remark, often repeated as if it were meaningful
- [ ] E) a promise

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**6** 'After weeks of heavy rain, the River Ouse finally began to subside, and the flood warnings for the village were lifted.' What does 'subside' mean here?

- [ ] A) to speed up
- [ ] B) to change colour
- [ ] C) to become gradually less intense or go down
- [ ] D) to freeze over
- [ ] E) to rise suddenly

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**7** The prefix 'ante-' means 'before'. Which word means 'a small room that leads into a larger, main room'?

- [ ] A) Anticlimax
- [ ] B) Anteroom
- [ ] C) Antisocial
- [ ] D) Antonym
- [ ] E) Antenna


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**8** Which word, built from the root 'bio' (meaning 'life'), means 'the scientific study of living things'?

- [ ] A) Biography
- [ ] B) Biology
- [ ] C) Biopsy
- [ ] D) Bionic
- [ ] E) Antibiotic

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**9** Which word is closest in meaning to BRISK?

- [ ] A) careless
- [ ] B) slow
- [ ] C) quick and full of energy
- [ ] D) quiet
- [ ] E) lazy

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**10** The prefix 'sub-' means 'under' or 'below'. Which word means 'existing or built under the ground'?

- [ ] A) Submarine
- [ ] B) Substitute
- [ ] C) Suburb
- [ ] D) Subtract
- [ ] E) Subterranean


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# Mark scheme · 1.15-4 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 4: 10-minute Pack

## Question 1

B) to reveal or make obvious - is the direct opposite of conceal **B1**

**Answer: B) to reveal or make obvious**

## Question 2

E) impossible to see through or understand clearly - is the direct opposite of transparent **B1**

**Answer: E) impossible to see through or understand clearly**

## Question 3

D) honest and direct, without hiding anything - matches the sense of frank in context **B1**

**Answer: D) honest and direct, without hiding anything**

## Question 4

A) clear and easy to understand - matches the sense of lucid in context **B1**

**Answer: A) clear and easy to understand**

## Question 5

D) an unoriginal remark, often repeated as if it were meaningful - matches the sense of platitude in context **B1**

**Answer: D) an unoriginal remark, often repeated as if it were meaningful**

## Question 6

C) to become gradually less intense or go down - matches the sense of subside in context **B1**

**Answer: C) to become gradually less intense or go down**

## Question 7

B) Anteroom - correctly uses the prefix 'ante-' to mean a room before the main room **B1**

**Answer: B) Anteroom**

## Question 8

B) Biology - correctly combines the root 'bio' with '-ology' to mean the scientific study of living things **B1**

**Answer: B) Biology**

## Question 9

C) quick and full of energy - matches the meaning of brisk (moving quickly and with energy) **B1**

**Answer: C) quick and full of energy**

## Question 10

E) Subterranean - correctly means existing or built under the ground **B1**

**Answer: E) Subterranean**


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