1.15-4 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 4: 30-minute Pack

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

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

1 The root 'port', found in words such as 'transport' and 'export', relates to which action?

- [ ] A) to break
- [ ] B) to build
- [ ] C) to carry
- [ ] D) to speak
- [ ] E) to measure

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2 The suffix '-ward' means 'in the direction of'. Which word means 'moving in the direction of the back'?

- [ ] A) Backward
- [ ] B) Forward
- [ ] C) Awkward
- [ ] D) Reward
- [ ] E) Toward

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3 Complete the analogy: POET is to POEM as PLAYWRIGHT is to ___?

- [ ] A) Audience
- [ ] B) Play
- [ ] C) Theatre
- [ ] D) Actor
- [ ] E) Novel

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4 Complete the analogy: THERMOMETER is to TEMPERATURE as SPEEDOMETER is to ___?

- [ ] A) Engine
- [ ] B) Fuel
- [ ] C) Direction
- [ ] D) Distance
- [ ] E) Speed

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5 Complete the analogy: STALE is to FRESH as TIMID is to ___?

- [ ] A) Shy
- [ ] B) Nervous
- [ ] C) Cautious
- [ ] D) Bold
- [ ] E) Quiet

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6 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'The head teacher, who is also the school's ___, praised the choir's performance.'

- [ ] A) Principal
- [ ] B) Principally
- [ ] C) Principled
- [ ] D) Principle
- [ ] E) Principals

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7 Which word is closest in meaning to WEARY?

- [ ] A) excited
- [ ] B) angry
- [ ] C) strong
- [ ] D) curious
- [ ] E) extremely tired

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8 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'Local residents attended the ___ meeting to discuss the new recycling scheme.'

- [ ] A) Councillor
- [ ] B) Counselled
- [ ] C) Council
- [ ] D) Counsel
- [ ] E) Consul

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9 Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'Nobody knew ___ turn it was to present first at the assembly.'

- [ ] A) Who's
- [ ] B) Who've
- [ ] C) Whose
- [ ] D) Whoes
- [ ] E) Whos

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10 In this group of five words, four share a similar meaning and one does not truly belong. Identify the odd one out: frugal, thrifty, economical, prudent, miserly.

- [ ] A) Miserly
- [ ] B) Thrifty
- [ ] C) Economical
- [ ] D) Frugal
- [ ] E) Prudent

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11 In this group of five words, four share a similar meaning and one does not truly belong. Identify the odd one out: renowned, famous, distinguished, eminent, notorious.

- [ ] A) Renowned
- [ ] B) Famous
- [ ] C) Distinguished
- [ ] D) Eminent
- [ ] E) Notorious

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12 In this group of five words, four share a similar meaning and one does not truly belong. Identify the odd one out: assertive, confident, self-assured, decisive, domineering.

- [ ] A) Confident
- [ ] B) Domineering
- [ ] C) Self-assured
- [ ] D) Decisive
- [ ] E) Assertive

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13 In this group of five words, four share a similar meaning and one does not truly belong. Identify the odd one out: curious, inquisitive, nosy, interested, questioning.

- [ ] A) Curious
- [ ] B) Inquisitive
- [ ] C) Nosy
- [ ] D) Interested
- [ ] E) Questioning

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14 'In this group of five words, four share a similar meaning and one does not truly belong. Identify the odd one out: strong, powerful, mighty, robust, weak.

- [ ] A) Weak
- [ ] B) Mighty
- [ ] C) Strong
- [ ] D) Powerful

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15 'In this group of five words, four share a similar meaning and one does not truly belong. Identify the odd one out: happy, cheerful, joyful, delighted, miserable.

- [ ] A) Cheerful
- [ ] B) Miserable
- [ ] C) Joyful
- [ ] D) Happy

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16 Which word is closest in meaning to LAVISH?

- [ ] A) stingy
- [ ] B) extremely generous or luxurious
- [ ] C) cheap
- [ ] D) dull
- [ ] E) plain

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17 'Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'Can anyone tell me ___ forgotten their maths book?'

- [ ] A) Who've
- [ ] B) Whose
- [ ] C) Whom
- [ ] D) Who's

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18 'The weary sigh of the student showed that he had finally finished his exam after two hours of concentration.' Which word is closest in meaning to WEARY?

- [ ] A) confused and uncertain
- [ ] B) tired and worn out
- [ ] C) annoyed and frustrated
- [ ] D) relieved and happy

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19 'Complete the analogy: CATERPILLAR is to BUTTERFLY as PUPPY is to ___?

- [ ] A) Dog
- [ ] B) Wolf
- [ ] C) Mouse
- [ ] D) Cat

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20 'Complete the analogy: DIRECTOR is to FILM as ARCHITECT is to ___?

- [ ] A) Building
- [ ] B) Construction
- [ ] C) Engineer
- [ ] D) Blueprint

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21 'The tranquil morning was ruined when construction work began outside, and there was constant noise and activity all day.' Which word means the OPPOSITE of TRANQUIL?

- [ ] A) productive and useful
- [ ] B) chaotic and disturbing
- [ ] C) bright and clear
- [ ] D) surprising and unexpected

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22 'The derelict factory building stood empty in the town centre, its windows smashed out and machinery stripped away by thieves.' What does 'derelict' mean here?

- [ ] A) actively producing goods
- [ ] B) newly refurbished and modernised
- [ ] C) temporarily closed
- [ ] D) abandoned and in a ruined state

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23 'Which word correctly completes the sentence? 'The ___ guest at the wedding was the bride's grandmother from overseas.'

- [ ] A) Principle
- [ ] B) Principally
- [ ] C) Principal
- [ ] D) Principled

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24 'Complete the analogy: HOT is to COLD as WET is to ___?

- [ ] A) Damp
- [ ] B) Dry
- [ ] C) Water
- [ ] D) Rain

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25 Which word is closest in meaning to AMIABLE?

- [ ] A) nervous
- [ ] B) hostile
- [ ] C) arrogant
- [ ] D) friendly and pleasant
- [ ] E) shy

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26 'The millionaire's lavish spending on his yacht, private jet and art collection made him famous in the city.' Which word is closest in meaning to LAVISH?

- [ ] A) luxurious and extravagant
- [ ] B) modest and reserved
- [ ] C) careful and controlled
- [ ] D) practical and efficient

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27 'Complete the analogy: RULER is to LENGTH as SCALE is to ___?

- [ ] A) Height
- [ ] B) Measurement
- [ ] C) Balance
- [ ] D) Weight

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28 Which word means the OPPOSITE of PATIENT?

- [ ] A) peaceful
- [ ] B) thoughtful
- [ ] C) calm
- [ ] D) impatient

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29 'Complete the analogy: COMPOSER is to SYMPHONY as SCULPTOR is to ___?

- [ ] A) Statue
- [ ] B) Museum
- [ ] C) Stone
- [ ] D) Gallery

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30 'The documentary presented a compelling argument for reducing plastic waste, with evidence that convinced the panel to change their policy.' What does 'compelling' mean here?

- [ ] A) scientific and technical
- [ ] B) recent and up-to-date
- [ ] C) very convincing and persuasive
- [ ] D) emotional and dramatic

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Mark scheme · 1.15-4 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 4: 30-minute Pack

Question 1

C) to carry - correctly identifies the action linked to the root 'port' **B1**

Answer: C) to carry

Question 2

A) Backward - correctly means moving in the direction of the back **B1**

Answer: A) Backward

Question 3

B) Play - completes the creator-to-work relationship shown by poet and poem **B1**

Answer: B) Play

Question 4

E) Speed - completes the instrument-to-measurement relationship shown by thermometer and temperature **B1**

Answer: E) Speed

Question 5

D) Bold - completes the opposite-pair relationship shown by stale and fresh **B1**

Answer: D) Bold

Question 6

A) Principal - is the correctly spelled word for the person in charge of a school **B1**

Answer: A) Principal

Question 7

E) extremely tired - matches the meaning of weary (very tired, especially after a long effort) **B1**

Answer: E) extremely tired

Question 8

C) Council - is the correctly spelled word for the elected local governing body **B1**

Answer: C) Council

Question 9

C) Whose - is the correctly spelled possessive form needed here **B1**

Answer: C) Whose

Question 10

A) Miserly - is the odd one out, carrying a negative sense of excessive, ungenerous stinginess rather than sensible care with money **B1**

Answer: A) Miserly

Question 11

E) Notorious - is the odd one out, meaning well known for bad or negative reasons rather than positive achievement **B1**

Answer: E) Notorious

Question 12

B) Domineering - is the odd one out, meaning controlling or overbearing towards others rather than simply self-assured **B1**

Answer: B) Domineering

Question 13

C) Nosy - is the odd one out, meaning intruding into other people's private business rather than simply wanting to learn **B1**

Answer: C) Nosy

Question 14

A (Weak) cao **B1**

Answer: A) Weak

Question 15

B (Miserable) cao **B1**

Answer: B) Miserable

Question 16

B) extremely generous or luxurious - matches the meaning of lavish (given or spent in a very generous, luxurious way) **B1**

Answer: B) extremely generous or luxurious

Question 17

D (Who's) cao **B1**

Answer: D) Who's

Question 18

B (tired and worn out) cao **B1**

Answer: B) tired and worn out

Question 19

A (Dog) cao **B1**

Answer: A) Dog

Question 20

A (Building) cao **B1**

Answer: A) Building

Question 21

B (chaotic and disturbing) cao **B1**

Answer: B) chaotic and disturbing

Question 22

D (abandoned and in a ruined state) cao **B1**

Answer: D) abandoned and in a ruined state

Question 23

C (Principal) cao **B1**

Answer: C) Principal

Question 24

B (Dry) cao **B1**

Answer: B) Dry

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Question 25

D) friendly and pleasant - matches the meaning of amiable (having a friendly, pleasant manner) **B1**

Answer: D) friendly and pleasant

Question 26

A (luxurious and extravagant) cao **B1**

Answer: A) luxurious and extravagant

Question 27

D (Weight) cao **B1**

Answer: D) Weight

Question 28

D (impatient) cao **B1**

Answer: D) impatient

Question 29

A (Statue) cao **B1**

Answer: A) Statue

Question 30

C (very convincing and persuasive) cao **B1**

Answer: C) very convincing and persuasive

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