1.15-7 Vocabulary and Word Skills Set 7: 10-minute Pack

Total Marks

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

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

1 Which word means the OPPOSITE of COMPLACENT?

- [ ] A) smugly satisfied with one's own achievements
- [ ] B) nervous about public speaking
- [ ] C) generous in praising others
- [ ] D) constantly striving to improve, never satisfied with current success
- [ ] E) forgetful of past achievements

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2 FOREST is to TREES as OCEAN is to ___?

- [ ] A) waves
- [ ] B) sand
- [ ] C) islands
- [ ] D) fish
- [ ] E) salt

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3 The root 'aud', found in words such as 'audience' and 'audio', relates to which idea?

- [ ] A) to obey
- [ ] B) to speak
- [ ] C) to understand
- [ ] D) to hear
- [ ] E) to watch

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4 In this group of five words, four share a similar meaning and one does not belong. Identify the odd one out: diligent, industrious, hardworking, conscientious, lazy.

- [ ] A) lazy
- [ ] B) diligent
- [ ] C) conscientious
- [ ] D) hardworking
- [ ] E) industrious

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5 In this group of five words, four share a similar meaning and one does not belong. Identify the odd one out: tiny, small, minute, compact, huge.

- [ ] A) small
- [ ] B) compact
- [ ] C) huge
- [ ] D) minute
- [ ] E) tiny

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6 Which word means the OPPOSITE of RIGID?

- [ ] A) forgetful of instructions
- [ ] B) fixed and unwilling to change
- [ ] C) easily bent or adapted to new circumstances
- [ ] D) confident and outspoken
- [ ] E) careless and disorganised

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7 'The tumour was found to be benign, and the doctors reassured Mrs Okafor that no further treatment was needed.' What does 'benign' mean here?

- [ ] A) not harmful, gentle and not causing danger
- [ ] B) rapidly spreading and dangerous
- [ ] C) painful and impossible to treat
- [ ] D) rare and unusual
- [ ] E) requiring immediate surgery

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8 'At just six years old, Aditi was so precocious that she was already reading novels meant for teenagers.' What does 'precocious' mean here?

- [ ] A) shy and reluctant to try new things
- [ ] B) showing mature ability or understanding much earlier than usual
- [ ] C) badly behaved and disobedient
- [ ] D) forgetful and easily distracted
- [ ] E) slow to develop new skills

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9 'The ostensible reason for the meeting was to discuss the budget, but everyone suspected the real purpose was to announce redundancies.' What does 'ostensible' mean here?

- [ ] A) agreed by everyone present
- [ ] B) official and legally binding
- [ ] C) urgent and requiring immediate action
- [ ] D) stated or appearing to be true, though possibly not the real one
- [ ] E) hidden and kept completely secret

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10 'Realising how much he had upset his sister, Marcus offered a contrite apology and promised never to break his promise again.' What does 'contrite' mean here?

- [ ] A) sarcastic and insincere
- [ ] B) confident and unapologetic
- [ ] C) brief and dismissive
- [ ] D) reluctant and given unwillingly
- [ ] E) genuinely sorry and showing regret for wrongdoing

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Question 1

D) constantly striving to improve, never satisfied with current success - is the direct opposite of complacent **B1**

Answer: D) constantly striving to improve, never satisfied with current success

Question 2

D (fish) cao **B1**

Answer: D) fish

Question 3

D (to hear) cao **B1**

Answer: D) to hear

Question 4

A (lazy) cao **B1**

Answer: A) lazy

Question 5

C (huge) cao **B1**

Answer: C) huge

Question 6

C) easily bent or adapted to new circumstances - is the direct opposite of rigid **B1**

Answer: C) easily bent or adapted to new circumstances

Question 7

A) not harmful, gentle and not causing danger - matches the sense of benign in context **B1**

Answer: A) not harmful, gentle and not causing danger

Question 8

B) showing mature ability or understanding much earlier than usual - matches the sense of precocious in context **B1**

Answer: B) showing mature ability or understanding much earlier than usual

Question 9

D) stated or appearing to be true, though possibly not the real one - matches the sense of ostensible in context **B1**

Answer: D) stated or appearing to be true, though possibly not the real one

Question 10

E) genuinely sorry and showing regret for wrongdoing - matches the sense of contrite in context **B1**

Answer: E) genuinely sorry and showing regret for wrongdoing

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