3.33 Verbal Reasoning Mixed Practice Set A: 10-minute Pack

about 10 minutes

Total Marks

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This is a 10-minute mixed-format Verbal Reasoning practice test (Set A), styled on GL Assessment 11+ multiple-choice papers. There are 45 questions in 10 timed sections, sampling every verbal reasoning type covered individually in EP.V1-V21: Odd One Out, Hidden Words, Closest in Meaning, Letter Sequences, Compound Words, Analogies, Letters for Numbers, Word Codes, Move a Letter and Number Series. Every question is worth 1 mark, for 45 marks in total. Difficulty increases within each section and across the pack as a whole. For each question, choose the ONE best answer from the options A to E. No calculator is allowed. Work through the sections in order and try to keep to the suggested time shown at the start of each section. If you are unsure of an answer, mark your best guess and move on, then return to it at the end if there is time left.

Worked example (Letters for Numbers). using A=1, B=2, C=3, up to Z=26, work out C + D. Which letter has this value?
Answer: G. C=3 and D=4, so C+D=3+4=7. Counting A,B,C,D,E,F,G shows G is the 7th letter, so G=7 and G is correct.
Apply this same careful, step-by-step approach throughout the pack, especially in the Word Codes and Move a Letter sections, where the rule is different in every question - always work out the rule from the example given before applying it to a new word.

SECTION 1: ODD ONE OUT (4 minutes, 4 questions)

1 Four of these five words belong together in some way. Which ONE word does NOT belong with the others?

Q1. APPLE, BANANA, CARROT, MANGO, GRAPE.

- ☐ A) Carrot
- ☐ B) Apple
- ☐ C) Banana
- ☐ D) Mango
- ☐ E) Grape

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2 (Closest in Meaning) Q2. GENEROUS

- ☐ A) Selfish
- ☐ B) Cautious
- ☐ C) Wealthy
- ☐ D) Popular
- ☐ E) Charitable

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3 (Closest in Meaning) Q3. ANCIENT

- ☐ A) Archaic
- ☐ B) Modern
- ☐ C) Broken
- ☐ D) Historic
- ☐ E) Rare

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4 (Closest in Meaning) Q4. RETICENT

- ☐ A) Talkative
- ☐ B) Reserved
- ☐ C) Angry
- ☐ D) Curious
- ☐ E) Excited

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5 (Closest in Meaning) Q5. AMELIORATE

- ☐ A) Worsen
- ☐ B) Explain
- ☐ C) Improve
- ☐ D) Delay
- ☐ E) Ignore

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SECTION 4: LETTER SEQUENCES (4 minutes, 4 questions)

6 Find the letter that continues the sequence.

Q1. B, D, F, H, (?)

- ☐ A) I
- ☐ B) K
- ☐ C) H
- ☐ D) J
- ☐ E) L

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7 (Letter Sequences) Q2. Z, X, V, T, (?)

- ☐ A) P
- ☐ B) S
- ☐ C) Q
- ☐ D) T
- ☐ E) R

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8 (Letter Sequences) Q3. C, E, H, L, (?)

- ☐ A) Q
- ☐ B) P
- ☐ C) R
- ☐ D) N
- ☐ E) O

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9 (Letter Sequences) Q4. A, Y, B, X, C, (?)

- ☐ A) V
- ☐ B) W
- ☐ C) X
- ☐ D) T
- ☐ E) U

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SECTION 5: COMPOUND WORDS (4 minutes, 4 questions)

10 Find the one word that can be joined onto the end of the first word and the front of the second word to make two new real words.

Q1. FIRE (....) SHOP

- ☐ A) Place
- ☐ B) Fly
- ☐ C) Work
- ☐ D) Arm
- ☐ E) Side

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11 (Compound Words) Q2. SUN (....) POT

- ☐ A) Shine
- ☐ B) Rise
- ☐ C) Set
- ☐ D) Flower
- ☐ E) Light

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12 (Odd One Out) Q2. TRUMPET, FLUTE, CLARINET, OBOE, VIOLIN.

- ☐ A) Trumpet
- ☐ B) Violin
- ☐ C) Flute
- ☐ D) Clarinet
- ☐ E) Oboe

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13 (Compound Words) Q3. BED (....) MATE

- ☐ A) Side
- ☐ B) Time
- ☐ C) Rock
- ☐ D) Cover
- ☐ E) Room

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Mark scheme · 3.33 Verbal Reasoning Mixed Practice Set A: 10-minute Pack

Question 1

A) Carrot - Apple, Banana, Mango and Grape are all fruit; Carrot is a vegetable, so it is the odd one out **B1**

Answer: A) Carrot

Question 2

E) Charitable - GENEROUS and CHARITABLE both describe willingly giving to others **B1**

Answer: E) Charitable

Question 3

A) Archaic - ANCIENT and ARCHAIC both describe something from a very long time ago **B1**

Answer: A) Archaic

Question 4

B) Reserved - RETICENT and RESERVED both describe someone unwilling to reveal their thoughts or feelings **B1**

Answer: B) Reserved

Question 5

C) Improve - AMELIORATE and IMPROVE both mean to make something better **B1**

Answer: C) Improve

Question 6

D) J - each letter is 2 places after the one before (B=2, D=4, F=6, H=8, J=10) cao **B1**

Answer: D) J

Question 7

E) R - each letter is 2 places before the one before (Z=26, X=24, V=22, T=20, R=18) cao **B1**

Answer: E) R

Question 8

A) Q - the gaps between letters increase by 1 each time (+2, +3, +4, so the next gap is +5): C=3, E=5, H=8, L=12, Q=17 cao **B1**

Answer: A) Q

Question 9

B) W - this sequence interleaves two patterns: the 1st, 3rd and 5th letters go forward from the start (A, B, C, ...) and the 2nd, 4th and 6th letters go backward from the end (Y, X, ...); the next backward term after Y(25), X(24) is W(23) cao **B1**

Answer: B) W

Question 10

C) Work - FIRE + WORK = FIREWORK and WORK + SHOP = WORKSHOP, both real words **B1**

Answer: C) Work

Question 11

D) Flower - SUN + FLOWER = SUNFLOWER and FLOWER + POT = FLOWERPOT, both real words **B1**

Answer: D) Flower

Question 12

B) Violin - Trumpet, Flute, Clarinet and Oboe are all played by blowing air through them; Violin is played with a bow, so it is the odd one out **B1**

Answer: B) Violin

Question 13

E) Room - BED + ROOM = BEDROOM and ROOM + MATE = ROOMMATE, both real words **B1**

Answer: E) Room

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