3.33-3 Verbal Reasoning Mixed Practice Set C: 10-minute Pack

about 10 minutes

Total Marks

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This is a 10-minute mixed-format Verbal Reasoning practice test (Set C), styled on GL Assessment 11+ multiple-choice papers. There are 45 questions in 10 timed sections, covering: closest in meaning, opposite in meaning, word analogies, compound words, hidden words, letter sequences, word codes, odd one out, word association (double meaning) and move a letter. 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 (Word Association). which word matches BOTH meanings below? a) the long nose of an elephant b) the storage compartment at the back of a car Which word fits both meanings? **Answer: Trunk.** An elephant's trunk is its long nose, and a car's trunk is its rear storage compartment. The same word, TRUNK, fits both meanings exactly, so it is the answer. Always check that your chosen word matches BOTH definitions given, not just one, before selecting your final answer.

SECTION 1: CLOSEST IN MEANING (4 minutes, 5 questions)

1 Choose the word closest in meaning to the word in capitals.

Q1. VIVID

- ☐ A) Ordinary
- ☐ B) Grey
- ☐ C) Faint
- ☐ D) Dull
- ☐ E) Bright

2 (Opposite in Meaning) Q5. TRANSIENT

- ☐ A) Fleeting
- ☐ B) Rare
- ☐ C) Sudden
- ☐ D) Brief
- ☐ E) Permanent

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SECTION 3: WORD ANALOGIES (4 minutes, 4 questions)

3 Choose the word that completes the second pair in the same way as the first pair.

Q1. PILOT is to AEROPLANE as CAPTAIN is to ?

- [ ] A) Sailor
- [ ] B) Ship
- [ ] C) Anchor
- [ ] D) Port
- [ ] E) Sea

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4 (Word Analogies) Q2. PETAL is to FLOWER as LEAF is to ?

- [ ] A) Bark
- [ ] B) Root
- [ ] C) Tree
- [ ] D) Soil
- [ ] E) Seed

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5 (Word Analogies) Q3. THERMOMETER is to TEMPERATURE as SPEEDOMETER is to ?

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

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6 (Word Analogies) Q4. SCULPTOR is to STATUE as ARCHITECT is to ?

- [ ] A) Brick
- [ ] B) Building
- [ ] C) City
- [ ] D) Builder
- [ ] E) Site

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

7 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. SIDE (....) WALK

- ☐ A) Line
- ☐ B) Show
- ☐ C) Track
- ☐ D) Board
- ☐ E) Kick

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8 (Compound Words) Q2. PLAY (....) GROUND

- ☐ A) Time
- ☐ B) House
- ☐ C) Back
- ☐ D) Room
- ☐ E) Mate

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9 (Compound Words) Q3. CLASS (....) ROOM

- ☐ A) Out
- ☐ B) Mate
- ☐ C) Work
- ☐ D) Time
- ☐ E) Book

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10 (Compound Words) Q4. SPOT (....) HOUSE

- ☐ A) Shade
- ☐ B) Beam
- ☐ C) Bulb
- ☐ D) Weight
- ☐ E) Light

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

11 A word is hidden where two consecutive words join in the sentence below, using the last letter(s) of one word and the first letter(s) of the next. Which word is hidden?

Q1. "The old sidecar driver waved at the crowd."

- ☐ A) CARD
- ☐ B) CARS
- ☐ C) ARID
- ☐ D) DRIVE
- ☐ E) SIDE

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12 (Closest in Meaning) Q2. HUMBLE

- ☐ A) Confident
- ☐ B) Angry
- ☐ C) Modest
- ☐ D) Lazy
- ☐ E) Proud

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13 (Hidden Words) Q2. "The young goat herd wandered near the village pond."

- ☐ A) OATH
- ☐ B) GOAT
- ☐ C) HERD
- ☐ D) THEN
- ☐ E) OATS

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Question 1

E) Bright - VIVID and BRIGHT both describe something producing strong, clear colour or light **B1**

Answer: E) Bright

Question 2

E) Permanent - TRANSIENT means lasting only a short time; its opposite is PERMANENT, lasting forever or a very long time **B1**

Answer: E) Permanent

Question 3

B) Ship - a pilot is the person who operates an aeroplane, just as a captain is the person who operates a ship **B1**

Answer: B) Ship

Question 4

C) Tree - a petal is one part that grows on a flower, just as a leaf is one part that grows on a tree **B1**

Answer: C) Tree

Question 5

E) Speed - a thermometer is an instrument that measures temperature, just as a speedometer is an instrument that measures speed **B1**

Answer: E) Speed

Question 6

B) Building - a sculptor is a creator whose work is a statue, just as an architect is a creator whose work is a building **B1**

Answer: B) Building

Question 7

D) Board - SIDE + BOARD = SIDEBOARD and BOARD + WALK = BOARDWALK, both real words **B1**

Answer: D) Board

Question 8

C) Back - PLAY + BACK = PLAYBACK and BACK + GROUND = BACKGROUND, both real words **B1**

Answer: C) Back

Question 9

C) Work - CLASS + WORK = CLASSWORK and WORK + ROOM = WORKROOM, both real words **B1**

Answer: C) Work

Question 10

E) Light - SPOT + LIGHT = SPOTLIGHT and LIGHT + HOUSE = LIGHTHOUSE, both real words **B1**

Answer: E) Light

Question 11

A) CARD - hidden across 'sidecar driver': the last three letters of SIDECAR ('car') plus the first letter of DRIVER ('d') spell CARD **B1**

Answer: A) CARD

Question 12

C) Modest - HUMBLE and MODEST both describe someone who does not boast about their achievements **B1**

Answer: C) Modest

Question 13

A) OATH - hidden across 'goat herd': the last three letters of GOAT ('oat') plus the first letter of HERD ('h') spell OATH **B1**

Answer: A) OATH

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