3.4 Closest in Meaning: 10-minute Pack

about 10 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

In each question a word is given in capital letters, followed by five words labelled A) to E). Decide which one of the five words is closest in meaning to the word in capital letters and write down that letter. Only one answer is correct in each question. Some of the wrong answers may look similar in meaning to the given word, so read every option carefully before you decide. Study the worked example before you begin, then work through the questions in order.

Worked example. Choose the word closest in meaning to SMALL. A) large B) tiny C) tall D) heavy E) wide **Answer: B.** 'Tiny' means very small in size, so it is closest in meaning to 'small'. 'Large' is the opposite. 'Tall', 'heavy' and 'wide' each describe a different single dimension or property, not overall size, so none of them means the same as 'small'.

1 Choose the word closest in meaning to DASH.

- ☐ A) tease
- ☐ B) deceive
- ☐ C) blame
- ☐ D) run
- ☐ E) dangle

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2 Choose the word closest in meaning to SLEEP.

- ☐ A) display
- ☐ B) scare
- ☐ C) linger
- ☐ D) slice
- ☐ E) slumber

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3 Choose the word closest in meaning to DANGEROUS.

- ☐ A) protected
- ☐ B) perilous
- ☐ C) safe
- ☐ D) careful
- ☐ E) cautious

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4 Choose the word closest in meaning to GOOEY.

- ☐ A) cunning
- ☐ B) tidy
- ☐ C) gorgeous
- ☐ D) tacky
- ☐ E) filthy

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5 Choose the word closest in meaning to GLITTER.

- ☐ A) purchase
- ☐ B) sink
- ☐ C) sparkle
- ☐ D) glue
- ☐ E) give

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6 Choose the word closest in meaning to PRETTY.

- ☐ A) straight
- ☐ B) protected
- ☐ C) beautiful
- ☐ D) flawless
- ☐ E) swift

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7 Choose the word closest in meaning to SMILE.

- ☐ A) reflect
- ☐ B) frown
- ☐ C) smash
- ☐ D) stick
- ☐ E) beam

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8 Choose the word closest in meaning to RENOWNED.

- ☐ A) frightened
- ☐ B) celebrated
- ☐ C) sorrowful
- ☐ D) quick
- ☐ E) modern

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9 Choose the word closest in meaning to CANDID.

- ☐ A) frank
- ☐ B) secretive
- ☐ C) shy
- ☐ D) careful
- ☐ E) kind

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10 Choose the word closest in meaning to WEEP.

- ☐ A) clean
- ☐ B) float
- ☐ C) blaze
- ☐ D) unite
- ☐ E) sob

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11 Choose the word closest in meaning to MASSIVE.

- ☐ A) many
- ☐ B) open
- ☐ C) big
- ☐ D) weighty
- ☐ E) bright

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12 Choose the word closest in meaning to UNHURRIED.

- ☐ A) closed
- ☐ B) worried
- ☐ C) soggy
- ☐ D) slow
- ☐ E) cramped

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13 Choose the word closest in meaning to ANGRY.

- ☐ A) weary
- ☐ B) irate
- ☐ C) exciting
- ☐ D) fearful
- ☐ E) hungry

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Question 1

D) run - 'run' means almost the same as 'dash' **B1**

Answer: D) run

Question 2

E) slumber - 'slumber' means almost the same as 'sleep' **B1**

Answer: E) slumber

Question 3

B) perilous - 'perilous' means almost the same as 'dangerous' **B1**

Answer: B) perilous

Question 4

D) tacky - 'tacky' means almost the same as 'gooey' **B1**

Answer: D) tacky

Question 5

C) sparkle - 'sparkle' means almost the same as 'glitter' **B1**

Answer: C) sparkle

Question 6

C) beautiful - 'beautiful' means almost the same as 'pretty' **B1**

Answer: C) beautiful

Question 7

E) beam - 'beam' means almost the same as 'smile' **B1**

Answer: E) beam

Question 8

B) celebrated - 'celebrated' means almost the same as 'renowned' **B1**

Answer: B) celebrated

Question 9

A) frank - means open and honest in speech, the same core meaning as 'candid'. **B1**

Answer: A) frank

Question 10

E) sob - 'sob' means almost the same as 'weep' **B1**

Answer: E) sob

Question 11

C) big - 'big' means almost the same as 'massive' **B1**

Answer: C) big

Question 12

D) slow - 'slow' means almost the same as 'unhurried' **B1**

Answer: D) slow

Question 13

B) irate - 'irate' means almost the same as 'angry' **B1**

Answer: B) irate

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