3.4-2 Closest in Meaning: Practice Set 2: 10-minute Pack

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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. Several of the wrong answers may look like plausible partners for 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 COLD. A) hot B) chilly C) sunny D) cloudy E) breezy **Answer: B.** 'Chilly' means unpleasantly cold, so it is closest in meaning to 'cold'. 'Hot' is the opposite. 'Sunny', 'cloudy' and 'breezy' each describe a different aspect of the weather, not temperature, so none of them means the same as 'cold'.

1 Choose the word closest in meaning to STINGY.

- ☐ A) lavish
- ☐ B) modest
- ☐ C) thoughtful
- ☐ D) gloomy
- ☐ E) miserly

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2 Choose the word closest in meaning to NAIVE.

- ☐ A) innocent
- ☐ B) sophisticated
- ☐ C) curious
- ☐ D) suspicious
- ☐ E) ignorant

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3 Choose the word closest in meaning to CORDIAL.

- ☐ A) cold
- ☐ B) genial
- ☐ C) formal
- ☐ D) polite
- ☐ E) serious

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4 Choose the word closest in meaning to LUCID.

- ☐ A) muddled
- ☐ B) elaborate
- ☐ C) coherent
- ☐ D) lengthy
- ☐ E) mysterious

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5 Choose the word closest in meaning to PRAGMATIC.

- ☐ A) idealistic
- ☐ B) theoretical
- ☐ C) optimistic
- ☐ D) practical
- ☐ E) rigid

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6 Choose the word closest in meaning to INSOLENT.

- ☐ A) respectful
- ☐ B) modest
- ☐ C) sincere
- ☐ D) assertive
- ☐ E) disrespectful

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7 Choose the word closest in meaning to IMPOVERISHED.

- ☐ A) destitute
- ☐ B) prosperous
- ☐ C) thrifty
- ☐ D) isolated
- ☐ E) content

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8 Choose the word closest in meaning to CONCEITED.

- ☐ A) modest
- ☐ B) vain
- ☐ C) assured
- ☐ D) anxious
- ☐ E) polite

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9 Choose the word closest in meaning to TREACHEROUS.

- [ ] A) loyal
- [ ] B) cowardly
- [ ] C) disloyal
- [ ] D) forgetful
- [ ] E) clumsy

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10 Choose the word closest in meaning to METHODICAL.

- [ ] A) chaotic
- [ ] B) clever
- [ ] C) hasty
- [ ] D) systematic
- [ ] E) creative

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11 Choose the word closest in meaning to FASTIDIOUS.

- [ ] A) slapdash
- [ ] B) relaxed
- [ ] C) modest
- [ ] D) curious
- [ ] E) particular

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12 Choose the word closest in meaning to RICH.

- [ ] A) affluent
- [ ] B) needy
- [ ] C) famous
- [ ] D) powerful
- [ ] E) modest

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13 Choose the word closest in meaning to FIERCE.

- [ ] A) gentle
- [ ] B) ferocious
- [ ] C) loyal
- [ ] D) swift
- [ ] E) foolish

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Question 1

E) miserly - means unwilling to spend or give money, the same core meaning as 'stingy'. **B1**

Answer: E) miserly

Question 2

A) innocent - means lacking experience or worldly wisdom and so easily deceived, the same core meaning as 'naive'. **B1**

Answer: A) innocent

Question 3

B) genial - means warm and friendly in manner, the same core meaning as 'cordial'. **B1**

Answer: B) genial

Question 4

C) coherent - means expressed clearly and logically, easy to follow, the same core meaning as 'lucid'. **B1**

Answer: C) coherent

Question 5

D) practical - means dealing with things in a sensible, realistic way, the same core meaning as 'pragmatic'. **B1**

Answer: D) practical

Question 6

E) disrespectful - means rude and showing a lack of respect, the same core meaning as 'insolent'. **B1**

Answer: E) disrespectful

Question 7

A) destitute - means extremely poor, lacking basic necessities, the same core meaning as 'impoverished'. **B1**

Answer: A) destitute

Question 8

B) vain - means having an excessively high opinion of oneself, the same core meaning as 'conceited'. **B1**

Answer: B) vain

Question 9

C) disloyal - means guilty of betraying someone's trust, the same core meaning as 'treacherous'. **B1**

Answer: C) disloyal

Question 10

D) systematic - means done according to a fixed, orderly plan, the same core meaning as 'methodical'. **B1**

Answer: D) systematic

Question 11

E) particular - means very attentive to accuracy and detail, hard to please, the same core meaning as 'fastidious'. **B1**

Answer: E) particular

Question 12

A) affluent - means having a great deal of money, the same core meaning as 'rich'. **B1**

Answer: A) affluent

Question 13

B) ferocious - means savagely fierce or violent, the same core meaning as 'fierce'. **B1**

Answer: B) ferocious

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