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Verbal Reasoning Practise paper Year 7 entry

Students should be given 15minutes to complete this paper.

The actual entrance exam will be 45 minutes.

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This practice paper is intended to help you to become familiar with the format of the test. It is not a test of your ability. The test will be held on the day of the test.



PRACTICE PAPER

1

Underline the word in brackets that means either nearly the same as or nearly the opposite of 'careful'.

(brave / caring / boring / careless / neat)

The six words below can be made into two groups of three:

measures of time
week / year / two / day / three / one
numbers

If we re-arrange the words in each group, 'week' will be in the middle of one group and 'two' the middle of the other group:

week / year / two / day / three / one

2

In the question below, underline the middle word in each group.

smaller / hut / small / castle / house / smallest

The words in the groups A to C below are alike in some way but different from the words in the other groups.

A	B	C
wren	hour	red
robin	minute	yellow
thrush	second	blue

3

Now write a letter beside this word to show which group it belongs to.

year (.....)

Here are three words:

HOT TON NOT

Below you will find the same three words written in a secret code, and in a different order. All the words are written in the same code.

Work out which word each code stands for, and write the word in the brackets beside its code word. Spell correctly.

4

ω γ ψ (.....)

5

ζ γ ψ (.....)

6

ψ γ ω (.....)



7

**This question makes use of a code.
Underline the correct word in the brackets.**

If LGRT stands for 'date', TGR stands for (tea / east / eat / ate / art).

The alphabet is printed below to help you with the next question.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

8

The row of letters below follows a rule. Add the next two letters in the row.

A, C, E,,

Look at this example:

dot, lot; dip, lip; date, (...late..)

We have to find the rule by which the second word of each pair is made up from the first. By changing 'd' into 'l', 'dot' becomes 'lot' and 'dip' becomes 'lip'. In the same way, from 'date' we get 'late' so we have written 'late' in the brackets.

9

Now do this.

sent, nest; node, done; dame, (.....).

Look at this example:

dog / horse / field / lion / mouse / tail

Four of these words are the names of animals and may be grouped together. We have underlined the other two words - 'field' and 'tail'.

10

Now do this one. Underline the two words that do not belong with the other four.

yellow / colour / blue / red / paint / green

Look at this example - the letters of one word have been jumbled up:

PHOS is a place where you buy things. (..SHOP..)

The letters PHOS are just the letters of 'shop' in another order; so we have written 'SHOP' in the brackets.

11

**Now do the next one in the same way.
Write the proper word in the brackets.**

LUBE is a colour. (.....)



VERBAL REASONING TEST - PRACTICE PAPER ANSWERS

- “Look at the first question at the top of the first page.

You should have underlined *careless* as it means the opposite of *careful*

- Look at the example above question 2. *Week* is the middle of the first group and *two* the middle of the second, so these two words are underlined.

Now look at question 2. There are again two groups, *smaller, small, smallest* and *hut, castle, house*. When these are each put into order the middle words will be *smaller* and *house*, so you should have underlined *smaller* and *house*.

- In question 3, which group do you think *year* belongs with? Yes, *year* belongs with *hour, minute* and *second*, so you should have written **B** in the brackets.
- Questions 4,5 and 6 are a sort of code. The symbols in 4 stand for **NOT** (note: do **not** spell out the letters), so you should have written the word **NOT** in the brackets. The symbols in question 5 stand for **HOT**, so you should have written **HOT** in the brackets. In question 6 you should have written **TON** in the brackets. All right?
- Now look at question 7 at the top of the next page. It is another sort of code. In this code **L** stands for **d**, **G** stands for **a**, **R** stands for **t** and **T** stands for **e**. Thus **TGR** stands for **eat**, so you should have underlined **eat** in the brackets.
- Did you see the rule in question 8? One letter is skipped each time, so it should go **A**, **b**, **C**, **d**, **E**, **f**, **G**, **h**, **I**. Thus **G** and **I** are the missing letters.
- Look at question 9. **Sent** is turned into **nest** by changing the order of the letters; the first and third letter change places. **Node** becomes **done** in the same way. So if you swap the first and third letter in **dame**, what word do you get? Yes, **made**.
- Look at question 10. **Yellow, blue, red** and **green** are all colours but **colour** and **paint** are not the names of colours, so you should have underlined the words **colour** and **paint**.
- In question 11 the colour is **blue**

End of practice answers