



# 11+ Vocabulary

## Inference Meanings

### Test Paper 1

#### Instructions:

1. The time allowed is 10 minutes for 20 questions.
2. Each question carries 1 Mark.
3. Answers should be clearly marked in pencil on the question paper itself. No separate answer sheet is provided.
4. No marks are lost for an incorrect answer.
5. If you have marked the wrong answer, erase it and mark the new one, make sure that your final answer is clear.

#### Symbols used



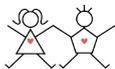
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**SECTION A**

Use the context of the example sentence to infer the meaning of the question word. Select one option from A to D for each question.

**1** "When she walked into the gallery, she saw a grotesque statue of an animal head with a human body. The beast had long fingernails and scary features."  
What does 'grotesque' mean?

- A. Funny
- B. Large
- C. Horrible
- D. Pretty

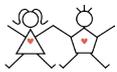
**2** "Welcome to my humble abode!" the kind man said to the weary traveller as he walked through the front door, wiping his feet on the welcome mat."  
What does 'abode' mean?

- A. Home
- B. Kitchen
- C. Garden
- D. Bedroom

**3** "Three archaeologists sat around dusting a vase they had dug out of the ground; they were being extremely careful as it was a vase of antiquity that contained important historical information."  
What does 'antiquity' mean?

- A. Delicate
- B. Beautiful
- C. Ancient
- D. Harmful





**4** "The Smiths had brought their new kitten home three hours ago. The poor thing was scared of her new environment and had been hiding under the sofa the entire time. Mrs Smith went into the kitchen to get some tuna to try and coax her out from under it."

What does 'coax' mean?

- A. Scare
- B. Persuade
- C. Pull
- D. Shake

**5** "Jenny was doing her homework in her bedroom when a fly flew through her window and made loud buzzing sounds. It was being such a nuisance that she had to move downstairs."

What does 'nuisance' mean?

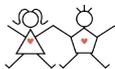
- A. Boyish
- B. Helpful
- C. Old-fashioned
- D. Annoying

**6** "Stuart and his sister were arguing over what to watch on the TV. Their mother was disappointed that they would argue over something so trivial."

What does 'trivial' mean?

- A. Unimportant
- B. Funny
- C. Natural
- D. Fantastic





**7** “Emily had won the prize for the best artist in her class; she had worked very hard to win it and Winnie was jealous. It was very clear that Winnie coveted Emily’s skills as an artist.”

**What does ‘covet’ mean?**

- A. Steal
- B. Break
- C. Yearn to possess
- D. Hide

**8** “Harry’s favourite animal is a lizard. This stems from the fact they had a lizard when they were a little child.”

**What does ‘stem’ mean?**

- A. Project
- B. Comes from
- C. Cook
- D. Belong

**9** “John was a brusque man - tall and harsh. He only ever told the truth, even if it would hurt your feelings.”

**What does ‘brusque’ mean?**

- A. Handsome
- B. Blunt
- C. Old
- D. Short





**10** "The teacher was disappointed with their class, because everyone forgot to bring cakes for the bake sale. 'We won't raise any money with this scanty selection!' she said."

What does 'scanty' mean?

- A. Pretty
- B. Burnt
- C. Not enough
- D. Ugly

**11** "A boy and a girl had the same score on a test. Mr. Rennie gave the boy a sweet, but the girl got nothing because Mr. Rennie is prejudiced against girls."

What does 'prejudice' mean?

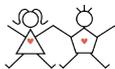
- A. Bias
- B. Musical
- C. Educated
- D. Unkind

**12** "Billy didn't want to go to the sweet shop because it was raining, but he went anyway as he couldn't resist the temptation of a chocolate treat."

What does 'temptation' mean?

- A. Walk
- B. Appeal
- C. Umbrella
- D. Naughtiness





**13** “The bridge looked a bit broken, but Jamel crossed it anyway as the water below seemed innocuous – even if she did fall in, she reckoned she would be okay.”

What does ‘innocuous’ mean?

- A. Dangerous
- B. Harmless
- C. Clear
- D. Blue

**14** “The rogue who robbed a bank escaped from prison.”

What does ‘rogue’ mean?

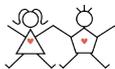
- A. Criminal
- B. Mother
- C. Animal
- D. Driver

**15** “By the end of the night, Ellie and Emma were being frivolous and dancing with their shoes off, even though it was snowing outside.”

What does ‘frivolous’ mean?

- A. Pretty
- B. Silly
- C. Cute
- D. Hot





**16** "Jemma has beautiful, brown, curly hair that falls down over her shoulders, forming a mesmerising helix."

What does 'helix' mean?

- A. Rainbow
- B. Spiral
- C. Bird
- D. Circle

**17** "Henry hated public speaking, but he had to give a speech in his school assembly. Before he went on stage, Henry felt very apprehensive."

What does 'apprehensive' mean?

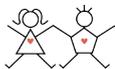
- A. Confident
- B. Happy
- C. Nervous
- D. Excited

**18** "When Mischa and her family went on holiday to sunny Spain, her father always took her on a long hike. Mischa dreaded it every year because she found it extremely arduous."

What does 'arduous' mean?

- A. Fun
- B. Cold
- C. Tough
- D. Easy





**19** "After a long run, William needed a big glass of water to quench his thirst."  
What does 'quench' mean?

- A. Satisfy
- B. Worsen
- C. Forget
- D. Hide

**20** "Adam had overslept this morning before coming to school. He didn't have enough time to straighten up his uniform or brush his hair, so he looked quite dishevelled!"  
What does 'dishevelled' mean?

- A. Funny
- B. Messy
- C. Cold
- D. Handsome



