



# 11+ Vocabulary

## Inference Meanings

### Test Paper 2

#### 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



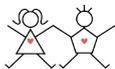
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**SECTION A**

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** "Agatha was quite lonely these days – she didn't have many friends, and her relatives were all so busy that she seldom got a visit from any of them."

What does 'seldom' mean?

- A. Always
- B. Rarely
- C. Hate
- D. Many

**2** "Rochelle was the best carpenter the village had ever seen – though the new carpenter Ellis is good, her skilled workmanship remains unsurpassed."

What does 'unsurpassed' mean?

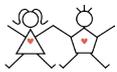
- A. Unrivalled
- B. Brilliant
- C. Beaten
- D. Outshone

**3** "After being caught cheating on his test, Albert begged his teacher for clemency – his parents would be so angry if he got detention."

What does 'clemency' mean?

- A. Punishment
- B. Fairness
- C. Mercy
- D. Anger





**4** "The crocodile was territorial and angry. Luckily, one of the swimmers was able to strike it in a manner that subdued it, giving them time to get out of its waters."

What does 'subdue' mean?

- A. Kill
- B. Daze
- C. Miss
- D. Fight

**5** "Gazing at the beautiful fountain on a hot, summer day, Rebecca fought to quell the childish urge to jump in and splash about in the water. Instead, she sat quietly by its side, daydreaming."

What does 'quell' mean?

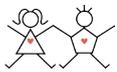
- A. Encourage
- B. Make wet
- C. Stop
- D. Spring

**6** "Some people believe that the first moon-landing was a hoax – they think it was filmed in a Hollywood studio!"

What does 'hoax' mean?

- A. Victory
- B. Job
- C. Fake
- D. Reality





**7** “Cady’s meticulous planning meant that there was no way anything could go wrong – the entire day would run perfectly and without a hitch.”

What does ‘meticulous’ mean?

- A. Quick
- B. Creative
- C. Careless
- D. Diligent

**8** “The mood of the room was uncomfortable – people looked around with belligerent stares and angry frowns.”

What does ‘belligerent’ mean?

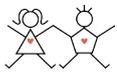
- A. Hostile
- B. Funny
- C. Strange
- D. Senior

**9** “Long car journeys made Alice feel nauseous – she felt physically as though everything inside of her body was being shaken about, unable to settle and sit still.”

What does ‘nauseous’ mean?

- A. Angry
- B. Uncomfortable
- C. Sick
- D. Apprehensive





**10** "The meagre helping of soup given to the children at lunchtime was hardly enough to keep them full until home-time. How were they supposed to concentrate over the sound of grumbling stomachs?"

What does 'meagre' mean?

- A. Huge
- B. Tasty
- C. Tasteless
- D. Inadequate

**11** "In his famous poem, 'In Memoriam AHH', Alfred Lord Tennyson tragically laments the death of a dear friend."

What does 'lament' mean?

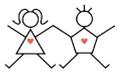
- A. Mourn
- B. Rhyme
- C. Discuss
- D. Sad

**12** "The desert was a barren landscape – no plants grew and there were no animals to be seen, just a vast expanse of empty land."

What does 'barren' mean?

- A. Beautiful
- B. Humid
- C. Lifeless
- D. Lively





**13** "Elia had many peculiar mannerisms which were very specific to him; for example, the way he flicked his hands as he spoke, or the way he shook his head when he disagreed with something."

What does 'mannerism' mean?

- A. Trait
- B. Strange
- C. Phrase
- D. Opinion

**14** "Mr White praised Bailey: 'You've done a splendid job, absolutely brilliant, I'm greatly impressed.' The teacher's superfluous compliments tended to make Bailey quite over-confident. After a while, the student thought he could do no wrong."

What does 'superfluous' mean?

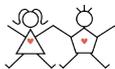
- A. Friendly
- B. Unkind
- C. Excessive
- D. Common

**15** "Quivering in fear, the tiny kitten looked up at the great, big, growling dog. A tiny sound escaped from the kitten's miniature mouth, as the huge canine continued to tower over it."

What does 'quiver' mean?

- A. Tremble
- B. Scream
- C. Cry
- D. Scowl





**16** "After their tussle, Abby's guilty conscience forced her to apologise to Theodore for hitting him."

What does 'conscience' mean?

- A. Complex
- B. Brain
- C. Moral sense
- D. Intelligence

**17** "When Melissa blamed the mess on him, Angelo's parents were not happy. That is until he finally convinced Mel to avow that it was, in fact, her fault."

What does 'avow' mean?

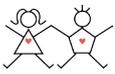
- A. Confess
- B. Lie
- C. Think
- D. Change

**18** "Palaeontologists claim that some dinosaurs were not just scaly, but rather, that they had feathers!"

What does 'palaeontologist' mean?

- A. Headmaster
- B. Someone who studies birds
- C. Someone who studies dinosaurs
- D. A type of artist





**19** "The placid waters of the great lake were completely still – not even a ripple could be seen across the huge body of water."

What does 'placid' mean?

- A. Cold
- B. Tranquil
- C. Sickly
- D. Raging

**20** "Josh was starting to get irritated; Jessie had been gawking at his pizza for a good ten minutes now – if she wanted some, he would give her a slice, she just needed to ask!"

What does 'gawk' mean?

- A. Drool
- B. Cut
- C. Gobble
- D. Stare



