



# 11+ Vocabulary

## Similies and Metaphors

### 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 your knowledge of similes and metaphors to decide an appropriate answer for each question. Select one option from A-E for each question.

### 1 What is the meaning of the following simile?

**"After going to the opticians for an eye test, Joe realised that he is as blind as a bat."**

- A. Joe has great eyesight
- B. Joe has extremely poor eyesight
- C. Joe's eyesight is average
- D. Joe has relatively good eyesight
- E. Joe went to the opticians

### 2 What is the meaning of the following metaphor?

**"The substitute teacher was struggling with her year 2 class; that classroom was a zoo!"**

- A. The classroom is out of control
- B. The classroom is neat and organised
- C. The classroom is manageable
- D. The classroom smells like a zoo
- E. The classroom was full of animals

### 3 What is the meaning of the following metaphor?

**"The wind was a howling wolf."**

- A. The wind is a gentle breeze
- B. The wind is loud
- C. The wind is silent
- D. The wind has stopped
- E. There is no wind





**4 What is the meaning of the following simile?**

**"I crept through the house, as quiet as a mouse."**

- A. I crept through the house, not thinking about making any noise
- B. I crept through the house as quietly as I could
- C. I crept through the house noisily
- D. I crept through the house while squeaking
- E. I crept through the house by myself

**5 What is the meaning of the following simile?**

**"Jenna and Akhran were like two peas in a pod!"**

- A. Jenna and Akhran were very similar
- B. Jenna and Akhran were the same person
- C. Jenna and Akhran hated each other
- D. Jenna and Akhran did not know each other
- E. Jenna and Akhran enjoyed eating peas

**6 What is the meaning of the following metaphor?**

**"The snow is a blanket covering the whole town."**

- A. The snow did not settle
- B. The snow is patchy
- C. The snow is untouched and even
- D. The snow is melted
- E. The snow is full of dirt





**7** What is the meaning of the following metaphor?

**“Her tears fell; they were a steady river flowing from her eyes.”**

- A. She was crying a lot of tears
- B. She was choked up
- C. She was crying, but no tears came out
- D. She was trying to cry
- E. She did not want to cry

**8** What is the meaning of the following simile?

**“She was as cold as ice.”**

- A. She was warming up
- B. She was a bit cold
- C. She was very cold
- D. She was covered in ice
- E. She was shivering

**9** What is the meaning of the following metaphor?

**“She has a sharp tongue.”**

- A. She speaks with a smile
- B. She speaks with severity
- C. She speaks kindly
- D. She speaks in rhyme
- E. She speaks quietly





**10** What two things are being compared in the following metaphor?  
"Ella's diary was her best friend, guarding her secrets quietly."

- A. 'Diary' and 'best friend'
- B. 'Ella' and 'diary'
- C. 'diary' and 'secrets'
- D. 'Ella' and 'secrets'
- E. 'Diary' and 'secrets'

**11** What two things are being compared in the following metaphor?  
"The crab was a dancing pair of scissors, clicking across the sand."

- A. 'Crab' and 'sand'
- B. 'Crab' and 'dancing scissors'
- C. 'Dancing scissors' and 'sand'
- D. 'Crab' and 'clicking'
- E. 'Clicking' and 'sand'

**12** What two things are being compared in the following simile?  
"Aretha's voice is as smooth as velvet."

- A. 'Aretha' and 'velvet'
- B. 'Smooth' and 'velvet'
- C. 'Voice' and 'velvet'
- D. 'Aretha' and 'voice'
- E. 'Smooth' and 'Aretha'





**13** What two things are being compared in the following simile?  
"Hermione's story is as dull as dishwasher."

- A. 'Hermione' and 'story'
- B. 'Story' and 'dull'
- C. 'Hermione' and 'dull'
- D. 'Hermione' and 'dishwater'
- E. 'Story' and 'dishwater'

**14** What two things are being compared in the following metaphor?  
'Thank you, that was so kind. You are an angel.'

- A. 'Thank you' and 'angel'
- B. 'Kind' and 'you'
- C. 'You' and 'angel'
- D. 'Kind' and 'angel'
- E. 'Thank you' and 'kind'

**15** What two things are being compared in the following metaphor?  
"Beauty is a fading flower; it recedes as time progresses."

- A. 'Beauty' and 'time'
- B. 'Fading flower' and 'time'
- C. 'Time' and 'recedes'
- D. 'Beauty' and 'fading flower'
- E. 'Beauty' and 'recedes'





**16** What two things are being compared in the following simile?  
"The postman always comes at 3:25pm; he's as regular as clockwork."

- A. 'Postman' and 'clockwork'
- B. 'Regular' and 'clockwork'
- C. 'Postman' and 'regular'
- D. '3.25pm' and 'regular'
- E. 'Postman' and '3.25pm'

**17** What two things are being compared in the following simile?  
"Adrian can't hear a thing; he's as deaf as a doorpost!"

- A. 'Hear' and 'deaf'
- B. 'Hear' and 'doorpost'
- C. 'Adrian' and 'doorpost'
- D. 'Deaf' and 'doorpost'
- E. 'Adrian' and 'deaf'

**18** What two things are being compared in the following metaphor?  
"The water is crystal clear; you can see right to the bottom."

- A. 'Crystal' and 'clear'
- B. 'Water' and 'crystal'
- C. 'Water' and 'clear'
- D. 'Water' and 'bottom'
- E. 'Clear' and 'bottom'





**SECTION B**

**Match the phrase with the appropriate comparison.**

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	<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Column 2</b>
i	As black as	Lead
ii	As heavy as	A rock
iii	As rich as	Wool
iv	As steady as	Coal
v	As warm as	A king

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	<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Column 2</b>
i	As busy as a	Lightening
ii	As flat as a	Houses
iii	As quick as	Pancake
iv	As safe as	Arrow
v	As straight as an	Bee



