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Which word means SNOWY?

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- C. CROD
- D. SAGA
- E. PYNE

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- C. Rundown
- D. Decrepit
- E. Old

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B

C

D

E

29. **Two of the following statements together prove that DAVID IS THE GRANDFATHER OF KEVIN.**

(1 point)

- A. David has a son named John.
- B. Kevin is Rachel's child.
- C. Rachel is John's sister.
- D. John is Kevin's father.
- E. David is Rachel's father.

These statements are ___ and ___.

A

B

C

D

E

30. **EVAPORATE is to VAPOR as CONDENSE is to:**

(1 point)

- A. Cloud
- B. Liquid
- C. Droplet
- D. Humidity
- E. Moisture

A

B

C

D

E

31. Which TWO of the following statements together prove that JESSICA MUST WEAR A UNIFORM TO WORK? (1 point)

- A. Jessica works at a company that requires a uniform most of the time.
- B. Today is a company-wide casual dress day.
- C. Jessica has a meeting with clients today.
- D. Employees must wear a uniform when meeting with clients.
- E. It is not a casual dress day today.

These statements are ____ and ____.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

32. TEACHER is to EDUCATE as DOCTOR is to: (1 point)

- A. Diagnose
- B. Operate
- C. Heal
- D. Prescribe
- E. Care

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

33. Luminous is to Incandescent as Opaque is to: (1 point)

- A. Translucent
- B. Shiny
- C. Radiant
- D. Impermeable
- E. Murky

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

34. Select the sentence with the correct punctuation. (1 point)

- A. The ingredients—if measured correctly—can yield a perfect cake.
- B. The ingredients if measured correctly can yield a perfect cake.
- C. The ingredients, if measured correctly can yield, a perfect cake.
- D. The ingredients; if measured correctly, can yield a perfect cake.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

35. **Enigmatic is to Puzzling as Clear is to:**

(1 point)

- A. Transparent
- B. Muddy
- C. Bright
- D. Confusing
- E. Dark

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

36. **Which TWO of the following statements together prove that MARK WENT JOGGING THIS MORNING?** (1 point)

- A. Mark goes jogging when it's not raining.
- B. It rained all day yesterday.
- C. Mark doesn't like to jog in the rain.
- D. The forecast for this morning was clear skies.
- E. Mark always jogs in the afternoon.

These statements are ___ and ___.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

37. **"Great oaks from little acorns grow."**

(1 point)

- A. Oak trees have a long lifespan.
- B. Acorns are the seeds of oak trees.
- C. Significant results often have small beginnings.

- D. Every acorn has the potential to become a great oak.

The alternative with a similar meaning is: ____.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

38. **NOVEL is to CHAPTERS as PLAY is to:**

(1 point)

- A. Pages.
- B. Scenes.
- C. Acts.
- D. Paragraphs.
- E. Lines.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

39. **"Every cloud has a silver lining."**

(1 point)

- A. Cloudy skies can lead to pleasant weather.
- B. Difficult times always lead to better days.
- C. There is something positive in every bad situation.
- D. Silver is often found after storms.

The alternative with a similar meaning is: ____.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

40. **Two of the following statements together prove that OLIVIA IS THE COUSIN OF NATHAN.**

(1 point)

- A. Olivia's father is Michael.
- B. Michael is the brother of Jennifer.
- C. Jennifer is Nathan's mother.
- D. Nathan has an aunt named Olivia.
- E. Michael has no siblings.

These statements are ____ and ____.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

41. Re-arrange the words to make a sentence.

(1 point)

whisper secrets winds old the through trees

Which word goes at the end of the sentence?

- A. whisper
- B. secrets
- C. trees
- D. winds

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

42. Assume that all roons are toons, some toons are loons, and all goons are roons. Therefore, it makes sense that:

(1 point)

- A: all toons are goons
- B: some goons are toons
- C: all loons are roons
- D: some roons are loons
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- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

43. Re-arrange the words to make a sentence.

(1 point)

always comes darkest just before the hour night

Which word goes at the end of the sentence?

- A. darkest
- B. before

- C. night
- D. hour

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

44. Assume that all bunts are funts, some runts are bunts, and no conts are runts. Some dunts are runts, and all munts are dunts. Therefore, it makes sense that: (1 point)

- A: some munts are not funts
- B: some bunts are dunts
- C: all munts are bunts
- D: some funts are cunt
- E: no munts are conts

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

45. Which version of the sentence is punctuated correctly? (1 point)

- A. Before the show started, the audience was buzzing with excitement; but as the curtain rose, you could hear a pin drop.
- B. Before the show started, the audience was buzzing with excitement but, as the curtain rose you could hear a pin drop.
- C. Before the show started; the audience was buzzing with excitement but as the curtain rose, you could hear a pin drop.
- D. Before the show started, the audience was buzzing with excitement, but as the curtain rose, you could hear a pin drop.

- A
- B
- C
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- A. journey
- B. single
- C. step
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A

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C

D

None

Explanation:

The correct sentence is: "A thousand mile journey begins with a single step." The word 'journey' is at the end of the sentence.

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Explanation:

In these sentences, "ZOLU" is present whenever "SNOWY" is mentioned. "CROD" consistently appears with "TODAY," and "VINT" with "WEATHER." "SAGA" is linked to "CLEAR," and "PYNE" must mean "DAY," as it takes the place of "DAY" in the context of the sentences. Thus, by process of elimination, "ZOLU" corresponds to "SNOWY."

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Explanation:

The words 'meticulous' and 'conscientious' relate to being very careful and dutiful, whereas the others suggest a lack of care.

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Explanation:

'Obscure' means not clear or hard to understand, which is the opposite of 'Apparent' and the meanings of the other options.

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Explanation:

1. Explanation: Tornadoes and cyclones are meteorological events, while the rest are landforms.

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Explanation:

Explanation: Intransigent means uncompromising and inflexible; obdurate is a synonym as it also means stubbornly refusing to change one's opinion.

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Explanation:

Explanation: "SININEN" is used in all Finnish sentences where "blue" appears in the English translations.

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Explanation:

Elated means very happy or proud; joyful is a synonym as it also describes a feeling of great pleasure and happiness.

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Explanation:

Thrifty means using money and other resources carefully and not wastefully; frugal is a synonym meaning economical in use or expenditure; prudently saving or sparing.

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Explanation:

A computer chip represents technology and progress, which are closely associated with innovation.

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- A. bright sun star
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- D. cold sun star
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Explanation:

If "brilla" means "bright" and "oscura" is the opposite, then "oscura" would mean "dark." Therefore, "oscura solis yatju" translates to "dark sun star."

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Explanation:

An open book symbolizes learning, knowledge, and the pursuit of wisdom.

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Explanation:

While mountains and trees symbolize steadfastness and time symbolizes persistence, an ant is renowned for its tireless work ethic and ability to overcome obstacles, making it a strong symbol for perseverance.

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- B. A world map
- C. A lightbulb
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Explanation:

While all options are related to discovery, a telescope specifically symbolizes the discovery of the unknown realms of space and

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Explanation:

Amalgamate means to combine or unite to form one organization or structure; merge is a synonym meaning to combine or join together.

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- C. Play-Doh
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Explanation:

All these options could represent adaptability in some form; however, a Swiss Army knife is a tool specifically designed to adapt to a variety of situations with its multiple functions, making it the best representation of adaptability.

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Explanation:

The proverb means that it is polite and beneficial to follow the practices of the people who are in a certain place or situation. The selected alternative captures the adaptability aspect of the saying.

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Explanation:

All these images are associated with growth, but a seed sprouting is the most direct representation of the beginning and process of growth.

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Explanation:

Each option represents aspects of unity, but a chain link stands out because it symbolizes strength in connection and unity - a single chain link by itself is not functional, but together, they form a strong and united chain.

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If Alan is Robert's brother (A), and Lucy is Robert's daughter (C), then Lucy is Alan's niece.

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Explanation:

'Rapid' is a synonym for 'swift', both indicating speed. Among the options for 'obstacle', 'barrier' is a direct synonym.

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Explanation:

'Courage' is synonymous with 'bravery', thus 'enthusiasm' is synonymous with 'zeal', both indicating great energy or eagerness.

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Explanation:

A 'puppy' is a young dog, and a 'foal' is a young horse.

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Explanation:

The act of checkmating in chess is a direct representation of strategic thinking and intelligence.

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Explanation:

'Sprightly' and 'lively' both describe something full of life and energy. 'Dilapidated' and 'decrepit' both describe something that is worn out or ruined by age or neglect.

29. **Two of the following statements together prove that DAVID IS THE GRANDFATHER OF KEVIN.**

(1 point)

- A. David has a son named John.

- B. Kevin is Rachel's child.
- C. Rachel is John's sister.
- D. John is Kevin's father.
- E. David is Rachel's father.

These statements are ___ and ___.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

Explanation:

If David has a son named John (A), and John is Kevin's father (D), then David is Kevin's grandfather.

30. **EVAPORATE is to VAPOR as CONDENSE is to:**

(1 point)

- A. Cloud
- B. Liquid
- C. Droplet
- D. Humidity
- E. Moisture

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

Explanation:

'Evaporate' results in 'vapor', and similarly, 'condense' results in the formation of 'liquid'.

31. **Which TWO of the following statements together prove that JESSICA MUST WEAR A UNIFORM TO WORK?** (1 point)

- A. Jessica works at a company that requires a uniform most of the time.
- B. Today is a company-wide casual dress day.
- C. Jessica has a meeting with clients today.
- D. Employees must wear a uniform when meeting with clients.
- E. It is not a casual dress day today.

These statements are ___ and ___.

- A
- B

C

D

E

Explanation:

If Jessica has a meeting with clients today. (C), and employees must wear a uniform when meeting with clients (D), and since Jessica has a client meeting, she must wear a uniform.

32. **TEACHER is to EDUCATE as DOCTOR is to:**

(1 point)

- A. Diagnose
- B. Operate
- C. Heal
- D. Prescribe
- E. Care

A

B

C

D

E

Explanation:

'Teacher' is associated with the action 'educate', just as 'doctor' is associated with the action 'heal', as the primary objective of a doctor is to restore health.

33. **Luminous is to Incandescent as Opaque is to:**

(1 point)

- A. Translucent
- B. Shiny
- C. Radiant
- D. Impermeable
- E. Murky

A

B

C

D

E

Explanation:

'Luminous' and 'incandescent' both suggest emitting light. 'Opaque' suggests that something is not able to be seen through; 'murky' similarly suggests that something is dark or dirty and not clear, making it harder to see

through than 'translucent', which allows light, but not detailed shapes, to pass through.

34. **Select the sentence with the correct punctuation.**

(1 point)

- A. The ingredients—if measured correctly—can yield a perfect cake.
- B. The ingredients if measured correctly can yield a perfect cake.
- C. The ingredients, if measured correctly can yield, a perfect cake.
- D. The ingredients; if measured correctly, can yield a perfect cake.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

Explanation:

Answer: A. The ingredients—if measured correctly—can yield a perfect cake.

Explanation: Em dashes are correctly used here to set off a nonessential clause within the sentence.

35. **Enigmatic is to Puzzling as Clear is to:**

(1 point)

- A. Transparent
- B. Muddy
- C. Bright
- D. Confusing
- E. Dark

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

Explanation:

'Enigmatic' and 'puzzling' are synonyms that suggest something that is difficult to understand. 'Clear' and 'transparent' are synonyms that suggest something that is easy to perceive or understand.

36. **Which TWO of the following statements together prove that MARK WENT JOGGING THIS MORNING?** (1 point)

- A. Mark goes jogging when it's not raining.
- B. It rained all day yesterday.
- C. Mark doesn't like to jog in the rain.
- D. The forecast for this morning was clear skies.
- E. Mark always jogs in the afternoon.

These statements are ___ and ___.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

Explanation:

If Mark goes jogging when it's not raining (A), and the forecast for this morning was clear skies (D), then it implies Mark went jogging this morning.

37. "Great oaks from little acorns grow."

(1 point)

- A. Oak trees have a long lifespan.
- B. Acorns are the seeds of oak trees.
- C. Significant results often have small beginnings.
- D. Every acorn has the potential to become a great oak.

The alternative with a similar meaning is: ___.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

Explanation:

This proverb emphasizes that large and complex entities often start in a small and simple form. The correct alternative reflects this concept of growth and potential.

38. NOVEL is to CHAPTERS as PLAY is to:

(1 point)

- A. Pages.
- B. Scenes.
- C. Acts.
- D. Paragraphs.
- E. Lines.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

Explanation:

A novel is made up of chapters, just as a play is made up of acts.

39. "Every cloud has a silver lining."

(1 point)

- A. Cloudy skies can lead to pleasant weather.
- B. Difficult times always lead to better days.
- C. There is something positive in every bad situation.
- D. Silver is often found after storms.

The alternative with a similar meaning is: ____.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

Explanation:

The proverb means that no matter how bad a situation might seem, there is always some good aspect to it. The chosen alternative captures this notion of finding

40. Two of the following statements together prove that OLIVIA IS THE COUSIN OF NATHAN.

(1 point)

- A. Olivia's father is Michael.
- B. Michael is the brother of Jennifer.
- C. Jennifer is Nathan's mother.
- D. Nathan has an aunt named Olivia.
- E. Michael has no siblings.

These statements are ____ and ____.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

Explanation:

If Michael is the brother of Jennifer (B), and Jennifer is Nathan's mother (C), then Olivia, who is Michael's daughter, is Nathan's cousin.

41. Re-arrange the words to make a sentence.

(1 point)

whisper secrets winds old the through trees

Which word goes at the end of the sentence?

- A. whisper
- B. secrets
- C. trees
- D. winds

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

Explanation:

The correct sentence is: "The old winds whisper secrets through the trees." The word 'trees' is at the end of the sentence.

42. Assume that all roons are toons, some toons are loons, and all goons are roons. Therefore, it (1 point) makes sense that:

- A: all toons are goons
- B: some goons are toons
- C: all loons are roons
- D: some roons are loons
- E: all roons are loons

- A
- B
- C
- D
- None

Explanation:

Since all goons are roons and all roons are toons, it follows that some goons (at least the ones that are roons) are toons. None of the other conclusions can be definitely drawn from the given statements.

43. Re-arrange the words to make a sentence.

(1 point)

always comes darkest just before the hour night

Which word goes at the end of the sentence?

- A. darkest
- B. before
- C. night
- D. hour

A

B

C

D

None

Explanation:

The correct sentence is: "The darkest hour always comes just before the night." The word 'hour' is at the end of the sentence.

44. Assume that all bunts are funts, some runts are bunts, and no conts are runts. Some dunts are runts, and all munts are dunts. Therefore, it makes sense that: (1 point)

- A: some munts are not funts
- B: some bunts are dunts
- C: all munts are bunts
- D: some funts are cunts
- E: no munts are conts

A

B

C

D

None

Explanation:

If no conts are runts, and some dunts are runts, it means no dunts can be conts. Since all munts are dunts, it follows that no munts can be conts either.

45. Which version of the sentence is punctuated correctly?

(1 point)

- A. Before the show started, the audience was buzzing with excitement; but as the curtain rose, you could hear a pin drop.
- B. Before the show started, the audience was buzzing with excitement but, as the curtain rose you could hear a pin drop.

- C. Before the show started; the audience was buzzing with excitement but as the curtain rose, you could hear a pin drop.
- D. Before the show started, the audience was buzzing with excitement, but as the curtain rose, you could hear a pin drop.

A

B

C

D

None

Explanation:

Answer: D. Before the show started, the audience was buzzing with excitement, but as the curtain rose, you could hear a pin drop.

Explanation: This sentence correctly uses commas to separate clauses and before the conjunction "but" that connects two independent clauses.