

Circle the words below which are closest in meaning.

1. Whisper, chat  
Shout, exclaim  
Explain, exclaim  
Whisper, explain  
1 mark
  
2. Smell, fragrance  
Stench, stink  
Essence, fragrance  
Stench, fragrance  
1 mark
  
3. Walk, sprint  
Amble, sprint  
Jog, amble  
Dawdle, amble  
1 mark
  
4. Sweep, brush  
Tidy, sweep  
Clean, wash  
Brush, clean  
1 mark

Choose one word from the first list and another from the second which form a new compound word when pushed together.

For example, **some** and **one** make **someone**.

5. (hand, toe, foot) (sun, some, sum)

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1 mark

6. (sun, moon, butter) (pass, fly, path)

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1 mark

7. (fire, ice, water) (watch, work, wind)

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1 mark

8. (eye, finger, foot) (board, patch, storm)

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1 mark

Circle 3-letter word which can be added to the beginning, middle or end of an existing word to help it make sense.

For example:

The football supporters began to CH

**ATE ANT RAT SAY**

**ANT** would be the 3-letter word you add to make the word **CHANT**

9. Sarah wanted to CELEBE at her birthday party.

**RAT CAT BAT DOE**

1 mark

10. Jack made a mess when cooking in the KITC

**EWE ANT CAT HEN**

1 mark

11. The school had a DEE about the new playground equipment.

**CAT**   **BAT**   **DOE**   **COW**

1 mark

12. Peter became very FRUSTED when completing the puzzle.

**EWE**   **COW**   **RAT**   **DOG**

1 mark

Circle the word which has the opposite meaning to the word in bold.

13. **Futile**

Defeated   Useful   Pointless   Tiny

1 mark

14. **Dumfounded**

Astonished   Confident   Afraid   Unsurprised

1 mark

## Verbal Reasoning Practice Paper Answers

Practice Paper 1		
1.	Shout, exclaim	1 mark
2.	Stench, stink	1 mark
3.	Dawdle, amble	1 mark
4.	Sweep, brush	1 mark
5.	Handsome	1 mark
6.	Butterfly	1 mark
7.	Firework	1 mark
8.	Eyepatch	1 mark
9.	RAT	1 mark
10.	HEN	1 mark
11.	BAT	1 mark
12.	RAT	1 mark
13.	Useful	1 mark
14.	Unsurprised	1 mark