



WordMasters CHALLENGE

ANALOGIES 101 SET C

The examples below will introduce you to analogies. Each analogy consists of two pairs of words. Your job is to make the second pair express a relationship between its two words that is as similar as possible to the relationship between the words in the first pair. For instance, in the analogy

BIRD : WING :: FISH : _____

the best word to place in the blank would be **FIN**, because "fin" names the limb of a fish just as "wing" names the limb of a bird.

Now fill the blanks in the analogies below with the most suitable word or pair of words from those that are listed as choices.

1. **THERMOMETER:TEMPERATURE:: SCALE :** _____

- a. size
- b. age
- c. weight
- d. distance
- e. speed

7. **OCEAN : CONTINENTS :: SKY :** _____

- a. wind
- b. birds
- c. rain
- d. sunshine
- e. clouds

2. **OAK TREE : ACORN :: ROBIN :** _____

- a. wing
- b. nest
- c. feathers
- d. egg
- e. worm

8. **FLOOD : RAIN :: CHICKEN POX :** _____

- a. doctor
- b. medicine
- c. virus
- d. itch
- e. rash

3. **SQUIRREL : ACORN :: ROBIN :** _____

- a. wing
- b. nest
- c. feathers
- d. egg
- e. worm

9. **SONG : NOTES :: POEM :** _____

- a. lines
- b. rhymes
- c. words
- d. feelings
- e. rhythms

4. **SQUIRREL : FUR :: ROBIN :** _____

- a. wing
- b. nest
- c. feathers
- d. egg
- e. worm

10. **ROAD : ROADBLOCK :: RIVER :** _____

- a. bridge
- b. stream
- c. dam
- d. fish
- e. boat

5. **GREED : WALLET :: HUNGER :** _____

- a. cookies
- b. scale
- c. refrigerator
- d. diet
- e. dining room

11. **ROAD : PATH :: RIVER :** _____

- a. bridge
- b. stream
- c. highway
- d. fish
- e. boat

6. **CITIZEN : NATION :: TREE :** _____

- a. branch
- b. bird
- c. forest
- d. root
- e. yard

12. **WINDOW : SHADE :: FACE :** _____

- a. hair
- b. veil
- c. eyes
- d. hat
- e. makeup

13. **CLEAR THINKING : SUNSHINE :: CONFUSION :** _____

- a. rain
- b. snow flurries
- c. fog
- d. drought
- e. heat wave

14. **HAPPINESS : SUNSHINE :: SADNESS :** _____

- a. rain
- b. snow flurries
- c. fog
- d. drought
- e. heat wave

15. **ANIMAL : BIRD :: DOG :** _____

- a. puppy
- b. dachshund
- c. mammal
- d. cat
- e. canary

16. **CAT : CLAWS :: PERSON :** _____

- a. teeth
- b. feet
- c. fingernails
- d. hands
- e. hair

17. **CUT : SCAR :: HIKE :** _____

- a. boots
- b. map
- c. footprints
- d. trail
- e. compass

18. **CANOE : BOAT ::** _____

- a. animal : gold fish
- b. paddle : sail
- c. car : garage
- d. apple : fruit
- e. rose : garden

19. **BLADES OF GRASS : LAWN ::** _____

- a. hair : hat
- b. dresses : closet
- c. singers : choir
- d. forest : trees
- e. water : swimming pool

20. **EGGS : REFRIGERATOR ::** _____

- a. gas : car
- b. pencils : desk
- c. cars : highway
- d. cereal : bowl
- e. ice cubes : glass of water

21. **CONTINENT : COUNTRY :** _____

- a. city : state
- b. school : auditorium
- c. store : counter
- d. house : room
- e. ocean : beach

22. **CARPET : ROOM ::** _____

- a. snow : yard
- b. window : wall
- c. leaves : tree
- d. window : curtain
- e. chair : table

23. **FRAME : PICTURE ::** _____

- a. lamp : shade
- b. dog : cat
- c. fence : yard
- d. diving board : pool
- e. eraser : pencil

24. **PAINTER : MUSEUM ::** _____

- a. doctor : hospital
- b. kitchen : cook
- c. writer : library
- d. photographer : camera shop
- e. architect : building

25. **PAINTER : PAINT ::** _____

- a. doctor : stethoscope
- b. cook : eggs
- c. writer : paper
- d. photographer : camera
- e. architect : ruler

26. **ESCALATOR : LADDER ::** _____

- a. dryer : clothesline
- b. sidewalk : driveway
- c. oven : stove
- d. fireplace : furnace
- e. sofa : chair

27. **HUNGER : FOOD ::** _____

- a. poison ivy : rash
- b. fever : aspirin
- c. cold : snowstorm
- d. fatness : overeating
- e. drink : thirst

28. **FENCE : GATE ::** _____

- a. wall : brick
- b. window : house
- c. key : lock
- d. belt : buckle
- e. door : garage

29. **STEM : TULIP ::** _____

- a. tree : branch
- b. pole : flag
- c. thorn : rose
- d. leaf : maple
- e. knob : door

30. **STAGECOACH : BUS ::** _____

- a. airplane : train
- b. fireplace : furnace
- c. bush : tree
- d. car : driver
- e. microwave : frying pan

ANALOGY FORMATS

Here are some of the kinds of relationships which analogies may express. Make up a second pair to match the first pair given in each example.

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| 1. | ANTONYMS | noisy : mute :: _____ |
| 2. | SYNONYMS | welcome : greet :: _____ |
| 3. | PART : WHOLE | tooth : comb :: _____ |
| 4. | WHOLE : PART | sailboat : mast :: _____ |
| 5. | TOOL : ITS ACTION | spoon : stir :: _____ |
| 6. | TOOL USER : TOOL | lumberjack : axe :: _____ |
| 7. | TOOL : OBJECT IT'S USED WITH | microscope : slide :: _____ |
| 8. | CATEGORY : EXAMPLE | government : democracy :: _____ |
| 9. | EFFECT : CAUSE | punishment : crime :: _____ |
| 10. | CAUSE : EFFECT | accident : injury :: _____ |
| 11. | INCREASING INTENSITY | irritation : fury :: _____ |
| 12. | DECREASING INTENSITY | drenched : damp :: _____ |
| 13. | ACTION : THING ACTED UPON | weave : tapestry :: _____ |
| 14. | ACTION : SUBJECT PERFORMING ACTION | investigate : detective :: _____ |
| 15. | OBJECT OR PLACE : ITS USER | harbor : sailor :: _____ |
| 16. | NOUN : CLOSELY RELATED ADJECTIVE | ball : round :: _____ |

Here are three important things to remember when you think about analogies:

PARTS OF SPEECH. If the words in the first pair express a “noun : adjective” or “verb : noun” or “adjective : adjective” relationship (for instance), the second pair should show the same relationship between parts of speech.

WORD ORDER. If the first pair expresses a “tool user : tool” relationship (for instance), the second pair must express the same relationship *in the same order* (tool user first, tool second).

EXACTNESS. Sometimes two or more of the given choices would make fairly good sense in the blank. When this happens, you should choose the word or pair of words that *most exactly* suits the relationship you’re expressing.

ANSWERS TO ANALOGIES 101 – SET C:

1. weight
2. egg
3. worm
4. feathers
5. refrigerator
6. forest
7. clouds
8. virus
9. words
10. dam
11. stream
12. veil
13. fog
14. rain
15. dachshund
16. fingernails
17. footprints
18. apple : fruit
19. singers : choir
20. pencils : desk
21. house : room
22. snow : yard
23. fence : yard
24. writer : library
25. cook : eggs
26. dryer : clothesline
27. fever : aspirin
28. belt : buckle
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