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Analogies

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In an analogy, two sets of words have corresponding relationships. Once you figure out the relationship, you will know how to complete the analogy. Here are five types of analogies.

1. Antonyms (opposites)
thick : thin :: hot : cold
2. Synonyms (having the same meaning)
funny : hilarious :: sad : tragic
3. Word and description of it
honey : sticky :: sun : bright
4. Class and an example of that class
athlete : gymnast :: artist : sculptor
5. Action and one who performs that action
write : author :: meow : cat

Note:

Read the colon (:) as "is to" and the double colon (::) as "as."

FOR EXAMPLE:

yell : whisper :: laugh : cry

This example would read "yell is to whisper as laugh is to cry."

Directions: Write the type of analogy next to each entry below. Then circle the letter of the word that best completes the analogy.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. swim : fish :: hop :
a. kangaroo b. Superman c. dance 2. richness : poverty :: full :
a. wealthy b. busy c. empty 3. country : Ecuador :: ocean :
a. blue b. Pacific c. England 4. doctor : physician :: teacher :
a. intelligent b. professor c. school 5. room : basement :: jewel :
a. emerald b. crown c. royal 6. outgoing : friendly :: testy :
a. overjoyed b. patient c. cranky 7. chicken pox : illness :: beetle :
a. forest b. zoo c. insect 8. book : library :: bagel :
a. bread b. New York c. bakery | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. firefighter : brave :: writer :
a. pen b. prolific c. story 10. exciting : dull :: recent :
a. new b. lately c. ancient 11. square : box :: sharp :
a. carpet b. knife c. dumb 12. politician : mayor :: fruit :
a. apple b. steak c. farmer 13. generous : giving :: nervous :
a. nonchalant b. calm c. anxious 14. vegetable : healthful :: soap :
a. noxious b. cleansing c. filth 15. kind : cruel :: arrogant :
a. humble b. patient c. conceited 16. planet : Mars :: nonfiction :
a. true b. memoir c. novel |
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