

Sample Reading Question

Two men were traveling together when a bear suddenly met them on their path. The first traveler climbed up quickly into a tree and concealed himself in the branches. The other, seeing that he must be attacked, fell flat on the ground, and when the bear came up and felt with his snout and smelled him all over, he held his breath and feigned the appearance of death as much as he could. The bear soon left him, for it is said bears will not touch a dead body. When the bear was gone, the other traveler descending from the tree, and jocularly inquired of his friend what the bear had whispered in his ear. "He gave me this advice," his companion replied. "Never travel with a friend who deserts you at the approach of danger."

Question 1: What does the second traveler do?

- a. Die of Fright
- b. Pretend to be Dead
- c. Fight the Bear
- d. Climb a tree

Answer: B The word feigned means faked. The traveler pretends to be dead to fool the bear because he believed that bears will not touch dead bodies

Question 2: What words best describe the second traveler?

- a. Quick thinking and brave
- b. Craven and timid
- c. Foolish and overly hasty
- d. Carefree and easy going

Answer: A. You can infer that the second traveler is quick thinking and brave because he pretends to be dead to fool the bear. None of the other choices describe his character as shown by his actions.

Question 3: Why did the first traveler ask his friend what the bear had said?

- a. He was sad that he and his friend came so close to death
- b. He was terrified of bears
- c. He did not take the entire incident and the bear's words seriously
- d. He was determined to hunt the bear down so he wanted to know where the bear had gone

Answer: C Jocularly means "in a joking or humorous way". The traveler pretends to be dead to fool the bear because he believed that bears will not touch dead bodies.

Question 4: Which theme best fits the fable?

- a. Misfortune tests the sincerity of friends
- b. Appearances are deceptive
- c. Never trust your enemy
- d. One good turn deserves another

Answer: A. You can infer this theme from the first traveler's desertion. He had no apparent regard for his friend's safety, rather, he was concerned only for his own skin

Question 5: This selection is most likely a(n)...

- a. Epic
- b. Explanatory essay
- c. Editorial on safety in the woods
- d. Fable

Answer: D. You can tell this is a fable because it features talking animals, a strong moral, and a simple plot Math Sample Question (about 1 minute 5 seconds/question)

Questions 15:

Put =, <, or > in the space to make the equation true

1. $6 \underline{\quad} < \underline{\quad} 9$

2. $8 \underline{\quad} > \underline{\quad} 2$

3. $5 \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad} 5$

4. $15 \underline{\quad} > \underline{\quad} 3$

5. $0 \underline{\quad} < \underline{\quad} 4$

Questions refer to the number 860231.

6. Where should you put the comma in this number? Between 0 & 2

7. What number is in the tens place? 3

8. What number is in the ten thousands place? 6

9. What does the 2 in the number stand for? Hundreds, 200

10. What place is the 0 in? the thousands place

Question 11: $(7+(8-3)^3) \times 2 = 264$

$$8-3=5$$

$$5^3 (5 \times 5 \times 5) = 125$$

$$125+7= 132$$

$$132 \times 2 = 264$$

Answer 264

Order of operations

Rule 1: First perform any calculations inside parentheses.

Rule 2: Next perform all multiplications and divisions, working from left to right.

Rule 3: Lastly, perform all additions and subtractions, working from left to right.

Question 12-15:

12. $15 + -4 = 11$

13. $-1 \times 18 = -18$

14. $-6 \times -7 = 42$

15. $50 - -16 = 66$

16. $5 / -1 = 5$

Writing Test Sample about 50 seconds per question

Multiple Choice Section. Locate the error in the following sentence...

Question 1: ANSWER: C

Essay Question:

Question 1:

“Same sex schools provide a better education than coed schools.”

Time:

23 minutes planning

20 minutes writing/revising

5-10 minutes editing/proofing

Outline:

Introduction

1st main point

2nd main point

3rd main point

Conclusion