

KEY

ANSWER KEY AND EXPLANATIONS

Verbal Skills

1. C	13. D	25. D	37. C	49. A
2. A	14. C	26. C	38. C	50. D
3. D	15. C	27. D	39. C	51. B
4. B	16. A	28. B	40. B	52. B
5. D	17. B	29. D	41. D	53. B
6. D	18. C	30. D	42. A	54. B
7. A	19. A	31. A	43. D	55. A
8. D	20. B	32. A	44. C	56. B
9. B	21. A	33. A	45. C	57. D
10. A	22. C	34. D	46. D	58. A
11. D	23. D	35. B	47. A	59. B
12. C	24. A	36. D	48. C	60. B

1. The correct answer is (C). is a general classification. The other choices are objects that tell time.
2. The correct answer is (A). and are synonyms.
3. The correct answer is (D). Cause-effect relationship. The effect of lightning red is pink; the effect of lightning black is gray.
4. The correct answer is (B). Because the first two statements are true and Karen reads faster than Ann, she must also read faster than Sue.
5. The correct answer is (D). means to bring into existence or to invent.
6. The correct answer is (D). Noun-adjective relationship.
7. The correct answer is (A). is a general classification. The other choices are examples of good qualities.
8. The correct answer is (D). Part-whole relationship. Sand is part of the beach; black dirt is part of a farm.
9. The correct answer is (B). is a general classification. The other choices are measures of time.
10. The correct answer is (A). A is an amphibian resembling a lizard.
11. The correct answer is (D). means proud or haughty.
12. The correct answer is (C). Cause-effect relationship. Rounding the corners of a square produces a circle; rounding the corners of a rectangle produces an oval.
13. The correct answer is (D). Part-whole relationship. 1 is half of 2; 3 is half of 6.
14. The correct answer is (C). is a function. The others are general classifications of symbols.
15. The correct answer is (C). From the first two statements, it is only certain that Peter is the shortest of the three boys. The relationship between Paul and John cannot be determined.
16. The correct answer is (A). A fruit is one that is tender and sweet.
17. The correct answer is (B). Other synonyms for are insubstantial, delicate, or tenuous.

18. **The correct answer is (C).** means to treat with extreme care.
19. **The correct answer is (A).** Object-purpose relationship. The purpose of a lamp is to give light; the purpose of a furnace is to give heat.
20. **The correct answer is (B).** Object-purpose relationship. The purpose of a director is to lead a choir; the purpose of a coach is to lead a team.
21. **The correct answer is (A).** means to give variety to.
22. **The correct answer is (C).** The first two statements indicate no relationship between Harry and Ralph; therefore, the third statement is uncertain.
23. **The correct answer is (D).** A wound is a surface wound.
24. **The correct answer is (A).** From the first two statements, it is known that B is south of A. Because C is south of B, it must also be south of A.
25. **The correct answer is (D).** A child is one who is advanced in development.
26. **The correct answer is (C).** A remark is intended to inflict pain.
27. **The correct answer is (D).** A is only one part of a school, university, or college.
28. **The correct answer is (B).** means to shorten or to cut off.
29. **The correct answer is (D).** A complexion is of a sickly yellowish hue.
30. **The correct answer is (D).** An person is impoverished.
31. **The correct answer is (A).** Part-whole relationship. A leg is a part of a table on which the table rests; a wheel is a part of a car on which the car rests.
32. **The correct answer is (A).** is a place where people may be forced to stay. The other choices are places in which people choose to live.
33. **The correct answer is (A).** Because the first two statements are true, all tumps are a part of a larger set of boscs with wings. Blue boscs have no wings; therefore, they cannot be tumps, nor can tumps be blue.
34. **The correct answer is (D).** is a general classification. The other choices describe specific types or places of punishment.
35. **The correct answer is (B).** means to decline; the opposite is
36. **The correct answer is (D).** Object-user relationship. Ink is used in a pen when applied; paint is used on a brush when applied.
37. **The correct answer is (C).** means to gain possession of; the opposite is
38. **The correct answer is (C).** Though the first two statements are considered true, they do not provide any information as to the direct relationship between rivers A and C.
39. **The correct answer is (C).** means meager; the opposite is
40. **The correct answer is (B).** means peak; the opposite is
41. **The correct answer is (D).** Part-whole relationship. The captain is the part of a team that guides the team; the manager is the part of an office that guides the office.
42. **The correct answer is (A).** A window may be covered by the other three choices.
43. **The correct answer is (D).** means obese; the opposite is
44. **The correct answer is (C).** means artless; the opposite is
45. **The correct answer is (C).** A glove is a hand covering; all the other choices are head coverings.

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46. **The correct answer is (D).** A podium is positioned at the front of an auditorium or theater. The other choices represent those who face the podium.
47. **The correct answer is (A).** To is to promise.
48. **The correct answer is (C).** A is a low spot or a the opposite is a
49. **The correct answer is (A).** Because the first two statements are true and all the fruits cost more than apples, apples must cost the least.
50. **The correct answer is (D).** A fir tree is an evergreen; all of the other trees are deciduous, losing their leaves.
51. **The correct answer is (B).** means to decrease; the opposite is
52. **The correct answer is (B).** Because the first two statements are true, Jay's batting average must be higher than Tom's.
53. **The correct answer is (B).** means to give up; the opposite is
54. **The correct answer is (B).** is an attribute of abstract things or ideas. The other choices are generally attributes applied to concrete objects.
55. **The correct answer is (A).** Because the first two statements are true and C is north of A, it must also be north of B.
56. **The correct answer is (B).** Cotton is a vegetable product; leather, wool, and fur are animal products.
57. **The correct answer is (D).** A is a type of closing. The other choices are things for opening and closing.
58. **The correct answer is (A).** means to grow smaller.
59. **The correct answer is (B).** Oxygen, helium, and gold are elements; water is a compound of hydrogen and oxygen.
60. **The correct answer is (B).** Because the first two statements are true and the third statement is in direct opposition to the first, it cannot be true.

~~comparative skew~~

Answers

Quantitative Skills

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|-------|--------|
| 61. A | 87. C |
| 62. D | 88. A |
| 63. B | 89. B |
| 64. A | 90. B |
| 65. C | 91. A |
| 66. C | 92. C |
| 67. B | 93. B |
| 68. B | 94. D |
| 69. A | 95. A |
| 70. C | 96. B |
| 71. B | 97. D |
| 72. D | 98. C |
| 73. C | 99. A |
| 74. C | 100. C |
| 75. B | 101. D |
| 76. C | 102. D |
| 77. D | 103. A |
| 78. A | 104. C |
| 79. D | 105. C |
| 80. A | 106. D |
| 81. C | 107. B |
| 82. D | 108. A |
| 83. D | 109. A |
| 84. A | 110. D |
| 85. C | 111. D |
| 86. B | 112. B |

Reading

COMPREHENSION

113. B	121. C	129. D	137. D	145. A
114. C	122. C	130. C	138. B	146. A
115. C	123. C	131. B	139. A	147. B
116. D	124. A	132. D	140. A	148. A
117. D	125. D	133. D	141. D	149. B
118. C	126. B	134. B	142. D	150. D
119. B	127. C	135. D	143. B	151. A
120. D	128. C	136. A	144. C	152. A

- 113. The correct answer is (B).** See sentence 6.
- 114. The correct answer is (C).** See sentence 1.
- 115. The correct answer is (C).** This is an inferential question. Based on sentence 7, we know that both the speed and direction of earthquake waves vary. We do not know from this information if choice (A) is true, so we must assume that (C) is the best answer.
- 116. The correct answer is (D).** Because of the nature of the information, it would be found in both sources mentioned.
- 117. The correct answer is (D).** This answer is determined by the entire passage, which describes the layers in order. The answer can be verified by eliminating choices (A), (B), and (C).
- 118. The correct answer is (C).** most closely means
- 119. The correct answer is (B).** This is an inferential question. Though not specifically stated, the answer can be assumed based on sentence 2 and the phrase "appears to be."
- 120. The correct answer is (D).** See the last sentence of the paragraph.
- 121. The correct answer is (C).** In this passage, most nearly means a
- 122. The correct answer is (C).** most closely means
- 123. The correct answer is (C).** This answer may be verified by eliminating choices (A), (B), and (D). Though rocks are mentioned, they are only a part of the entire description.
- 124. The correct answer is (A).** In this case, most nearly means
- 125. The correct answer is (D).** This answer may be verified by eliminating choices (A), (B), and (C). A clue to the answer is the way the passage is written—without technical terms and in the third person.
- 126. The correct answer is (B).** This is an inferential question. The answer may be verified by eliminating the other choices.
- 127. The correct answer is (C).** This is the most specific, direct answer, though the other choices may have been indirectly related. The answer is found in paragraph 2.
- 128. The correct answer is (C).** See paragraph 2, sentence 4.
- 129. The correct answer is (D).** most nearly means
- 130. The correct answer is (C).** This is an inferential question. The answer may be verified by eliminating the other choices. See paragraphs 3 and 4.

131. The correct answer is (B). Though the author mentions bats, the passage covers the more general topic of spelunkers.
132. The correct answer is (D). The answer may be verified by eliminating the other choices.
133. The correct answer is (D). See paragraph 2, sentence 2.
134. The correct answer is (B). The answer may be verified by eliminating the other choices.
135. The correct answer is (D). See paragraph 3.
136. The correct answer is (A). See paragraph 1.
137. The correct answer is (D). In the passage, _____ means _____
138. The correct answer is (B). See paragraph 3, sentence 3.
139. The correct answer is (A). This answer may be verified by eliminating the other three choices.
140. The correct answer is (A). See paragraph 4.
141. The correct answer is (D). In this passage, _____ most nearly means _____
142. The correct answer is (D). This answer may be verified by eliminating the other three choices.
143. The correct answer is (B). This answer may be verified by eliminating the other three choices. It covers several aspects of the topic—more than would be contained in just one type of book.
144. The correct answer is (C). See paragraph 1.
145. The correct answer is (A). This is a question based on your general knowledge.
146. The correct answer is (A). See paragraph 2.
147. The correct answer is (B). This answer is actually testing your vocabulary.
148. The correct answer is (A). See paragraph 3.
149. The correct answer is (B). As it is used in the passage, _____ most closely means _____
150. The correct answer is (D). _____ is the best answer; it could be substituted for _____
151. The correct answer is (A). This is an inferential question. The answer is implied in paragraph 3.
152. The correct answer is (A). This answer may be verified by eliminating the other choices.

VOCABULARY

153. D	158. A	163. A	167. A	171. A
154. B	159. D	164. B	168. D	172. B
155. A	160. D	165. D	169. A	173. D
156. A	161. A	166. A	170. C	174. C
157. C	162. D			

- 153. The correct answer is (D).** means "aspect," "attitude," or "view."
- 154. The correct answer is (B).** To is to "spoil," "damage," or "weaken."
- 155. The correct answer is (A).** A is a "cottage," a "hut," or a "cabin."
- 156. The correct answer is (A).** To means to "detest," "abhor," or "hate" something or someone.
- 157. The correct answer is (C).** To is to "condemn," "chide," or "blame."
- 158. The correct answer is (A).** To be is to be "jubilant," "exhilarated," or "happy."
- 159. The correct answer is (D).** means to be "curt," "blunt," or "abrupt."
- 160. The correct answer is (D).** To something is to "squash," "flatten," or "push down."
- 161. The correct answer is (A).** To is to "allay," "stifle," or "end."
- 162. The correct answer is (D).** An is an "escapade," "journey," or "venture."
- 163. The correct answer is (A).** To be means to be "dexterous," "expert," or "skillful."
- 164. The correct answer is (B).** A is an "account," a "history," or a "record" of something.
- 165. The correct answer is (D).** To be an person means to be "likeable."
- 166. The correct answer is (A).** The meaning of the word is to be "keen," "shrewd," or "clever."
- 167. The correct answer is (A).** To something means to "divide," "split," or "cut" the object.
- 168. The correct answer is (D).** means to be "distinguished," "important," or "outstanding."
- 169. The correct answer is (A).** To is to "end," "cancel," or "stop" something.
- 170. The correct answer is (C).** To means to "obstruct," "interfere," or "impede" something.
- 171. The correct answer is (A).** To be in means to be in "strife," "discord," or "debate."
- 172. The correct answer is (B).** To means to "admit," "allow," or "acknowledge."
- 173. The correct answer is (D).** To means to "concede," "give up," or "relinquish."
- 174. The correct answer is (C).** For something to be means to be "clever."

Answers

Mathematics

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|--------|-------------------|
| 175. A | 207. B |
| 176. D | 208. A |
| 177. D | 209. B |
| 178. C | 210. A |
| 179. A | 211. D |
| 180. B | 212. C |
| 181. A | 213. B |
| 182. B | 214. A |
| 183. D | 215. D |
| 184. C | 216. B |
| 185. A | 217. A |
| 186. A | 218. A |
| 187. B | 219. B |
| 188. D | 220. C |
| 189. C | 221. D |
| 190. B | 222. A |
| 191. C | 223. C |
| 192. B | 224. C |
| 193. C | 225. D |
| 194. D | 226. C |
| 195. C | 227. C |
| 196. D | 228. A |
| 197. A | 229. D |
| 198. C | 230. D |
| 199. B | 231. B |
| 200. D | 232. A |
| 201. A | 233. A |
| 202. D | 234. D |
| 203. B | 235. D |
| 204. A | 236. C |
| 205. B | 237. C |
| 206. C | 238. B |

236 = B
237 = D

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practice test 5

229. The correct answer is (A).

- 1960
- 2014900
- 78
- 76
- 283
- 170
- 168
- 0

235. The correct answer is (B).

$$x + 36 = 10$$

$$x + 36 = 10^2$$

$$x + 36 = 100$$

$$x = 100 - 36$$

$$x = 64$$

236. The correct answer is (C).

- 143 (5)
- + 23 (6)
- 211 (8)

227. The correct answer is (B). Rename the fractions with a common denominator. Do the operations in parentheses first.

$$\left(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\right) \times$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{15} - \frac{3}{15} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{4}\right) \times$$

$$\frac{12}{15} - \frac{3}{15} = \frac{9}{15} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\frac{52}{60} - \frac{45}{60} = \frac{7}{60}$$

238. The correct answer is (D). First determine how many times 25,000 can be divided by 100. $25,000 \div 100 = 250$. For \$100 in 25,000, \$3.62 must be paid in taxes. $250 \times 3.62 = 905.00$.

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Language

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|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 239. C | 251. D | 263. D | 275. C | 287. D |
| 240. B | 252. A | 264. B | 276. B | 288. A |
| 241. B | 253. A | 265. B | 277. A | 289. A |
| 242. C | 254. A | 266. C | 278. C | 290. A |
| 243. B | 255. D | 267. C | 279. B | 291. B |
| 244. D | 256. A | 268. A | 280. B | 292. D |
| 245. D | 257. C | 269. A | 281. A | 293. B |
| 246. C | 258. A | 270. C | 282. C | 294. C |
| 247. C | 259. B | 271. D | 283. D | 295. A |
| 248. D | 260. C | 272. C | 284. B | 296. B |
| 249. B | 261. D | 273. D | 285. B | 297. D |
| 250. D | 262. D | 274. B | 286. A | 298. B |

239. The correct answer is (C). should be capitalized.

240. The correct answer is (B). There should be a comma after

241. The correct answer is (B). and should both be capitalized.

242. The correct answer is (C). There should be a comma after , not a colon.

243. The correct answer is (B). refers to ability; is used to request permission.

244. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
245. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
246. The correct answer is (C). The word is incorrect in this context. The word should be (they are).
247. The correct answer is (C). The word (who is) is incorrect in this context. The word should be
248. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
249. The correct answer is (B). There should be quotation marks before because it is a continuation of a direct quote.
250. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
251. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
252. The correct answer is (A). Because the action is from the teacher toward another place, the correct word is
253. The correct answer is (A). The word (you are) is incorrect in this context. The word should be
254. The correct answer is (A). The tense is incorrect. The last part of the sentence should read
255. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
256. The correct answer is (A). The object of the preposition is Dierdre and
257. The correct answer is (C). The word is incorrect in this context. The word should be
258. The correct answer is (A). The word should be capitalized.
259. The correct answer is (B). The past tense of the verb is
260. The correct answer is (C). The question mark should be placed before the final quotation marks.
261. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
262. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
263. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
264. The correct answer is (B). The word is incorrect in this context. The word should be
265. The correct answer is (B). The word is incorrect in this context. The word should be
266. The correct answer is (C). The preposition is incorrect in this context. The word should be meaning excessive.
267. The correct answer is (C). The number of hours can be counted—therefore,
268. The correct answer is (A). The possessive of is is the contraction for
269. The correct answer is (A). is singular. The pronoun must be singular as well. Either or would be correct.
270. The correct answer is (C). There are three, so the comparative term must be
271. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
272. The correct answer is (C). The subjective is incorrect in this context. The correct word is the object of the verb
273. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
274. The correct answer is (B). I feel I would feel if something were wrong with my hands.
275. The correct answer is (C). The subject/verb of the sentence is
276. The correct answer is (B). I wait. The double negative is incorrect.

277. The correct answer is (A). The apostrophe in _____ should be placed before the _____ since _____ is a plural word.
278. The correct answer is (C). The word _____ is incorrect in this context. The correct word is _____. The double negative is unacceptable.
279. The correct answer is (B). The correct spelling is _____.
280. The correct answer is (B). The correct spelling is _____.
281. The correct answer is (A). The correct spelling is _____ (see Spelling—Rule 9, page 125).
282. The correct answer is (C). The correct spelling is _____.
283. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
284. The correct answer is (B). The correct spelling is _____.
285. The correct answer is (B). The correct spelling is _____.
286. The correct answer is (A). The correct spelling is _____.
287. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
288. The correct answer is (A). The correct spelling is _____.
289. The correct answer is (A). _____ indicates the cause-and-effect relationship of the two clauses.
290. The correct answer is (A). The second clause provides an example.
291. The correct answer is (B). The subject (_____) must follow the introductory phrase.
292. The correct answer is (D). No mistakes.
293. The correct answer is (B). The second clause offers the reason why she drove 50 miles.
294. The correct answer is (C). The invention of the automobile definitely belongs in a discussion of the history of the automobile.
295. The correct answer is (A). The clause _____ modifies _____.
296. The correct answer is (B). Sentences 1, 3, and 4 all concern preparation for the Halloween party.
297. The correct answer is (D). All of these topics are too broad for a one-paragraph theme.
298. The correct answer is (B). The given sentence should fall before sentence 3, because it refers to a singular noun and sentence 2 contains a plural noun. By placing the sentence between 2 and 3, the paragraph makes sense.