



Puzzled Pint Placement Test: Key

Language Arts

- 1) In the paragraph below, what does the word "**unique**" mean? (+1, F4)

*Her **unique** artwork sat next to paintings, drawings, and sketches. No other piece of art looked anything like it.*

- a) **one of a kind**
- b) perfectly made
- c) hard to find.
- d) delicately formed

- 2) Which is the correct abbreviation for the underlined word below? (-1, C3)

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- e) Spm
- f) **Sep**
- g) Septem
- h) Sptum

- 3) A story written with a moral is a (-1, E2)

- i) Tall tale
- j) Myth
- k) Fairy tale
- l) **fable**

- 4) Which underlined word in the sentence below is spelled incorrectly? (+3, F6)

When we returned from the field trip, we had a class discusion about the exhibit we liked most.

- m) returned
- n) field
- o) **discusion**
- p) Exhibit

- 5) Which word is a synonym for the underlined word in the sentence below? (D2)

This part of Earth is tilted away from the sun during the winter, so it doesn't get much sunlight.

- q) Drifted
- r) Guided
- s) Slanted**
- t) Located

- 6) Which sentence below is an opinion? (+1, E3)

- u) In fact, the North Pole has no land at all!
- v) Santa does not live at the North Pole.
- w) Polar bears live in the Arctic region.
- x) The Arctic region is a beautiful place.**

- 7) In the phrase below, the words are a form of: (+2, A4)

Blowing, billowing, and brushing

- a) alliteration**
- b) repetition
- c) rhyme
- d) simile

- 8) What is the proper way to turn the underlined words below into a contraction? (B4)

Would not

- e) ain't
- f) woul'dnt
- g) won't
- h) wouldn't**

- 9) Which word belongs in the blank space in the sentence below? (+5, A6)

At first glance, they appear to be very much alike. _____, they have certain important differences.

- i) therefore
- j) nevertheless**
- k) finally
- l) especially

Math

- 10) Assume you buy pens that cost a total \$3.52. If you give the cashier \$10, how much change should you receive? (+2, F5)
- m) \$8.52
 - n) \$8.48
 - o) \$7.48
 - p) \$6.48**
- 11) What is the place of number 5 in 665,203? (E5)
- q) Hundredth
 - r) Thousands**
 - s) Ten thousandths
 - t) Millions
- 12) Assume you want to measure your pen. Which unit is best for this measurement? (-11, A1)
- u) Kilometer
 - v) Yard
 - w) foot
 - x) centimeter**
- 13) You have a box of cereal with eight servings. You need to feed 20 people. How many boxes of cereal will you need? (B1)
- a) One
 - b) Two
 - c) Three**
 - d) Four
- 14) How many sides does an octagon have? (+5, C5)
- e) 2
 - f) 4
 - g) 8**
 - h) 16
- 15) During a food drive, the first-grade students at an elementary school collected 335 cans of food. The second-grade students collected 337 cans of food, the third-grade students collected 468 cans of food, and the fourth-grade collected 422 cans of food. How many total cans were collected? (E4)
- i) 1303
 - j) 1293
 - k) 852
 - l) 1562**

- 16) Which number sentence is false? (-1, A5)
- m) $1/2 = .5$
 - n) $3/4 = .75$
 - o) $3/8 = .375$
 - p) $4/5 = .9$**
- 17) If a table is exactly 6 feet long, how long is it in inches? (-4, B6)
- q) 48 inches
 - r) 60 inches
 - s) 72 inches**
 - t) 80 inches
- 18) Which of these is closest to the weight of a banana? (-8, A2)
- u) 4 ounces**
 - v) 4 pounds
 - w) 4 grams
 - x) 4 kilograms

Science

- 19) Students used a thermometer to measure the temperature of a liquid after being heated in the sun for two hours. Which units would the students use to record the temperature? (-3, E6)
- a) Centimeters
 - b) Milliliters
 - c) Grams
 - d) Degrees**
- 20) What causes water in a creek to flow downhill? (-2, D1)
- e) Friction
 - f) Wind
 - g) Gravity**
 - h) Ohms
- 21) What best describes the change in an ice cube when it melts? (-5, D5)
- i) It changes from a liquid to a solid.
 - j) It changes from a solid to a liquid.**
 - k) It changes from a liquid to a gas.
 - l) It changes from a gas to a solid.

22) Energy from a battery is converted to electricity in the circuit made by using some wire to connect a battery and a light bulb. What kind of energy is stored in the battery? (-8, F2)

m) chemical

n) nuclear

o) heat

p) light

23) Clouds are formed by what process? (-5, A3)

q) runoff

r) snowing

s) condensation

t) precipitation

24) Which process is most responsible for passing on traits needed for survival? (-9, C4)

u) digestion

v) growth

w) metamorphosis

x) reproduction

25) Which material is used as a source of heat to help people keep warm when it is cold? (D3)

a) iron

b) gold

c) diamonds

d) natural gas

26) Students need to build a model that shows how water can change the surface of Earth. Which model best shows water erosion? (+5, C6)

e) pouring water over a pile of rocks

f) digging in soil with a shovel

g) blowing air over a tray of soil

h) pouring water over a pile of sand

27) In which area would a city need to be most careful about not wasting water? (-2, B5)

i) a river

j) a lake

k) a desert region

l) a snowy mountain region

Social Studies

28) Which action is an example of a person using a money system? (-2, C2)

- m) Curtis receives a birthday card from DeeAnn.
- n) Victor gives a beer to a new friend.
- o) Matt donates some of his Halloween candy to the needy.
- p) Ana pays people to move her furniture into a new home.**

29) Which part of the federal government decides if a law follows the U.S. Constitution? (-4, D4)

- q) the Senate
- r) the President
- s) the Supreme Court**
- t) the House of Representatives

30) If there is a drop in a lumber company's wood supply, the company can raise the price of wood to:
(+3, F1)

- u) build more wooden sheds.
- v) lower the cost of painted wood.
- w) hire more workers to saw wood.
- x) lower the demand for wood.**

31) Which European group settled in Florida in the 1500s? (-2, D6)

- a) Dutch
- b) French
- c) German
- d) Spanish**

32) Which was one result of the Lewis and Clark expedition? (+6, E1))

- e) Mississippi River maps were acquired by traders.
- f) Mexico became friendly with the United States.
- g) Florida became a territory of the United States.
- h) Citizens learned about western Native Americans.**

33) Which right does the First Amendment grant to citizens of the United States? (B2)

- i) The right to make a public speech**
- j) The right to have a trial by jury
- k) protection against unreasonable search and seizure of property
- l) protection against cruel and unusual punishment

- 34) The goal of an abolitionist was to: (B3)
- m) allow the states to decide about slavery.
 - n) persuade the government to stop slavery.**
 - o) encourage plantation owners to give land to slaves.
 - p) return escaped slaves to plantation owners.
- 35) Which of the following best describes the United States' branches of government? (F3)
- q) Federal, Legislative, Judicial
 - r) State, Legislative, Judicial
 - s) Executive, Legislative, Judicial**
 - t) Democratic, Legislative, Judicial
- 36) Which colony was most influenced by Quaker settlements in the 1600s? (-9, C1)
- u) Georgia
 - v) Pennsylvania**
 - w) Delaware
 - x) Maryland

Deduction and Reasoning

- 37) Using the information in the previous pages, complete the grid below.

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