



# Grade 9 Analogies

## Reading Comprehension Assessment

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**Directions:** Choose the pair of words that best express a relationship similar to that of the original pair. Then write the bridge sentence(s) to the right.

Something that is **fascinating** is very **interesting**.  
Something that is **crucial** is very **important**.



Example:

**Bridge Type: Part to Whole**

#) FASCINATING : INTERESTING
A) amazing : incredible
B) serious : grave
<b>C) crucial : important</b>
D) strange : weird

**Bridge Type: Definition (Synonyms)**

1) SUPERIOR : ELITE
A) overlooked : conspicuous
B) fabricated : invented
C) dishonest : sincere
D) damaged : antique

**Bridge Sentence:**

*Superior* is synonymous with *elite*.

\_\_\_\_\_ is synonymous with \_\_\_\_\_.

**Bridge Type: Other**

2) FERTILE : OFFSPRING
A) organic : synthetic
B) profitable : money
C) uninvited : welcome
D) rational : unimaginable

**Bridge Sentence:**

Something *fertile* is able to produce lots of *offspring*.

Something \_\_\_\_\_ is able to produce lots of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Bridge Type: Type/Kind**

3) SONNET : POEM
A) hip-hop : music
B) security : terrorism
C) art : impressionism
D) marble : sculpture

**Bridge Sentence:**

A *sonnet* is a type of *poem*.

A \_\_\_\_\_ is a type of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Bridge Type: Function**

4) WARDEN : JAIL
A) barista : coffee
B) servant : slavery
C) architect : house
D) curator : museum

**Bridge Sentence:**

A *warden* oversees a *jail*.

A \_\_\_\_\_ oversees a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Bridge Type:** \_\_\_\_\_

29) GRANITE : STONE

- A) element : chemical
- B) drug : aspirin
- C) democracy : dictatorship
- D) calcium : mineral

**Bridge Sentence:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Bridge Type:** \_\_\_\_\_

30) AUTHORITARIAN : LENIENCY

- A) ascetic : indulgence
- B) autistic : imperiled
- C) annual : yearly
- D) admirable : honor

**Bridge Sentence:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Bridge Type:** \_\_\_\_\_

31) DISTINGUISH : DISCERN

- A) assassinate : loiter
- B) annihilate : destroy
- C) procreate : imagine
- D) deposit : appropriate

**Bridge Sentence:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Bridge Type:** \_\_\_\_\_

32) COMMONPLACE : ORIGINALITY

- A) irrelevant : importance
- B) accurate : precision
- C) authentic : truth
- D) ecstatic : glee

**Bridge Sentence:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Bridge Type:** \_\_\_\_\_

33) PACIFISM : BELIEF

- A) ethnicity : color
- B) disdain : virtue
- C) Hinduism : religion
- D) prayer : mantra

**Bridge Sentence:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Bridge Type:** \_\_\_\_\_

34) SAVAGE : CIVILIZED

- A) emotional : masculine
- B) primitive : sophisticated
- C) discordant : tense
- D) refined : polished

**Bridge Sentence:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 1) **B**  
Superior is synonymous with elite. Fabricated is synonymous with invented. Therefore **(B)** is correct.
- 2) **B**  
Something fertile is able to produce lots of offspring. Something profitable produces a lot of money. Therefore **(B)** is correct.
- 3) **A**  
A sonnet is a type of poem. Hip-hop is a type of music. Therefore **(A)** is correct.
- 4) **D**  
A warden oversees a jail. A curator oversees a museum. Therefore **(D)** is correct.
- 5) **A**  
Piracy is an act of robbery or copyright infringement. Thus, piracy is a type of crime. A superstition is an irrational belief in the supernatural. Thus, a superstition is a type of belief. Therefore **(A)** is correct.
- 6) **C**  
By definition, something that is impeccable is flawless. By definition, something that is ready is prepared. Therefore **(C)** is correct.
- 7) **A**  
Something that is torturous is very painful. Something that is grave is very serious. Therefore **(A)** is correct.
- 8) **B**  
A characteristic of entertainment is to be amusing. A characteristic of a partisan is to be biased. Therefore **(B)** is correct.
- 9) **D**  
A rubric is a set of criteria used to evaluate something. Thus, a rubric is used for assessment. A telegram is a message sent by telegraph. Thus, a telegram is used for communication. Therefore **(D)** is correct.
- 10) **A**  
Isolation is a characteristic of quarantine. Confinement is a characteristic of prison. Therefore **(A)** is correct.
- 11) **D**  
To liquefy something is to turn it to fluid. To petrify something is to turn it to mineral. Therefore **(D)** is correct.
- 12) **B**  
A neophyte is a beginner or novice. Thus, a neophyte lacks experience. A copycat is someone who copies others. Thus, a copycat lacks originality. Therefore **(B)** is correct.
- 13) **A**  
Solo is the opposite of accompanied. Oblivious is the opposite of aware. Therefore **(A)** is correct.
- 14) **B**  
An ornament is used for decoration. An underline is used for emphasis. Therefore **(B)** is correct.
- 15) **C**  
A characteristic of a lover is to be amorous or passionate. A characteristic of an ingrate is to be ungrateful. Therefore **(C)** is correct.
- 16) **C**  
The function of a blindfold is to restrict someone's sight. The function of handcuffs is to restrict someone's movement. Therefore **(C)** is correct.
- 17) **C**  
A hypocrite is someone who claims to have certain values but fails to act accordingly. Thus, a characteristic of a hypocrite is to be insincere. A vagrant is a person without a settled home who wanders about. Thus, a characteristic of a vagrant is to be homeless. Therefore **(C)** is correct.
- 18) **B**  
Hostile means warlike, and pacifistic means peaceful. Thus, hostile is the opposite of pacifistic. Illuminating means light-giving or clarifying. Perplexing means confusing. Thus, illuminating is the opposite of perplexing. Therefore **(B)** is correct.
- 19) **D**  
A cleaver is a type of knife. A spoon is a type of utensil. Therefore **(D)** is correct.
- 20) **C**  
A glare expresses anger. A sneer expresses contempt. Therefore **(C)** is correct.
- 21) **D**  
Something that is ambiguous lacks certainty. Something that is impotent lacks power. Therefore **(D)** is correct.

22) **A**

A car is stored in a garage. Money is stored in a vault. Therefore **(A)** is correct.

23) **D**

A hedonist's main interest is pleasure. A pacifist's main interest is peace. Therefore **(D)** is correct.

24) **B**

Avian is an adjective relating to birds. Bovine is an adjective relating to cows. Therefore **(B)** is correct.

25) **C**

Someone who is gagged lacks the ability to speak. Someone who is blinded lacks the ability to see. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

26) **A**

A swagger is a confident gait or strut. Thus, a characteristic of a swagger is to be confident. A characteristic of a tragedy is to be upsetting or depressing. Therefore **(A)** is correct.

27) **D**

A drifter is a homeless traveler. A homebody is someone who stays at home. Thus, a drifter is the opposite of a homebody. The opposite of a saint is a sinner. Therefore **(D)** is correct.

28) **C**

To stomp is to tread very heavily. To bash is to hit very heavily. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

29) **D**

Granite is a type of stone. Calcium is a type of mineral. Therefore **(D)** is correct.

30) **A**

Lenient means lax or forgiving. An authoritarian is someone strict or oppressive. Thus, an authoritarian lacks leniency. An ascetic is a monk who practices extreme self-denying. Indulgent means luxurious or giving in to temptation. Thus, an ascetic lacks indulgence. Therefore **(A)** is correct.

31) **B**

Distinguish is synonymous with discern. Annihilate is synonymous with destroy. Therefore **(B)** is correct.

32) **A**

Commonplace means lacking novelty or freshness. Thus, something that is commonplace lacks originality. Irrelevant means unimportant or unrelated. Thus, something that is irrelevant lacks importance. Therefore **(A)** is correct.

33) **C**

Pacifism is a type of belief. Hinduism is a type of religion. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

34) **B**

The opposite of savage is civilized. The opposite of primitive is sophisticated. Therefore **(B)** is correct.

35) **C**

The opposite of virulent is harmless. The opposite of shameful is praiseworthy. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

36) **D**

A motor is the part of vehicle that helps it move. A propeller is part of a boat that helps it move. Therefore **(D)** is correct.

37) **B**

Something that is abominable is very wrong. Something that is chaotic is very disorganized. Therefore **(B)** is correct.

38) **C**

A characteristic of safe water is to be potable or drinkable. A characteristic of safe food is to be edible or eatable. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

39) **A**

A strut is a type of walk. A mystery is a type of novel. Therefore **(A)** is correct.

40) **C**

Fallacious means filled with fallacies or lies. Thus, the opposite of fallacious is honest. Soiled means dirty or no longer clean. Thus, the opposite of soiled is pristine. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

41) **C**

Loot is synonymous with steal. Evade is synonymous with avoid. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

42) **A**

Inconsequential means unimportant. Significance is the quality of being important. Thus, something that is inconsequential lacks significance. Trite means cliché or unoriginal. Thus, something that is trite lacks originality. Therefore **(A)** is correct.