

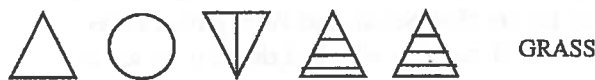
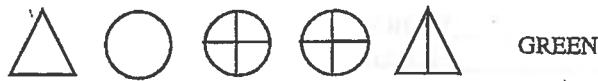
HANDOUT 24-6

"How Smart Are You"

Directions: The following 20 questions represent what you may encounter on an intelligence test, although we tried to make them a little more amusing than the average IQ-type question. Take the 20 questions and mark your answers carefully. Time yourself very carefully and work as quickly as you can.

Time Started: _____

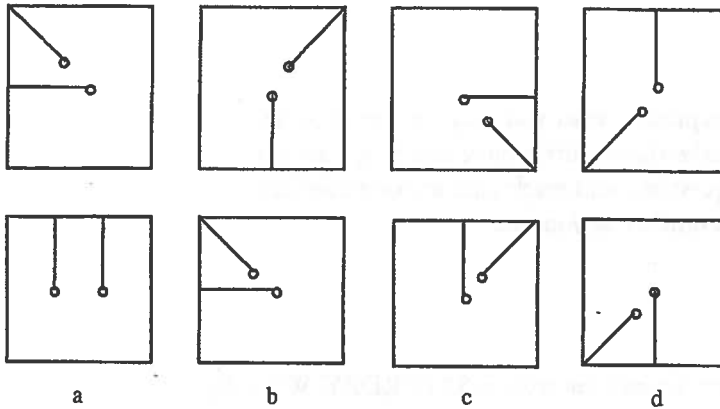
- The day before two days after the day before tomorrow is SATURDAY. What day is it today?
- What comes next, most logically, in the following sequence?
S A I B L C V D E E R F A G N H N I I J V K E L R M S N A O R
a. P Y b. B Q c. R R d. B R
- What is one twentieth of one half of one tenth of 10,000?
- What is the following scrambled word?
NNREAIVARYS
- In the following examples, each set of symbols stands for a word. Study all three words given and the symbol equivalent and translate the fourth line into a word.



- Which of the sentences given below means approximately the same as: "Beauty is only skin deep"?
 - Some actresses are made up by the studios so that you cannot tell what they really look like.
 - Don't judge a book by its cover.
 - Some people have prettier appearances than others.
 - Good looks don't matter that much.

HANDOUT 24-6 (continued)

7. Which of the figures shown below the line of drawings best continues the sequence?



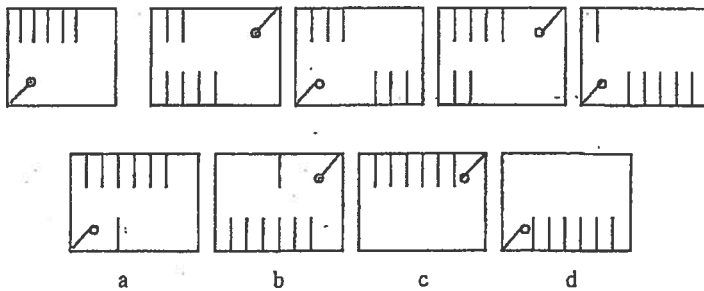
- a. Canoe is to ocean liner as glider is to:
a. kite b. airplane c. balloon d. car
9. Everyone at the Mensa party contest won prizes. Tom won more than Sally; Ann won less than Jane; Jane won less than Sally but more than Walter. Walter won fewer prizes than Ann. Who won the most prizes?
10. There is one five-letter word which can be inserted in each of the two blanks below. When you have put in the right word, you will have four new words, two on each line.
(Example: Place **WORK** on the line between **HAND** _____ **PLACE**, giving **HANDWORK** and **WORKPLACE**.)
- BOAT _____ WORK
DOG _____ HOLD
11. Tom, Jim, Peter, Susan, and Jane all took the Mensa test. Jane scored higher than Tom, Jim scored lower than Peter but higher than Susan, and Peter scored lower than Tom. All of them are eligible to join Mensa, but who had the highest score?
12. If it were two hours later, it would be half as long until midnight as it would be if it were an hour later. What time is it now?
13. Pear is to apple as potato is to:
a. banana b. radish c. strawberry d. lettuce
14. Continue the following number series below with the group of numbers which best continues the series.
1 10 3 9 5 8 7 7 9 6 ??
a. 11 5 b. 10 5 c. 10 4 d. 11 6
15. Which of the following is least like the others?
a. poem b. novel c. painting d. statue e. flower
16. What is the following word when it is unscrambled?
H C P R A A T E U
17. What is the number that is one half of one quarter of one tenth of four hundred?

HANDOUT 24-6 (continued)

18. Which of the sentences given below means approximately the same as the proverb: "Don't count your chickens until they are hatched"?
- Some eggs have double yolks so you can't really count eggs and chickens.
 - You can't walk around the henhouse to count the eggs because it will disturb the hens and they won't lay eggs.
 - It is not really sensible to rely on something that has not yet happened and may not ever happen.
 - Since eggs break so easily, you may not be accurate in your count of future chickens.
19. The same four-letter word can be placed on the blank lines below to make two new words from each of those shown. Put in the correct four-letter word to make four new words from those shown below.
(Example: HAND could be placed between BACK _____ WORK to make BACKHAND AND HANDWORK.)

HEAD _____ MARK
DREAM _____ FALL

20. Which of the figures shown below the line of drawings best completes the series?



Time finished: _____

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