

### Analogies: Part to Whole / Whole to Part

These analogies show relationships between things and their parts. Want examples? A *flap* is part of an *envelope*, and one of the *book's* parts is its *cover*.

Which word best completes the analogy? tail : dog :: ceiling : \_\_\_\_\_  
a. roof   b. wall   c. room   d. floor



**EXPLANATIONS:** We all know that a tail is part of a dog. Since ceiling is the first word in the second pair, we know that it, too, is a part. A ceiling isn't part of a roof or a wall. And it's the opposite of the floor. Therefore, the answer must be room.



**Some of these analogies may test the limits to your vocabulary.**

**Directions:** Read the list of boldface wholes. Then circle the part that matches each whole.

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| <b>1. salad</b>      | entrée       | bowl        | tomato    | menu      |
| <b>2. skeleton</b>   | liver        | pancreas    | femur     | tendon    |
| <b>3. melody</b>     | symphony     | instrument  | scale     | note      |
| <b>4. engine</b>     | transmission | carburetor  | ignition  | exhaust   |
| <b>5. tooth</b>      | plasma       | enamel      | cartilage | nostril   |
| <b>6. shark</b>      | hoof         | fin         | tentacle  | udder     |
| <b>7. steel</b>      | aluminum     | copper      | titanium  | iron      |
| <b>8. cotton</b>     | linen        | fiber       | weaves    | synthetic |
| <b>9. atmosphere</b> | hemisphere   | troposphere | orbit     | satellite |

**Directions:** Identify the relationship between the first pair of words. Then circle a letter to show the same relationship between the words in the second pair.

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| 10. sentence : word ::<br>dictionary : _____<br>a. thesaurus<br>b. volume<br>c. entry<br>d. reference      | 13. pencil : lead ::<br>coconut : _____<br>a. palm<br>b. milk<br>c. branch<br>d. sweet            | 16. vertebra : spine ::<br>_____ : dentures<br>a. cell<br>b. ganglia<br>c. ulna<br>d. molar              |
| 11. palm : hand ::<br>knuckle : _____<br>a. knew<br>b. joint<br>c. neck<br>d. finger                       | 14. encyclopedia : volume ::<br>series : _____<br>a. network<br>b. episode<br>c. plot<br>d. rerun | 17. wedding : vows ::<br>funeral : _____<br>a. eulogy<br>b. cremation<br>c. consternation<br>d. diatribe |
| 12. country : continent ::<br>country : _____<br>a. state<br>b. city<br>c. commonwealth<br>d. neighborhood | 15. violin : string ::<br>trumpet : _____<br>a. keyboard<br>b. reed<br>c. valve<br>d. bow         | 18. flower : stamen ::<br>_____ : tumbler<br>a. clown<br>b. glass<br>c. lock<br>d. key                   |