

## Analogies: Letter Relationships

The words in these analogies are related by letter patterns, not just meanings. Look for three kinds of letter patterns. 1) words spelled the same forward or backward: pop, Hannah. 2) words containing different combinations of the same letters: rear / rare, tea / ate. 3) words with similar letter patterns: cool / feel, bell / toll, treat / break.

Try this sample analogy:

tame : meat :: \_\_\_\_\_ : vile  
 a. alive    b. liver    c. evil    d. tile



**EXPLANATIONS:** The words tame and meat contain the same letters as vile is evil.

**Remember that these analogies are not based on word meaning.**

**Directions:** Circle the word that correctly completes each sentence.



1. freight : height :: friend ( deceive / belief )
2. table : ( blast / bleat ) :: slope : poles
3. toy : boy :: coil : ( loyal / moisture )
4. slap : pals :: revel : ( lever / rebel )
5. peep : noon :: bob : ( bit / bib )
6. flutter : bitter :: waddle : ( fiddle / roller )
7. glean : ( angel / clean ) :: lame : meal
8. crate : trace :: pier : ( pile / ripe )

**Directions:** Circle a letter to show which word best completes each analogy.

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| 9. echo : technical ::<br>snatch : _____<br>a. fetch<br>b. chance<br>c. much<br>d. snap       | 13. freedom : bookworm ::<br>follow : _____<br>a. mutter<br>b. double<br>c. trite<br>d. pheasant | 17. liar :: rail ::<br>_____ : repel<br>a. leper<br>b. repeal<br>c. sprain<br>d. leaper |
| 10. race : care ::<br>read : _____<br>a. road<br>b. raid<br>c. dear<br>d. lead                | 14. mouth : sprout ::<br>_____ : chair<br>a. spare<br>b. inflate<br>c. braid<br>d. south         | 18. eve : radar ::<br>nun : _____<br>a. run<br>b. convent<br>c. none<br>d. kayak        |
| 11. fruit : bruise ::<br>_____ : editor<br>a. trainer<br>b. auditor<br>c. barber<br>d. writer | 15. keep : peek ::<br>pool : _____<br>a. yule<br>b. loop<br>c. peel<br>d. stool                  | 19. nub : bun ::<br>spoons : _____<br>a. forks<br>b. snoops<br>c. croons<br>d. spools   |
| 12. madam : deed ::<br>_____ : level<br>a. wood<br>b. rotor<br>c. cheese<br>d. plop           | 16. ladle : label ::<br>axle :: _____<br>a. factual<br>b. fable<br>c. fatal<br>d. morsel         | 20. tore : rote ::<br>fare : _____<br>a. cost<br>b. fate<br>c. fear<br>d. fair          |