

**YEAR 5**

Synonyms, Antonyms and Double Meanings

Read every option before you choose. The examiner always includes one word that is nearly right, and it is usually the one that catches the eye first.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: _____

Section A · Closest in meaning

Underline the word that means most nearly the same.

- 1 **BRAVE**
kind, bold, quiet, tall, honest
- 2 **RAPID**
slow, quick, heavy, late, calm
- 3 **ANCIENT**
modern, old, young, new, fresh
- 4 **GENEROUS**
mean, giving, quiet, sharp, tidy
- 5 **FURIOUS**
pleased, angry, tired, hungry, brave
- 6 **CONCEAL**
show, hide, find, lose, open
- 7 **ASSIST**
hinder, help, watch, leave, ask

Section B • Opposite in meaning

Underline the word that means the opposite.

8 ARRIVE

leave, stay, come, wait, enter

9 ARTIFICIAL

fake, natural, plastic, false, copied

10 EXPAND

grow, shrink, widen, stretch, swell

11 SCARCE

rare, plentiful, few, empty, thin

12 PERMIT

allow, forbid, let, agree, accept

13 ASCEND

climb, rise, descend, mount, lift

14 ANCIENT

old, modern, aged, antique, historic

Section C • One word, two meanings

The same spelling, used in two different ways.

15 Find the one word that means both:

the outer covering of a tree, and the sound a dog makes

16 Find the one word that means both:

a large storage box, and the long nose of an elephant

17 Find the one word that means both:

not heavy, and what comes from the sun

18 Find the one word that means both:
a small stick that makes fire, and a game between two teams

19 Find the one word that means both:
a school child, and the dark centre of the eye

20 Find the one word that means both:
correct, and the opposite of left

21 Find the one word that means both:
a place where money is kept, and the side of a river
