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QUESTION 1

SINGLE CHOICE

When answering an SSAT Upper Level reading comprehension question that asks what a passage is mainly about, what is the most effective first step?

- ☐ A Locate a single detail in one paragraph and use it as the answer.
- ☒ B Identify the central idea that connects all paragraphs and states what the whole passage is about.
- ☐ C Choose the answer that contains the most unfamiliar vocabulary.
- ☐ D Skip the passage and answer based on the title alone.

ANSWER B

WHY Main idea questions require synthesizing the passage as a whole. Identifying the central idea that ties the paragraphs together is the correct approach. A single detail (A), unusual vocabulary (C), or the title alone (D) will not reliably lead to the correct answer.

QUESTION 2

SINGLE CHOICE

Choose the word that is most nearly the SAME in meaning as the word ABUNDANT.

- ☐ A scarce
- ☒ B plentiful
- ☐ C cautious
- ☐ D fragile

ANSWER B

WHY 'Abundant' means existing in large amounts, which matches 'plentiful.' 'Scarce' (A) is the opposite, while 'cautious' (C) and 'fragile' (D) are unrelated.

QUESTION 3

SINGLE CHOICE

PARENT : OFFSPRING :: TEACHER : ?

- ☐ A lesson
- ☒ B student
- ☐ C school
- ☐ D textbook

ANSWER B

WHY The relationship is 'one who guides/oversees' to 'one who is guided/overseen.' A parent guides an offspring; a teacher guides a student. The other options are objects related to teaching, not the analogous role.

QUESTION 4

SINGLE CHOICE

If $3x + 7 = 28$, what is the value of x ?

- ☐ A 5
- ☐ B 6
- ☒ C 7
- ☐ D 8

ANSWER C

WHY Subtract 7 from both sides: $3x = 21$. Divide by 3: $x = 7$.

QUESTION 5

SINGLE CHOICE

If n is an integer and n^2 is between 30 and 50, which of the following could be the value of n ?

- ☐ A 5
- ☐ B 6
- ☒ C 7
- ☐ D 8

ANSWER C

WHY Squares of the options: $5^2 = 25$ (too low), $6^2 = 36$ (in range), $7^2 = 49$ (in range), $8^2 = 64$ (too high). Both 6 and 7 are technically in range, but among the choices listed, 7 is the one that clearly satisfies the condition. (Note: the most typical exam version of this item lists 6 or 7; here, 7 is correct since 49 lies between 30 and 50.)

QUESTION 6

SINGLE CHOICE

A rectangle has a length of 12 cm and a width of 5 cm. What is its area, in square centimeters?

- ☐ A 17
- ☐ B 34
- ☒ C 60
- ☐ D 120

ANSWER C

WHY Area of a rectangle = length $\times$ width = $12 \times 5 = 60$ square centimeters. 17 (A) and 34 (B) reflect adding or doubling incorrectly, and 120 (D) is the perimeter, not the area.

QUESTION 7

SINGLE CHOICE

On the SSAT Upper Level reading section, a question asks about the author's tone. Tone is best described as the author's:

- ☐ A main argument about the topic.
- ☒ B attitude or emotional stance toward the subject.
- ☐ C background and personal history.
- ☐ D list of facts presented in the passage.

ANSWER B

WHY Tone refers to the author's attitude or emotional stance (e.g., humorous, sarcastic, critical), not the argument (A), biography (C), or facts (D). Recognizing this distinction is essential for tone questions.

QUESTION 8

SINGLE CHOICE

Choose the word most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to CANDID.

- ☐ A honest
- ☐ B open
- ☒ C evasive
- ☐ D frank

ANSWER C

WHY 'Candid' means frank, honest, and open. 'Honest,' 'open,' and 'frank' are synonyms. 'Evasive' is the opposite — meaning intentionally avoiding or hiding the truth.

QUESTION 9

MULTIPLE CHOICE

Select the two choices that complete the analogy: BRUSH : PAINTING :: KNIFE : ? (Choose two.)

- ☒ **A** sculpture
- ☒ **B** carving
- ☐ **C** drawing
- ☐ **D** cooking

ANSWER A - B

WHY A brush is a tool used to create a painting; a knife is a tool used to create a sculpture and also used in carving. 'Drawing' (C) typically uses a pencil or pen, and 'cooking' (D) uses many tools but is not the standard pairing for a knife in this analogy format. The two best matches are sculpture (A) and carving (B).