

• Analogies 3 Level 12

Directions: Choose the pair of words that best express a relationship similar to that of the original pair. Then write the bridge sentence(s) to the right.

By definition, a **platitude** is **cliché**.
 By definition, a **sage** is **wise**.



Example:

Bridge Type: Definition

#) PLATITUDE : CLICHÉ
A) dogma : accurate
B) theater : dramatic
C) sage : wise
D) legerdemain : obvious
E) portent : beneficial

Bridge Type: Part to Whole

1) ELEMENT : AGGREGATE
A) fresco : painting
B) foreground : landscape
C) benefactor : fortune
D) mandate : ruler
E) diet : nutrient

Bridge Sentence:

A **sect** is part of a **religion**.

A _____ is part of a _____.

Bridge Type: Function

2) DECANter : POUR
A) monument : venerate
B) criminal : deviate
C) nunnery : convert
D) pharmacy : prescribe
E) stiletto : walk

Bridge Sentence:

The function of a **decanter** is to **pour**.

The function of a _____ is to _____.

Bridge Type: Lack

3) UNPRECEDENTED : FORERUNNERS
A) unnecessary : prerequisites
B) nauseating : medicine
C) bloodthirsty : anemia
D) holistic : proof
E) adulterated : purity

Bridge Sentence:

Something that is **unprecedented** lacks **forerunners**.

Something that is _____ lacks _____.

Bridge Type: Definition (Antonyms)

4) ERUDITE : UNEDUCATED
A) fiery : flagrant B) fervid : dispassionate C) loquacious : talkative D) gullible : naive E) dissonant : discordant

Bridge Sentence:

By definition, **erudite** is the opposite of **uneducated**.

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Bridge Type: Characteristic

5) TRUISM : OBVIOUS
A) waiver : safe B) president : tyrannical C) daredevil : audacious D) novel : ingenuous E) pedant : imaginative

Bridge Sentence:

A characteristic of a **truism** is to be **obvious**.

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6) LACONIC : CONCISE
A) obdurate : cooperative B) ephemeral : fleeting C) malleable : unchanging D) vindictive : forgiving E) equivocal : certain

Bridge Sentence:

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7) LIE : PREVARICATE
A) betray : trust B) philander : donate C) waver : falter D) deride : praise E) corroborate : doubt

Bridge Sentence:

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8) CONCESSION : PLACATE
A) female : engender B) artillery : bolster C) catalyst : precipitate D) exercise : enervate E) adjudicator : mitigate

Bridge Sentence:

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Answers and Explanations

1) **B**

An *element* is a part or component of something. An *aggregate* is a whole formed by several different elements. Thus, an element is part of an aggregate. A *foreground* is the part of a *landscape* painting that is nearest to the observer. Thus, a foreground is part of a landscape. Therefore **(B)** is correct.

2) **A**

A *decanter* is a stoppered glass container used to *pour* wine. Thus, the function of a decanter is to pour. A *monument* is something made in tribute to someone else. *Venerate* means to celebrate or revere. Thus, the function of a monument is to venerate. Therefore **(A)** is correct.

3) **E**

Unprecedented means never done or known before. *Forerunners* are people or things that precede the coming of something or someone else. Thus, something that is unprecedented lacks forerunners. *Adulterated* means impure or reduced in quality. *Purity* is freedom from contaminants or a lack of spoilage. Thus, something that is adulterated lacks purity. Therefore **(E)** is correct.

4) **B**

Erudite means very learned. *Uneducated* means unlearned. Thus, erudite is the opposite of uneducated. *Fervid* means intensely enthusiastic or passionate. *Dispassionate* means unenthusiastic or uninterested. Thus, by definition, fervid is the opposite of dispassionate. Therefore **(B)** is correct.

5) **C**

A *truism* is a statement that is obviously true. Thus, a characteristic of a truism is to be *obvious*. A *daredevil* is a reckless person who makes a show of doing dangerous things. *Audacious* means bold. Thus, a characteristic of a daredevil is to be audacious. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

6) **B**

Laconic means using very few words in writing or speech. *Concise* means giving a lot of information clearly but in few words. Thus, by definition, laconic is synonymous with concise. *Ephemeral* means lasting for a very short while only. *Fleeting* means lasting for a very short time. Thus, by definition, ephemeral is synonymous with fleeting. Therefore **(B)** is correct.

7) **C**

Prevaricate means to tell a lie or bend the truth. Thus, by definition, to lie is synonymous with to prevaricate. *Waver* means to shake with a quivering motion. *Falter* means to move unsteadily. Thus, by definition, to waver is synonymous with to falter. Therefore **(C)** is correct.

8) **C**

A *concession* is a thing granted in response to demands or as an effort to concede something to someone else. *Placate* means to make someone less angry or hostile by granting someone a favor or meeting a demand. Thus, the function of a concession is to placate. A *catalyst* is something that causes an event to happen. *Precipitate* means to cause or bring about an event. Thus, the function of a catalyst is to precipitate. Therefore **(C)** is correct.