



## Verbal Ability Answer Key

## Set 3: Vocabulary

1. **Answer:** C.

**Explanation:** Beset is to come at a target from all directions.

2. **Answer:** A.

**Explanation:** Consternation means confusion, surprise, and often anger directed toward a person or an event.

3. **Answer:** D.

**Explanation:** A consensus is an agreement reached among members of a group.

4. **Answer:** A.

**Explanation:** Tempestuous describes any event that is characterized by strong, turbulent, or conflicting emotion.

5. **Answer:** D.

**Explanation:** Ostentatious displays are intended to attract attention and impress other people.

6. **Answer:** B.

**Explanation:** Abstinence is usually used to describe the avoidance of something addictive.

7. **Answer:** C.

**Explanation:** Vehement is synonymous to impassioned, passionate, ardent, heated, and spirited.

8. **Answer:** B.



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**Explanation:** Consolidated contains the prefix "con-" which means "with". To consolidate is to group together.

9. **Answer:** A.

**Explanation:** Throes refers to the intense or violent pain and struggle, especially accompanying death, birth, or any significant change.

10. **Answer:** C.

**Explanation:** A rendezvous is a meeting place or the meeting itself (especially between lovers).

11. **Answer:** C.

**Explanation:** To regress is to go backwards, usually to a worse condition.

12. **Answer:** A.

**Explanation:** A garrulous person is someone who talks too much.

13. **Answer:** C.

**Explanation:** Scrupulous is diligent or a person who is attentive to detail.

14. **Answer:** C.

**Explanation:** Rescind means to repeal, cancel, or revoke (a law, agreement, or an order).

15. **Answer:** D.

**Explanation:** A vindictive person is someone who shows a strong desire for revenge.



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16. **Answer:** A.

**Explanation:** An interim is a time period between events.

17. **Answer:** B.

**Explanation:** Bamboozled means to be deceived or duped.

18. **Answer:** C.

**Explanation:** Stringent means strict, precise, and exacting.

19. **Answer:** B.

**Explanation:** Subjugate means to bring under the domination or control.

20. **Answer:**

**Explanation:** D. Mitigate means to alleviate, reduce, lessen, or diminish.



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