

'Odd Word Out' is a vocabulary-based question that you come across in MBA admission tests on your ability, to classify words based on their common attributes. As this test requires you to know the meanings of many words, your performance in such questions to a great extent depends upon your word power. These questions are better answered after strengthening your vocabulary.

Practice Exercise – 1

Directions for (Que. 1 - 40): Read the information carefully and answer the questions given below it. Each Question has a set of four words. Choose the word that does not belong to the group.

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| 1 (1) Incapacitate | (2) Debauch | (3) Weaken | (4) Debilitate | (5) Feeble |
| 2 (1) Scepter | (2) Throne | (3) Crown | (4) Staff | (5) Supreme |
| 3 (1) Minaret | (2) Dome | (3) Porch | (4) Steeple | (5) Arch |
| 4 (1) Moat | (2) Tower | (3) Drawbridge | (4) Piazza | (5) Pole |
| 5 (1) Portrait | (2) Caricature | (3) Cartoon | (4) Colossus | (5) Animated |
| 6 (1) Decipher | (2) Destroy | (3) Exterminate | (4) Decimate | (5) Assassinate |
| 7 (1) Collie | (2) Pekinese | (3) Mongrel | (4) Alsatian | (5) Labrador |
| 8 (1) Cantata | (2) Oratorio | (3) Opera | (4) Sonata | (5) None of these |
| 9 (1) Lobby | (2) Portico | (3) Reception | (4) Corridor | (5) Courtyard |
| 10 (1) Beans | (2) Peas | (3) Barley | (4) Lentils | (5) Pulses |
| 11 (1) Succinct | (2) Terse | (3) Circumlocutory | (4) Brief | (5) None of these |
| 12 (1) Pink | (2) Red | (3) Indigo | (4) Green | (5) Yellow |
| 13 (1) Bugle | (2) Trumpet | (3) Flute | (4) Violin | (5) Mouthorgan |
| 14 (1) Tennis | (2) Rugby | (3) Football | (4) Hockey | (5) cricket |
| 15 (1) Deleterious | (2) Pernicious | (3) Surreptitious | (4) Harmful | (5) Hurdle |
| 16 (1) Arrow | (2) Javelin | (3) Dart | (4) Spear | (5) Sword |
| 17 (1) Soft | (2) Strident | (3) Shrill | (4) Grating | (5) Tender |
| 18 (1) Corporeal | (2) Somatic | (3) Physical | (4) Affective | (5) Abiotic |
| 19 (1) Snide | (2) Sneer | (3) Smugness | (4) Slyness | (5) None of these |
| 20 (1) Audacious | (2) Skittish | (3) Fidgety | (4) Nervous | (5) None of these |
| 21 (1) Cygnet | (2) Ewe | (3) Kitten | (4) Fawn | (5) Puppy |
| 22 (1) Nylon | (2) Silk | (3) Jute | (4) Cotton | (5) Flex |
| 23 (1) Coral | (2) Amethyst | (3) Diamond | (4) Ruby | (5) Emerald |
| 24 (1) Pedagogue | (2) Scientist | (3) Scholar | (4) Philanthropist | (5) Professor |
| 25 (1) Febrile | (2) Fecund | (3) Prolific | (4) Fertile | (5) productive |
| 26 (1) Pulpit | (2) Pew | (3) Chalice | (4) Chancel | (5) None of these |
| 27 (1) Virus | (2) Bacteria | (3) Algae | (4) Ant | (5) Protozoa |
| 28 (1) Debutante | (2) Decent | (3) Debonair | (4) Decadent | (5) None of these |
| 29 (1) Galley | (2) Deck | (3) Caboose | (4) Ship | (5) Cargo |
| 30 (1) Editor | (2) Author | (3) Publisher | (4) Jockey | (5) Writer |
| 31 (1) Poise | (2) Polish | (3) Sophistication | (4) Shoe | (5) Advanced |
| 32 (1) Attire | (2) Dress | (3) Kimono | (4) Monogram | (5) Outfit |
| 33 (1) Poetry | (2) Haiku | (3) Sonnet | (4) Elegy | (5) None of these |

- 34 (1) Dine (2)Dime (3) Fine (4) Line (5) None of these
 35 (1) Triangle (2) Rectangle (3) Square (4) Parallelogram (5) Quadrilateral
 36 (1) Botany (2) Sericulture (3) Horticulture (4) Culture (5) Apiculture
 37 (1) Paradigm (2) Carpet (3) Pattern (4) Framework (5) Design
 38 (1) Cow (2) Mare (3) Lion (4) Goose (5) Ewe
 39 (1) Poise (2) Balance (3) Stability (4)Motility (5) Statue
 40 (1) Keen (2) Plexus (3) Poignant (4) Biting (5) Pinching

Answer Key :

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
2	4	3	4	4	2	1	3	4	3	3	1	4	1
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
3	1	1	4	3	1	2	1	1	4	1	4	4	1
29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40		
4	4	4	4	1	2	1	4	2	3	4	2		