

DAY 4



- Record your answers on your AIMS Practice Record as you go.

R04-S1C4-01. Use knowledge of root words and affixes to determine the meaning of unknown words.

Use what you know about prefixes to determine the meaning of the word "impatient."

- A) being very patient
- B) not being patient
- C) being very ill
- D) not being ill

R04-S1C4-02. Use context to determine the relevant meaning of a word.

When Andy stood on the scale, he discovered he had gained nine pounds over the summer.

In which sentence does the word "scale" have the same meaning that it has in the sentence above?

- A) My dad built a scale model of a ship in an old bottle.
- B) The climber used ropes to scale the rocky cliff.
- C) I weighed the peaches on the scale at the store.
- D) I learned to play a scale quickly in my first piano lesson.

R04-S1C4-03. Determine the difference between figurative language and literal language.

Which of the following sentences is an example of literal language?

- A) My grandmother's smile lit up her face like sunlight on the water.
- B) My grandmother smiled warmly at me across the dinner table.
- C) The light on the water looked like a field of sparkling diamonds.
- D) The diamond necklace shone like drops of sunlight around her neck.

R04-S1C4-04. Identify figurative language, including similes, personification, and idioms.

Which of the following is an example of personification?

- A) I looked at the angry sky and knew it was going to be a heavy downpour.
- B) The sky looked as if a box of cottonballs had been spilled across the sun.
- C) Sunlight showed through tiny breaks in the gray clouds.
- D) Sunlight filled the room with a gentle yellow glow.

R04-S1C4-05. Determine the meanings, pronunciations, syllabication, synonyms, antonyms, and parts of speech of words, by using a variety of reference aids, including dictionaries and thesauri, glossaries, and CD-ROM and internet when available.

"Dictionary: expensive"

ex • pen • sive adj. costing much money

Syn. costly, rich

Ant. low-priced, economical

Which word is a synonym for "expensive"?

- A) adjective
- B) low-priced
- C) economical
- D) costly

R04-S1C4-06. Identify antonyms, synonyms, and homonyms for given words within text.

The country had been at peace for a hundred years.

Which of the following words is an antonym for "peace" as it is used in the sentence?

A)war

B)piece

C)poor

D)rich

R04-S1C6-01. Predict text content using prior knowledge and text features

When you look through a chapter in a book, you see the following words in bold:

earthquake, hurricanes, volcanos, floods.

What is the chapter most likely about?

- A) what causes weather
- B) how a blizzard forms
- C) types of rocks
- D) natural disasters

R04-S2C1-09. Identify characteristics and structural elements of poetry

"The Poet and His Song"

by Paul Laurence Dunbar

A song is but a little thing.

And yet what a joy it is to sing!

In hours of toil it gives me zest,

And when at eve I long for rest;

When cows come home along the bars,

And in the fold I hear the bell,

As night the Shepard, herds his stars,

I sing my song and all is well.

Which of the following lines rhymes with the last line of the poem?

- A) "And when at eve I long for rest"
- B) "And in the fold I hear the bell"
- C) "A song is but a little thing"
- D) "And yet what a joy it is to sing!"

R04-S3C1-02. Distinguish fact from opinion in expository text.

Jody got a D on her research report. She overreacted and stomped out of the classroom. She was rude to everyone all day. She really has a bad attitude.

Which sentence is a fact?

- A) Jody got a D on her research report.
- B) She was rude to everyone all day.
- C) She overreacted and stomped out of the classroom.
- D) She really has a bad attitude.

R04-S3C1-07. Distinguish cause and effect.

Choose the best answer that describes the cause and effect in the selection.

It was a busy day in the city. Thousands of people were inching along in their cars towards their jobs. Factories were sending puffs of dirty smoke into the air. People were using their fireplaces, and the brown cloud hanging over the city grew bigger and bigger. The air pollution index was higher than ever before.

- A) Many people driving leads to traffic jams.
- B) Car exhaust, factory fumes, and fireplaces create air pollution.
- C) Factories are located in many cities.
- D) Cities are very crowded, busy places.