

Practice GRE question

Please select the answer choice that identifies the noun in the sentence.

1. It will take all of your energy and will to be able to walk again.

- A. Take
- B. All
- C. Yours
- D. Energy

2. The works of many great poets have been placed on reserve.

- A. Many
- B. Great
- C. Placed
- D. Reserve

3. The Brooklyn Bridge was opened in 1883.

- A. Bridge
- B. Was
- C. Opened
- D. In

4. Sparta and Athens were enemies during the Peloponnesian War.

- A. And
- B. Were
- C. During
- D. War

5. Sharks and lampreys are not true fish because their skeletons are made of cartilage rather than bone.

- A. True
- B. Because
- C. There
- D. Bone

6. Joe, have you met your new boss?

- A. Have
- B. Met
- C. Your
- D. Boss

7. Sue's parents tried living in the North, but they could not adapt to the cold.

- A. North
- B. But
- C. Not
- D. Adapt

8. Mastering basic mathematics is an important goal for younger students.

- A. Mastering
- B. Important
- C. Younger
- D. Students

9. To seize a foreign embassy and its inhabitants is flagrant disregard for diplomatic neutrality.

- A. Seize
- B. Its
- C. Flagrant
- D. Neutrality

10. The Trojans' rash decision, to accept the wooden horse, led to their destruction.

- A. Their
- B. Led
- C. Accept
- D. Destruction

Answer Key

- 1. D
- 2. D
- 3. A
- 4. D
- 5. D
- 6. D
- 7. A
- 8. D
- 9. D
- 10. D

Practice Questions

1. If a discount of 20% off the retail price of a desk saves Mark \$45, how much did he pay for the desk?

- A. \$145
- B. \$160
- C. \$180
- D. \$210
- E. \$215

2. A customer pays \$1,100 in state taxes on a newly purchased car. What is the value of the car if state taxes are 8.9% of the value?

- A. \$9,765.45
- B. \$10,876.90
- C. \$12,359.55
- D. \$14,345.48
- E. \$15,745.45

3. How many years does Steven need to invest his \$3,000 at 7% to earn \$210 in simple interest?

- A. 1 year
- B. 2 years
- C. 3 years
- D. 4 years
- E. 5 years

4. Sabrina's boss states that she will increase Sabrina's salary from \$12,000 to \$14,000 per year if she enrolls in business courses at a local community college. What percent increase in salary will result from Sabrina taking the business courses?

- A. 15%
- B. 16.7%
- C. 17.2%
- D. 85%
- E. 117%

5. 35% of what number is 70?

- A. 100
- B. 110
- C. 150
- D. 175
- E. 200

6. What number is 5% of 2000?

- A. 50
- B. 100
- C. 150
- D. 200
- E. 250

7. What percent of 90 is 27?

- A. 15%
- B. 20%
- C. 30%
- D. 33%
- E. 41%

8. Jim works for \$15.50 per hour for a health care facility. He is supposed to get a 75 cent per hour raise at one year of service. What will his percent increase in hourly pay be?

- A. 2.7%
- B. 3.3%
- C. 133%
- D. 4.8%
- E. 105%

9. If 45 is 120% of a number, what is 80% of the same number?

- A. 30
- B. 32
- C. 36
- D. 38
- E. 41

10. How long will Lucy have to wait before her \$2,500 invested at 6% earns \$600 in simple interest?

- A. 2 years
- B. 3 years
- C. 4 years
- D. 5 years
- E. 6 years

11. What is 35% of a number if 12 is 15% of a number?

- A. 5
- B. 12

- C. 28
- D. 33
- E. 62

12. A computer is on sale for \$1600, which is a 20% discount off the regular price. What is the regular price?

- A. \$1800
- B. \$1900
- C. \$2000
- D. \$2100
- E. \$2200

13. A car dealer sells a SUV for \$39,000, which represents a 25% markup over the dealer's cost. What was the cost of the SUV to the dealer?

- A. \$29,250
- B. \$31,200
- C. \$32,500
- D. \$33,800
- E. \$33,999

14. After having to pay increased income taxes this year, Edmond has to sell his BMW. Edmond bought the car for \$49,000, but he sold it for a 20% loss. What did Edmond sell the car for?

- A. \$24,200
- B. \$28,900
- C. \$35,600
- D. \$37,300
- E. \$39,200

15. At a company fish fry, $\frac{1}{2}$ in attendance are employees. Employees' spouses are $\frac{1}{3}$ of the attendance. What is the percentage of the people in attendance who are not employees or employee spouses?

- A. 10.5%
- B. 16.7%
- C. 25%
- D. 32.3%
- E. 38%

16. If 6 is 24% of a number, what is 40% of the same number

- A. 8
- B. 10
- C. 15

D. 20

E. 25

17. 25% of 400 =

A. 100

B. 200

C. 800

D. 10,000

E. 12,000

18. 22% of \$900 =

A. 90

B. 198

C. 250

D. 325

E. 375

19. Which of the following percentages is equal to 0.45?

A. 0.045%

B. 0.45%

C. 4.5%

D. 45%

E. 0.0045%

20. Which of these percentages equals 1.25?

A. 0.125%

B. 12.5%

C. 125%

D. 1250%

E. 1250.5%

Answer Key

1. C

2. C

3. A

4. B

5. E

6. B

7. C

8. D

9. A

10. C

- 11. C
- 12. C
- 13. B
- 14. E
- 15. B
- 16. B
- 17. A
- 18. B
- 19. D
- 20. C

Practice Questions

1. After practice, the girl's softball team stated, "We're famished!"

Famished means

- A. Fatigued
- B. Hungry
- C. Excited
- D. Ready

2. The newborn baby was enamored with the rattle.

Enamored means

- A. Fascinated
- B. Happy
- C. Unsure what to do
- D. Aggravated

3. When having a problem, it is best to dissect the situation then act.

Dissect means

- A. Control
- B. Discuss
- C. Ignore
- D. Analyze

4. The bouncer's countenance discouraged brawls.

Countenance means

- A. Message
- B. Presence
- C. Expression
- D. Strength

5. The child apprized her father's authority and behaved herself in church.

Apprized means

- A. Appreciated
- B. Compromised
- C. Defied
- D. Noted

6. The aural component of balance is critical for postural control during ambulation.

Aural means related to the

- A. Eyes
- B. Ears
- C. Nose
- D. Hands

7. The wound exhibited signs of copious drainage requiring medical intervention.

Copious means

- A. Minimal
- B. Clear
- C. Maximal
- D. Foul

8. The scientist was able to evoke powerful emotions from her audience.

Evoke means

- A. Sell
- B. Calm
- C. Call forth
- D. Exaggerate

9. The official exhibited a heedless attitude when dealing with the dignitaries.

Heedless mean

- A. Thoughtless
- B. Pleasant
- C. Friendly
- D. Bitter

10. The general tried to instill in his troops the hope of victory.

Instill means

- A. Infuse
- B. Delay

C. Inscribe

D. Indict

11. The winning team of the World Series often has a jovial attitude.

Jovial means

A. Merry

B. Sad

C. Somber

D. Laborious

12. A lyre was played in ancient Rome.

The lyre is a

A. Stringed instrument in the harp class

B. Percussion instrument

C. Wind instrument in the wind class

D. Rhythmical percussion device

Answer Key

1. B

2. A

3. D

4. C

5. A

6. B

7. C

8. C

9. A

10. A

11. A

12. A

Sentence Correction Practice Questions

1. If the books have been cataloged last week, why haven't they been placed on the shelf?

A. have been cataloged

B. would have been cataloged

C. was cataloged

D. were cataloged

E. had been cataloged

2. Jessica Mitford wrote *The American Way of Death*, a best-selling book, that led eventually to an official investigation of the funeral industry.

- A. that led eventually
- B. that had led eventually
- C. that eventually led
- D. which led eventually
- E. who eventually led

3. Sabotage came from the French *saboter*, which means “to clatter with wooden shoes (sabots).”

- A. which means “to
- B. which means, “to
- C. that means “to
- D. that means- “to
- E. that means, “to

4. In studying an assignment it is wise to read it over quickly at first, than see the major points, and finally outline the material.

- A. first, than
- B. first: then
- C. first-then
- D. first, then
- E. first-than

5. To judge the Tidy City contest, we picked an uninterested party.

- A. picked an uninterested party.
- B. picked an interested party!
- C. picked a disinterested party.
- D. are in the process of picking an uninterested party.
- E. picked an disinterested party.

6. Linda decides they had better scam before the killers find them.

- A. had better scam
- B. had better leave
- C. should hurry and scam
- D. could hurry and leave
- E. had better get out

7. I really dug the character of Brutus.

- A. dug
- B. thought about
- C. thought of
- D. admired
- E. gazed at

8. Once upon a point a time, a small person named Little Red Riding Hood initiated plans for the preparation, delivery and transportation of foodstuffs to her Grandmother.

- A. and transportation of foodstuffs to her Grandmother.
- B. and transportation of food stuffs to her Grandmother.
- C. and transportation of food supplies to her Grandmother.
- D. and transportation of foodstuffs to her grandmother.
- E. and, transportation of food supplies to her grand mother.

9. The setting of a story effects the story's plot.

- A. effects the story's plot
- B. effects the stories plot
- C. affect the story's plot
- D. affects the story's plot
- E. affects the story's plots

10. Arctic trees are scrubbiest than trees in milder climates.

- A. scrubbiest than trees
- B. scrubbiier then trees
- C. scrubbiest than are trees
- D. scrubbiier than are trees
- E. scrubbiier than trees

11. Quebec rises in a magnificent way above the St. Lawrence River.

- A. rises in a magnificent way above
- B. rises in a magnificent way, way above
- C. rises magnificently above
- D. rises magnificently way above
- E. is raised in a magnificent way above

12. Someone gives the school gerbils every year.

- A. Someone gives the school gerbils
- B. Some one gives the school gerbils
- C. Some one gives the School gerbils
- D. There is a person that gives the school gerbils
- E. An individual gave gerbils

13. During colonial days, a school room looked rather empty.

- A. colonial days, a school room looked
- B. colonial days, a schoolroom looked
- C. colonial days; a schoolroom looked

- D. colonial days; a school room looked
- E. colonial days- a schoolroom looked

14. The helium- filled balloon rose in the air.

- A. rose in the air.
- B. was rising in the air.
- C. was in the air.
- D. rose into the air.
- E. would rise in the air.

15. If I had the address, I would have delivered the package myself.

- A. had the address.
- B. had the address;
- C. had the address-
- D. had had the address;
- E. had had the address.

16. Do you know that these gloves have lay on the bureau all week?

- A. have lay on
- B. have laid on
- C. would lie on
- D. had laid on
- E. have lain on

17. If I would have known about the team tryouts, I would have signed up for them.

- A. would have known
- B. would had known
- C. could of known
- D. had been told
- E. could have been told

18. If he would have revised his first draft, he would have received a better grade.

- A. would have revised
- B. had revised
- C. could of revised
- D. had of revised
- E. would revise

19. Valarie claims that cats made the best pets.

- A. made the best pets.
- B. could be the best pets.
- C. are the best pets.
- D. make of the best pets
- E. make the best pets.

20. By next month Ms. Jones will be Mayor of Tallahassee for two years.

- A. will be Mayor of Tallahassee
- B. will have been Mayor of Tallahassee
- C. will be mayor of Tallahassee
- D. will have been mayor of Tallahassee
- E. could have been mayor of Tallahassee

Answer Key

- 1. D
- 2. D
- 3. A
- 4. D
- 5. C
- 6. B
- 7. D
- 8. D
- 9. D
- 10. E
- 11. C
- 12. A
- 13. B
- 14. D
- 15. E
- 16. E
- 17. A
- 18. B
- 19. E
- 20. D

Verb Practice Questions

Please select the answer choice that identifies the verb in the sentence.

1. The interior temperatures of even the coolest stars are measured in millions of degrees.

- A. Coolest
- B. Of even

- C. Are measured
- D. In millions

2. Thomas Edison tried many filaments for his incandescent lamp.

- A. Many
- B. For his
- C. Filaments
- D. Tried

3. Jill sets the plates on the table.

- A. The
- B. Plates
- C. Table
- D. Sets

4. The child's balloon was slowly rising into the sky.

- A. Rising
- B. Slowly
- C. Into
- D. Balloon

5. The shoes were still lying where Ethan had left them.

- A. Still
- B. Were
- C. Them
- D. Shoes

6. Several changes in classroom procedures were effected by the new principal.

- A. Changes
- B. In
- C. By
- D. Effected

7. The soaked papers were laid in the sunlight.

- A. Soaked
- B. Papers
- C. Laid
- D. In the

8. The letter from the teacher implied that the child was not turning in his work.

- A. From
- B. Not
- C. His
- D. Turning

9. Luke didn't mean to hurt you during the baseball game.

- A. Baseball
- B. During
- C. Joe
- D. Mean

10. Amber used to recite the alphabet in Chinese.

- A. The
- B. Alphabet
- C. He
- D. Recite

Answer Key

- 1. C
- 2. D
- 3. D
- 4. A
- 5. B
- 6. D
- 7. C
- 8. D
- 9. D
- 10. D

Practice Questions

1. DRIP : GUSH

- A. cry : laugh
- B. curl : roll
- C. stream : tributary
- D. dent : destroy
- E. bend : angle

2. WALK : LEGS

- A. blink : eyes
- B. chew : mouth

- C. dress : hem
- D. cover : book
- E. grind : nose

3. ENFRANCHISE : SLAVERY

- A. equation : mathematics
- B. liberate : confine
- C. bondage : subjugation
- D. appeasement : unreasonable
- E. anatomy : physiology

4. UNION JACK : VEXILLOLOGY

- A. toad : ornithology
- B. turtle : microbiology
- C. gymnosperms : botany
- D. friend : home economics
- E. algae : zoology

5. TOPAZ : YELLOW

- A. diamond : carat
- B. jeweler : clarity
- C. sapphire : red
- D. amethyst : purple
- E. amber : blue

6. LUMEN : BRIGHTNESS

- A. candle : light
- B. density : darkness
- C. nickel : metal
- D. inches : length
- E. color : hue

7. MACERATION : LIQUID

- A. sublimation : gas
- B. evaporation : humidity
- C. trail : path
- D. erosion : weather
- E. decision : distraction

8. CLUMSY : BOTCH

- A. wicked :insinuate
- B. strict:pamper
- C. willful:heed
- D. clever:eradicate
- E. lazy:shirk

9. FUGITIVE : FLEE

- A. parasite:foster
- B. braggart:boast
- C. sage:stifle
- D. bystander:procure
- E. firebrand:quibble

10. CHRONOLOGICAL : TIME

- A. virtual:truth
- B. abnormal:value
- C. marginal:knowledge
- D. ordinal:place
- E. coincidental:health

11. SOOT : GRIMY

- A. frost:transparent
- B. sunshine:fruitless
- C. rain:sodden
- D. pall:gaudy
- E. dust:radiant

12. MORBID : UNFAVORABLE

- A. reputable:favorable
- B. maternal:unfavorable
- C. disputatious:favorable
- D. vigilant:unfavorable
- E. lax:favorable

13. SULLEN : BROOD

- A. lethargic:cavort
- B. regal:cringe
- C. docile: obey
- D. poised:blunder
- E. despondent:laugh

14. AUTHOR : LITERATE

- A. cynic:guillible
- B. hothead:prudent
- C. saint:notorious
- D. judge:impartial
- E. doctor:fallible

15. MASSIVE : BULK

- A. ultimate:magnitude
- B. trival:importance
- C. anonymous:luster
- D. interminable:legacy
- E. gigantic:size

16. ENTICE : REPEL

- A. germinate:sprout
- B. flourish:fade
- C. officiate:preside
- D. lubricate:grease
- E. implore:entreat

17. HUMDRUM : BORE

- A. grim:amuse
- B. nutritious:sicken
- C. stodgy:excite
- D. heartrending:move
- E. pending:worry

18. HOSPITABLE : COURTESY

- A. morbid:cheerfulness
- B. vindictive:spite
- C. leisurely:haste
- D. infamous:honor
- E. despondent:glee

19. REINFORCE : STRONGER

- A. abound: lesser
- B. dismantle: longer
- C. wilt: higher

D. shirk: greater
E. erode: weaker

20. BRAGGART : MODESTY

A. fledgling: experience
B. embezzler: greed
C. wallflower: timidity
D. invalid: malady
E. candidate: ambition

Answer Key

1. D
2. B
3. B
4. C
5. D
6. D
7. D
8. E
9. B
10. D
11. C
12. A
13. C
14. D
15. E
16. B
17. D
18. B
19. E
20. A

Practice Questions

1. HAVOC : DEVASTATION

A. clarification: mystification
B. surplus: shortage
C. farce: sham
D. turmoil: order
E. timidity: audacity

2. INFAMOUS : UNFAVORABLE

- A. mellow: favorable
- B. hospitable: unfavorable
- C. vindictive: favorable
- D. gigantic: unfavorable
- E. lax: favorable

3. LETHARGIC : ENERGY

- A. despondent: melancholy
- B. leisurely: relaxation
- C. notorious: infamy
- D. mellow: wrath
- E. lavish: extravagance

4. BELLOW : FURY

- A. snicker: hatred
- B. hiss: joy
- C. giggle: dread
- D. yawn: excitement
- E. gasp: surprise

5. DISMANTLE : ASSEMBLE

- A. shirk: malingering
- B. pamper: mistreat
- C. mar: disfigure
- D. rant: rave
- E. abound: teem

6. DIALOGUE : PLAYWRIGHT

- A. farce: buffoon
- B. narrative: character
- C. overture: composer
- D. pact: humorist
- E. clarification: beneficiary

7. FLU : MALADY

- A. finale: overture
- B. felony: misdemeanor
- C. fun: farce
- D. flea: parasite
- E. fire: hearth

8. MEDLEY : MISCELLANEOUS

- A. truce: hostile
- B. luster: dull
- C. fledging: experienced
- D. remnant: partial
- E. malady: fatal

9. BASKETBALL : HOOP

- A. pool: cue
- B. croquet: wicket
- C. hockey: puck
- D. tennis: net
- E. baseball: bat

10. PLAGUE : MALADY

- A. bystander: participant
- B. timidity: coward
- C. anecdote: narrative
- D. emblem: dialogue
- E. perjury: homicide

11. SHERIFF : POSSE

- A. painter: easel
- B. teacher: student
- C. mascot: team
- D. sergeant: regimen
- E. foreman: jury

12. GIGANTIC : SIZE

- A. substantial: mass
- B. marginal: volume
- C. bankrupt: money
- D. despondent: cheerfulness
- E. heartrending: humor

13. DRUGGIST : PHARMACY

- A. ballerina: tutu
- B. hand: glove
- C. waiter: restaurant

D. coach: team

E. child: father

14. SKI : SNOW

A. drive: car

B. gold: putt

C. dance: step

D. skate: ice

E. ride: horse

15. VERIFY : TRUE

A. signify: cheap

B. purify: clean

C. terrify: confident

D. ratify: angry

E. mortify: relaxed

16. TARANTULA : SPIDER

A. mare: stallion

B. milk: cow

C. fly: parasite

D. sheep: grass

E. drone: bee

17. RATIFY : YES

A. loom: no

B. eradicate: yes

C. veto: no

D. stifle: yes

E. goad: no

18. GAUDY : TASTEFUL

A. massive: volume

B. meager: abundance

C. impartial: objectivity

D. chronological: time

E. nutritious : health

19. RITE : CEREMONY

- A. magnitude: size
- B. affliction: blessing
- C. clamor : silence
- D. pall: clarity
- E. agitation: calm

20. INFLATE : BIGGER

- A. revere: lower
- B. elongate: shorter
- C. fluctuate: longer
- D. meditate: higher
- E. diminish : smaller

Answer Key

- 1. C
- 2. A
- 3. D
- 4. E
- 5. B
- 6. C
- 7. D
- 8. E
- 9. B
- 10. C
- 11. E
- 12. A
- 13. C
- 14. D
- 15. B
- 16. E
- 17. C
- 18. B
- 19. A
- 20. E

Practice Questions

1. Add $0.98 + 45.102 + 32.3333 + 31 + 0.00009$

- A. 368.573
- B. 210.536299
- C. 109.41539
- D. 99.9975
- E. 80.8769543

2. Find $0.12 \div 1$

- A. 12
- B. 1.2
- C. .12
- D. .012
- E. .0012

3. $(9 \div 3) \times (8 \div 4) =$

- A. 1
- B. 6
- C. 72
- D. 576
- E. 752

4. $6 \times 0 \times 5$

- A. 30
- B. 11
- C. 25
- D. 0
- E. 27

5. $7.95 \div 1.5$

- A. 2.4
- B. 5.3
- C. 6.2
- D. 7.3
- E. 7.5

6. $-32 + 7$ equals:

- A. -25
- B. 25
- C. -26
- D. 26
- E. 27

7. $-37 + -47$ equals:

- A. 64
- B. -84
- C. 65

D. -75

E. -66

8. 41% equals:

A. 4.1

B. .41

C. .041

D. .0041

E. .00415

Answer Key

1. C

2. C

3. B

4. D

5. B

6. A

7. B

8. B