



## **Verbal Reasoning**

## Find the Missing Word

#### What do I do?

Find a three-letter word that completes the word in bold and finishes the sentence in the most logical way.

#### **Top Tips!**

- Look for common letter strings such as 'ing', 'sion' and 'tion'
- Make sure you read the sentence first, rather than just guessing the word - it's easier to find the word when you can see it in context!
- Remember the three-letter word has to be inserted into the word as a whole word, you cannot split the letters up.

### What skills do I need to improve?



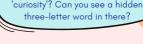
Doing lots of practice questions will help with becoming familiar with question types but what else can you do to improve in this area?

- Any word games such as Scrabble, Boggle or Bananagrams will help with these types of questions.
- You could try to create your own questions by taking a sentence from a book and finding a word that has a three-letter word in it to use in your question.
- When you're reading, see if you can find words with other words hidden within them.

#### **Practice Questions**

- Milly was freezing after she SD outside in the snow.
- Grace parked the car back in the GAE.
- 3. The car **SPED** and the pedestrian crossed the road.
- 4. Milo needed to pack his suitcase before going on **HOAY**.
- 5. Max visited the **OPIANS** to get some new glasses.
- 6. There were hundreds of **SEELLS** on the sandy beach.
- 7. Gilly's diamond **SPLED** in the sunlight.
- 8. Scientists **RERCHED** how the virus spread.
- 9. The **AUNCE** took their seats in the auditorium before the show.
- Brocolli and peas were the only **VEABLES** that Roshanna didn't eat. 10.
- 11. The officer inspected the **AGE** to the property.
- 12. We enjoyed walking through the **CCHY** leaves.
- 13. Iceland's **VOLO** erupted leaving hundreds of people homeless.
- 14. The young **FGLING** prepared to leave her nest.
- The nurse **EXAED** the boy's injury before the doctor arrived.

What is the meaning of the word 'curiosity'? Can you see a hidden three-letter word in there?







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#### **Answers**

- 1. Milly was freezing after she **STOOD** outside in the snow.
- 2. Grace parked the car back in the GARAGE.
- 3. The car **STOPPED** and the pedestrian crossed the road.
- 4. Milo needed to pack his suitcase before going on **HOLIDAY**.
- 5. Max visited the **OPTICIANS** to get some new glasses.
- 6. There were hundreds of **SEASHELLS** on the sandy beach.
- 7. Gilly's diamond **SPARKLED** in the sunlight.
- 8. Scientists **RESEARCHED** how the virus spread.
- 9. The **AUDIENCE** took their seats in the auditorium before the show.
- 10. Brocolli and peas were the only **VEGETABLES** that Roshanna didn't eat.
- 11. The officer inspected the  ${f DAMAGE}$  to the property.
- 12. We enjoyed walking through the **CRUNCHY** leaves.
- 13. Iceland's **VOLCANO** erupted leaving hundreds of people homeless.
- 14. The young **FLEDGLING** prepared to leave her nest.
- 15. The nurse **EXAMINED** the boy's injury before the doctor arrived.



The word curiosity means a strong desire to know or to learn something. It can also be an unusual or interesting fact or object.

Three-letter words hidden within **cur**io**sit**y are: cur and sit.