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**Vocabulary & Analogy**

Good morning. We will be doing analogy, we have done a bit of analogy in our previous classes, but I think it is time to do or it is necessary to do some more practice with this very important component. So, let us look at the first exercises here.

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**Exercises**

- **MERCURY : CADUCEUS ::** (a) Vulcan : forge  
(b) Pegasus : Muses (c) palladium : Athena  
(d) Jupiter : thunderbolt (e) Neptune : trident
- **ENERVATE : STRENGTHEN ::** (a) aver : attribute  
(b) divert: turn (c) apprise : appraise  
(d) stultify : enliven (e) invigorate : brighten
- **DOLT : DOUR ::** (a) bolt : door (b) escape : subterfuge  
(c) reticent: silence  
(d) numbskull : sullen (e) infant : cry

Mercury is to caduceus as Vulcan is to forge. Pegasus is to muses, palladium is to Athena, Jupiter is to thunderbolt and Neptune is to trident. Next enervate is to strengthen as aver is to attribute, divert is to turn, apprise is to appraise, stultify is to enliven, invigorate to brighten. Dolt is to dour as bolt is to door, escape is to subterfuge, reticent to silence, numbskull to sullen, infant to cry.

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- **MENDACITY : DISTRUST ::** (a) begging : charity  
(b) stupidity : failure (c) truth : falsehood  
(d) untruth : doubtful (e) integrity : confidence
- **CARELESSNESS : JEOPARDIZE ::** (a) penalty : chastise  
(b) failure : discouragement  
(c) carefulness : security (d) neglect: endanger  
(e) crowding : discomfort

Next, mendacity is to distrust as begging is to charity, stupidity is to failure, truth is to falsehood, untruth to doubtful, integrity to confidence. Carelessness is to jeopardize as penalty is to chastise, failure is to discouragement, carefulness is to security, neglect is to endanger and crowding is to discomfort.

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- **FLAMBOYANT : ROCOCO ::** a) ornate : baroque  
(b) inflammable : phlegmatic  
(c) counterfeit : invaluable  
(d) flagrant: flagitious (e) florid : fragrant
- **HYPERTENSION : HYPOTENSION ::** (a) high : low  
(b) excessive : deficient (c) super : minimal  
(d) abnormal : normal (e) iso : sub

Next, flamboyant is to rococo as ornate is to baroque, inflammable is to phlegmatic, counterfeit to invaluable, flagrant to flagitious, florid is to fragrant. Hypertension is to

hypotension as high is to low, excessive to deficient, super to minimal, abnormal to normal, iso to sub.

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- **PRECEDENT : JUSTIFICATION ::**
  - (a) kindness : obedience
  - (b) authority : sanction (c) usage : submission
  - (d) tradition : novelty (e) orthodoxy : heresy
- **PHILOLOGIST : LANGUAGE ::**
  - (a) numismatist: stamps
  - (b) herbalist : tropical flowers
  - (c) philatelist : charms (d) fish : ichthyologist
  - (e) conchologist: shells

Next word, precedent is to justification as kindness is to obedience, authority is to sanction, usage is to submission, tradition is to novelty, orthodoxy is to heresy. Philologist is to language as numismatist is to stamps, herbalist is to tropical flowers, philatelist to is charms, fish is to ichthyologist, conchologist to shells.

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- **LAUREL : VICTOR ::** (a) chevrons : army  
(b) Oscar : movie star (c) power : glory  
(d) blue ribbon : cooking (e) rabbit's foot: luck
- **CORVINE : CROW ::** (a) elephantine : dinosaur  
(b) lioness : lion (c) viceregal: viceroy  
(d) corvette : automobile (e) urbane : urban
- **ZEALOT : FANATICISM ::** (a) impostor : sham  
(b) orator : frenzy (c) umpire : game.  
(d) vagabond : vagrant (e) parasite : food

Laurel is to victor as chevrons is to army, Oscar is to movie star, power is to glory, blue ribbon is to cooking, rabbit's foot is to luck. Corvine is to crow as elephantine is to dinosaur, lioness to lion, viceregal to viceroy, corvette is to automobile, urbane is to urban. Zealot is to fanaticism as impostor is to sham, orator is to frenzy, umpire is to game, vagabond is to vagrant, parasite is to food.

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- **PAIN : ANODYNE ::** (a) savagery : music  
(b) grief : solace (c) harshness : softness  
(d) trifle : enormity (e) accident: insurance.
- **FORGERY : SIGNATURE ::** (a) faked : genuine  
(b) proxy : delegate (c) carbon copy : original  
(d) embezzlement: blank check  
(e) multigraph : duplicate

Next slide, pain is to anodyne as savagery is to music, grief is to solace, harshness is to softness, trifle is to enormity, accident is to insurance. Forgery is to signature as faked is to genuine, proxy is to delegate, carbon copy is to original, embezzlement is to blank check, multigraph is to duplicate.

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- **ANXIETY : ALLAY :: GRIEF :** (a) banish (b) condole  
(c) heighten (d) assuage (e) display
- **MINOTAUR : BULL :: CHIMERA :** (a) heifer (b) lion  
(c) goddess (d) tiger (e) dog
- **SYLVAN : WOODS :: TERRESTRIAL :** (a) urban (b) fear  
(c) earth (d) planets (e) stars
- **SCION : PROGENITOR :: DESCENDANT :** (a) children  
(b) brother (c) ancestor (d) progeny (e) guardian

Next, anxiety is to allay as grief is to banish or to condole or to heighten or to assuage or to display. Please notice you are not getting now double words here, you have getting one word and then you have to chose a the exact one word not a pair. Minotaur is to bull as chimera as to heifer, chimeras to lion, goddess, tiger or dog. Sylvan is to woods as terrestrial is to a urban, b fear, c earth, d planets, e stars. Scion is to progenitor as descendant is to children, brother, ancestor, progeny, and guardian.

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- **INVEIGLE : CAJOLE :: MALIGN :** (a) slander  
(b) enlighten (c) acclaim (d) eulogize  
(e) compile
- **CYGNET : SWAN :: HORSE:** (a) bridle (b) hoof  
(c) mule (d) colt (e) stallion
- **HERCULES : Club:: Cupid:** (a) trident  
(b) SPEAR (c) club (d) poisoned bow  
(e) ARROW

Inveigle is to cajole as malign is to slander, b enlighten, c acclaim, d eulogize, e compile.  
Cygnet is to swan as horse is to bridle, b hoof, c mule, d colt, d stallion. Hercules is to club as cupid is to trident, b spear, c club, d poisoned bow, e arrow.

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- **OGLE : EYES :: MANEUVER : (a) fingers (b) human beings (c) minds (d) machines (e) hands**
- **PURLOIN : STEAL :: NEBULOUS : (a) frustrating (b) scanty (c) dishonest (d) stormy (e) vague**
- **RUBE SCENT : RED :: CERULEAN : (a) sky (b) brilliant (c) pale (d) sea green (e) blue**
- **GENUINE : SIMULATED :: UNAFFECTED : (a) elevated b. bombastic (c) dynamic (d) destructive (e) emulated**

Next slide, ogle is to eyes as maneuver is to fingers, b human beings, c minds, d machines, e hands. Purloin is to steal as nebulous is to frustrating, b scanty, c dishonest, d stormy, e vague. Rube scent is to red as cerulean is to sky, b brilliant, c pale, d sea green, e blue. Next is genuine is to simulated as unaffected is to a elevated, b bombastic, c dynamic, d destructive, e emulated.

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- **RACHITIC : RICKETS :: (a) adulatory : adoration**  
(b) Oxford : Oxon Ian (c) scorbutic : scurvy  
(d) deification : deify (e) therapy : therapeutic
- **URANIUM (U-235) : FISSIONABLE :: Gold:**  
(a) diamond (b) ideas (c) nucleus (d) atoms  
(e) malleable

Next, rachitic is to rickets as adulatory is to adoration, b oxford is to Oxon Ian; again you are having pairs, scorbutic is scurvy, deification is to deify and therapy is to therapeutic. Uranium is to fissionable as gold is to diamond, ideas, nucleus, atoms, malleable.

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- **SUPPOSITIOUS : FALSE :: SPURIOUS :** (a) inciting  
(b) duplicate (c) exhilarating (d) not authentic  
(e) not technical
- **MULCT : DEFRAUD :: RATIOCINATION :**  
(a) reasoning (b) bilk (c) detective  
(d) proportion (e) self-defense

Suppositious is to false as spurious is to inciting, b duplicate, c exhilarating, d not authentic, e not technical. And the last word mulct is to defraud as ratiocination is to reasoning, bilk, c detective, d proportion, e self defense.

And the answers are for the first one: Mercury is to caduceus as Neptune is to trident, it is their weapons/weaponries. So, Neptune is known to carry trident, so that is the analogy. Enervate is to stringent these are the opposites. So, choices d) stultify is to enliven invigorate and brighten are same and enervate and stringent are opposite choices is correct answer is d) stultify is to enliven. Next dolt is to dour as numbskull is to sullen. Next is mendacity is to distrust and the answer choices say mendacity is what dishonesty; when you are dishonest people distrust you.

So look at all the choices now: bagging and charity that is opposite, stupidity failure that is a cause, truth and falsehood opposites, untruth and doubtful not really so. Integrity when you have a integrity you inspire confidence, when you have mendacity you inspire distrust that is the analogy; so choice e) integrity and confidence.

Next was carelessness and jeopardize: carelessness causes things to be jeopardized. So, choices a) penalty justifies you are justified and we are dealt with the penalty, but does not answer is fail; failure discouragement, no not really. Carefulness and security and neglect and endanger this is your answer. So, carelessness leads to jeopardy and neglect leads to endanger; that is the best choice here. Crowding and discomforts it can be to discomfort, but we are looking at the same level of problems as carelessness and jeopardy.

Flamboyant is to rococo as ornate is to baroque: that is the right answer that is style of. So, rococo kind of artist style and or baroque is also kind of an ornate style, so rococo is flamboyant baroque is ornate to decorate, so that comes from the world of art.

Next one hypertension to hypotension: height to low. But here we are not talking about high and low as simplistic, but excessive and deficiency so best choice is b. Choice b) excessive and defiant. In hypertension you have excessive condition in hypotension you have deficiency so this is what we are talking. It is not simply high and low.

Next is president and justification so the best choices authority and sanction. Then there is a president, there is a justification and then there is an authority; authority can cause sanction. You say then submission, tradition, and novelty, orthodoxy, and heresy the related but not in the same context as authority and sanction.



Next is philologist and language; what does the numismatist do? Studies stamps, herbalist studies, tropical flowers. Philatelist collect does charms and fish its theologian study fish. So, answer is your e conchologist, like a philologist which studies languages conchologist studies shells; study of shells. Next word was laurel and victor: you get apologies and you have a person who is applauded, so best choice is choice b Oscar and movies star; Oscar awards are given to movie stars.

Next one was corvine and crow; anything related to crow is corvine, anything relate to dinosaur is not elephantine. Lioness is the gender opposite gender of lion, but so from crow from you get the adjective corvine from viceroy you get the adjective viceregal, so choice c. Urbane and urban are totally different thing; urbane is an attitude towards life, urban is a anyone how leaves in urban city areas it is a choice of adjectives.

Next was zealot and fanaticism: do you have four choices, five choices impostor and sham what does it zealot do practices fanaticisms. Orator does not practice frenzy, empire does not practice game, vagabond is vagrant and parasite leave of food. Zealot azealot, practices fanaticism and impostor practices sham; so choice a.

Next was pain and anodyne: anodyne cures pain it is like a soothing; savagery music not really. Harshness softness they are opposites, trifle enormity opposites, accident insurance. So, you need swales in your grief, you need a anodyne in your pain, gives this slowest to someone in their grief. So, choice b is the answer. Next was forgery is to signature, it is fake to genuine. Forgery you know faking somebody signature, fake to genuine. So, answer is fake and genuine.

Proxy and delegate not really, carbon copy and original many of us may but car carbon copy need not be illegal, here the question is of legality also; fake and forgery, signature and genuine. Embezzlement in blank cheque; you can give someone blank cheque. So, these are not really legal issues.

Next was anxiety to allay as grief is to; so you allay somebody's anxiety, you reduce somebody anxiety that is allay. And grief you banish grief, you condole grief, heighten grief or assuage grief or display; you assuage grief which is reducing somebody's grief its likes giving soulless.

Next was minotaur is to bull; again these are those proper kinds of creature that we just we saw in a la last class. So, chimera all these are mythical mythological creatures. So, bull is minotaur and chimera is lion, not a heifer not a goddess not a tiger not a dog; a lion half lion half human, minotaur is half human half bull, chimera is half lion half human that is the connection and an analogy. Sylvan woods terrestrial. So, sylvan forest John Keats to the grecian and he uses the term sylvan. So, you know charming beautiful place they lots of woods thick with woods.

And terrestrial is pertaining to the land. So, is it urban fear earth planets stars is related to earth; so terrestrial earth, tera. Sign is to progenitor- progenitor gives birth to assign. And decedent, so you have children brother and sister progeny and guardian; so ancestors lead to descendent we say my ancestor (Refer Time: 15:52) a progenitor. So, this is the analogy, progenitor leads to sign ancestors lead to descendents.

Next was inveigle leads to cajole as malign these are synonyms. You want to persuades someone is to inveigle, and when you malign someone you are slandering, you are tarnishing their images. So, you are not acclaiming you are eulogize a compiling; eulogize is the big opposite, here we are taking about the analogy is all about synonyms you malign you slander.

Next was cygnet and swan. So, we are talking about the higher in the smaller version.; so horse is to colt. Stallion would be a more way find version of you know one of the breeds of horse; so here horse is to colt. Hercules is to club, what quipped is to now we Hercules use to carry a club that was his weapon of choice or choice of weapon or whatever. A quipped does not carry trident, Neptune carry trident. These are greed Goddess spear or poisoned bow quipped weapon was arrow.

If you people know the a legend of or the mythology of and quipped, quipped is the little creature that flies around all over the place wind creature. And on Valentines Day you have picture of a quipped, the bow and narrow in a idea is if it strikes someone with a narrow people falling in love. So, that is the legend of quipped.

Ogle is to eyes: you ogle gaze someone with your eyes. So, maneuver or maneuver something with not necessarily fingers or human beings or minds although you can use your mind here, but here the idea is to maneuver something with your sensors, so hands. So, ogle with eyes and maneuver with hands are choice e. Purloin is an archaic word or

higher order word for the stealing. So, nebulous is archaic word is an archaic higher order word for e vague or cloudy; nebulous whether that it can also been nebulous ideas cloudy ideas.

Next was rubescent, is a red: it is a noun given to the adjective colors. So, cerulean is to blue and something you said touch of cerulean to blue we do not you usually talked that all of us are aware of that, but it is for the purposes of your exams that you should know. Serulean is connected with blue: the blueness of something, the redness of something is rubescent, the blueness of something is cerulean. Genuine is the opposite of simulated, you simulate something. Unaffected is the opposite of; unaffected what is the unaffected? It is not like you remain unaffected by something, unaffected means we are very down to earth and that is opposite is bombastic; you are always praising yourself.

Next was rachitic and recites. So, when you have you are suffering from the disease called reekets which adjective is rachitic. So, when you are suffering from disease called a scurvy the adjective is scorbutic, is scorbutic, is scorbutic is related to scurvy disease. And next was uranium: uranium as a element effaceable that is the property. And gold's property is not diamond or ideas or although golden ideas we are aware of, but not exactly here. Nuclears or atoms choice b answer is e malleable. So, golden malleable just as uranium is fissionable property.

Next word was supposititious: supposititious is based on assumptions rather than facts. So, supposititious is to false, so almost synonyms. And is spurious is again false. So, supposititious is to false that spurious is to inciting duplicate exhilarating not authentic not technical; so best choice is d not authentic.

Next was mulct is to defraud: as ratiocination is to a reasoning, b bilk, c detective, d proportion, e self defense. Now mulct is to expect money by imposing fine, almost like cheating you know they want penalizing someone for something very small and you mulct that you extract. Ratios innovation is a process of exact thinking. So, one is extract money by fine, by cheating and so you are expecting something. Ratios innovation is extracting thinking by reasoning. So that is the way that is the analogy here. Mulct defraud, ratios innovation reasoning a; bilk is to obtain money by cheating so that is a synonym.

Thank you very much, we will continue with more vocabulary in our next class.