



MENSA MINI-QUIZ

The following questions are similar to those administered on the Mensa Admission Test. Take the challenge and find out if you are Mensa material. (*Answers on separate page.*)

1. What number, plus 13, is equal to one-fourth of 116?
2. Start with the number of U.S. Senators, subtract the number of states, then multiply by the number of seconds in five minutes. What do you get?
3. Can you think of an American tree whose name contains all five vowels?
4. A well-known saying appears below in high-flown language. Can you restore it to its original form?

It is all but impossible – indeed, very difficult – to attempt to instruct a superannuated canine in the art of acquiring hitherto unknown stunts or activities.

5. What is the 11-letter word that all smart people spell incorrectly?
6. What royal word in the plural becomes singular when you add one letter?
7. Priscilla and Paul went shopping for a new sofa. They found one for \$500 at a special sale. It had been reduced 50% and then 20%. What did it cost before the sale?
8. The busy chemist left a message for his new assistant: “Try -40° .” The assistant was puzzled. Did he mean centigrade or Fahrenheit?
9. What one three-letter word inserted in the blank below will create two new words from those on either side?

Door _____ Ace

10. Unscramble the letters below to make one word.

New Door

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HOW TO SCORE YOUR MINI-QUIZ

Answers

1. 16
2. 15,000 ($100 - 50 = 50$; $50 \times 300 = 15,000$)
3. Sequoia
4. You can't teach an old dog new tricks.
5. Incorrectly.
6. Princes. (becomes Princess)
7. \$1,250 (One-half of \$1,250 is \$625. Twenty percent off \$625 leaves \$500.)
8. The question is irrelevant: -40° is the same temperature on either scale.
9. Men.
10. One word.

Scoring: Count the number of correct answers.

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| 9-10 | Mensa Material! Try to join. |
| 7-8 | Good chance you qualify for Mensa. |
| 5-6 | Not bad, you might make Mensa. |
| Below 5 | You must have had a bad day. Try again. |