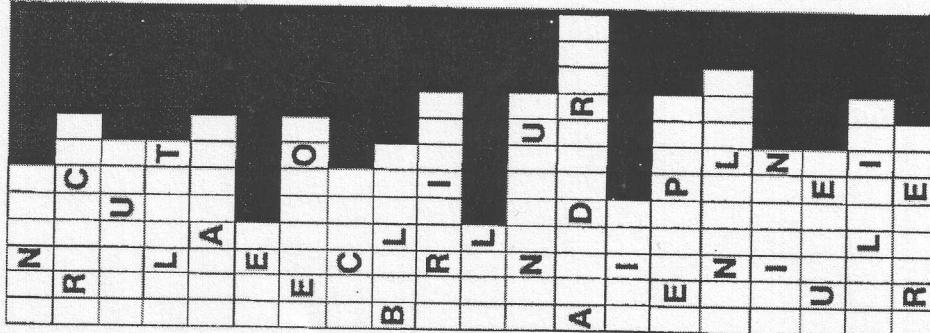


17 Words associated with numbers

Read through the following sentences and fill in the missing words.

- 1 In this mathematical system, $101 = 5$.
- 2 A 3-wheeled cycle.
- 3 A period of a hundred years.
- 4 One person who sings.
- 5 A person who has two wives.
- 6 Two people singing together.
- 7 A five-sided figure.
- 8 A period of ten years.
- 9 An aeroplane with two sets of wings.
- 10 A period of two weeks.
- 11 A combat between two people.
- 12 A dramatic performance or speech for a single actor.
- 13 A person who can use both hands equally well.
- 14 Two babies born at the same time.
- 15 An insect which is said to have a hundred feet.
- 16 An instrument with two lenses which helps bring distant objects closer.
- 17 A mythological animal with a horn in the middle of its head.
- 18 Four musicians playing together.
- 19 Government by two or more parties.
- 20 Three babies born at the same time.



18 Confusing words

Choose the correct word in each of the following sentences.

- 1 Although she was (crippled/lame) and thus confined to a wheelchair, she still managed to cope with a family and most of the housework.
- 2 The dress doesn't fit. I'll have to have it (changed/ altered).
- 3 If people must smoke in bed, then they should at least take the precaution of buying (non-flammable/inflammable) sheets and blankets.
- 4 Although my father has (deficient/defective) hearing, he still refuses to wear a hearing-aid.
- 5 The baby (blinked/winked) when its mother clapped her hands in front of its face.
- 6 Of all the writers of (comic/comical) opera, Gilbert and Sullivan are my favourites.
- 7 Where were you (educated/trained) to be a teacher?
- 8 My brother is studying to be an (electrical/electric) engineer.
- 9 I do wish you'd grow up, John! You're so (childish/childlike) at times.
- 10 There's a (rumour/reputation) going round the office that Mr Burgess and Miss Gibson are getting engaged.
- 11 I wonder if you would like to (co-operate/collaborate) with me on a book I'm thinking of writing about famous women in politics?
- 12 There is a very good (Technological/Technical) College not far from where I live.
- 13 Did you know that Peter had arranged the party (specially/especially) for you?
- 14 I couldn't care less one way or the other. I'm completely (uninterested/disinterested).
- 15 I hear that Manchester United beat Liverpool two—(nil/nought) in last night's Cup match.
- 16 There is a very strong (possibility/opportunity) that man will land on the planet Mars before the year 2000.
- 17 South Wales was once a flourishing coal-mining area, but today there are hundreds of (misused/disused) coalmines scattered throughout the valleys.
- 18 My uncle has just got a divorce, which is very strange since he is a marriage guidance (councillor/counsellor).
- 19 I'm afraid the boot is full. There is no (room/space) for any more suitcases.
- 20 It's much too hot. Let's go and sit in the (shadow/shade) for a while.
- 21 I'll see you next week—(eventually/possibly) on Friday.