Millionaire Trivia for Seniors

Use this key to check answers and read the explanations.

1. A thesaurus is mainly used to find what?
   - A. Train schedules
   - B. Synonyms and related words
   - C. Country borders
   - D. Recipes

   Correct answer: B. Synonyms and related words
   A thesaurus groups words by related meanings.

2. How many minutes are in an hour and a half?
   - A. 120
   - B. 75
   - C. 100
   - D. 90

   Correct answer: D. 90
   One hour is 60 minutes and half an hour is 30.

3. Which animal is a mammal?
   - A. Dolphin
   - B. Trout
   - C. Frog
   - D. Sparrow

   Correct answer: A. Dolphin
   Dolphins breathe air and nurse their young, key mammal traits.

4. Which tool measures temperature?
   - A. Ruler
   - B. Barometer
   - C. Thermometer
   - D. Compass

   Correct answer: C. Thermometer
   A thermometer measures temperature; a barometer measures air pressure.

5. What does a map legend explain?
   A. Every country's population
   B. The map's author's childhood
   C. The symbols used on the map
   D. The reader's location automatically
   Correct answer: C. The symbols used on the map
   A legend provides meanings for map symbols and colours.

6. Six people each use one cup. A cupboard has eight cups. How many remain?
   A. 2
   B. 3
   C. 4
   D. 6
   Correct answer: A. 2
   Eight minus six equals two.

7. A duet is performed by how many performers or parts?
   A. 5
   B. 3
   C. 4
   D. 2
   Correct answer: D. 2
   Duet names a piece or performance for two.

8. Which pair are homophones in common English pronunciation?
   A. Sea and say
   B. Sea and see
   C. See and sigh
   D. Sea and sun
   Correct answer: B. Sea and see
   Sea and see sound alike despite different spelling and meaning.

9. Turn 180° from facing east. Which direction are you facing?
   A. West
   B. North
   C. South
   D. East
   Correct answer: A. West
   A half turn faces the opposite direction.

10. A train leaves at 11:25 a.m. and arrives at 12:05 p.m. on the same day. How long is the trip?

A. 45 minutes
B. 30 minutes
C. 40 minutes
D. 80 minutes

Correct answer: C. 40 minutes
There are 35 minutes until noon and five more afterward.

11. Two half-litre bottles together hold how many litres?

A. 2
B. 1/2
C. 1 1/2
D. 1

Correct answer: D. 1
One half plus one half is one whole litre.

12. In a bar of 4/4 time, two quarter notes are written. How many more quarter notes fill the bar?

A. 1
B. 2
C. 3
D. 4

Correct answer: B. 2
Each quarter note counts one beat here; two beats remain in a four-beat bar.

13. In a Gregorian leap year, how many days does February have?

A. 31
B. 28
C. 30
D. 29

Correct answer: D. 29
Leap years add February 29 to the usual calendar.

14. If a photograph was taken in 1986 and viewed in 2026, how many calendar years separate those year numbers?

A. 40
B. 30
C. 35
D. 45

Correct answer: A. 40
2026 minus 1986 equals 40; exact anniversaries depend on the dates.

15. A recipe serves four. You need six servings. By what factor do you multiply each ingredient?

A. 2.5
B. 2
C. 1.5
D. 0.75

Correct answer: C. 1.5
Six divided by four is 1.5.