

Verbal Reasoning Fun with Max and Zara

Learning objective: To develop verbal reasoning skills including word associations, pattern recognition, and finding the odd one out, suitable for Year 3 English.

Read each flashcard carefully. Use your logic skills to find the missing word or identify the odd one out. Max the monkey loves these puzzles, and Zara the zebra thinks they are just like patterns in art!

Synonym: A word that means the same as 'happy'.	Antonym: A word that means the opposite of 'hot'.
Joyful, cheerful, or glad.	Cold.
Odd One Out: Which word does not belong? Apple, Banana, Carrot, Pear.	Word Association: Max is to Monkey as Finn is to...?
Carrot (it is a vegetable, while the others are fruits).	Dolphin.
Word Patterns: If 'cat' becomes 'dog' and 'sun' becomes 'moon', what is the pattern?	Find the missing word: Big is to Small as Tall is to...?
Each pair represents things that are often grouped together or opposites (Day/Night logic).	Short.
Categories: Name two items that belong in the category 'Stationery'.	Word Building: Add a letter to the start of 'at' to make a new word.
Pen, pencil, ruler, eraser, or notebook.	Cat, bat, hat, mat, rat, or fat.
Odd One Out: Which word does not belong? Blue, Red, Circle, Green.	Relationship: A baker works in a bakery, so a teacher works in a...?
Circle (it is a shape, while the others are colours).	School.
Synonym: What is a synonym for 'fast'?	Logic Puzzle: If it costs £2 for an apple and £1 for a pear, how much for both?
Quick, rapid, or speedy.	£3.