

# Odd ones out

**Odd ones out** questions test your understanding of word meaning. You are given five words. You have to find the two words that do not go with the other three.

Underline the **two** words that are different from the other three.

giraffe    horse    octopus    cow    eel

First, find the three words that go together.

Look at each word in turn. Compare it to each of the others. Find what the words have in common.

- Are **giraffe** and **horse** connected?    Yes – both are animals with four legs and both are mammals.
- Are **giraffe** and **octopus** connected?    No.
- Are **giraffe** and **cow** connected?    Yes – both are animals with four legs and both are mammals.
- Are **giraffe** and **eel** connected?    No.

Therefore, **giraffe**, **horse** and **cow** are the three words that go together.

The two words that are different are **octopus** and **eel**.

**Answer:** giraffe    horse    octopus    cow    eel



Underline the **two** words in each group that are different from the other three.

1. rose            mosquito            daffodil            cricket            tulip
2. mechanic            accountant            organ            solicitor            guitar
3. delight            dismay            joy            despair            misery
4. glider            helicopter            airship            yacht            canoe
5. mole            owl            badger            fox            kestrel
6. apple            lettuce            mango            salad            kiwi
7. betrayal            obedience            treachery            disloyalty            faith
8. first            second            gram            hour            year



**TIP** The odd ones out may or may not go with each other.