

25 RIDDLES

for Elementary Students



- 1** **RIDDLE:** What gets wet when drying?
ANSWER: A towel.
- 2** **RIDDLE:** Where do fish keep their money?
ANSWER: In a riverbank, of course.
- 3** **RIDDLE:** What is orange and sounds like a parrot?
ANSWER: A carrot.
- 4** **RIDDLE:** The more of them you take, the more you leave behind. What are they?
ANSWER: Footsteps.
- 5** **RIDDLE:** What do you get when you cross an automobile with a domesticated animal?
ANSWER: A carpet.
- 6** **RIDDLE:** What was the elephant doing on the freeway?
ANSWER: About 5 mph.
- 7** **RIDDLE:** 100 feet in the air, but its back is on the ground. What is it?
ANSWER: A centipede on its back.
- 8** **RIDDLE:** I will bring you down, but I will never lift you up. What am I?
ANSWER: Gravity.
- 9** **RIDDLE:** What is something you always have with you, but you always leave behind?
ANSWER: Fingerprints.
- 10** **RIDDLE:** I can be cracked, I can be made. I can be told, I can be played. What am I?
ANSWER: A joke.
- 11** **RIDDLE:** First, I was yellow, now I am white. Salty or sweet, I crunch with each bite. What am I?
ANSWER: Popcorn.

- 12** **RIDDLE: Glittering points that downward thrust, sparking spears that never rust. What are they?**
ANSWER: Icicles.
- 13** **RIDDLE: I have two arms, but fingers I have none. I've got two feet, but I cannot run. I carry well, but I carry best with my feet off the ground. What am I?**
ANSWER: A wheelbarrow.
- 14** **RIDDLE: If I have it, I shouldn't share it, because if I share it, I won't have it. What is it?**
ANSWER: A secret.
- 15** **RIDDLE: I live off of a busy street, if you want you can stay for an hour or two, but if you don't pay rent I'll tell on you. What am I?**
ANSWER: A parking meter.
- 16** **RIDDLE: Two mothers and two daughters go to a pet store and buy three cats. Each gets her own cat. How is this possible?**
ANSWER: They are a grandmother, a mother, and a daughter. The grandmother is also the mother's mother, so there are two daughters and two mothers, but only three people.
- 17** **RIDDLE: While walking across a bridge I saw a boat full of people. Yet, there wasn't a single person on the boat. Why?**
ANSWER: Everyone on the boat was married.
- 18** **RIDDLE: I might be far from the point, but I'm not a mistake. In fact, I fix yours. What am I?**
ANSWER: An eraser.
- 19** **RIDDLE: I can be long, I can be short. I can be grown, I can be bought. I can be painted or left bare. I can be round or a little square. What am I?**
ANSWER: A fingernail.
- 20** **RIDDLE: I'm at the beginning of time and part of the past, present and future. I'm part of history, but not of here and now. In a moment you'll find me, if you know what I am. What am I?**
ANSWER: The letter T.
- 21** **RIDDLE: You can swallow me, but I can consume you too. What am I?**
ANSWER: Pride.
- 22** **RIDDLE: What is it that you can keep after giving it to someone else?**
ANSWER: Your word.
- 23** **RIDDLE: It is the beginning of eternity, the end of time and space, the beginning of the end and the end of every space. What is it?**
ANSWER: The letter E.
- 24** **RIDDLE: What goes around the house and in the house, but never touches the house?**
ANSWER: The sun.
- 25** **RIDDLE: What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years?**
ANSWER: The letter M.