

## READING SUB-TEST – ANSWER KEY

Part A: Questions 1–20 | Huntington's disease (HD)

| Q  | Answer                                  | Textual support / rationale                                                                                                              |
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| 1  | B                                       | Text B: "As control of voluntary movement progressively declines, everyday activities become harder and dependence on others increases." |
| 2  | A                                       | Text A: a medicine useful early may later become "unnecessary or troublesome"; stopping an unhelpful drug may be appropriate.            |
| 3  | B                                       | Text B: "Age at onset influences the initial motor profile."                                                                             |
| 4  | C                                       | Text C: "Stress commonly makes [choreic movements] more pronounced."                                                                     |
| 5  | D                                       | Text D lists environmental injury-reduction measures, including padding, special seating, a floor mattress and removal of long cords.    |
| 6  | A                                       | Text A: "No available treatment has yet been shown to slow, halt or reverse the underlying disease."                                     |
| 7  | C                                       | Text C contrasts patients whose chorea gradually reduces with those who continue to experience troublesome chorea.                       |
| 8  | long cords                              | Text D: "remove long cords"                                                                                                              |
| 9  | the first ten years after disease onset | Text C: "Chorea usually increases in severity during the first ten years after disease onset."                                           |
| 10 | adverse effects of medicines            | Text A: "People with HD can be particularly vulnerable to adverse effects of medicines."                                                 |
| 11 | bradykinesia                            | Text B: "Bradykinesia refers to difficulty initiating and continuing movement."                                                          |
| 12 | the extremities                         | Text C: choreic movements are "often most prominent in the extremities early in the disease."                                            |
| 13 | a gastrostomy tube                      | Text D: following swallowing and nutrition assessment, "consider a gastrostomy tube".                                                    |
| 14 | at regular intervals                    | Text A: the medication list and reason for each prescription should be reassessed "at regular intervals".                                |
| 15 | wheelchair                              | Text D: "transition to a wheelchair when walking aids are no longer safe or effective".                                                  |
| 16 | sleep                                   | Text C: choreic movements are "absent during sleep".                                                                                     |
| 17 | padding                                 | Text D: "padding of the environment or body".                                                                                            |
| 18 | chorea                                  | Text B: in HD beginning in the first decade, "chorea is less frequent".                                                                  |
| 19 | immediate efficacy                      | Text A: many symptom-control medicines "do not have immediate efficacy".                                                                 |
| 20 | falling out of bed                      | Text D links "falling out of bed" with use of "a floor mattress".                                                                        |

**Marking note:** For Questions 8–20, accept only answers that reproduce the required word or continuous short phrase from the texts and fit the grammar of the question. Articles shown in the key form part of the preferred answer where included.

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