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Winter Clothes Riddles



30 riddles from easy to tricky. Write your answer on the line. Answers are on the last page.

Easy riddles ★

1. I sit on top of your head when the wind blows cold. I'm knitted or woolly, and I keep your ears warm too if you pull me down low. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

2. I keep your hand warm, but I have only one room for all four fingers. Your thumb gets a little room of its own. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

3. I'm long and soft, and I wrap around your neck once or twice. On a snowman, I'm the finishing touch. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

4. I'm tall and waterproof, with thick soles and warm linings. I stomp through slush and puddles so your socks stay dry. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

5. I'm the biggest thing you put on before going out in the cold. I have sleeves and a front that closes, and I hang on a hook when you come inside. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

6. I'm two fuzzy circles joined by a band over the top of your head. I cover just one part of you, and I'm not a hat. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

7. I keep your hands warm, and I have a separate little room for every finger. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

8. I go on before your boots, and I come in pairs, but somehow one of me always goes missing in the wash. In winter, I'm thick and woolly. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

9. I'm puffy, waterproof trousers you pull on over your clothes for sledding and snow angels. What am I?

   ANSWER _____

10. I have teeth but I never bite. I go up and down the front of your coat and close it tight. What am I?

    ANSWER _____

Medium riddles ★★

11. I'm warm and a little scratchy, and I started out as the coat of a fluffy farm animal. I keep you warm even if I get a little damp. What am I?

ANSWER _____

12. I'm attached to the back of a coat's collar. When snow starts falling, you flip me up over your head. What am I?

ANSWER _____

13. I'm small and round, and I go through a hole to keep your coat closed. Some coats have a whole row of me. What am I?

ANSWER _____

14. I'm a fluffy ball of yarn that sits on top of a winter hat. I don't keep you any warmer, but I look great. What am I?

ANSWER _____

15. I'm worn under your clothes on the coldest days: a snug top and bottoms that cover you from wrists to ankles. What am I?

ANSWER _____

16. I'm the soft, fluffy layer that grows under a duck's or a goose's outer feathers. Stuff me inside a puffy jacket and I trap lots of warm air. What am I?

ANSWER _____

17. I'm soft and fuzzy like wool, but I'm usually made from a kind of plastic. Some of me even started out as old plastic bottles. What fabric am I?

ANSWER _____

18. We come in a pair, we're long and pointy, and we click together all evening until a new hat or scarf is finished. What are we?

ANSWER _____

19. Every sweater and coat has two of me. Your arms go inside me, and on a cold day, you pull me down over your hands. What am I?

ANSWER _____

20. I'm a little pouch sewn into your coat. Your cold hands hide in me, and so do tissues and the occasional lost glove. What am I?

ANSWER _____

Tricky riddles ★★★

21. I cover your whole head and neck, with just an opening for your face or eyes. I'm named after a town in Crimea, where British soldiers wore knitted versions of me in the freezing winter of 1854. What am I?

ANSWER _____

22. I'm a knitted sweater that opens down the front with buttons. I'm named after a British earl from the 1800s who liked wearing one. What am I?

ANSWER _____

23. I'm a sweater with a tall collar that folds down and hugs your neck, so you might not even need a scarf. I'm named after an animal that can pull its head into its shell. What am I?

ANSWER _____

24. You pull off your wool hat on a dry winter day, and your hair stands straight up and crackles. What invisible thing caused it?

ANSWER _____

25. We're a pair of clips on a strap that runs through your coat sleeves. Thanks to us, your mittens can fall off but never get lost. What are we?

ANSWER _____

26. Shake me and I get warm all by myself, without batteries or a plug. Tiny bits of iron inside me react with the air. Tuck me in a mitten on a cold day. What am I?

ANSWER _____

27. Skiers wear me over their eyes. I don't keep your eyes warm so much as protect them from icy wind and the bright sun bouncing off the snow. What am I?

ANSWER _____

28. You walked home in your warm hat, and now you're inside and you've taken it off. Your hair is flat on top and sticking out at the sides. What do you have?

ANSWER _____

29. Instead of one big thick sweater, you put on a T-shirt, then a long-sleeved shirt, then a fleece, then a coat. Warm air gets trapped between each one. What is this way of dressing called?

ANSWER _____

30. What did the hat say to the scarf as the cold wind blew?

ANSWER _____

Answers

Winter Clothes Riddles · answer key · print or fold this page away before you hand out the sheet

1. **A winter hat**
2. **Mittens.** Mittens are warmer than gloves because your fingers share their warmth.
3. **A scarf**
4. **Snow boots**
5. **A winter coat**
6. **Earmuffs**
7. **Gloves**
8. **Wool socks**
9. **Snow pants**
10. **A zipper**
11. **A wool sweater.** Wool comes from sheep, and it traps warm air between its curly fibers.
12. **A hood**
13. **Buttons**
14. **A pom-pom**
15. **Long underwear**
16. **Down.** Down feathers are fluffy and light, so they hold a lot of warm air.
17. **Fleece.** Most fleece is made of polyester, and some is made from recycled bottles.
18. **Knitting needles**
19. **Sleeves**
20. **Pockets**
21. **A balaclava**
22. **A cardigan.** It's named after the 7th Earl of Cardigan.
23. **A turtleneck**
24. **Static electricity.** Rubbing the hat against your hair moves tiny charges around, and dry winter air lets them build up.
25. **Mitten clips**
26. **Hand warmers.** Inside, iron powder slowly rusts, and rusting gives off heat.
27. **Ski goggles**
28. **Hat hair**
29. **Layers.** Dressing in layers traps warm air, and you can take one off if you get too hot.
30. **"You hang around, I'll go on a head."**

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