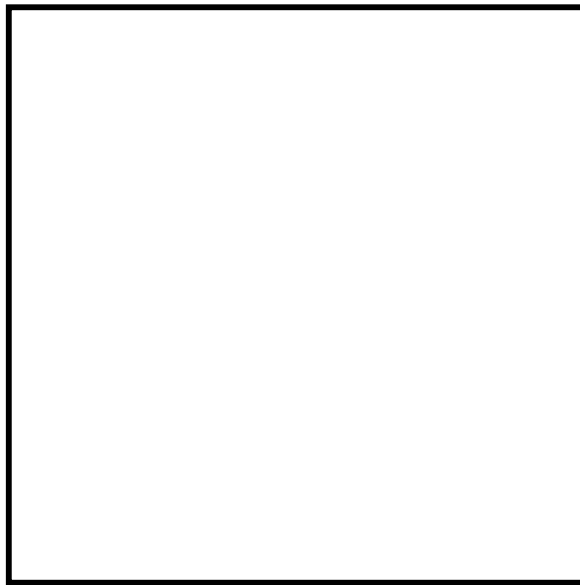


Trail Making

The following pages contain the forms used in the trail making test. If your pages are thick and you can't see through to images on the reverse side, you can print pages 3-6 back to back so that slides 3 and 4 are on one sheet and slides 5 and 6 are on a second sheet. Otherwise, print single side. Your printer may complain about the margins. Go ahead and print. So long as the image does not clip, you are OK. Scaling the printout is problematic as the Trail Making test is normed for set dimensions between the numbers.



To check that your copy machine scales the Trails printout correctly, the box above should measure 3x3 inches when printed.

Trail Making Instructions

Follow these instructions exactly as the time includes the time for the instructor to correct errors made by the subject.

Equipment: Trail Making forms, pen or pencil, stopwatch

1. Using the Trail Making Part A SAMPLE, demonstrate the test to the subject. “On this page are numbers. Begin at number 1 and draw a line to 2, then to 3, then to 4 and so on until you reach End. without lifting your pencil from the paper. You should draw the lines as fast as you can. Like this.” (demonstrate on the Sample)
2. Give subject pen or pencil and Trail Making Part A. “Now it is your turn. Do you have any questions? Ready. Begin.”
3. Time the subject. Stop the subject if an error is made and return subject to last correct circle. The clock keeps running during corrections, but the subject should not be penalized if the examiner takes too long to explain the error. If the subject misses a circle, remind subject to touch all circles, but do not stop the subject. Stop the clock when End is reached.
4. Write time in seconds on the form and. Write subject number and date on the form
5. Using the Trail Making Part B SAMPLE, demonstrate the test to the subject. “This time the page has both letters and numbers. Begin at number 1 and draw a line to the letter A, then to the number 2, then to the letter B and so on until you reach End. without lifting your pencil from the paper. You should draw the lines as fast as you can. Like this.” (demonstrate on the Sample)
6. Give subject pen or pencil and Trail Making Part B. “Now it is your turn. Do you have any questions? Ready. Begin.”
7. Time the subject, correcting errors along the way. Stop the clock when End is reached. Write time in seconds on the form. Write subject number and date on the form.
8. Enter Trail Making times on the Clinical Evaluation Data Collection Form

Scoring

	Average	Deficient	Rule of Thumb
Trail A	29 seconds	> 78 seconds	Most in 90 seconds
Trail B	75 seconds	> 273 seconds	Most in 180 seconds

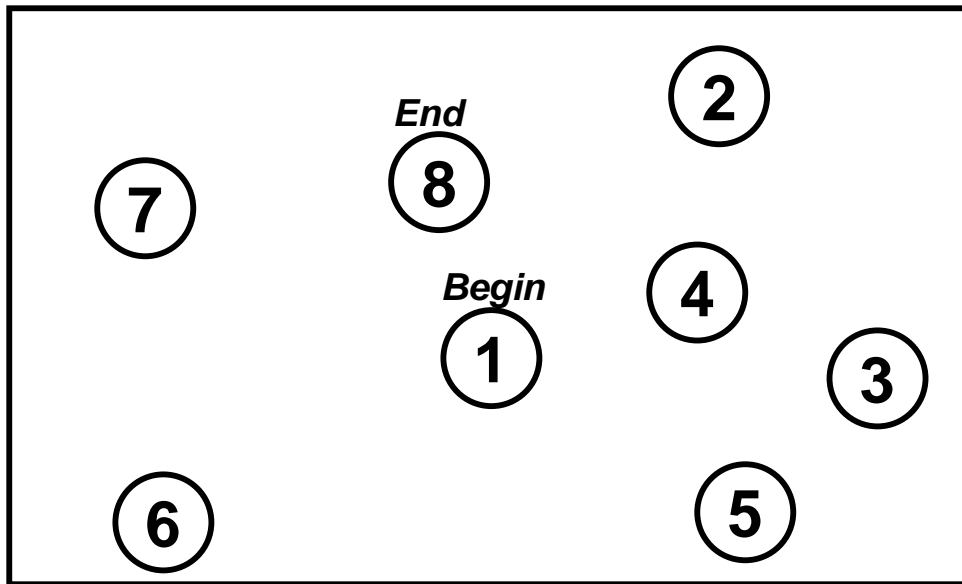
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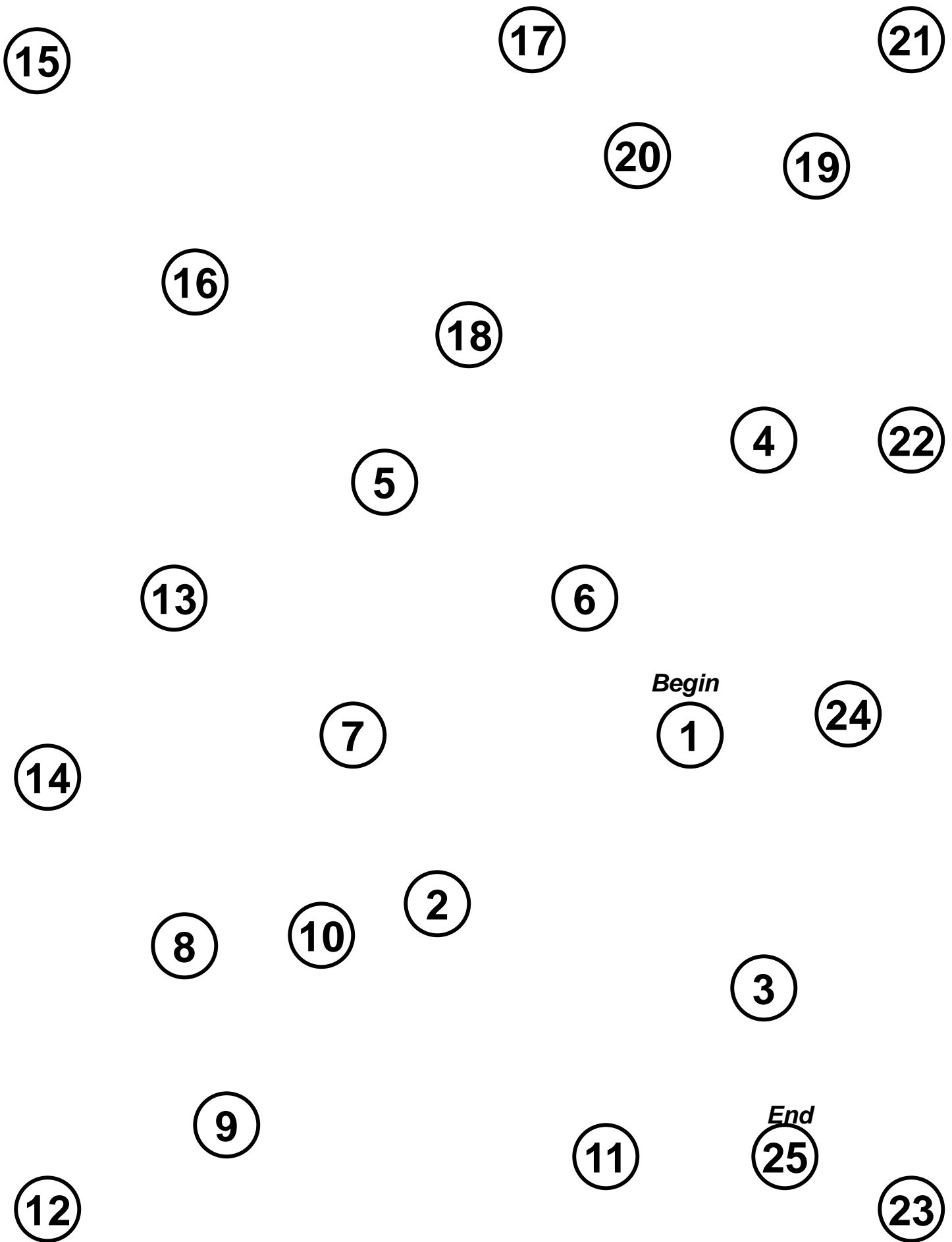
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TRAIL MAKING

Part A

SAMPLE





TRAIL MAKING

Part B

SAMPLE

