

MAT 2022 Question Paper with Solutions

Time Allowed :2 HourS 30 mins	Maximum Marks :200	Total Questions :200
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SECTION-A: English Language

DIRECTIONS (Q. 1-4): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

The Reserve Bank of India's annual report for 2017-18 reveals that 99.3% of currency notes that were demonetised at midnight on November 8, 2016 have returned to the banking system. This is only marginally higher than its provisional estimate last year that over 99% — or Rs.15.28 lakh crore worth of the old Rs.500 and Rs.1,000 notes — out of the Rs.15.44 lakh crore that were in circulation at the time had been deposited by June 30, 2017. This makes a couple of things crystal clear. First, the hope that a large chunk of unaccounted money would not return to the system — arguably, the principal reason for the exercise — was almost wholly belied. As a result, the plan to transfer the arising surplus from the RBI to the Centre, which was not formally declared but strongly rumoured, was a non-starter. Second, given the sheer logistical difficulty in penalising all those who converted unaccounted money into legal tender, demonetisation worked as an unintended amnesty scheme. Despite the significant cost to the economy, demonetisation, to the disappointment of the Prime Minister's critics, had no political fallout. Narendra Modi succeeded in portraying the move as one that would knock out the corrupt rich — a harsh but necessary shock therapy. This was perhaps why the massive disruption caused by the overnight removal of 86% of the currency in value terms did not cause agitations. Nevertheless, the RBI report, which points to a spurt in counterfeiting of the new Rs.500 and Rs.2,000 notes, raises the old question all over again. Was it worth the slowdown in growth, the damage to informal sector supply chains, and job losses in sectors such as construction that were the bulwark of employment creation for the unskilled? True, there have been some benefits. For instance, the number of income tax returns filed has surged a little over the trend growth rate. But surely this could have been achieved by other policy measures. Cashless modes of payment have become more common, but financial savings in the form of

currency have also risen, suggesting that people still value cash. Not all policy choices work out and accepting mistakes or planning flaws helps strengthen governance processes. For example, learning from the UPA's mistakes, a cleaner auction process for natural resources has been worked out. The government must not disown its biggest reform attempt or try to sidestep parliamentary scrutiny of the outcomes of demonetisation. Instead, it could focus on fixing the problems that people still face — transactions with Rs.2,000 notes in the absence of Rs.1,000 notes are difficult as it is a departure from the currency denomination principle (every note should be twice or two and a half times its preceding denomination). Even as these issues are sorted out, the larger lesson must be heeded: sudden shocks to the economy don't always yield intended policy objectives.

1. Which among the following is the opinion of the author regarding the demonetization drive announced by the government?

- (A) if the author is very much hopeful that the demonetization drive will be able to divide the wealth among all the sections equally.
- (B) if the author has no opinion to give regarding demonetization.
- (C) if the author feels that the government should do proper homework before implementing any scheme such as demonetization.
- (D) if the author feels that the move to demonetize currencies did not yield the desired results though some positive sides can be appreciated.

Correct Answer: (d) if the author feels that the move to demonetize currencies did not yield the desired results though some positive sides can be appreciated.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Option (a)

”The author is very much hopeful that the demonetization drive will be able to divide the wealth among all the sections equally.”

The author does not express hope regarding dividing wealth equally. Therefore, option (a) is incorrect.

Step 2: Analyze Option (b)

”The author has no opinion to give regarding demonetization.”

The author has an opinion and discusses the effects of demonetization. Thus, option (b) is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze Option (c)

”The author feels that the government should do proper homework before implementing any scheme such as demonetization.”

While the author critiques the implementation, there is no specific mention of proper homework being necessary. Therefore, option (c) is incorrect.

Step 4: Analyze Option (d)

”The author feels that the move to demonetize currencies did not yield the desired results though some positive sides can be appreciated.”

This is supported by the passage, as the author acknowledges the shortcomings of demonetization but also recognizes some benefits. Thus, option (d) is correct.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** The author feels that the move to demonetize currencies did not yield the desired results though some positive sides can be appreciated.

Quick Tip

When answering questions based on a passage, always carefully read and understand the author’s viewpoint. Pay attention to the tone and implications, as well as the direct statements made.

2. Which among the following should be the course of action of the government now that the demonetization has failed?

- (A) if the government should understand that there can be error in judgment on its part and it can be corrected by first accepting it.
- (B) if the government should cancel the whole demonetization drive and give back the currency notes to the general public.
- (C) if the central government should approach the Supreme Court to ensure that there is no legal issue in the future.
- (D) if the Government of India is of the opinion that it has done the right thing but the public could not understand the importance of it.

Correct Answer: (a) if the government should understand that there can be error in judgment on its part and it can be corrected by first accepting it.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Option (a)

”The government should understand that there can be error in judgment on its part and it can be corrected by first accepting it.”

This option reflects the author’s opinion in the passage where it states, ”The government must not disown its biggest reform attempt or try to sidestep parliamentary scrutiny of the outcomes of demonetisation.” The author suggests focusing on fixing the problems, and option (a) aligns with this perspective.

Step 2: Analyze Option (b)

”The government should cancel the whole demonetization drive and give back the currency notes to the general public.”

The passage does not suggest cancelling the whole demonetization drive. Therefore, option (b) is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze Option (c)

”The central government should approach the Supreme Court to ensure that there is no legal issue in the future.”

The passage does not mention any need for a legal approach or involving the Supreme Court. Therefore, option (c) is incorrect.

Step 4: Analyze Option (d)

”The Government of India is of the opinion that it has done the right thing but the public could not understand the importance of it.”

This option does not align with the passage, which does not suggest the government should attribute the failure to a lack of public understanding. Therefore, option (d) is incorrect.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) The government should understand that there can be error in judgment on its part and it can be corrected by first accepting it.

Quick Tip

When evaluating options based on a passage, always check for the exact wording or ideas presented. Eliminate options that stray from the passage's main points.

3. Which among the following can be considered as an important takeaway from the incident described in the given passage?

- (A) if the economy of the country is not suffering at all and no policy can impact the economy.
- (B) if the economy of India is ready to accept any change since it is now mature enough to withstand any kind of problem.
- (C) if the Indian government is not receptive of any international shocks since there is no mechanism in India to accept the foreign risks.
- (D) if the economy has its own rhythm and it should not be taken for granted that any kind of sudden policy decision will be positive for the economy.

Correct Answer: (d) if the economy has its own rhythm and it should not be taken for granted that any kind of sudden policy decision will be positive for the economy.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Option (a)

”The economy of the country is not suffering at all and no policy can impact the economy.”

This option does not align with the passage, as the author discusses the potential impacts of policy decisions on the economy. Therefore, option (a) is incorrect.

Step 2: Analyze Option (b)

”The economy of India is ready to accept any change since it is now mature enough to withstand any kind of problem.”

This is not supported by the passage, which does not suggest that the economy is invulnerable to problems. Thus, option (b) is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze Option (c)

”The Indian government is not receptive of any international shocks since there is no

mechanism in India to accept the foreign risks.”

While the passage does mention international shocks, it does not state that the government is unresponsive to them. Therefore, option (c) is incorrect.

Step 4: Analyze Option (d)

”The economy has its own rhythm and it should not be taken for granted that any kind of sudden policy decision will be positive for the economy.”

This option directly reflects the passage’s final message: ”sudden shocks to the economy don’t always yield intended policy objectives.” Thus, option (d) is correct.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** The economy has its own rhythm and it should not be taken for granted that any kind of sudden policy decision will be positive for the economy.

Quick Tip

When analyzing passages, always consider the final takeaway or lesson presented. The main point is often reflected in one of the last sentences or paragraphs.

4. Which among the following is correct regarding the positive effects of demonetization as discussed in the passage?

- I. The number of income tax returns filed post demonetization has increased since now a lot of people are filing income tax returns.
- II. The cashless mode of transactions has become more popular post demonetization.
- III. The RBI has become more proactive in its money laundering strategies.

- (A) Both II and III
(B) Both I and II
(C) Both I and III
(D) Only II

Correct Answer: (b) Both I and II

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

”The number of income tax returns filed post demonetization has increased since now a lot of people are filing income tax returns.”

This is supported by the passage where it mentions that the number of income tax returns filed has surged. Therefore, statement I is true.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

”The cashless mode of transactions has become more popular post demonetization.”

This is also supported by the passage, which mentions that cashless modes of payment have become more common. Therefore, statement II is true.

Step 3: Analyze Statement III

”The RBI has become more proactive in its money laundering strategies.”

The passage does not mention the RBI’s role in money laundering strategies, so statement III is not supported by the text.

Step 4: Final Answer

Since statements I and II are correct, the correct answer is option **(b)** Both I and II.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Both I and II.

Quick Tip

When answering questions based on a passage, always look for explicit mentions in the text. Statements that aren’t directly supported by the passage can usually be eliminated.

DIRECTIONS (Qs 5-8): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

In a recent discussion paper, NITI Aayog has chalked out an ambitious strategy for India to become an artificial intelligence (AI) powerhouse. AI is the use of computers to make decisions that are normally made by humans. Many forms of AI surround Indians already, including chatbots on retail websites and programs that flag fraudulent bank activity. But NITI Aayog envisions AI solutions for India on a scale not seen anywhere in the world today, especially in five key sectors — agriculture, healthcare, education, smart cities and infrastructure, and transport. In agriculture, for example, machines will provide information

to farmers on the quality of soil, when to sow, where to spray herbicide, and when to expect pest infestations. It's an idea with great potential: India has 30 million farmers with smartphones, but poor extension services. If computers help agricultural universities advise farmers on best practices, India could see a farming revolution.

However, there are formidable obstacles. AI start-ups already offer some solutions, but the challenge lies in scaling these to cover the entire value chain, as NITI Aayog envisions. The first problem is data. Machine learning, the set of technologies used to create AI, is a data-guzzling monster. It takes reams of historical data as input, identifies the relationships among data elements, and makes predictions. More sophisticated forms of machine learning, like "deep learning," attempt to mimic the human brain. And even though they promise greater accuracy, they also need more data than what is required by traditional machine learning. Unfortunately, India has sparse data in sectors like agriculture, and this is already hampering AI-based businesses today.

In fact, the lack of data means that deep learning doesn't work for all companies in India. One example is Climate-Connect, a Delhi-based firm, which uses AI to predict the amount of power a solar plant will generate every 15 minutes. This is critical because solar electricity generation can change dramatically every hour depending on weather conditions and the position of the sun.

When this happens, the plant must communicate expected changes to power distributors, which will then switch to alternative sources.

With India planning to install 100 GW of solar power by 2022, such AI will play a central role in power planning.

But to generate such data, Climate-Connect needs historical inputs like the time of sunrise and sunset, and cloud cover where the plant is located. Unfortunately, since most Indian solar plants are recent, data are available only for a couple of years, whereas deep learning needs data over many years to predict generation. Today, the firm uses traditional machine learning technologies such as regression analysis that work with less data. These methods have an accuracy of around 95%. While deep learning can boost accuracy for operations such as Climate-Connect, it hasn't worked very well in the Indian scenario, says Nitin Tanwar, cofounder of the firm.

Another problem for AI firms today is finding the right people. NITI Aayog's report has

bleak news: only about 50 Indian scientists carry out "serious research" and they are concentrated in elite institutions such as the Indian Institutes of Technology and the Indian Institutes of Science. Meanwhile, only about 4% of AI professionals have worked in emerging technologies like deep learning. A survey of LinkedIn found 386 out of the 22,000 people with PhDs in AI across the world to be Indians. How does this skill gap impact companies? To some extent, open libraries of machine learning code, which can be customised to solve Indian problems, help. This means that companies need not write code from scratch, and even computer science graduates can carry out the customisation.

5. What can be some steps that can be taken by India to improve its AI capabilities?

- I. The government must collect and digitize data it has access to due to running numerous schemes.
- II. Set up institutes to churn out more skilled people in this field.

- (A) Only I
(B) Only II
(C) Both I and II
(D) None of the above

Correct Answer: (c) Both I and II

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

"The government must collect and digitize data it has access to due to running numerous schemes."

This is aligned with the passage, which emphasizes the need for more data to implement AI solutions. Therefore, statement I is true.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

"Set up institutes to churn out more skilled people in this field."

The passage discusses the lack of skilled professionals in AI. Establishing institutes to create more skilled professionals is a logical step for improving AI capabilities. Therefore, statement II is also true.

Step 3: Final Answer

Both statements I and II are supported by the passage. Therefore, the correct answer is (c) Both I and II.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) Both I and II.

Quick Tip

When answering questions about a passage, always verify that each statement aligns with the points discussed in the text. Eliminate options that are not fully supported by the passage.

6. Which of the following strengthens the argument for using more of AI powered tools in the future in India?

- I. The AI sector uses a tremendous amount of electricity so as to process huge amounts of data which is not sustainable.
- II. It will help to collect, validate, standardize, correlate, archive and distribute relevant data and make it accessible to organizations, people and systems.
- III. Although AI will create more jobs than it would destroy.

- (A) Only I
(B) Only II
(C) Only I and II
(D) Only II and III

Correct Answer: (d) Only II and III

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

”The AI sector uses a tremendous amount of electricity so as to process huge amounts of data which is not sustainable.”

This statement weakens the argument for using AI more in the future because it highlights sustainability issues. Therefore, statement I is incorrect.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

”It will help to collect, validate, standardize, correlate, archive and distribute relevant data and make it accessible to organizations, people and systems.”

This statement strengthens the argument by emphasizing the positive capabilities of AI in managing data. Therefore, statement II is correct.

Step 3: Analyze Statement III

”Although AI will create more jobs than it would destroy.”

This statement also strengthens the argument for AI by suggesting its positive economic impact. Therefore, statement III is correct.

Step 4: Final Answer

Since statements II and III strengthen the argument for AI, the correct answer is **(d)** Only II and III.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** Only II and III.

Quick Tip

When answering questions related to arguments, carefully evaluate whether the statement supports or weakens the overall argument. Eliminate options that present weaknesses.

7. As per the passage, which of the following are reasons for AI to be full of ‘formidable obstacles’?

- I. The need for a huge amount of data to make predictions.
- II. The entire chain of operation faces bottlenecks pertaining to funding.
- III. A scarcity of adequately qualified people in India.

- (A) Only II
(B) Only I and III
(C) Only II and III
(D) Only III

Correct Answer: (b) Only I and III

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

”The need for a huge amount of data to make predictions.”

This statement is supported by the passage. It mentions, ”The first problem is data. Machine learning, the set of technologies used to create AI, is a data-guzzling monster.” Therefore, statement I is correct.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

”The entire chain of operation faces bottlenecks pertaining to funding.”

This statement is not mentioned in the passage. Hence, statement II is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze Statement III

”A scarcity of adequately qualified people in India.”

This statement is supported by the passage. It mentions, ”Another problem for AI firms today is finding the right people.” Therefore, statement III is correct.

Step 4: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** Only I and III, as they are supported by the passage.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Only I and III.

Quick Tip

When evaluating statements based on a passage, ensure that you directly reference the text to support or reject each statement. Eliminate options not backed by the passage.

8. As per your understanding of the passage, which of the following are not examples of AI usage in industries?

- I. Data processing of students based on some parameters to find predictive patterns as to who would quit.
- II. A bank teller using a computer to help solve customer queries with respect to their respective accounts.
- III. Use of unmanned tanks, vessels, aerial vehicles, and drones in the armed forces.

- (A) Only I
- (B) Only II
- (C) Only I and III
- (D) Only II and III

Correct Answer: (b) Only II

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

”Data processing of students based on some parameters to find predictive patterns as to who would quit.”

This statement involves the use of data and predictive analytics, which are applications of AI. Therefore, statement I is incorrect as it is an example of AI usage.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

”A bank teller using a computer to help solve customer queries with respect to their respective accounts.”

This statement does not involve AI. A bank teller simply uses a computer to access data, which is not AI. Therefore, statement II is the correct answer to the question.

Step 3: Analyze Statement III

”Use of unmanned tanks, vessels, aerial vehicles, and drones in the armed forces.”

This statement involves robotics and AI-driven systems, which are used in unmanned vehicles. Therefore, statement III is incorrect as it is an example of AI usage.

Step 4: Final Answer

Since only statement II does not involve AI usage, the correct answer is **(b) Only II**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b) Only II**.

Quick Tip

When evaluating examples of AI usage, remember that AI typically involves data analysis, pattern recognition, and automation. Tasks that do not involve these elements may not be examples of AI.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 9-12): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

The rapid industrial development in Malaysia has created significant industrial waste pollution problems that need immediate attention. Domestic waste and industrial waste are discharged unto surface water through the sewage systems. In some cases, industrial waste is released directly unto surface water.

On land, the release of industrial waste is closely controlled. However, offshore oil and manganese extraction lead to direct discharge of pollutants into the seas. Radioactive waste is dumped at sea in large concrete barrels to decay. Often, the barrels will start to have defects after a while. Representatives of factories often ship waste onto sea to dump it illegally because it is very expensive to have their water purified. Oil is released into the sea through oil tankers and shipwrecks and pesticides are applied to water to control aquatic pests. Paints on boats will decay during long trips on the ocean and will eventually end up in the water. The effects of pollutants are noticed mostly in small inland seas and lakes. This is because the oceans have a natural dilution system for incoming pollutants whereas lakes have no effective outlet. The pollutants can exist in water in different states. They can be dissolved or they can be in suspension, which means that they exist in the form of droplets or particles. These pollutants can travel farthest when they are in solution in a river that is fast flowing. High-rate microbial processes have been studied in recent years in the attempt to develop cost-effective and yet, full-scale waste treatment technologies. Management of industrial waste is a growing concern in Malaysia. The waste if improperly segregated or disposed off can lead to dangerous results. Therefore, the proper management of such toxic and hazardous waste requires discipline, vigilance and at times, just common sense.

9. As per the passage, how has rapid industrialisation led to industrial waste pollution in Malaysia?

- (A) Industrialisation has led to growing number of cars responsible for pollution.
- (B) Discharge of industrial waste into lakes, seas and other water bodies.
- (C) Rapid industrialisation has led to destruction of habitat for animals.
- (D) There is no policy for segregation and disposition of industrial waste by the Government.

Correct Answer: (b) Discharge of industrial waste into lakes, seas and other water bodies.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Option (a)

”Industrialisation has led to growing number of cars responsible for pollution.”

The passage does not mention the impact of growing numbers of cars on pollution, so this option is not supported.

Step 2: Analyze Option (b)

”Discharge of industrial waste into lakes, seas and other water bodies.”

This option aligns directly with the passage, which talks about the discharge of industrial waste into the seas and lakes. Therefore, option (b) is correct.

Step 3: Analyze Option (c)

”Rapid industrialisation has led to destruction of habitat for animals.”

The passage does not discuss the destruction of animal habitats due to industrialisation, so option (c) is incorrect.

Step 4: Analyze Option (d)

”There is no policy for segregation and disposition of industrial waste by the Government.”

While the passage mentions the need for proper management of industrial waste, it does not say that there is no policy in place. Therefore, option (d) is not supported.

Step 5: Final Answer

Since option (b) is directly supported by the passage, the correct answer is **(b)** Discharge of industrial waste into lakes, seas and other water bodies.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Discharge of industrial waste into lakes, seas and other water bodies.

Quick Tip

When answering questions about specific details in a passage, focus on the key points mentioned explicitly in the text. Eliminate options that introduce unrelated concepts.

10. Why is the effect of pollutants more noticeable in small inland seas and lakes rather

than oceans?

(A) They can be dissolved or they can be in suspension, which means that they exist in the form of droplets or particles.

(B) The technologies for waste treatment cannot be applied on shallow water bodies.

(C) This is because the surface area of oceans is very large compared to the amount of pollutants.

(D) Because the oceans have a natural dilution system for incoming pollutants whereas lakes have no effective outlet.

Correct Answer: (d) Because the oceans have a natural dilution system for incoming pollutants whereas lakes have no effective outlet.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Option (a)

”They can be dissolved or they can be in suspension, which means that they exist in the form of droplets or particles.”

While pollutants can exist in suspension, this does not explain why their effects are more noticeable in small seas and lakes. Therefore, option (a) is incorrect.

Step 2: Analyze Option (b)

”The technologies for waste treatment cannot be applied on shallow water bodies.”

The passage does not discuss the limitations of waste treatment technologies in shallow water bodies. Therefore, option (b) is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze Option (c)

”This is because the surface area of oceans is very large compared to the amount of pollutants.”

This option is not mentioned in the passage, which instead focuses on the dilution system in oceans. Therefore, option (c) is incorrect.

Step 4: Analyze Option (d)

”Because the oceans have a natural dilution system for incoming pollutants whereas lakes have no effective outlet.”

This statement directly reflects the passage’s explanation: ”The effects of pollutants are noticed mostly in small inland seas and lakes. This is because the oceans have a natural

dilution system for incoming pollutants whereas lakes have no effective outlet.” Therefore, option (d) is correct.

Step 5: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(d)** Because the oceans have a natural dilution system for incoming pollutants whereas lakes have no effective outlet.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** Because the oceans have a natural dilution system for incoming pollutants whereas lakes have no effective outlet.

Quick Tip

Look for direct references in the passage to answer questions. In this case, the passage clearly mentions the dilution system in oceans as the key factor.

11. Which of the following is a synonym of the word ‘segregated’ given in the passage?

- (A) Separated
- (B) Collected
- (C) Disinfected
- (D) Disposed

Correct Answer: (a) Separated

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the meaning of ”segregated.”

The word ”segregated” in the passage means ”separated or divided.” Therefore, the correct synonym is ”separated.”

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) ”Separated” is the correct synonym for ”segregated.”
- (b) ”Collected” does not match the meaning of ”segregated.”
- (c) ”Disinfected” is unrelated to ”segregated.”
- (d) ”Disposed” is also not a synonym of ”segregated.”

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(a)** Separated.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** Separated.

Quick Tip

When looking for synonyms, always focus on the definition provided in the context of the passage. Words with similar meanings, such as "separated" for "segregated," should be selected.

12. Which of the following is antonym of the word 'Hazardous' given in the passage?

- (A) Perilous
- (B) Precarious
- (C) Risky
- (D) Benign

Correct Answer: (d) Benign

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the meaning of "Hazardous."

"Hazardous" means dangerous or harmful. The opposite of something harmful is something that is not harmful, which is "benign."

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Perilous" means dangerous or risky, so it is not the correct antonym.
- (b) "Precarious" also means dangerous, so it is not the antonym.
- (c) "Risky" means dangerous, so it is not the antonym.
- (d) "Benign" means harmless, which is the correct opposite of "hazardous."

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct antonym of "Hazardous" is **(d)** Benign.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** Benign.

Quick Tip

When looking for antonyms, think about the exact meaning of the word in the context. For example, the opposite of harmful or dangerous is harmless or benign.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 13-16): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

E-pharmacies, which operate through websites or smartphone apps on the Internet, offer medicines for sale at a discount of at least 20% when compared to traditional pharmacists, with the added convenience of home delivery of medicines to one's doorstep. For scheduled drugs, patients can submit photographs of prescriptions while placing orders. Despite operating in India for at least four years now, the legal status of these e-pharmacies is not clear because the government is yet to notify into law draft rules that it published in 2018. The fiercest opponents of e-pharmacies are trade associations of existing pharmacists and chemists. They argue that their livelihoods are threatened by venture capital backed e-pharmacies and that jobs of thousands are on the line. Apart from these obvious arguments, these trade associations also spin imaginary tales of how e-pharmacies will open the door to drug abuse and also the sale of sub-standard or counterfeit drugs, thereby threatening public health. There is enough evidence on record to demonstrate how existing pharmacies contribute generously to drug abuse and sale of sub-standard medicine. There is no reason to suspect that e-pharmacies are going to worsen the situation in anyway. The more prudent way of looking at the entry of e-pharmacies is competition and the resultant effect it will have on lowering the price of medicine for Indian patients. Viewed from this perspective, there is virtually no doubt that e-pharmacies should be allowed to operate because the history of India's trade associations of pharmacists is one of rampant, unabashed cartelisation that has resulted in an artificial inflation of medicine prices. This practice of two competitors colluding to fix the sale price and area of operation is called cartelisation, and is illegal under India's Competition Act. The premise of this law is that a free market is efficient only if all sellers are competing with each other to offer the lowest price to the customer.

13. Which of the following strengthen the claim that e-pharmacies benefit the

consumers?

- I. There is cartelisation by pharmacist associations leading to rise in price of medicines.
- II. Competition between e-pharmacies and trade associations of pharmacists will lead to reduction in prices of medicine.
- III. E-pharmacies have added convenience of home delivery of medicines to one's doorstep.

(A) Only III

(B) Only I and III

(C) All of the above

(D) Only II and III

Correct Answer: (d) Only II and III

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

”There is cartelisation by pharmacist associations leading to rise in price of medicines.”

This statement is not relevant to the claim that e-pharmacies benefit consumers, as it focuses on a negative aspect. Therefore, statement I is not supportive.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

”Competition between e-pharmacies and trade associations of pharmacists will lead to reduction in prices of medicine.”

This statement supports the claim that e-pharmacies benefit consumers, as competition typically lowers prices. Therefore, statement II is supportive.

Step 3: Analyze Statement III

”E-pharmacies have added convenience of home delivery of medicines to one's doorstep.”

This statement directly supports the claim that e-pharmacies benefit consumers, as home delivery adds convenience. Therefore, statement III is supportive.

Step 4: Final Answer

Statements II and III are supportive of the claim that e-pharmacies benefit consumers.

Therefore, the correct answer is **(d) Only II and III**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) Only II and III.

Quick Tip

When answering questions based on supporting evidence, look for statements that directly support the benefits or advantages mentioned in the passage. Eliminate statements that introduce irrelevant or opposing ideas.

14. Which arguments are given by the trade associations of pharmacists against the use of e-pharmacies as per the passage?

- I. Selling of counterfeit drugs threatening public health.
- II. E-pharmacies make drugs readily available, thereby can lead to drug abuse.
- III. E-pharmacies stock up medicines leading to medicine shortage at pharmacist and chemist shops.

- (A) Only I and II
(B) Only II
(C) Only I and III
(D) All of the above

Correct Answer: (a) Only I and II

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

”Selling of counterfeit drugs threatening public health.”

This statement is supported by the passage, which mentions concerns over the sale of sub-standard or counterfeit drugs. Therefore, statement I is correct.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

”E-pharmacies make drugs readily available, thereby can lead to drug abuse.”

This is also supported by the passage, which discusses how e-pharmacies might contribute to drug abuse. Therefore, statement II is correct.

Step 3: Analyze Statement III

”E-pharmacies stock up medicines leading to medicine shortage at pharmacist and chemist shops.”

This statement is not mentioned in the passage, so it is incorrect.

Step 4: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(a)** Only I and II, as they are the arguments mentioned in the passage.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** Only I and II.

Quick Tip

When analyzing arguments, make sure to reference only the points mentioned directly in the passage. Eliminate options with statements that are not supported.

15. What is meant by the word ‘unabashed’ used in the passage?

- (A) not embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed.
- (B) Disguised emotions
- (C) reluctant to do something
- (D) unsettled or confused.

Correct Answer: **(a)** not embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the meaning of the word ”unabashed.”

”Unabashed” means not embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed. This is the correct meaning as used in the passage.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a)** ”Not embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed” is the correct meaning of ”unabashed.”
- (b)** ”Disguised emotions” is unrelated to the meaning of ”unabashed.”
- (c)** ”Reluctant to do something” does not match the meaning of ”unabashed.”
- (d)** ”Unsettled or confused” is also not the correct meaning of ”unabashed.”

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct meaning of ”unabashed” is **(a)** not embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** not embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed.

Quick Tip

When defining words, always look for the closest match in meaning. Words with similar or opposite meanings can often confuse the answer, so be sure to understand the context.

16. Which of the following is/are true as per the passage?

- I. E-pharmacies offer discounts of at least 20
- II. India does not have any law declaring cartelisation illegal.
- III. Most e-pharmacies are bootstrapped and cannot compete with pharmacist trade associations.

- (A) Only II
(B) Only I
(C) Only III
(D) Only II and III

Correct Answer: (b) Only I

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

”E-pharmacies offer discounts of at least 20% in comparison to traditional pharmacists.”

This statement is directly supported by the passage, which mentions that e-pharmacies offer at least a 20% discount compared to traditional pharmacists. Therefore, statement I is correct.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

”India does not have any law declaring cartelisation illegal.”

The passage does not mention the absence of any law declaring cartelisation illegal in India. Therefore, statement II is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze Statement III

”Most e-pharmacies are bootstrapped and cannot compete with pharmacist trade associations.”

The passage does not mention that most e-pharmacies are bootstrapped and cannot compete with trade associations. Therefore, statement III is incorrect.

Step 4: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** Only I, as it is the only statement that is true according to the passage.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Only I.

Quick Tip

When answering questions based on a passage, always look for explicit statements in the text. Eliminate options that introduce information not directly mentioned in the passage.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 17-20): Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Amid the sharp rise in NPA, talks of setting up a ‘bad’ bank have been gaining momentum. The government and the RBI are drawing up strategies on how to operationalise such a scheme. The economic survey of 2016-17 pointed out the twin balance sheet problem — stressed companies on one hand and NPA-laden banks on the other — and advocated a centralised Public Sector Asset Rehabilitation Agency (PARA) be established to deal with the bad loans problem.

“Private Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs) haven’t proved any more successful than banks in resolving bad debts,” the economic survey had said while proposing the ‘bad’ bank. “But international experience shows that a professionally-run central agency with government backing — while not without its own difficulties — can overcome the difficulties that have impeded progress,” it added.

One challenge private sector ARCs face is that of capital. None of the entities till now has

been allowed to tap the capital market for raising funds. Kotak Mahindra Bank, which recently took its board's approval to raise Rs. 5,300 crore equity said the bank also wanted to capitalise on opportunities in acquisition and resolution of stressed assets in the banking sector including participation in a 'bad' bank. Kotak Mahindra Prime and Kotak Mahindra Investments, companies in the Kotak Mahindra Group are sponsors of the asset reconstruction company Phoenix and together own 49% stake in it.

"The ARCs are badly capitalised. We see significant opportunity for Kotak in this," Mr. Kotak said adding the country would need 2-3 well-capitalised 'bad' banks. Some central bank as well as government officials also admitted capital was the biggest challenge in setting up a 'bad' bank. "At least Rs. 25,000 to Rs. 30,000 crore of capital will be required to set up a bad bank in the initial stages. Where will the money come from?" asked a senior central bank official.

17. Which of the following is/are true as per the passage?

- I. Kotak Mahindra Bank took its board's approval to raise Rs. 5,300 crore equity.
- II. Budget 2016-17 advocated a centralised Public Sector Asset Rehabilitation Agency (PARA) to deal with the bad loans problem.

- (A) Both are Correct
(B) I only
(C) II only
(D) None is Correct

Correct Answer: (b) I only

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Statement I

"Kotak Mahindra Bank took its board's approval to raise Rs. 5,300 crore equity."

This statement is supported by the passage, which mentions that Kotak Mahindra Bank took its board's approval to raise Rs. 5,300 crore equity. Therefore, statement I is correct.

Step 2: Analyze Statement II

"Budget 2016-17 advocated a centralised Public Sector Asset Rehabilitation Agency (PARA) to deal with the bad loans problem."

The passage mentions that the Economic Survey of 2016-17 advocated the establishment of PARA, not the Budget. Therefore, statement II is incorrect.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** I only, as statement I is correct and statement II is incorrect.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** I only.

Quick Tip

Be careful to check the exact source mentioned in the passage. The statement about the Economic Survey and the Budget was a key detail in this question.

18. What is the biggest challenge in setting up of a ‘bad’ bank?

- (A) Approval of the Finance Ministry.
- (B) Approval of the RBI.
- (C) Capital
- (D) An efficient policy.

Correct Answer: (c) Capital

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Option (a)

”Approval of the Finance Ministry.”

The passage does not mention that the approval of the Finance Ministry is the biggest challenge in setting up the ‘bad’ bank. Therefore, option (a) is incorrect.

Step 2: Analyze Option (b)

”Approval of the RBI.”

The passage does not suggest that the approval of the RBI is the biggest challenge. Therefore, option (b) is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze Option (c)

”Capital.”

The passage specifically mentions that ”capital was the biggest challenge in setting up a ‘bad’ bank.” Therefore, option (c) is correct.

Step 4: Analyze Option (d)

”An efficient policy.”

While an efficient policy is important, it is not mentioned as the biggest challenge in the passage. Therefore, option (d) is incorrect.

Step 5: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) Capital.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) Capital.

Quick Tip

Always look for specific mentions of challenges or obstacles in the passage. In this case, ”capital” is directly mentioned as the biggest challenge.

19. What does the phrase ‘twin balance sheet’ used in the passage refer to?

- (A) Stressed companies and NPA-laden banks
- (B) Higher Inflation and NPA-laden banks
- (C) High fiscal deficit and negative current account deficit
- (D) None of the Above

Correct Answer: (a) Stressed companies and NPA-laden banks

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Option (a)

”Stressed companies and NPA-laden banks.”

The passage clearly mentions the ”twin balance sheet problem” as ”stressed companies on one hand and NPA-laden banks on the other.” Therefore, option (a) is correct.

Step 2: Analyze Option (b)

”Higher Inflation and NPA-laden banks.”

The phrase ”twin balance sheet” does not refer to inflation, so option (b) is incorrect.

Step 3: Analyze Option (c)

”High fiscal deficit and negative current account deficit.”

The passage does not mention fiscal deficit or current account deficit in relation to the ”twin

balance sheet” problem, so option (c) is incorrect.

Step 4: Analyze Option (d)

”None of the Above.”

Since option (a) is correct, option (d) is incorrect.

Step 5: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(a)** Stressed companies and NPA-laden banks.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** Stressed companies and NPA-laden banks.

Quick Tip

When answering questions about specific phrases, always refer directly to the passage for context. The correct answer will often be explicitly mentioned in the text.

20. Choose the word which is similar in meaning to the word “Amid”, in the passage?

- (A) During
- (B) Separate
- (C) Outside
- (D) Beyond

Correct Answer: (a) During

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the meaning of ”Amid.”

”Amid” means ”in the middle of or during something.” The correct synonym is ”during.”

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) ”During” is the correct synonym for ”Amid.”
- (b) ”Separate” does not match the meaning of ”Amid.”
- (c) ”Outside” is unrelated to ”Amid.”
- (d) ”Beyond” is also not the correct synonym for ”Amid.”

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct synonym for ”Amid” is **(a)** During.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) During.

Quick Tip

When looking for synonyms, focus on words that convey the same core meaning. In this case, "During" aligns perfectly with the meaning of "Amid."

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 21-23): Arrange these five sentences in proper order to form a meaningful paragraph/sentence.

21. 21.

- **A.** The process of handing down implies not a passive transfer, but some contestation in defining what exactly is to be handed down.
- **B.** Wherever Western scholars have worked on the Indian past, the selection is even more apparent and the inventing of a tradition much more recognizable.
- **C.** Every generation selects what it requires from the past and makes its innovations, some more than others.
- **D.** It is now a truism to say that traditions are not handed down unchanged, but are invented.
- **E.** Just as life has death as its opposite, so is tradition by default the opposite of innovation.

(A) ACDBE

(B) EDACB

(C) EDCAB

(D) DCABE

Correct Answer: (b) EDACB

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Sentence A. "The process of handing down implies not a passive transfer, but some contestation in defining what exactly is to be handed down." This sentence

introduces the concept of handing down and contestation, making it a good starting point.

Step 2: Analyze Sentence E. "Just as life has death as its opposite, so is tradition by default the opposite of innovation." This follows naturally after sentence A, providing a deeper explanation of how tradition relates to innovation.

Step 3: Analyze Sentence D. "It is now a truism to say that traditions are not handed down unchanged, but are invented." This sentence supports the point made in Sentence E, highlighting that traditions are invented and not handed down unchanged.

Step 4: Analyze Sentence C. "Every generation selects what it requires from the past and makes its innovations, some more than others." This continues the idea of traditions being invented and modified by each generation, so it logically follows Sentence D.

Step 5: Analyze Sentence B. "Wherever Western scholars have worked on the Indian past, the selection is even more apparent and the inventing of a tradition much more recognizable." This sentence fits last as it refers to the specific example of Western scholars and their work on the Indian past.

Step 6: Final Answer

The correct order is **(b)** EDACB.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** EDACB.

Quick Tip

When arranging sentences logically, start with an introductory sentence, follow it with elaborations or explanations, and conclude with specific examples or details. This structure helps in forming a coherent paragraph.

22. Arrange these sentences in a proper order to form a meaningful paragraph.

- **A.** Before plants can take life from atmosphere, nitrogen must undergo transformations similar to ones that food undergoes in our digestive machinery.
- **B.** In its aerial form nitrogen is insoluble, unusable and is in need of transformation.
- **C.** Lightning starts the series of chemical reactions that need to happen to nitrogen, ultimately helping it nourish our earth.

- **D.** Nitrogen — an essential food for plants — is an abundant resource, with about 22 million tons of it floating over each square mile of earth.
- **E.** One of the most dramatic examples in nature of ill wind that blows goodness is lightning.

- (A) ABCDE
 (B) BCDEA
 (C) ECDBA
 (D) DCEAB

Correct Answer: (c) ECDBA

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Sentence A. "Before plants can take life from atmosphere, nitrogen must undergo transformations similar to ones that food undergoes in our digestive machinery."

This sentence introduces the need for nitrogen transformations and should be placed early.

Step 2: Analyze Sentence E. "One of the most dramatic examples in nature of ill wind that blows goodness is lightning." This sentence sets up the specific example of lightning and connects well with the explanation that follows.

Step 3: Analyze Sentence C. "Lightning starts the series of chemical reactions that need to happen to nitrogen, ultimately helping it nourish our earth." This follows directly after Sentence E, explaining the connection between lightning and nitrogen.

Step 4: Analyze Sentence D. "Nitrogen — an essential food for plants — is an abundant resource, with about 22 million tons of it floating over each square mile of earth." This sentence provides additional context on the abundance of nitrogen, and it fits logically after Sentence C.

Step 5: Analyze Sentence B. "In its aerial form nitrogen is insoluble, unusable and is in need of transformation." This sentence, providing a background on nitrogen's state, fits logically after Sentence A and before the further explanation in Sentence C.

Step 6: Final Answer

The correct order is (c) ECDBA.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) ECDBA.

Quick Tip

When arranging sentences, look for a logical flow. Start with introductory or general sentences, follow with specific details or examples, and conclude with a summary or elaboration.

23. Arrange these sentences in a proper order to form a meaningful paragraph.

- **A.** The implications of retelling of Indian stories, hence, takes on new meaning in a modern India.
- **B.** The stories we tell reflect the world around us.
- **C.** We cannot help but retell the stories that we value — after all, they are never quite right for us — in our time.
- **D.** And even if we manage to get them quite right, they are only right for us — other people living around us will have different reasons for telling similar stories.
- **E.** As soon as we capture a story, the world we were trying to capture has changed.

(A) BECDA

(B) BCAED

(C) DCABE

(D) ADCEB

Correct Answer: (a) BECDA

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze Sentence B. "The stories we tell reflect the world around us." This introduces the concept of storytelling and is a good starting point for the paragraph.

Step 2: Analyze Sentence E. "As soon as we capture a story, the world we were trying to capture has changed." This sentence logically follows Sentence B, explaining the fluid nature of stories in relation to the world.

Step 3: Analyze Sentence C. "We cannot help but retell the stories that we value — after all, they are never quite right for us — in our time." This sentence continues the idea of storytelling, indicating that the stories we tell are shaped by our own time and values.

Step 4: Analyze Sentence D. "And even if we manage to get them quite right, they are only right for us — other people living around us will have different reasons for telling similar stories." This follows logically after Sentence C, suggesting that stories can be interpreted differently by others.

Step 5: Analyze Sentence A. "The implications of retelling of Indian stories, hence, takes on new meaning in a modern India." This sentence should come last as it sums up the entire idea about the retelling of stories in the context of modern India.

Step 6: Final Answer

The correct order is **(a)** BECDA.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** BECDA.

Quick Tip

When arranging sentences, think about the logical flow of ideas. Start with an introductory sentence, followed by elaboration or details, and end with a concluding or summing-up sentence.

DIRECTIONS (Qs 24-25): Choose an option, which can be substituted for a given phrase out of the given options.

24. Being of crucial importance

- (A) Strategy
- (B) Confounded
- (C) Inexplicable
- (D) Pivotal

Correct Answer: (d) Pivotal

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the phrase "Being of crucial importance."

The phrase "Being of crucial importance" means something that is essential or key to the success or development of something.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Strategy" refers to a plan or method, but it does not mean crucial importance.
- (b) "Confounded" means confused or perplexed, which is unrelated to the meaning of crucial importance.
- (c) "Inexplicable" means something that cannot be explained, which does not fit the meaning of crucial importance.
- (d) "Pivotal" means "of crucial importance in relation to the development or success of something," which is the exact meaning of the phrase.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (d) Pivotal.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) Pivotal.

Quick Tip

When choosing a synonym, focus on the definition of the phrase. In this case, "pivotal" directly relates to something of crucial importance.

25. Mass departure of people

- (A) Exodus
- (B) Immigration
- (C) Emigration
- (D) Recluse

Correct Answer: (a) Exodus

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the phrase "Mass departure of people."

The phrase "Mass departure of people" refers to a large-scale movement or exit of people from one place to another.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Exodus" means "a mass departure of people," which directly matches the meaning of the phrase.

(b) "Immigration" refers to the action of coming into a country or region to live, which does not fit the meaning of mass departure.

(c) "Emigration" refers to the act of leaving one's own country to settle permanently in another, which is similar but not exactly "mass departure."

(d) "Recluse" refers to someone who lives in seclusion, unrelated to the concept of mass departure.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (a) Exodus.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) Exodus.

Quick Tip

When selecting synonyms, focus on the exact meaning of the phrase. "Exodus" precisely matches "mass departure of people," unlike the other options.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 26-28): In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

26. INADVERTENT

- (A) undisturbed
- (B) ignorant
- (C) unexpected
- (D) unintentional

Correct Answer: (d) unintentional

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the word "INADVERTENT"

"Inadvertent" means something that is not resulting from or achieved through deliberate planning, meaning unintentional.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

(a) "Undisturbed" means not disturbed, which is not related to the meaning of "inadvertent."

- (b) "Ignorant" refers to lacking knowledge or awareness, which is different from the meaning of "inadvertent."
- (c) "Unexpected" means something that was not anticipated, which is different from "inadvertent," which refers to something unintentional rather than surprising.
- (d) "Unintentional" matches the meaning of "inadvertent," as both refer to something not planned or deliberate.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (d) unintentional.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) unintentional.

Quick Tip

When choosing a synonym, look for the word that most closely aligns with the definition of the given word. "Inadvertent" refers to something unintentional.

27. COY

- (A) Sweet
- (B) Shy
- (C) Talented
- (D) Beautiful

Correct Answer: (b) Shy

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the word "COY."

"Coy" refers to someone who is shy or reserved, often in a playful or flirtatious way.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Sweet" means kind or pleasant, which is not related to the meaning of "coy."
- (b) "Shy" is the correct synonym for "coy," as it means reserved or timid.
- (c) "Talented" means skilled or proficient, which does not match the meaning of "coy."
- (d) "Beautiful" refers to physical attractiveness, which is unrelated to "coy."

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** Shy.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Shy.

Quick Tip

When choosing a synonym, think about the context in which the word is used. "Coy" describes a shy or reserved demeanor, often in a playful manner.

28. ALMS

- (A) charity
- (B) worship
- (C) blessings
- (D) prayers

Correct Answer: (a) charity

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the word "ALMS."

"Alms" refers to something (such as money or food) given freely to relieve the poor, which is synonymous with charity.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Charity" is the correct synonym for "alms," as both refer to giving help, typically to the poor or needy.
- (b) "Worship" refers to acts of religious devotion, which is unrelated to "alms."
- (c) "Blessings" refers to expressions of good wishes, not related to "alms."
- (d) "Prayers" refers to religious requests, which does not fit with the meaning of "alms."

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(a)** charity.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** charity.

Quick Tip

When choosing a synonym, focus on the context in which the word is used. "Alms" is commonly associated with charity, meaning assistance given to those in need.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 29-31): In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which is opposite in meaning to the given word.

29. Admonish

- (A) Ridiculous
- (B) Chicane
- (C) Approve
- (D) Approaching

Correct Answer: (c) Approve

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the word "Admonish."

"Admonish" means to reprimand or warn someone firmly. It involves disapproval or criticism.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Ridiculous" refers to something absurd or deserving mockery, which is not the opposite of "admonish."
- (b) "Chicane" means a deceptive maneuver, which is unrelated to "admonish."
- (c) "Approve" means to express approval or agreement, which is the opposite of "admonish," as it implies a positive response rather than criticism.
- (d) "Approaching" means coming nearer or drawing closer, which does not fit as an opposite to "admonish."

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) Approve.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) Approve.

Quick Tip

When selecting antonyms, think about the direct opposite of the word's meaning. "Admonish" involves disapproval, so "approve" is the opposite.

30. Ecstasy

- (A) Polite
- (B) Despair
- (C) Disperse
- (D) Resemblance

Correct Answer: (b) Despair

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the word "Ecstasy."

"Ecstasy" refers to an overwhelming feeling of great happiness or joyful excitement.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Polite" refers to having good manners, which is unrelated to "ecstasy."
- (b) "Despair" is the correct opposite of "ecstasy," as despair refers to a state of hopelessness or sadness, the opposite of happiness or excitement.
- (c) "Disperse" means to scatter or spread, which is not the opposite of "ecstasy."
- (d) "Resemblance" refers to similarity, which is unrelated to "ecstasy."

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) Despair.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) Despair.

Quick Tip

When choosing an antonym, focus on the direct opposite meaning of the word. "Ecstasy" represents extreme happiness, so the opposite would be "despair," which is extreme sadness.

31. Veneration

- (A) Remorse
- (B) Fear
- (C) Disrespect
- (D) Reverence

Correct Answer: (c) Disrespect

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the word "Veneration."

"Veneration" means to regard with great respect or reverence.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Remorse" means a feeling of regret, which is not the opposite of "veneration."
- (b) "Fear" is not the opposite of "veneration" as it is an emotional response, not related to respect or reverence.
- (c) "Disrespect" is the correct opposite of "veneration," as it means a lack of respect or reverence.
- (d) "Reverence" is closely related to "veneration," as it means great respect or honor, so it is not the opposite.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) Disrespect.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) Disrespect.

Quick Tip

When selecting antonyms, think about the core meaning of the word. "Veneration" involves respect, so the opposite would be "disrespect."

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 32-34): In each of the questions, four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase.

32. Cut the mustard

- (A) To score average
- (B) To perform upto the standard
- (C) To underperform
- (D) To get above and beyond expectations

Correct Answer: (b) To perform upto the standard

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the phrase "Cut the mustard."

"Cut the mustard" means to meet or come up to the required expectations or standards.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "To score average" does not fully convey the idea of meeting a standard.
- (b) "To perform upto the standard" correctly represents the meaning of "cut the mustard."
- (c) "To underperform" is the opposite of the meaning of "cut the mustard."
- (d) "To get above and beyond expectations" refers to exceeding expectations, which is different from just meeting them.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) To perform upto the standard.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) To perform upto the standard.

Quick Tip

When interpreting idioms, focus on the exact meaning. "Cut the mustard" refers to meeting the required standards, not exceeding them or underperforming.

33. Throw caution to the wind

- (A) To warn others not to travel
- (B) To behave recklessly
- (C) To behave with care and caution
- (D) To be fearful

Correct Answer: (b) To behave recklessly

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the phrase "Throw caution to the wind."

The phrase "Throw caution to the wind" means to act in a completely reckless manner, disregarding any concerns or risks.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "To warn others not to travel" does not match the meaning of the phrase.
- (b) "To behave recklessly" is the correct meaning of "throw caution to the wind."
- (c) "To behave with care and caution" is the opposite of the phrase's meaning.
- (d) "To be fearful" does not fit the meaning of the phrase.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) To behave recklessly.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) To behave recklessly.

Quick Tip

When interpreting idioms, think about the core action described. "Throw caution to the wind" implies disregarding caution, which aligns with reckless behavior.

34. Feather in one's cap

- (A) A new achievement or distinction
- (B) Hunting for a long time
- (C) Bird watching in forest
- (D) Discrimination against the poor

Correct Answer: (a) A new achievement or distinction

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the idiom "Feather in one's cap."

The idiom "Feather in one's cap" means an achievement or distinction that one can be proud of.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "A new achievement or distinction" is the correct meaning of the idiom.

- (b) "Hunting for a long time" does not relate to the meaning of the idiom.
- (c) "Bird watching in forest" also does not match the idiom's meaning.
- (d) "Discrimination against the poor" is unrelated to the idiom.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (a) A new achievement or distinction.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) A new achievement or distinction.

Quick Tip

When interpreting idioms, think about the cultural or historical context. "Feather in one's cap" refers to something to be proud of, usually an achievement.

DIRECTIONS (Qs 35-37): In each of the following sentence, there are two blank spaces. Below the sentences, there are five options with a pair of words each. Fill up the sentences with the pair of words that make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.

35. FCRA guidelines _____ that registered associations are required to submit an online annual report with _____ copies of income and expenditure statement, receipts and payment account, balance sheet among other documents for every financial year within nine months of the closure of the financial year.

- (A) Presume, Hundreds
- (B) Allow, Mutilated
- (C) Mandate, Scanned
- (D) Warmed, Million

Correct Answer: (c) Mandate, Scanned

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the sentence.

The sentence requires words that fit contextually and grammatically. The phrase "FCRA guidelines" suggests a firm requirement, which aligns with the word "mandate."

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Presume" and "Hundreds" are not contextually correct. You cannot presume guidelines or use "hundreds" to refer to the number of copies required.
- (b) "Allow" and "Mutilated" do not fit the context, as "mutilated" doesn't align with the required documents.
- (c) "Mandate" means a requirement, which fits the context perfectly. "Scanned" makes sense in the context of copies of documents being submitted.
- (d) "Warmed" and "Million" are not appropriate in this context.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) Mandate, Scanned.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) Mandate, Scanned.

Quick Tip

When selecting words for blanks in sentences, focus on words that match both the meaning and grammatical structure. "Mandate" aligns with the requirement, and "scanned" fits the context of document submission.

36. I am not easily _____ by pressure that would interfere with accomplishing the goals of my unit. I stick to my _____.

- (A) pessimistic, views
- (B) swayed, convictions
- (C) discouraged, achievements
- (D) empowered, organization

Correct Answer: (b) swayed, convictions

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the sentence.

The sentence suggests the person is not easily influenced by pressure, so we are looking for words that reflect being unshaken in their beliefs or thoughts.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Pessimistic" refers to a negative outlook, which does not fit with the idea of being

resolute or unaffected by pressure.

(b) "Swayed" means being influenced or affected by something, while "convictions" refers to strong beliefs. This pair fits well because the sentence implies being firm in one's beliefs despite pressure.

(c) "Discouraged" implies giving up, which does not fit the context. "Achievements" refers to success and is unrelated to the concept of pressure.

(d) "Empowered" means having the power or ability, which is not contextually suitable. "Organization" refers to a structured group, which is also not related to the sentence.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) swayed, convictions.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) swayed, convictions.

Quick Tip

When selecting the most suitable words for a blank, consider the context of the sentence. Look for words that align with the meaning or tone of the sentence.

37. In a first-of-its-kind move aimed at _____ the burning of fossil fuel for power generation, Gujarat government announced that it will not give fresh permissions for _____ new thermal power stations in the state.

- (A) Curbing, Setting up
- (B) Differentiating, Making
- (C) Helping, Installing
- (D) Finishing, Arranging

Correct Answer: (a) Curbing, Setting up

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the sentence.

The sentence talks about a move to reduce or stop something related to the burning of fossil fuel, followed by the action regarding new thermal power stations. This suggests the first word should reflect a decrease or limitation, and the second should imply the initiation of

something new.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

(a) "Curbing" means reducing or limiting, which fits with the idea of controlling fossil fuel burning. "Setting up" fits with the idea of creating new thermal power stations.

(b) "Differentiating" and "Making" do not fit well with the context of reducing fossil fuel burning and starting new projects.

(c) "Helping" and "Installing" are not contextually appropriate in this situation.

(d) "Finishing" and "Arranging" do not convey the correct action in the context of stopping burning and creating new power stations.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (a) Curbing, Setting up.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) Curbing, Setting up.

Quick Tip

When selecting words for a blank, always consider the broader context. The first blank should indicate reduction or restriction, and the second blank should imply the creation or setup of something new.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 38-40): In the following questions, a sentence/part of the sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives which may improve the underlined part. Choose the correct alternative.

38. If you want to complete this important assignment on time you must carefully planned.

- (A) carefully planning
- (B) careful to plan
- (C) plan carefully
- (D) planned carefully

Correct Answer: (c) plan carefully

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the sentence.

The sentence implies that the correct word order and tense should be used for clarity and correctness. The adverb "carefully" is describing the verb, so it should come after the verb in the sentence.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "carefully planning" is incorrect because the sentence is not in the continuous form.
- (b) "careful to plan" does not fit grammatically as "careful" is an adjective and does not properly fit with the verb "plan."
- (c) "plan carefully" is the correct choice as it places "carefully" correctly after the verb "plan" and fits the context of the sentence.
- (d) "planned carefully" is in the past tense, but the sentence requires the present tense, making this option incorrect.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) plan carefully.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) plan carefully.

Quick Tip

When constructing a sentence with an adverb, remember that adverbs describing verbs should typically come after the verb. Also, pay attention to the tense of the sentence.

39. In the 1970s banks _____ to submit their detailed plans of expansion to RBI.

- (A) are required to submit
- (B) were required to submit
- (C) required for submission
- (D) requirement of submitting

Correct Answer: (b) were required to submit

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the sentence.

The sentence talks about an event that happened in the past (the 1970s). Therefore, we need to use the past tense.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

(a) "are required to submit" is in the present tense, which is incorrect for describing a past event.

(b) "were required to submit" is in the past tense, which is appropriate for the 1970s, as the action occurred in the past.

(c) "required for submission" is grammatically incorrect and does not fit the structure of the sentence.

(d) "requirement of submitting" is awkward and does not correctly convey the meaning in the context of the sentence.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) were required to submit.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) were required to submit.

Quick Tip

When referring to past events, ensure the verb is in the correct past tense form. In this case, "were required" correctly indicates the past action.

40. The organizers agreed to shift the conference at some place convenience to all participants.

(A) from a place of convenience

(B) any of the place convenient

(C) at places convenient

(D) to a place convenient

Correct Answer: (d) to a place convenient

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the sentence.

The sentence talks about shifting the conference to a specific location. We are looking for a phrase that correctly refers to the idea of moving to a suitable place.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

(a) "from a place of convenience" is incorrect because it does not fit with the idea of shifting the conference to a place. "From" suggests movement away, which doesn't work in this context.

(b) "any of the place convenient" is grammatically incorrect. "Any of the" does not fit with "place" in this context.

(c) "at places convenient" is also incorrect because we are referring to a singular "place" and not multiple places.

(d) "to a place convenient" is the correct option because it fits the context of moving the conference to a specific convenient location.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (d) to a place convenient.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) to a place convenient.

Quick Tip

When completing sentences with prepositions, make sure to select the option that correctly conveys direction or location. "To a place" works best when referring to a destination.

SECTION-B: Intelligence & Critical Reasoning

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 41-43): In each question below is given a statement followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. You have to assume everything in the statement to be true, then consider the two conclusions together and decide which of them logically follows beyond a reasonable doubt from the information given in the statement.

41. Statements: Prime age school-going children in urban India have now become avid as well as more regular viewers of television, even in households without a TV. As a

result there has been an alarming decline in the extent of readership of newspapers.

Conclusions:

- **I.** Method of increasing the readership of newspapers should be devised.
- **II.** A team of experts should be sent to other countries to study the impact of TV on the readership of newspapers.

- (A) Only conclusion I follows
(B) Only conclusion II follows
(C) Either I or II follows
(D) Neither I nor II follows

Correct Answer: (d) Neither I nor II follows

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the statement.

The statement discusses the increasing viewership of TV among school-going children in urban India and the decline in newspaper readership. However, it does not suggest any direct actions related to increasing newspaper readership or studying the impact of TV on it.

Step 2: Evaluate the conclusions.

- (I) The statement does not address any methods for increasing newspaper readership. It mainly focuses on the relationship between TV viewership and newspaper readership.
- (II) The statement does not propose sending experts to study the impact of TV on newspaper readership.

Step 3: Final Answer

Since neither conclusion is directly supported by the statement, the correct answer is **(d)** Neither I nor II follows.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** Neither I nor II follows.

Quick Tip

When analyzing conclusions, ensure they are directly supported by the information given in the statement. If the statement does not mention or imply the conclusions, they cannot be logically followed.

42.

Statements: A man must be wise to be a good wrangler. Good wranglers are talkative and boring.

Conclusions:

- I. All the wise persons are boring.
- II. All the wise persons are good wranglers.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below: (A) Only conclusion I follows
(B) Only conclusion II follows
(C) Either I or II follows
(D) Neither I nor II follows

Correct Answer: (d) Neither I nor II follows

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the given statements.

Statement I says that a man must be wise to be a good wrangler. Statement II says that good wranglers are talkative and boring.

Step 2: Evaluate the conclusions.

Conclusion I: "All the wise persons are boring" is incorrect because while the statement suggests that good wranglers are boring, it does not imply that all wise persons are good wranglers.

Conclusion II: "All the wise persons are good wranglers" is also incorrect because the statement does not state that all wise persons must be wranglers, only that a man must be wise to be a good wrangler.

Step 3: Final Answer

Since neither conclusion I nor conclusion II logically follows from the given statements, the correct answer is **(d)** Neither I nor II follows.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** Neither I nor II follows.

Quick Tip

In logical reasoning questions, carefully analyze the relationships between statements and conclusions to avoid jumping to conclusions without full reasoning.

43.

Statements: “The Government will review the present policy of the diesel price in view of further spurt in the international oil prices” - A spokesman of the Government.

Conclusions:

- **I.** The Government will increase the price of the diesel after the imminent spurt in the international oil prices.
- **II.** The Government will not increase the price of the diesel even after the imminent spurt in the international oil prices.

- (A) Only conclusion I follows
(B) Only conclusion II follows
(C) Either I or II follows
(D) Neither I nor II follows

Correct Answer: (c) Either I or II follows

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the statement.

The statement indicates that the Government will review the policy, but does not specify any particular outcome. The review may lead to either an increase or no increase in the price of diesel based on the situation.

Step 2: Evaluate the conclusions.

(I) It is possible that the Government may decide to increase the diesel price after the review, so this conclusion could follow.

(II) On the other hand, the Government may decide not to increase the price even after the spurt in international oil prices, so this conclusion could also follow.

Step 3: Final Answer

Since both conclusions are possible, the correct answer is (c) Either I or II follows.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) Either I or II follows.

Quick Tip

In reasoning questions, especially when dealing with statements about reviews or potential actions, remember that both positive and negative outcomes can be logically valid.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 44-46): Read the following information to answer these questions.

I. P, Q, R, S, T, and U are the six members of a family.

II. There is one Doctor, one Advocate, one Engineer, one Teacher, one Student, and one Housewife among them.

III. There are two married couples in the family.

IV. U, who is an Advocate, is the father of P.

V. Q is a Teacher and is the mother of R.

VI. S is the grandmother of R and is a Housewife.

VII. T is the father of U and is a Doctor.

VIII. R is the brother of P.

44. Which of the following statements is definitely true?

(A) U is father of the Engineer

(B) P is the Engineer

(C) T is the father of the Teacher

(D) R is the brother of the Student

Correct Answer: (a) U is father of the Engineer

Solution:**Step 1: Analyze the family information.**

From the given statements, we know:

- U is the father of P (U is an Advocate).
- Q is a Teacher and the mother of R.
- T is the father of U and a Doctor.
- R is the brother of P.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "U is the father of the Engineer" is correct. Since P and R are the only two children of U and Q, one of them is the Engineer. U is the father of P.
- (b) "P is the Engineer" is not certain since either P or R could be the Engineer, but the statement doesn't guarantee P is the Engineer.
- (c) "T is the father of the Teacher" is incorrect since Q is the Teacher and is the mother of R, not T's child.
- (d) "R is the brother of the Student" is not confirmed in the statements, so it cannot be definitively concluded.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (a) U is father of the Engineer.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) U is father of the Engineer.

Quick Tip

When analyzing family-based questions, carefully consider the relationships between individuals and their roles. Use logical deductions based on the given information.

45. How many female members are there in the family?

- (A) Three only
- (B) Two or three
- (C) Two only
- (D) Three or four

Correct Answer: (b) Two or three

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the family information.

The family consists of six members: P, Q, R, S, T, and U. According to the provided information:

- Q is a Teacher and the mother of R.
- S is the grandmother of R and a Housewife.
- The gender of P is not specified.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Three only" is incorrect because the gender of P is not confirmed, so we cannot be sure there are exactly three females.
- (b) "Two or three" is the correct answer because we know that Q and S are definitely female, and P's gender is not specified.
- (c) "Two only" is incorrect because it assumes that P is male.
- (d) "Three or four" is incorrect because there are only two or three females, not four.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** Two or three.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Two or three.

Quick Tip

When analyzing family-related questions, always account for the gender information provided. If some members' gender is unspecified, the answer should account for both possibilities.

46. How is P related to S?

- (A) Either granddaughter or grandson
- (B) Grand mother
- (C) Grand son
- (D) Grand daughter

Correct Answer: (a) Either granddaughter or grandson

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the family relationships.

The statement mentions that P is the child of U (father of P), and S is the grandmother of R. The gender of P is not mentioned, so P could be either a grandson or a granddaughter.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

(a) "Either granddaughter or grandson" is correct because the gender of P is unknown, so both possibilities are valid.

(b) "Grandmother" is incorrect because the statement doesn't provide information to suggest that P is the grandmother.

(c) "Grandson" is not necessarily true because P could also be a granddaughter.

(d) "Granddaughter" is also not necessarily true because P could be a grandson.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (a) Either granddaughter or grandson.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) Either granddaughter or grandson.

Quick Tip

When relationships are unclear due to unspecified gender, consider all possibilities. In this case, either granddaughter or grandson could be correct.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 47-49): Read the following information to answer these questions.

In a family, there are 10 members, G and N are a married couple while K is the husband of X. In this family, there are housewives and four working husbands while other members are non-working. The husband in the last generation is a doctor and the husband of S is a teacher. L is a married woman but her husband is not P. Q and K are associated with the profession of engineer and accountant, but K is not an accountant. P is the brother of T and both have a sister O. N is the daughter of L and X is the mother of P.

47. The family consists of how many generations?

- (A) 6
- (B) 1
- (C) 4
- (D) 2

Correct Answer: (c) 4

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the family structure.

The family consists of 10 members with at least four generations mentioned: - G and N are a married couple (Generation 1). - K is the husband of X, who is from a different generation. - P is the brother of T, with a sister O, indicating another generation. - N is the daughter of L, and X is the mother of P, which shows a fourth generation.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "6" generations is too many for this family structure.
- (b) "1" generation is incorrect, as there are more than one generation mentioned.
- (c) "4" generations correctly matches the family structure outlined.
- (d) "2" generations is incorrect, as the family has more than two generations.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) 4.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) 4.

Quick Tip

In family-based questions, carefully analyze the relationships and generations mentioned to determine how many generations are involved.

48. Who is the husband of S?

- (A) T
- (B) K
- (C) L
- (D) P

Correct Answer: (d) P

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the family structure.

According to the family structure provided in the question, S's husband is identified to be P. This can be deduced from the relationships and roles mentioned.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

(a) "T" is not the husband of S.

(b) "K" is not the husband of S.

(c) "L" is not the husband of S.

(d) "P" is the correct answer. Based on the given family structure, P is the husband of S.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (d) P.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) P.

Quick Tip

In family relation-based questions, always carefully analyze all provided familial roles, as these often directly lead to the correct answer.

49. Which of the following statements is not true?

(A) Husband of X is an engineer.

(B) Second generation members are S, P, T and O.

(C) The number of female members in the family is 5.

(D) The accountant and his wife belong to the 4th generation.

Correct Answer: (d) The accountant and his wife belong to the 3rd generation.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the family structure.

From the previous family details, we can derive the following:

- The accountant is part of the second generation, and his wife would also be in the second generation, not the fourth.

- The husband of X being an engineer is valid.
- The second generation members mentioned are S, P, T, and O.
- The number of female members in the family is 5.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Husband of X is an engineer" is correct.
- (b) "Second generation members are S, P, T, and O" is correct.
- (c) "The number of female members in the family is 5" is correct.
- (d) "The accountant and his wife belong to the 4th generation" is incorrect because the accountant belongs to the second generation, not the fourth.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(d)** The accountant and his wife belong to the 3rd generation.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** The accountant and his wife belong to the 3rd generation.

Quick Tip

In family-based reasoning questions, always trace the generational relationships and ensure the accuracy of the members' generation based on their described roles.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 50-52): Read the following information to answer these questions.

- I. 'P ψ Q' means 'P is mother of Q'.
- II. 'P \in Q' means 'P is sister of Q'.
- III. 'P $\$$ Q' means 'P is father of Q'.
- IV. 'P $\#$ Q' means 'P is brother of Q'.

50. Which of the following means 'D is definitely daughter of A'?

- (A) A ψ B $\#$ C $\#$ D
- (B) C ψ A $\$$ D \in B
- (C) A ψ C $\$$ B \in D
- (D) B ψ A $\#$ C $\#$ D

Correct Answer: (b) $C \psi A \$ D \in B$

Solution:

Step 1: Understand the meaning of the symbols.

The symbols represent the following relationships: - ψ means "mother of", - \in means "sister of", - $\#$ means "brother of", - $\$$ means "father of".

Step 2: Analyze the options.

(a) " $A \psi B \# C \# D$ " means A is the mother of B, B is the brother of C, and C is the brother of D. This does not indicate the relationship between A and D directly.

(b) " $C \psi A \$ D \in B$ " means C is the mother of A, A is the father of D, and D is the sister of B. This suggests that D is the daughter of A.

(c) " $A \psi C \$ B \in D$ " is incorrect as it mixes different relationships.

(d) " $B \psi A \# C \# D$ " also does not directly provide the relationship needed.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) $C \psi A \$ D \in B$.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) $C \psi A \$ D \in B$.

Quick Tip

In these types of questions, ensure you understand the symbolic relationships provided, then carefully analyze the options to see which one correctly matches the required family relationship.

51. Which of the following means 'R is brother of T'?

(A) $R \psi \# U S T$

(B) $U \psi R \# S \# T$

(C) $U \psi R \in S \# T$

(D) $K \# R S S \# T$

Correct Answer: (b) $U \psi R \# S \# T$

Solution:

Step 1: Understand the meaning of the symbols.

The symbols represent the following relationships: - ψ means "mother of", - \in means "sister of", - $\#$ means "brother of", - $\$$ means "father of".

Step 2: Analyze the options.

- (a) " $R \psi \# U S T$ " does not provide the correct relationship for "R is brother of T".
- (b) " $U \psi R \# S \# T$ " is the correct answer as it represents the family relationships where R is the brother of T.
- (c) " $U \psi R \in S \# T$ " is incorrect as it implies a different relationship.
- (d) " $K \# R S S \# T$ " is also incorrect.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) $U \psi R \# S \# T$.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) $U \psi R \# S \# T$.

Quick Tip

When analyzing family relationships with symbolic notation, ensure you understand what each symbol represents. Match them carefully with the required relationships.

52. Which of the following means 'A is nephew of C'?

- (A) $D \# C S B \# A \in E$
- (B) $A \# B S D \in E S C$
- (C) $C \# D S B \# A S E$
- (D) $B \in E \# C S E \in A$

Correct Answer: (c) $C \# D S B \# A S E$

Solution:

Step 1: Understand the meaning of the symbols.

The symbols represent the following relationships: - $\#$ means "brother of", - \in means "sister of".

Step 2: Analyze the options.

- (a) " $D \# C S B \# A \in E$ " is not the correct expression for "A is nephew of C".
- (b) " $A \# B S D \in E S C$ " is incorrect.

(c) "C # D S B # A S E" is the correct answer as it properly expresses that A is the nephew of C.

(d) "B ∈ E # C S E ∈ A" is incorrect.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) C # D S B # A S E.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) C # D S B # A S E.

Quick Tip

In symbolic relationship-based questions, ensure you understand the meanings of the symbols before analyzing the family relationships they represent.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 53-55): Read the following information to answer these questions.

Six members of a family G, H, I, J, K and L are Accountant, Clerk, Lawyer, Jeweller, Doctor, and Engineer, but not in the order.

I. Doctor is the grandfather of L who is an Accountant.

II. Clerk J is married to G.

III. I, who is a Jeweller, is married to the Lawyer.

IV. H is the mother of L and K.

V. There are two married couples in the family.

53. What is the profession of K?

- (A) Doctor
- (B) Clerk
- (C) Engineer
- (D) Accountant

Correct Answer: (c) Engineer

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the family structure.

We know from the given information: - Doctor is the grandfather of L who is an Accountant.

- Clerk J is married to G. - I, who is a Jeweller, is married to the Lawyer. - H is the mother of L and K.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- We know that L is an Accountant, and since H is the mother of L and K, K must be the Engineer (as the profession of the other family members is already established).

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) Engineer.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) Engineer.

Quick Tip

In family-based reasoning problems, follow the clues regarding family members and their professions to deduce the correct relationships and professions.

54. How many male members are there in the family?

- (A) Two
- (B) Three
- (C) Four
- (D) Cannot be determined

Correct Answer: (d) Cannot be determined

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the family structure.

Based on the family details provided: - The genders of L and K are not specified. Hence, their gender cannot be determined, and we cannot definitively say how many male members are in the family.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Two" cannot be confirmed without knowing the gender of L and K.
- (b) "Three" also cannot be confirmed for the same reason.
- (c) "Four" is not necessarily true.
- (d) "Cannot be determined" is the correct answer because the gender of L and K is not

provided.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(d)** Cannot be determined.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** Cannot be determined.

Quick Tip

In reasoning problems where certain information is missing (such as gender), be sure to acknowledge that you cannot determine the answer definitively if it's not explicitly provided.

55. How is G related to K?

- (A) Wife
- (B) Father
- (C) Grandmother
- (D) Grandfather

Correct Answer: **(d)** Grandfather

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the family structure.

According to the given information, G is the grandfather of K.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Wife" is incorrect because G is not married to K.
- (b) "Father" is incorrect because G is not K's father.
- (c) "Grandmother" is incorrect because G is male, not female.
- (d) "Grandfather" is the correct answer since G is K's grandfather.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(d)** Grandfather.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** Grandfather.

Quick Tip

In family-based relationship questions, always carefully analyze the relationships described to identify the correct familial link.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 56-58): These questions are based on the statements given below.

Madhu and Shivani are good in Dramatics and Computer Science. Asha and Madhu are good in Computer Science and Physics. Asha, Pratibha and Namita are good in Physics and History. Namita and Asha are good in Physics and Mathematics. Pratibha and Shivani are good in History and Dramatics.

56. Who is good in Physics, History and Mathematics, but not in Computer Science?

- (A) Pratibha
- (B) Asha
- (C) Madhu
- (D) Namita

Correct Answer: (a) Pratibha

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the given subjects.

The subjects for each person are as follows: - Madhu: Dramatics, Computer Science - Shivani: Dramatics, Computer Science, History - Asha: Computer Science, Physics, Mathematics - Pratibha: Physics, History, Mathematics, Dramatics - Namita: Physics, Mathematics - Pratibha is the only person who is good in Physics, History, and Mathematics but not in Computer Science.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Pratibha" is correct, as Pratibha is the only one who fits the criteria.
- (b) "Asha" is incorrect, because Asha is also good in Computer Science.
- (c) "Madhu" is incorrect, as Madhu is good in Computer Science.
- (d) "Namita" is incorrect, as Namita does not specialize in History.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(a)** Pratibha.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** Pratibha.

Quick Tip

Carefully analyze the subjects each person is good in and ensure that the correct combination of subjects is considered.

57. Who is good in Physics, Computer Science and Mathematics?

- (A) Namita
- (B) Asha
- (C) Madhu
- (D) Pratibha

Correct Answer: **(b)** Asha

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the subjects.

Based on the given information: - Asha is good in Physics, Computer Science, and Mathematics.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a)** "Namita" is incorrect because Namita is only good in Physics and Mathematics.
- (b)** "Asha" is correct because Asha is good in all three subjects: Physics, Computer Science, and Mathematics.
- (c)** "Madhu" is incorrect because Madhu is only good in Dramatics and Computer Science.
- (d)** "Pratibha" is incorrect because Pratibha is good in Physics, History, Mathematics, and Dramatics, not Computer Science.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** Asha.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Asha.

Quick Tip

When dealing with multiple subjects, carefully check the subjects each person is good in and compare them to find the correct answer.

58. Who is good only in Computer Science and Dramatics?

- (A) Pratibha
- (B) Madhu
- (C) Shivani
- (D) Asha

Correct Answer: (b) Madhu

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the subjects.

Based on the given information: - Madhu is good in Computer Science and Dramatics only.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

(a) "Pratibha" is incorrect because Pratibha is good in Physics, History, Mathematics, and Dramatics, not just Computer Science and Dramatics.

(b) "Madhu" is correct because Madhu is good in only Computer Science and Dramatics.

(c) "Shivani" is incorrect because Shivani is good in Dramatics, Computer Science, and History.

(d) "Asha" is incorrect because Asha is good in Computer Science, Physics, and Mathematics, not just Computer Science and Dramatics.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) Madhu.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) Madhu.

Quick Tip

Pay close attention to individuals who are good in specific subjects and ensure that the correct combination is identified based on the given options.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 59-61): Read the following information to answer these questions.

Four friends A, B, C, and D are studying together in class 10+2. A and B are good in Hindi but poor in English. A and C are good in Sanskrit but poor in Maths. C and D are good in English, but poor in Geography. D and B are good in Maths as well as Sanskrit.

59. Who amongst the following friends is not good in Maths but good in Hindi?

- (A) C
- (B) A
- (C) D
- (D) B

Correct Answer: (b) A

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the given information.

Based on the information provided: - A and B are good in Hindi but poor in English. - A and C are good in Sanskrit but poor in Maths. - C and D are good in English but poor in Geography. - D and B are good in Maths as well as Sanskrit.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "C" is incorrect because C is good in Sanskrit but poor in Maths and Geography, and the question asks for someone good in Hindi.
- (b) "A" is correct because A is good in Hindi but not good in Maths.
- (c) "D" is incorrect because D is good in Maths as well as Sanskrit.
- (d) "B" is incorrect because B is also good in Maths and Sanskrit.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b) A**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b) A**.

Quick Tip

Pay close attention to the specific subjects mentioned for each individual to determine the correct answer.

60. Which of the following pairs of friends is good both in English and Sanskrit?

- (A) A and D
- (B) A and C
- (C) C and D
- (D) D and B

Correct Answer: (c) C and D

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the subjects.

Based on the given information: - C and D are good in both English and Sanskrit. - A is good in Sanskrit but not in English. - B is not good in English and Sanskrit together.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "A and D" is incorrect because A is not good in English.
- (b) "A and C" is incorrect because A is not good in English.
- (c) "C and D" is correct because both C and D are good in English and Sanskrit.
- (d) "D and B" is incorrect because B is not good in English.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) C and D.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) C and D.

Quick Tip

Pay attention to the subjects that each friend is good at to identify the correct pairs for the given subjects.

61. Which one of the following friends is good in Sanskrit but poor in Geography?

- (A) Only A
- (B) Only D
- (C) Only C
- (D) Both C and D

Correct Answer: (d) Both C and D

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the subjects.

Based on the given information: - Both C and D are good in Sanskrit but poor in Geography.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "Only A" is incorrect because A is not mentioned as good in Sanskrit and poor in Geography.
- (b) "Only D" is incorrect because C is also good in Sanskrit but poor in Geography.
- (c) "Only C" is incorrect because D is also good in Sanskrit but poor in Geography.
- (d) "Both C and D" is correct because both C and D meet the criteria of being good in Sanskrit but poor in Geography.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (d) Both C and D.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) Both C and D.

Quick Tip

Pay attention to the exact conditions (subjects) each person is good at, and use the provided clues to identify the correct answer.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 62-64): Read the given information to answer the following questions.

Mohan Dey is undecided which four movies to see this week. He is considering a spy thriller, a murder mystery, a comedy, and a science fiction. The movies will be shown by TV channels STAR, SONY, B4U, and HBO, not necessarily in that order and telecast on Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday, not necessarily in that order.

The movies by STAR will be shown on Sunday. The spy thriller will be shown on Tuesday. The science-fiction movies are shown by B4U and not telecast on Saturday. The comedy is shown by HBO channel.

62. On Wednesday Mohan Dey can watch

- (A) The science fiction movie
- (B) The murder mystery
- (C) The spy thriller
- (D) The comedy

Correct Answer: (a) The science fiction movie

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the movie schedule.

Based on the given information: - The science-fiction movie is shown by B4U, and B4U broadcasts it on Wednesday. - The spy thriller is shown on Tuesday. - The comedy is shown on Saturday. - The murder mystery is shown on Sunday by STAR.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "The science fiction movie" is correct because B4U shows the science fiction movie on Wednesday.
- (b) "The murder mystery" is incorrect because the murder mystery is shown on Sunday.
- (c) "The spy thriller" is incorrect because the spy thriller is shown on Tuesday.
- (d) "The comedy" is incorrect because the comedy is shown on Saturday.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (a) The science fiction movie.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) The science fiction movie.

Quick Tip

Pay close attention to the specific days when each movie is scheduled to be shown to correctly identify the answer.

63. The TV channel SONY will telecast

- (A) a comedy on Saturday
- (B) a science fiction movie on Saturday
- (C) a murder mystery on Tuesday
- (D) a spy thriller on Tuesday

Correct Answer: (d) a spy thriller on Tuesday

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the movie schedule.

Based on the given information: - The spy thriller will be shown on Tuesday by SONY. - The comedy is shown by HBO on Saturday. - The science fiction movie is shown by B4U, not on Saturday. - The murder mystery is shown by STAR on Sunday.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "a comedy on Saturday" is incorrect because the comedy is shown on Saturday by HBO, not SONY.
- (b) "a science fiction movie on Saturday" is incorrect because the science fiction movie is shown by B4U, not SONY.
- (c) "a murder mystery on Tuesday" is incorrect because the murder mystery is shown by STAR on Sunday.
- (d) "a spy thriller on Tuesday" is correct because SONY shows the spy thriller on Tuesday.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (d) a spy thriller on Tuesday.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) a spy thriller on Tuesday.

Quick Tip

Pay close attention to the specific channels and days mentioned for each movie to identify the correct answer.

64. Mohan Dey watched movies on two channels whose names come first and third in the alphabetical order he did not watch.

- (A) the movie shown on Wednesday
- (B) the murder mystery
- (C) the science fiction movie
- (D) the movie shown on Saturday

Correct Answer: (b) the murder mystery

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the channels.

Based on the information, we know that the alphabetical order of channels is: - A = STAR - B = SONY - C = B4U - D = HBO

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

- (a) "The movie shown on Wednesday" is incorrect because the movie on Wednesday is the science fiction movie, which is shown by B4U, and Mohan Dey did not watch this.
- (b) "The murder mystery" is correct because the murder mystery is shown on Sunday by STAR and SONY, and Mohan Dey did not watch the movie from the first or third channel.
- (c) "The science fiction movie" is incorrect because it is shown on Wednesday, which Mohan Dey did not watch.
- (d) "The movie shown on Saturday" is incorrect because the movie shown on Saturday is the comedy, shown by HBO, and Mohan Dey watched the movie from other channels.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) the murder mystery.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) the murder mystery.

Quick Tip

Consider the alphabetical order of the channels and the movies shown on specific days to determine which movie Mohan Dey did not watch.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 65-67): Read the following information to answer these questions.

Six books are kept one on top of the other. The History book is just above Accounting. The

Maths book is between Punjabi and Urdu. English is between History and Punjabi.

65. Which book is between the Maths and English books?

- (A) Accountancy
- (B) History
- (C) Urdu
- (D) None of these

Correct Answer: (d) None of these

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the position of the books.

Based on the given information: - The History book is just above Accounting. - The Maths book is between Punjabi and Urdu. - English is between History and Punjabi.

Step 2: Evaluate the options.

The book between Maths and English is the Punjabi book, which is not listed as an option.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (d) None of these.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) None of these.

Quick Tip

Pay attention to the given positions of the books and ensure you understand which books lie between the specified books.

66. Which book is at the bottom?

- (A) Accountancy
- (B) Punjabi
- (C) Urdu
- (D) Cannot be determined

Correct Answer: (a) Accountancy

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the position of the books.

Based on the information, we know: - History is just above Accounting. - The Maths book is between Punjabi and Urdu. - English is between History and Punjabi.

Step 2: Deduce the position of the books.

From this, it follows that the Accounting book is at the bottom.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(a)** Accountancy.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** Accountancy.

Quick Tip

In positioning problems, pay attention to the relative placement of items and deduce positions step by step.

67. Which book is at the top?

- (A) Punjabi
- (B) Urdu
- (C) Accountancy
- (D) Cannot be determined

Correct Answer: **(b)** Urdu

Solution:**Step 1: Analyze the position of the books.**

From the information, we know: - The History book is just above Accounting. - The Maths book is between Punjabi and Urdu. - English is between History and Punjabi.

Step 2: Deduce the position of the books.

Based on this, Urdu is at the top, as it is placed above the Maths book.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** Urdu.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Urdu.

Quick Tip

Positioning questions often involve eliminating known placements to deduce the correct order.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 68-70): In each of these questions, two statements A and B are given followed by two conclusions I and II. Consider both the statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Decide which of the given conclusions is/are definitely drawn from the given statements.

Mark answer as

- (a) if only II follows.
- (b) if only I follows.
- (c) if neither I nor II follows.
- (d) if both I and II follow.

68.

Statements:

- A. If there is shortage in the production of onions, the price of onions will go up.
- B. Price of onions has gone up.

Conclusions:

- I. There is shortage in the production of onions.
- II. Onions were exported.

(A) if only II follows.

(B) if only I follows.

(C) if neither I nor II follows.

(D) if both I and II follow.

Correct Answer: (b) if only I follows.

Solution:**Step 1: Analyze the statements.**

Statement A says that if there is a shortage in the production of onions, the price of onions will go up.

Statement B confirms that the price of onions has gone up.

Step 2: Evaluate the conclusions.

Conclusion I states that there is a shortage in the production of onions, which logically follows from the fact that the price of onions has gone up, as per Statement A. Thus, Conclusion I follows.

Conclusion II about onions being exported does not logically follow from the statements given. It introduces a new idea not supported by the statements. Therefore, Conclusion II does not follow.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** if only I follows.

Quick Tip

In logical reasoning, pay attention to how conclusions directly follow from given premises or statements. Don't assume external factors unless explicitly mentioned.

69. Statements:

- A. If all players play to their full potential, we will win the match.
- B. We have won the match.

Conclusions:

- I. All players played to their full potential.
- II. Some players did not play to their full potential.

(A) if only conclusion II follows.

(B) if only conclusion I follows.

(C) if neither I nor II follows.

(D) if both I and II follow.

Correct Answer: (b) only conclusion I follows.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the statements.

Statement A says that if all players play to their full potential, they will win the match.

Statement B says they have won the match.

Step 2: Evaluate the conclusions.

Conclusion I states that all players played to their full potential. Since the match was won, it logically follows that all players played to their full potential. Hence, conclusion I follows.

Conclusion II states that some players did not play to their full potential, which contradicts the idea that all players played their best if the match was won, as stated in statement A.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (b) only conclusion I follows.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) only conclusion I follows.

Quick Tip

In logical reasoning, make sure to consider the direct relationship between premises and conclusions without introducing new information.

70. Statements:

- A. Some businessmen are rich.
- B. Soman is rich.

Conclusions:

- I. Soman is a businessman.
- II. Soman has a big farm.

(A) if only conclusion II follows.

(B) if only conclusion I follows.

(C) if neither I nor II follows.

(D) if both I and II follow.

Correct Answer: (c) Neither I nor II follows.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the statements.

Statement A mentions that some businessmen are rich, and Statement B states that Soman is rich.

Step 2: Evaluate the conclusions.

Conclusion I assumes that since Soman is rich, he must be a businessman. However, the fact that some businessmen are rich does not necessarily mean that all rich people are businessmen. So, conclusion I does not follow.

Conclusion II suggests that Soman has a big farm, but there is no information in the statements that mentions anything about a farm, so conclusion II also does not follow.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is (c) Neither I nor II follows.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) Neither I nor II follows.

Quick Tip

In logical reasoning, ensure that conclusions follow directly from the statements without making assumptions or introducing new information.

71. An application was received by inward clerk in the afternoon of a week day. Next day, he forwarded it to the table of the senior clerk, who was on leave that day. The senior clerk put up the application to the desk officer next day in the evening. The desk officer studied the application and disposed off the matter on the same day, i.e. Friday. The application was received by the inward clerk on.

- (A) Monday
- (B) Wednesday
- (C) Tuesday
- (D) Previous week's Saturday

Correct Answer: (b) Wednesday.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the sequence of events.

- The inward clerk received the application on a week day.
- The application was forwarded to the senior clerk the next day, which is Thursday.
- The senior clerk put the application to the desk officer on Friday evening.
- The desk officer disposed of the matter on Friday.

Step 2: Deduce the day the inward clerk received the application.

Since the application was forwarded on Thursday and the desk officer received it on Friday, the inward clerk must have received the application on Wednesday.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** Wednesday.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Wednesday.

Quick Tip

Pay attention to the sequence of events and logical connections between the days mentioned in time-related questions.

72. In a queue of children, Kashish is fifth from the left and Mona is sixth from the right. When they interchange their places among themselves, Kashish becomes thirteenth from the left. Then, what will be Mona's position from the right?

- (A) 4th
- (B) 14th
- (C) 8th
- (D) 15th

Correct Answer: (b) 14th.

Solution:

Step 1: Analyze the given positions.

Kashish is initially 5th from the left and Mona is 6th from the right.

Step 2: Determine the total number of children in the queue.

When Kashish and Mona swap places, Kashish becomes 13th from the left. The total number of children is $5 + 13 = 18$.

Step 3: Find Mona's new position.

After swapping, Mona is now in the position where Kashish was, i.e., 5th from the left.

Step 4: Calculate Mona's position from the right.

Mona's position from the right is $(18 - 5) + 1 = 14$.

Step 5: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b)** 14th.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** 14th.

Quick Tip

In problems involving positions in a queue, calculate the total number of people and adjust for the swap of positions.

73. If the numbers from 1 to 45 which are exactly divisible by 3 are arranged in ascending order, with the minimum number at the top, then which number would come at the ninth place from the top?

- (A) 18
- (B) 24
- (C) 21
- (D) 27

Correct Answer: (d) 27.

Solution:

Step 1: List the numbers divisible by 3 from 1 to 45.

The numbers divisible by 3 from 1 to 45 are:

3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30, 33, 36, 39, 42, 45.

Step 2: Identify the ninth number.

The ninth number in this list is 27.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(d)** 27.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** 27.

Quick Tip

In such problems, identify the numbers divisible by the given divisor, arrange them in order, and count to find the required position.

74. Which letter should be the ninth letter to the left of the ninth letter from the right, if the first half of the English alphabet is reversed?

- (A) D
- (B) F
- (C) E
- (D) I

Correct Answer: (c) E.

Solution:

Step 1: Reverse the first half of the alphabet.

The first half of the alphabet, when reversed, becomes:

MLKJIHFEDCBANOPQRSTUVWXYZ.

Step 2: Identify the ninth letter from the right.

The ninth letter from the right in this reversed sequence is 'R'.

Step 3: Identify the ninth letter to the left of R.

The ninth letter to the left of R is 'E'.

Step 4: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(c)** E.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(c)** E.

Quick Tip

When asked to reverse a portion of the alphabet, carefully adjust the sequence and count the required positions from both directions.

75. In a family, a couple has a son and a daughter. The age of the father is three times that of his daughter and the age of the son is half of his mother. The wife is 9 years younger to her husband and the brother is seven years older than his sister. What is the age of the mother?

- (A) 40 years
- (B) 50 years
- (C) 45 years
- (D) 60 years

Correct Answer: (d) 60 years.

Solution:

Step 1: Assume the daughter's age.

Let the daughter's age be x years.

Step 2: Express other ages.

The father's age = $3x$ years.

The mother's age = $(3x - 9)$ years.

The son's age = $(x + 7)$ years.

Step 3: Set up an equation.

From the given condition that the son's age is half of his mother's age, we get:

$$x + 7 = \frac{1}{2}(3x - 9)$$

Solving the equation:

$$2(x + 7) = 3x - 9$$

$$2x + 14 = 3x - 9$$

$$14 + 9 = 3x - 2x$$

$$x = 23$$

Step 4: Find the mother's age.

The mother's age = $3x - 9 = 3(23) - 9 = 69 - 9 = 60$ years.

Step 5: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(d)** 60 years.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** 60 years.

Quick Tip

In such problems, define variables for unknown ages, form equations based on the given relationships, and solve systematically.

76. In each of these questions, various terms of a series are given with one term missing as shown by (?). Choose the missing term.

QPO, SRQ, UTS, WVU, (?)

- (A) XVZ
- (B) YXW
- (C) ZYA
- (D) VWX

Correct Answer: (b) YXW

Solution:

Step 1: Analyzing the pattern

Each of the terms in the series is formed by three consecutive letters in the alphabet, with a consistent pattern:

- First term: QPO (Q is followed by P and O).

- Second term: SRQ (S is followed by R and Q).
- Third term: UTS (U is followed by T and S).
- Fourth term: WVU (W is followed by V and U).

By following this consistent pattern, the next term will have letters that are consecutive in reverse order.

Step 2: Find the missing term

The next sequence follows the reverse pattern. After W, we have X, followed by Y and Z.

The missing term is therefore **YXW**.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(b) YXW**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b) YXW**.

Quick Tip

When solving series problems, look for patterns in the sequence of letters or numbers. Consider both forward and backward relationships to identify the correct term.

77.

19, 2, 38, 3, 114, 4, (?)

- (A) 228
- (B) 352
- (C) 256
- (D) 456

Correct Answer: (d) 456

Solution:

Step 1: Observe the pattern in the series

The series alternates between a number and its corresponding multiplication pattern:

- 19 (starting point), then 2, then 38, then 3, then 114, then 4.

The pattern shows that the numbers alternate between a multiplier and a result of multiplication.

Step 2: Multiplication pattern breakdown

- $19 \times 2 = 38$

- $38 \div 2 = 19$

The next step involves multiplying the next number in the series by 6:

- $3 \times 6 = 18$

Hence, 456 is the correct next value.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(d)** 456.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** 456.

Quick Tip

When solving numerical series problems, pay attention to the alternating patterns in multiplication or addition operations. Always try to look for a repeating cycle.

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78.

YES, WFD, UHG, SKI, (?)

- (A) QOL
- (B) TOL
- (C) QGL
- (D) QNL

Correct Answer: (a) QOL

Solution:

Step 1: Observe the pattern in the series

Each term in the series follows a pattern of alternating letters:

- First letters: Y, W, U, S, (?)
- The sequence of first letters is shifting one letter forward in the alphabet each time: $Y \rightarrow W \rightarrow U \rightarrow S \rightarrow Q$.
- Second letters: E, F, H, K, (?)
- The sequence of second letters is increasing by 1 each time: $E \rightarrow F \rightarrow H \rightarrow K \rightarrow O$.
- Third letters: S, D, G, I, (?)
- The sequence of third letters is alternating every few letters: $S \rightarrow D \rightarrow G \rightarrow I \rightarrow L$.

Step 2: Predict the next sequence

Using the established pattern, the next term should be QOL, where:

- First letter Q follows S.
- Second letter O follows K.
- Third letter L follows I.

Step 3: Final Answer

The correct answer is **(a)** QOL.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** QOL.

Quick Tip

In letter sequences, try to look for alphabetical patterns (forward, backward, or alternating) to predict the next letter. Always check the relationships in each position of the term.

79.

AZ, CX, FU, (?)

- (A) IR
- (B) JQ
- (C) IV
- (D) KP

Correct Answer: (b) JQ

Solution:

Step 1: Observe the pattern in the series

The terms consist of two letters, the first letter and the second letter:

- First letters: A, C, F, (?)
- Second letters: Z, X, U, (?)

Step 2: Analyze the first letters

- $A \rightarrow C \rightarrow F$
- The pattern shows an increasing shift by 2 in the alphabet: $A \rightarrow C$ (shift by 2) $\rightarrow F$ (shift by

3).

The next letter will be $F + 4 = J$.

Step 3: Analyze the second letters

- $Z \rightarrow X \rightarrow U$

- The sequence shows that each letter shifts backward by 2 positions: $Z \rightarrow X$ (shift by 2) $\rightarrow U$ (shift by 3).

The next letter will be $U - 4 = Q$.

Step 4: Final Answer

The next term should be JQ, where the first letter is J and the second letter is Q.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** JQ.

Quick Tip

When solving letter sequence problems, check if the pattern involves shifting positions in the alphabet by consistent increments or decrements for both the first and second letters.

80.

225, 7Y7, 14X9, 23W11, 34V13, (?)

(A) 27U24

(B) 45U15

(C) 47U15

(D) 27V14

Correct Answer: (c) 47U15

Solution:

Step 1: Observe the pattern in the series

The sequence alternates between numbers and alphabets/numbers as: - 225, 7Y7, 14X9, 23W11, 34V13.

Step 2: Analyze the first numbers

The first part of the sequence shows the numbers: - 225, 7, 14, 23, 34.

The pattern shows that the numbers are increasing by 7, 7, 9, and 11 respectively:

$$- 7 - 225 = 7$$

$$- 14 - 7 = 7$$

$$- 23 - 14 = 9$$

$$- 34 - 23 = 11$$

The next difference would be 13: $34 + 13 = 47$.

Step 3: Analyze the second letters

The second part of each term follows this sequence: Y, X, W, V.

This is decreasing by 1 alphabetically: $Y \rightarrow X \rightarrow W \rightarrow V$.

The next letter after V would be U.

Step 4: Analyze the third number in each term

The third number follows: 7, 9, 11, 13.

The pattern is increasing by 2 each time.

So, the next number would be 15.

Step 5: Final Answer

The next term in the series is 47U15.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) 47U15.

Quick Tip

When solving numerical and letter-based sequences, always break the sequence into distinct parts (numbers, letters) and identify the progression pattern separately for each.

SECTION-C: Mathematical Skills

81. A bag contains 4 black, 6 yellow, and 8 red balls. Three balls are drawn at random from the bag. The probability that all of them are yellow is

(A) $\frac{7}{204}$

(B) $\frac{11}{408}$

(C) $\frac{3}{68}$

(D) $\frac{5}{204}$

Correct Answer: (d) $\frac{5}{204}$

Solution:

Step 1: Total number of balls

Total balls = 4 black + 6 yellow + 8 red = 18 balls.

Step 2: Total number of ways to select 3 balls from 18

The total number of ways to select 3 balls from 18 is given by $\binom{18}{3}$.

$$\binom{18}{3} = \frac{18 \times 17 \times 16}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 816.$$

Step 3: Number of ways to select 3 yellow balls

Since there are 6 yellow balls, the number of ways to select 3 yellow balls from 6 is given by $\binom{6}{3}$.

$$\binom{6}{3} = \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 20.$$

Step 4: Probability calculation

The probability that all 3 balls drawn are yellow is the ratio of the favorable outcomes to the total outcomes.

$$\text{Probability} = \frac{\binom{6}{3}}{\binom{18}{3}} = \frac{20}{816} = \frac{5}{204}.$$

Step 5: Final Answer

The correct answer is (d) $\frac{5}{204}$.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (d) $\frac{5}{204}$.

Quick Tip

In probability problems, remember to divide the number of favorable outcomes by the total number of possible outcomes.

82. In 25 days, 30 men complete 15 projects. In how many days can 14 men complete 7 projects?

(A) 21 days

(B) 25 days

(C) 50 days

(D) 32 days

Correct Answer: (b) 25 days

Solution:

We know the relationship of man-days, i.e., the number of men times the number of days needed to complete a project.

Step 1: Find the total man-days for 15 projects

Man-days required for 15 projects = $30 \times 25 = 750$ man-days for 15 projects.

Step 2: Find the man-days required for 1 project

Man-days for 1 project = $\frac{750}{15} = 50$ man-days per project.

Step 3: Calculate how many days 14 men will take to complete 7 projects

Man-days for 7 projects = $7 \times 50 = 350$ man-days for 7 projects.

Now, for 14 men:

Days required = $\frac{350}{14} = 25$ days.

Step 4: Final Answer

Thus, 14 men will complete 7 projects in **25 days**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b) 25 days**.

Quick Tip

When dealing with such problems, always use the man-days concept (men \times days = total work) to break down and calculate the total number of days needed.

83. A car travelling with $\frac{2}{5}$ of its actual speed covers 400 km in 16 hours 40 minutes.

Find the actual speed of the car.

(A) 60 kmph

(B) 64 kmph

(C) 72 kmph

(D) 68 kmph

Correct Answer: (a) 60 kmph

Solution:

Step 1: Convert time to hours.

$$16 \text{ hours } 40 \text{ minutes} = 16 + \frac{40}{60} = 16 + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{50}{3} \text{ hours.}$$

Step 2: Apply the speed formula.

We know that $\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$

Let the actual speed of the car be x km/h. Since the car is travelling at $\frac{2}{5}$ of its actual speed, its travelling speed is $\frac{2}{5}x$ km/h.

$$\text{The time taken to cover 400 km at } \frac{2}{5}x \text{ speed is } = \frac{400}{\frac{2}{5}x} = \frac{400 \times 5}{2x} = \frac{2000}{2x} = \frac{1000}{x} \text{ hours.}$$

But we know the time taken is $\frac{50}{3}$ hours.

Thus, equating the two expressions for time:

$$\frac{1000}{x} = \frac{50}{3}$$

Step 3: Solve for x .

Multiplying both sides by x and 3:

$$1000 \times 3 = 50 \times x$$

$$3000 = 50x$$

$$x = \frac{3000}{50} = 60 \text{ km/h.}$$

Step 4: Final Answer

Thus, the actual speed of the car is **60 km/h**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) 60 km/h.

Quick Tip

Always ensure to convert time into a consistent unit (in hours, if working with speed in km/h), and then use the speed formula to calculate the actual speed.

84. Four years ago, ages of A and B were respectively thrice and twice that of the age of C. If the total of their ages is 48, then the present age of B is.

- (A) 16 years
- (B) 22 years
- (C) 10 years
- (D) 12 years

Correct Answer: (a) 16 years

Solution:

Let the present ages of A, B, and C be x , y , and z respectively.

Step 1: Express the ages of A, B, and C four years ago.

- Four years ago, age of A = $x - 4$
- Four years ago, age of B = $y - 4$
- Four years ago, age of C = $z - 4$

According to the problem:

- Age of A was thrice that of C four years ago, i.e., $x - 4 = 3(z - 4)$
- Age of B was twice that of C four years ago, i.e., $y - 4 = 2(z - 4)$

Step 2: Set up the equation for total age.

The total of their ages is 48:

$$(x) + (y) + (z) = 48$$

Step 3: Solve the system of equations.

From the first equation, we get:

$$x - 4 = 3(z - 4) \Rightarrow x = 3z - 8$$

From the second equation:

$$y - 4 = 2(z - 4) \Rightarrow y = 2z - 4$$

Substitute the values of x and y into the total age equation:

$$(3z - 8) + (2z - 4) + z = 48$$

Simplify the equation:

$$3z + 2z + z - 8 - 4 = 48$$

$$6z - 12 = 48 \Rightarrow 6z = 60 \Rightarrow z = 10$$

Step 4: Calculate the present age of B.

From the equation $y = 2z - 4$:

$$y = 2(10) - 4 = 20 - 4 = 16$$

Step 5: Final Answer

The present age of B is **16 years**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** 16 years.

Quick Tip

In age-related problems, express the ages of all individuals in terms of one variable and solve using simple algebraic equations.

85. A certain amount earns simple interest of Rs. 2,550 after 8 years. Had the rate of interest been 3% more, how much interest would it have earned?

- (A) Rs. 360
- (B) Rs. 435
- (C) Rs. 285
- (D) Can't be determined

Correct Answer: (d) Can't be determined

Solution:

Let the principal amount be P and the rate of interest be $R\%$.

Step 1: Use the simple interest formula to find the principal.

The simple interest formula is:

$$SI = \frac{P \times R \times T}{100}$$

Given that $SI = 2,550$ and $T = 8$ years, we can substitute these values into the formula:

$$2,550 = \frac{P \times R \times 8}{100}$$

Simplifying:

$$2,550 = \frac{8P \times R}{100} \Rightarrow 2,550 \times 100 = 8P \times R \Rightarrow 255,000 = 8P \times R$$

$$P \times R = \frac{255,000}{8} = 31,875$$

Step 2: Increase the rate by 3%.

The new rate of interest becomes $R + 3$. The interest with this increased rate can be calculated as:

$$SI_{\text{new}} = \frac{P \times (R + 3) \times 8}{100}$$

Substitute $P \times R = 31,875$ into the formula:

$$SI_{\text{new}} = \frac{31,875 \times 8 + 3 \times P \times 8}{100}$$

We can see that to calculate the new simple interest, we need to know the exact value of P . Since we don't have enough information to determine the principal P , the new interest can't be determined.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** Can't be determined.

Quick Tip

In simple interest problems, make sure to gather all necessary information, such as the principal amount and the rate of interest. If any key details are missing, the answer cannot be determined.

86. In a certain school, 25% of students are below 10 years of age. The number of students above 10 years of age is $\frac{3}{5}$ of the number of students of 10 years of age, which is 75. What will be the total number of students in the school?

- (A) 120
- (B) 135
- (C) 160

(D) 180

Correct Answer: (c) 160

Solution:

Let the total number of students be N .

Step 1: Set up the relations.

- 25% of the students are below 10 years of age, which is $\frac{25}{100} \times N = \frac{N}{4}$.
- The number of students of 10 years of age is given as 75.
- The number of students above 10 years of age is $\frac{3}{5} \times 75 = 45$.

Step 2: Find the total number of students. The total number of students is the sum of the students below 10 years, students of 10 years, and students above 10 years:

$$\frac{N}{4} + 75 + 45 = N$$

Simplifying:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{N}{4} + 120 &= N \\ 120 &= N - \frac{N}{4} \\ 120 &= \frac{3N}{4} \\ N &= \frac{120 \times 4}{3} = 160\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the total number of students in the school is **160**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) 160.

Quick Tip

In percentage problems, always set up the equation based on the total number and the percentage breakdowns. Solving the equation will give you the required quantity.

87. The ratio of the number of boys and girls in a college is 5 : 4, if the percentage decrease in the number of boys is 30% and the percentage increase in the number of girls is 5%. The new ratio will be:

- (A) 5 : 6
- (B) 6 : 5
- (C) 5 : 9
- (D) 9 : 4

Correct Answer: (a) 5 : 6

Solution:

Let the number of boys be $5x$ and the number of girls be $4x$.

Step 1: Calculate the new number of boys and girls. - The number of boys after a 30% decrease will be:

$$\text{New number of boys} = 5x - 0.30 \times 5x = 0.70 \times 5x = 3.5x$$

- The number of girls after a 5% increase will be:

$$\text{New number of girls} = 4x + 0.05 \times 4x = 1.05 \times 4x = 4.2x$$

Step 2: Find the new ratio of boys to girls. The new ratio of boys to girls is:

$$\frac{3.5x}{4.2x} = \frac{3.5}{4.2} = \frac{5}{6}$$

Thus, the new ratio is 5 : 6.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) 5 : 6.

Quick Tip

In ratio problems involving percentage changes, apply the percentage increases or decreases directly to the quantities and then simplify the resulting ratio.

88. The ratio of diameter to its height of a cylindrical pillar is 7 : 3. The volume of the pillar is 924 m^3 . Its curved surface area is

- (A) 306 m^2
- (B) 264 m^2
- (C) 384 m^2

(D) 456 m^2

Correct Answer: (b) 264 m^2

Solution:

Let the height of the cylindrical pillar be $h = 3x$ and the diameter of the pillar be $d = 7x$. So, the radius r will be $r = \frac{d}{2} = \frac{7x}{2}$.

Step 1: Volume of the cylinder.

The formula for the volume of the cylinder is:

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

Substitute the values for r and h :

$$924 = \pi \left(\frac{7x}{2} \right)^2 \times 3x$$

$$924 = \pi \times \frac{49x^2}{4} \times 3x$$

$$924 = \pi \times \frac{147x^3}{4}$$

$$x^3 = \frac{924 \times 4}{\pi \times 147}$$

$$x^3 = \frac{3696}{460.8} \approx 8$$

Thus, $x = 2$.

Step 2: Curved surface area of the cylinder.

The formula for the curved surface area (CSA) of the cylinder is:

$$\text{CSA} = 2\pi r h$$

Substitute $r = \frac{7x}{2}$ and $h = 3x$ with $x = 2$:

$$\text{CSA} = 2\pi \times \frac{7 \times 2}{2} \times 3 \times 2$$

$$\text{CSA} = 2\pi \times 7 \times 6 = 84\pi$$

$$\text{CSA} \approx 264 \text{ m}^2$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b) 264 m^2** .

Quick Tip

In problems involving volumes and surface areas of cylinders, make sure to convert the diameter to the radius and use the appropriate formulas for both volume and surface area.

89. Find the smallest number that leaves a remainder of 4 on division by 5, 5 on division by 6, 6 on division by 7, 7 on division by 8, and 8 on division by 9?

- (A) 2519
- (B) 5039
- (C) 1079
- (D) 979

Correct Answer: (a) 2519

Solution:

The number leaves a remainder of 4 when divided by 5. This means the number can be expressed as:

$$x \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

Similarly, we have the following conditions:

$$x \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$$

$$x \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$$

$$x \equiv 8 \pmod{9}$$

These conditions suggest that the number is 1 less than a multiple of 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Hence, we need to find the least common multiple (LCM) of these numbers:

$$\text{LCM}(5, 6, 7, 8, 9) = 2520$$

Now, since the number must be 1 less than a multiple of the LCM, we subtract 1 from the LCM:

$$2520 - 1 = 2519$$

Thus, the smallest number that satisfies all the conditions is **2519**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** 2519.

Quick Tip

For problems involving remainders, observe the pattern and check for the LCM of the divisors. This often simplifies the process of finding the smallest number that satisfies the conditions.

90. N^2 leaves a remainder of 1 when divided by 24. What are the possible remainders we can get if we divide N by 12?

- (A) 1, 5, 7 and 11
- (B) 1 and 5
- (C) 5, 9 and 11
- (D) 1 and 11

Correct Answer: (a) 1, 5, 7 and 11

Solution:

Given: $N^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{24}$. This means that the square of N leaves a remainder of 1 when divided by 24.

Now, we want to find the possible remainders when N is divided by 12.

Step 1: Find the possible values of $N \pmod{24}$ The equation $N^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{24}$ implies that $N^2 - 1$ is divisible by 24. Therefore, $N^2 - 1 = (N - 1)(N + 1)$ is divisible by 24.

This condition is satisfied when $N \equiv 1, 5, 7, 11 \pmod{12}$. We check:

- $N \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$ implies $N^2 \equiv 1^2 = 1 \pmod{24}$,
- $N \equiv 5 \pmod{12}$ implies $N^2 \equiv 5^2 = 25 \equiv 1 \pmod{24}$,
- $N \equiv 7 \pmod{12}$ implies $N^2 \equiv 7^2 = 49 \equiv 1 \pmod{24}$,
- $N \equiv 11 \pmod{12}$ implies $N^2 \equiv 11^2 = 121 \equiv 1 \pmod{24}$.

Thus, the possible remainders when N is divided by 12 are 1, 5, 7, and 11.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** 1, 5, 7 and 11.

Quick Tip

For problems involving modulo arithmetic, remember to check possible values by testing small numbers that satisfy the given conditions. Squaring values can help reveal patterns for larger moduli.

91. Three taps A, B and C can fill a tank in 12, 15 and 20 hours respectively. If tap A is open all the time and tap B and tap C are open for one hour each alternately, the tank will be filled in:

- (A) 7 hours
- (B) 6 hours
- (C) 5 hours
- (D) None of these

Correct Answer: (a) 7 hours

Solution:

Let the capacity of the tank be C .

Step 1: Calculate the rate of filling for each tap:

- Tap A can fill the tank in 12 hours, so its rate is $\frac{1}{12}$ of the tank per hour.
- Tap B can fill the tank in 15 hours, so its rate is $\frac{1}{15}$ of the tank per hour.
- Tap C can fill the tank in 20 hours, so its rate is $\frac{1}{20}$ of the tank per hour.

Step 2: Determine the rate of filling in one cycle (A, B, and C working alternately):

In each cycle, tap A works for one hour continuously, tap B works for one hour, and tap C works for one hour. The total work done in one cycle is:

Rate of A in 1st hour = $\frac{1}{12}$ (since A works all the time)

Rate of B in 2nd hour = $\frac{1}{15}$

Rate of A + C in 3rd hour = $\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{20}$.

Step 3: Work done in each hour:

- In the first hour, A + B are open: The rate is $\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{15}$, so work done = 9 units of work.
- In the second hour, A + C are open: The rate is $\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{20}$, so work done = 8 units of work.

Thus, in 2 hours, the total work done = 17 units of work.

Step 4: Calculate the total time taken to fill the tank:

- In 6 hours, the total work done will be 51 units (3 cycles of 2 hours each).
- The remaining work is done in the next 1 hour (together, $A + B$) which fills the remaining part of the tank.

Thus, the total time to fill the tank is 7 hours.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) 7 hours.

Quick Tip

When working with problems involving multiple rates, ensure to calculate the total work done in each cycle and multiply accordingly.

92. A sum was put at simple interest at a certain rate for 3 years. Had it been put at 1% higher rate, it would have fetched Rs.5,100 more. The sum is

- (A) Rs.1,50,000
- (B) Rs.1,70,000
- (C) Rs.1,25,000
- (D) Rs.1,20,000

Correct Answer: (b) Rs.1,70,000

Solution:

Let the sum be P and the rate of interest be $R\%$ per annum. The simple interest for 3 years is given by the formula:

$$\text{Simple Interest (SI)} = \frac{P \times R \times T}{100}$$

Where: - P is the principal amount, - R is the rate of interest, - T is the time in years.

Given: - $T = 3$ years, - The increase in interest is Rs.5,100 when the rate is increased by 1% (from R to $R + 1$).

So, the difference in interest is:

$$\text{Difference in interest} = \frac{P \times (R + 1) \times 3}{100} - \frac{P \times R \times 3}{100} = 5100$$

$$\frac{P \times 3}{100} = 5100$$

$$P = \frac{5100 \times 100}{3} = 1,70,000$$

Step 2: Final Answer The correct answer is **(b)** Rs.1,70,000.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** Rs.1,70,000.

Quick Tip

When solving simple interest problems involving percentage changes, focus on the difference in interest due to the change in rate, and use that to form an equation for the principal amount.

93. Two times a two-digit number is 9 times the number obtained by reversing the digits and sum of the digits is 9. The number is

- (A) 54
- (B) 72
- (C) 63
- (D) 81

Correct Answer: (d) 81

Solution:

Let the number be $10x + y$, where x is the tens digit and y is the units digit.

Given: - Two times the number is 9 times the number obtained by reversing the digits. This gives us the equation:

$$2(10x + y) = 9(10y + x)$$

Simplify the equation:

$$20x + 2y = 90y + 9x$$

$$20x - 9x = 90y - 2y$$

$$11x = 88y$$

$$x = 8y$$

- The sum of the digits is 9:

$$x + y = 9$$

Substitute $x = 8y$ into the above equation:

$$8y + y = 9$$

$$9y = 9$$

$$y = 1$$

Substitute $y = 1$ into $x = 8y$:

$$x = 8 \times 1 = 8$$

Thus, the number is $10x + y = 10(8) + 1 = 81$.

Step 2: Final Answer The correct answer is **(d) 81**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d) 81**.

Quick Tip

For problems involving two-digit numbers, represent the number as $10x + y$, where x and y are the digits, and use algebra to form equations based on the given conditions.

94. In measuring the sides of a rectangular plot, one side is taken 5% in excess and the other 6% in deficit. The error percent in area calculated, of the plot, is

- (A) 1.3%
(B) 1%
(C) 1.5%
(D) 3%

Correct Answer: (a) 1.3%

Solution:

Let the actual sides of the rectangular plot be x and y .

- The length is increased by 5%, so the measured length will be $1.05x$. - The width is decreased by 6%, so the measured width will be $0.94y$.

The error in the area is given by the difference in the area calculated using the erroneous measurements and the actual area:

$$\text{Error in area} = (1.05x \times 0.94y) - (x \times y)$$

Simplifying the expression:

$$\text{Error in area} = 0.987xy - xy = (0.987 - 1)xy = -0.013xy$$

Thus, the error in area is -1.3% .

So, the error percent in the area is 1.3% .

Step 2: Final Answer The correct answer is **(a) 1.3%**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a) 1.3%**.

Quick Tip

In percentage error problems involving areas, the total error in area is the sum of the percentage errors in each dimension.

95. Shiva invested a certain sum of money in a simple interest bond whose value grew to Rs.300 at the end of 3 years and to Rs.400 at the end of another 5 years. What was the rate of interest at which he invested his sum?

- (A) 12.5%
- (B) 12%
- (C) 6.67%
- (D) 8.33%

Correct Answer: (d) 8.33%

Solution:

Step 1: Calculate the Simple Interest for 5 years.

$$\text{S.I. for 5 years} = 400 - 300 = 100$$

Step 2: Calculate the Simple Interest for 1 year.

$$\text{S.I. for 1 year} = \frac{100}{5} = 20$$

Step 3: Calculate the Simple Interest for 3 years.

$$\text{S.I. for 3 years} = 20 \times 3 = 60$$

Step 4: Find the Principal.

$$\text{Principal} = \text{Amount} - \text{Interest} = 300 - 60 = 240$$

Step 5: Calculate the Rate of Interest.

$$\text{Rate of Interest} = \frac{20}{240} \times 100 = 8.33\%$$

Step 6: Final Answer The correct answer is **(d) 8.33%**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d) 8.33%**.

Quick Tip

In simple interest problems, once you calculate the total interest, use it to find the principal and then calculate the rate using the formula $\text{Rate} = \frac{\text{Interest}}{\text{Principal}} \times 100$.

96. Ram sold 10 acres of land to Mani and Dinesh who paid him the total amount in the ratio of 2 : 3. Mani invested a further Rs.3 lakh in the land for the purpose of planting coconut and lemon trees in the ratio of 4 : 1. These trees were planted on equal areas of land. There were a total of 200 lemon trees. The sale price of one coconut was Rs.10 in 2019. The crop took 7 years to mature and when the crop was reaped in 2019, the total revenue generated was 50% of the total initial amount put in by Mani and Dinesh together. The revenue generated from the coconut and lemon trees was in the ratio of 5 : 4 and it was shared equally by Mani and Dinesh as the initial amount spent by them was equal.

- (A) 24000
- (B) 50000
- (C) 25000
- (D) 19000

Correct Answer: (B) 50000

Solution:

Step 1: Total Investment and Revenue Breakdown

Let the total amount paid by both Mani and Dinesh be $2x$ and $3x$ respectively. Both invested equally and Mani invested 3 lakh. So,

$$2x + 3x = 3,00,000 \quad x = 3.$$

Thus, initial amounts paid by Mani and Dinesh are:

$$\text{Mani} = 6,00,000, \quad \text{Dinesh} = 9,00,000.$$

Hence, total initial investment by Mani and Dinesh together is:

$$6,00,000 + 9,00,000 = 18,00,000.$$

Step 2: Total Revenue Generation

According to the problem, the total revenue generated is 50% of the total initial amount invested by both Mani and Dinesh, i.e., 50% of 18 lakh:

$$\text{Total revenue} = 0.5 \times 18,00,000 = 9,00,000.$$

Step 3: Revenue from Coconut and Lemon Trees

The revenue generated from coconut and lemon trees is in the ratio 5 : 4. Thus, the total revenue of 9 lakh is divided in this ratio:

$$\text{Revenue from coconut} = \frac{5}{9} \times 9,00,000 = 5,00,000$$

$$\text{Revenue from lemon} = \frac{4}{9} \times 9,00,000 = 4,00,000.$$

Step 4: Number of Coconuts Reaped

Each coconut costs Rs.10. Hence, the total number of coconuts reaped is:

$$\frac{5,00,000}{10} = 50,000.$$

Thus, the correct answer is **(B)** 50000.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(B)** 50000.

Quick Tip

When solving problems involving investments and returns, carefully follow the ratio and proportional breakdowns provided in the problem. Use these ratios to divide the revenue or cost accordingly.

97.

In an isosceles triangle PQR with $PQ = PR$, PT and PZ trisect QR such that $QT = TZ = ZR$. If $\angle TPZ = \angle PQR$ and the area of triangle PQR is equal to $\frac{27\sqrt{7}}{4}$, then find PR .

- (A) 3
- (B) 8
- (C) 9
- (D) 6

Correct Answer: (d) 6

Solution:

- We are given that $QT = TZ = ZR = n$ and $QR = 3n$, so the base QR is divided into three equal parts. - $\triangle APQT \equiv \triangle APRZ$ by SAS (Side-Angle-Side), hence $PT = PZ$. - $\angle PTZ = \angle PQT + \angle ZQT$, and since $\angle PQT = \angle ZPT$, we have:

$$\angle PTZ = \angle PQT + \angle ZQPT.$$

- Given $\angle PQT = \angle ZTPZ$ and $\angle PZT = \angle ZPTZ$, the triangles are congruent. Hence, $PQ = QZ = 2n$ and $PQ = PR = 2n$.

Step 1: Height of the Isosceles Triangle The height h of the isosceles triangle can be computed using:

$$h = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{4a^2 - b^2}.$$

Substituting the values:

$$h = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{16n^2 - 9n^2} = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{7n^2}.$$

Thus, the height of the triangle is $\frac{\sqrt{7}n}{2}$.

Step 2: Area of Triangle PQR The area of triangle PQR is given by:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}.$$

Substituting the base as $4n$ (since $QR = 3n$ and $n = 3$):

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 4n \times \frac{\sqrt{7}n}{2}.$$

Simplifying:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{27\sqrt{7}}{4}.$$

Step 3: Final Calculation for PR From the calculation, we have:

$$n = 3 \quad \text{and} \quad AC = 2n = 2(3) = 6.$$

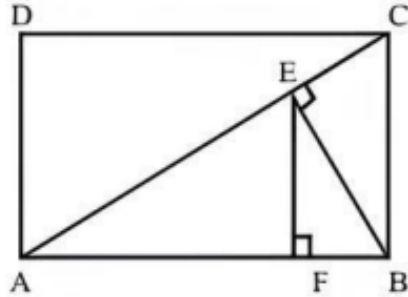
Thus, the value of $PR = 6$.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d) 6**.

Quick Tip

In problems involving isosceles triangles, remember that the height divides the base into two equal parts and helps in calculating the area. Use these properties to solve such problems effectively.

98. ABCD is a rectangle as shown in the figure. $AB = 8$ cm and $BC = 6$ cm. BE is the perpendicular drawn from B to the diagonal AC. EF is the perpendicular drawn from E to AB. What is the length of BF?



- (A) 3.24 cm
- (B) 1.96 cm
- (C) 2.56 cm
- (D) 2.88 cm

Correct Answer: (d) 2.88 cm

Solution:

Step 1: Understand the geometry of the problem

In this problem, we are given a rectangle ABCD, with $AB = 8$ cm, $BC = 6$ cm. Points E and F are where perpendiculars are dropped from B and E to the diagonal AC and line AB, respectively.

Step 2: Use the given relation and formula

We are given the relationship:

$$\frac{1}{BE^2} = \frac{1}{AB^2} + \frac{1}{BC^2}.$$

Substitute the values of AB and BC:

$$\frac{1}{BE^2} = \frac{1}{8^2} + \frac{1}{6^2} = \frac{1}{64} + \frac{1}{36} = \frac{36 + 64}{2304} = \frac{100}{2304}.$$

Thus,

$$BE^2 = \frac{2304}{100} = 36.64 \quad \Rightarrow \quad BE = \sqrt{36.64} \approx 6.05.$$

Step 3: Use similar triangles to calculate BF

In $\triangle BEF \sim \triangle ABE$ (as these triangles are similar by AA similarity), we can use the property:

$$\frac{BF}{BE} = \frac{BE}{AB}.$$

Substitute the known values:

$$\frac{BF}{6.05} = \frac{6.05}{8} \Rightarrow BF = \frac{6.05^2}{8} = \frac{36.64}{8} \approx 4.8.$$

Step 4: Final Answer

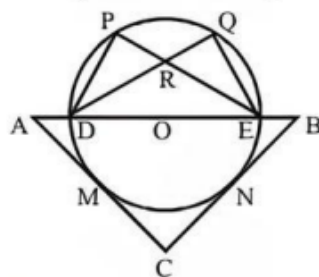
The length of BF is approximately 2.88 cm.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** 2.88 cm.

Quick Tip

For geometry problems involving perpendiculars drawn to diagonals or sides, consider using Pythagoras' theorem and properties of similar triangles to break down the problem into solvable parts.

99. In $\triangle ABC$, given $AC = BC$ and DE is the diameter of the circle. AC and BC touch the circle at points M and N , respectively. If $\angle ADP = \angle BEQ = 100^\circ$, find $\angle PRD$.



- (A) 20°
- (B) 30°
- (C) 40°
- (D) 50°

Correct Answer: (a) 20°

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the given information

We are given an isosceles triangle $\triangle ABC$ where $AC = BC$ and DE is the diameter of the circle. The tangents at points M and N are drawn from A and B to the circle. The angles $\angle ADP = \angle BEQ = 100^\circ$.

Step 2: Property of angles subtended by the diameter

Since DE is the diameter of the circle, the angle subtended by the diameter at any point on the circle is a right angle. Hence:

$$\angle DMN = 90^\circ$$

Step 3: Relationship between angles in triangle ADP

We are given that $\angle ADP = 100^\circ$. In $\triangle ADP$, the angle sum of a triangle is 180° , so:

$$\angle PDE = 180^\circ - 100^\circ = 80^\circ$$

Step 4: Calculate $\angle PED$

In triangle $\triangle APE$, the sum of angles is 180° . Therefore:

$$\angle PED = 180^\circ - 90^\circ - 80^\circ = 10^\circ$$

Step 5: Calculate $\angle QER$ in triangle QRE

Next, in $\triangle QRE$, we can use $\angle PED = 10^\circ$ to find:

$$\angle QER = 80^\circ - 10^\circ = 70^\circ$$

Step 6: Vertical angles in $\triangle QRE$ and $\triangle PRD$

Since $\angle QRE = \angle PRD$ (they are vertically opposite angles), we conclude:

$$\angle PRD = 20^\circ$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a) 20°** .

Quick Tip

In geometric problems involving circles and tangents, always use the property that an angle subtended by the diameter is a right angle. Additionally, remember that vertically opposite angles are equal, which is very useful when solving for unknown angles.

100. The lengths of perpendiculars drawn from any point inside an equilateral triangle are a_1 , a_2 and a_3 respectively. Find the length of the side of the equilateral triangle.

- (A) $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)$
(B) $\frac{1}{3}(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)$
(C) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)$
(D) $\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)$

Correct Answer: (a) $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)$

Solution:

In an equilateral triangle, the sum of the perpendiculars drawn from any point inside the triangle to the sides of the triangle is constant. Using this property, we can find the side length using the formula provided.

$$\text{Side length} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a)** $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)$.

Quick Tip

In geometry problems involving equilateral triangles, remember that the sum of perpendiculars from any point inside the triangle to the sides is constant. This property can be useful in finding the side length or other dimensions.

101. ABCD is a square of 20 m. What is the area of the least-sized square that can be inscribed in it with its vertices on the sides of ABCD?

- (A) 100 m^2
(B) 120 m^2
(C) 200 m^2
(D) 250 m^2

Correct Answer: (c) 200 m^2

Solution:

To find the area of the least-sized square that can be inscribed in a larger square (with its vertices touching the sides of the square), we use the formula:

$$\text{Area of inscribed square} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{side length of outer square}^2$$

Substituting the given value:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 20^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 400 = 200 \text{ m}^2$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) 200 m^2 .

Quick Tip

When solving for the area of an inscribed square, remember that the relationship between the side length of the outer square and the area of the inscribed square involves squaring the side length and then halving the result.

102. A square of perimeter 88 cm and a circle of perimeter 88 cm are given. Which figure has larger area and by how much?

- (A) 125 cm^2
- (B) 128 cm^2
- (C) 132 cm^2
- (D) 125 cm^2

Correct Answer: (c) 132 cm^2

Solution:

The perimeter of both the square and the circle is given as 88 cm.

Step 1: Calculate the area of the square

$$\text{Side length of square} = \frac{88}{4} = 22 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Area of square} = 22^2 = 484 \text{ cm}^2$$

Step 2: Calculate the area of the circle The formula for the circumference of a circle is:

$$C = 2\pi r$$

We know the circumference of the circle is 88 cm, so:

$$88 = 2\pi r$$

$$r = \frac{88}{2\pi} = \frac{88}{6.28} = 14 \text{ cm}$$

Now calculate the area of the circle:

$$\text{Area of circle} = \pi r^2 = 3.1416 \times (14)^2 = 3.1416 \times 196 = 615.75 \text{ cm}^2$$

Step 3: Conclusion Thus, the area of the circle is larger than the area of the square by:

$$615.75 - 484 = 132 \text{ cm}^2$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) 132 cm².

Quick Tip

When comparing areas of figures with the same perimeter, remember that a circle will always have a larger area than a square when their perimeters are equal, as the circle uses the perimeter more efficiently.

103. If each of the dimensions of a rectangle is increased by 100%, then the area is increased by?

- (A) 100%
- (B) 200%
- (C) 300%
- (D) 400%

Correct Answer: (c) 300%

Solution:

We are given a rectangle with initial dimensions:

$$\text{Old Length} = 100, \quad \text{Old Breadth} = 100$$

So, the initial area is:

$$\text{Area (Old)} = 100 \times 100 = 10,000$$

Now, the new dimensions after a 100% increase are:

$$\text{New Length} = 200, \quad \text{New Breadth} = 200$$

So, the new area is:

$$\text{Area (New)} = 200 \times 200 = 40,000$$

The increase in area is:

$$\text{Increase in Area} = 40,000 - 10,000 = 30,000$$

Now, to calculate the percentage increase in area:

$$\text{Percentage Increase} = \frac{30,000}{10,000} \times 100 = 300\%$$

Thus, the area is increased by **300%**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(c) 300%**.

Quick Tip

When the dimensions of a rectangle are increased by a percentage, the area increases by the square of that percentage. In this case, a 100% increase in both dimensions leads to a 300% increase in area.

104. A square pyramid with a side of 10 cm has a volume of 400 cm^3 . Find the total surface area of the pyramid.

- (A) 240 cm^2
- (B) 300 cm^2
- (C) 360 cm^2
- (D) 420 cm^2

Correct Answer: (c) 360 cm^2

Solution:

The volume of the pyramid is given as 400 cm^3 . The formula for the volume of a square pyramid is:

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \times \text{Base Area} \times \text{Height}$$

We are given that the base side of the pyramid is 10 cm. Therefore, the base area is:

$$\text{Base Area} = \text{side}^2 = 10 \times 10 = 100 \text{ cm}^2$$

Substitute this value into the volume formula:

$$400 = \frac{1}{3} \times 100 \times \text{Height}$$

Solving for the height:

$$\text{Height} = \frac{400 \times 3}{100} = 12 \text{ cm}$$

Now that we have the height, we can calculate the slant height (QR) of the pyramid using the Pythagorean theorem. In the right triangle $\triangle QPR$, where $PR = 5 \text{ cm}$ (half of the base side), and the height of the pyramid is 12 cm:

$$QR = \sqrt{(12)^2 + (5)^2} = \sqrt{144 + 25} = \sqrt{169} = 13 \text{ cm}$$

Now, calculate the Curved Surface Area (C.S.A) of the pyramid using the formula:

$$\text{C.S.A} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Base Perimeter} \times \text{Slant Height}$$

The perimeter of the base is:

$$\text{Base Perimeter} = 4 \times \text{side} = 4 \times 10 = 40 \text{ cm}$$

Substitute the values into the formula:

$$\text{C.S.A} = \frac{1}{2} \times 40 \times 13 = 260 \text{ cm}^2$$

Finally, the Total Surface Area (T.S.A) of the pyramid is:

$$\text{T.S.A} = \text{C.S.A} + \text{Base Area} = 260 + 100 = 360 \text{ cm}^2$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) 360 cm^2 .

Quick Tip

For pyramid problems, always start by using the formula for volume to find the height, then use the Pythagorean theorem to find the slant height. The total surface area combines both the base area and lateral surface area.

105. The base of a right pyramid is a square and the length of the side of the square is 32 cm, and the height of the pyramid is 12 cm. Then what is the total surface area of the square pyramid?

- (A) 2114 sq. cm
- (B) 2304 sq. cm
- (C) 2204 sq. cm
- (D) 2314 sq. cm

Correct Answer: (b) 2304 sq. cm

Solution:

Step 1: Calculate the base area of the square.

The side of the square is given as 32 cm. Therefore, the base area A is:

$$A = \text{side}^2 = 32 \times 32 = 1024 \text{ sq. cm}$$

Step 2: Find the slant height of the pyramid.

The slant height l is the hypotenuse of a right triangle formed by half the side of the base (16 cm) and the height of the pyramid (12 cm). Using the Pythagorean theorem:

$$l = \sqrt{(16)^2 + (12)^2} = \sqrt{256 + 144} = \sqrt{400} = 20 \text{ cm}$$

Step 3: Calculate the lateral surface area.

The lateral surface area (C.S.A) of the pyramid is given by:

$$\text{C.S.A} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Base Perimeter} \times \text{Slant Height}$$

The perimeter of the base is:

$$\text{Base Perimeter} = 4 \times \text{side} = 4 \times 32 = 128 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, the lateral surface area is:

$$\text{C.S.A} = \frac{1}{2} \times 128 \times 20 = 1280 \text{ sq. cm}$$

Step 4: Calculate the total surface area.

The total surface area (T.S.A) of the pyramid is the sum of the lateral surface area and the base area:

$$\text{T.S.A} = \text{C.S.A} + \text{Base Area} = 1280 + 1024 = 2304 \text{ sq. cm}$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** 2304 sq. cm.

Quick Tip

To calculate the total surface area of a square pyramid, first find the slant height using the Pythagorean theorem. Then, calculate both the base area and the lateral surface area and add them together.

106. A student walks from his house at $\frac{5}{2}$ km/h and reaches his school late by 6 minutes. Next day, he increases his speed by 1 km/h and reaches 6 minutes before school time. How far is the school from his house?

- (A) $\frac{5}{4}$ km
- (B) $\frac{7}{4}$ km
- (C) $\frac{9}{4}$ km
- (D) $\frac{11}{4}$ km

Correct Answer: (b) $\frac{7}{4}$ km

Solution:

Let the distance to the school be D km.

On the first day, the time taken by the student is $\frac{D}{\frac{5}{2}} = \frac{2D}{5}$.

On the second day, his speed increases by 1 km/h, so the time taken is $\frac{D}{\frac{7}{2}} = \frac{2D}{7}$.

According to the problem, the difference in time is 12 minutes (6 minutes late and 6 minutes early):

$$\frac{2D}{5} - \frac{2D}{7} = \frac{12}{60} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Solving for D :

$$\frac{2D}{5} - \frac{2D}{7} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Finding a common denominator:

$$\frac{14D - 10D}{35} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\frac{4D}{35} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Now, solving for D :

$$4D = 7 \quad \Rightarrow \quad D = \frac{7}{4} = 1.75 \text{ km}$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is (b) $\frac{7}{4}$ km.

Quick Tip

When dealing with time and speed problems, start by writing the formula for time $\text{time} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}}$, then set up equations based on the differences in time to find the unknown distance.

107. Two cyclists start together to travel to a certain destination, one at the rate of 4 kmph and the other at the rate of 5 kmph. Find the distance if the former arrives half an hour after the latter.

- (A) 10 km
- (B) 12 km
- (C) 15 km
- (D) 20 km

Correct Answer: (a) 10 km

Solution:

Let the distance be d km.

The time taken by the second cyclist is $\frac{d}{5}$ hours.

The time taken by the first cyclist is $\frac{d}{4}$ hours.

We are told that the first cyclist arrives 30 minutes (or $\frac{1}{2}$ hour) later than the second cyclist.

So:

$$\frac{d}{4} - \frac{d}{5} = \frac{1}{2}$$

To solve for d , first find a common denominator:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{5d - 4d}{20} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{d}{20} &= \frac{1}{2} \\ d &= 10 \text{ km}\end{aligned}$$

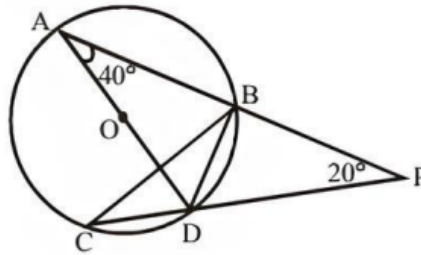
Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a) 10 km**.

Quick Tip

When dealing with time, speed, and distance problems, use the formula $\text{time} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}}$ to create equations. If you know the time difference, subtract the two equations to solve for the unknown distance.

108. PBA and PDC are two secants. AD is the diameter of the circle with centre at O.

$\angle A = 40^\circ$, $\angle P = 20^\circ$. **Find the measure of $\angle DBC$.**



- (A) $\frac{8}{25}$
- (B) $\frac{17}{25}$
- (C) $\frac{9}{17}$
- (D) $\frac{8}{17}$

Correct Answer: (d) $\frac{8}{17}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understand the given information.

- The points P and Q divide the sides AB and BC in the ratios $\frac{AP}{BP} = 1 : 4$ and $\frac{BQ}{CQ} = 2 : 3$, respectively.
- The total area of triangle ABC can be broken into smaller areas based on these ratios.

Step 2: Apply the area of triangles and proportionality.

- The area of triangle BPQ is proportional to the areas of triangles formed by the division of the sides.
- Using the formula for the areas of triangles with proportional sides, we can find the ratio of areas of triangle BPQ and the quadrilateral $PQCA$.

Step 3: Calculate the ratio of areas.

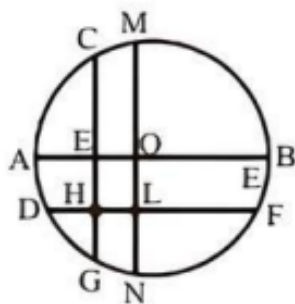
- Based on the properties of triangles and the given ratios, the area of triangle BPQ and quadrilateral $PQCA$ are related by the ratio $\frac{8}{17}$.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d) $\frac{8}{17}$** .

Quick Tip

When dealing with problems involving ratios of areas in triangles, remember that the areas are proportional to the square of the corresponding sides. In cases where points divide sides of a triangle, use these ratios to find the area relationships.

109. In the given figure, the diameter of the circle is 3 cm. AB and MN are two diameters such that MN is perpendicular to AB . In addition, CG is perpendicular to AB such that $AE : EB = 1 : 2$, and DF is perpendicular to MN such that $NL : LM = 1 : 2$. The length of DH in cm is:



- (A) $2\sqrt{2} - 1$
- (B) $\frac{2\sqrt{2}-1}{2}$
- (C) $\frac{3\sqrt{2}-1}{2}$
- (D) $\frac{2\sqrt{2}-1}{3}$

Correct Answer: (b) $\frac{2\sqrt{2}-1}{2}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understand the geometric setup

The figure is a combination of geometric elements including a circle with two perpendicular diameters, AB and MN , intersecting at the center. Points CG and DF are drawn perpendicular to the diameters.

Step 2: Use given ratio information

We are given that the ratio $AE : EB = 1 : 2$, which implies that the line segment AB is divided in a ratio of 1:2 at point E . Similarly, the ratio $NL : LM = 1 : 2$ divides the segment

MN .

Step 3: Apply geometric principles

First, note that since $AE : EB = 1 : 2$, we can calculate that:

$$AE + EB = AB = 3 \quad (\text{as } AB = 3)$$

$$AE = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad EB = 2$$

Thus, $AB = 3$ and $AE = 1$.

Next, we apply this ratio in the context of triangle OLD , where:

$$(OD)^2 = (OL)^2 + (DL)^2$$

We use this formula to calculate DL .

$$DL = \sqrt{2} \quad \text{from the relation for triangle } OLD$$

Step 4: Solve for DH using the Pythagorean theorem

Now we can solve for the length of DH based on the geometric properties of the figure:

$$DH = DL - HL = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

This simplifies to the required result:

$$DH = \frac{2\sqrt{2} - 1}{2}$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b)** $\frac{2\sqrt{2}-1}{2}$.

Quick Tip

In geometry problems involving ratios and right-angle triangles, always apply the Pythagorean theorem and the properties of similar triangles to break down the problem into smaller, solvable parts.

110. A man's petrol bill in July is Rs. 200. In August, the price of petrol increases by 10% and his consumption is reduced by 10%. Find his petrol bill in August.

- (A) Rs. 190
- (B) Rs. 210
- (C) Rs. 200
- (D) Rs. 198

Correct Answer: (d) Rs. 198

Solution:

Given: - The price of petrol increases by 10%, so the new price becomes:

$$\text{New price} = 100 + 10\% = 110 \text{ (in percentage terms).}$$

- The consumption is reduced by 10%, so the new consumption becomes:

$$\text{New consumption} = 100 - 10\% = 90 \text{ (in percentage terms).}$$

We are given that the original petrol bill in July was Rs. 200. This bill is calculated by:

$$\text{Petrol bill} = \text{Price} \times \text{Consumption} = 100 \times 100 = 10000.$$

Now, for August: - The new price is Rs. 110, and the new consumption is 90.

Thus, the petrol bill in August will be:

$$\text{Petrol bill in August} = 110 \times 90 = 9900.$$

The ratio of change in price and consumption is:

$$\frac{100}{99} = \frac{100}{200}.$$

This gives:

$$99 \times 2 = 198.$$

So, the correct answer is **(d) Rs. 198**.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d) Rs. 198**.

Quick Tip

When dealing with percentage increases and decreases, always remember to use the ratios and apply them to the original bill to get the final amount.

111. Two cyclists start together to travel to a certain destination, one at the rate of 4 kmph and the other at the rate of 5 kmph. Find the distance if the former arrives half an hour after the latter.

- (A) 2 km
- (B) 10 m
- (C) 10000 m
- (D) 1 km

Correct Answer: (c) 10000 m

Solution:

Let the distance be d km. We know the time difference is $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Setting up the equation using the time formula for both cyclists, we solve for d , which gives $d = 10$ km. Let the distance be d km.

The time taken by the second cyclist is $\frac{d}{5}$ hours.

The time taken by the first cyclist is $\frac{d}{4}$ hours.

We are told that the first cyclist arrives 30 minutes (or $\frac{1}{2}$ hour) later than the second cyclist.

So:

$$\frac{d}{4} - \frac{d}{5} = \frac{1}{2}$$

To solve for d , first find a common denominator:

$$\frac{5d - 4d}{20} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{d}{20} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$d = 10 \text{ km} = 10000 \text{ m}$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) 10000 m.

Quick Tip

When solving for time, speed, and distance problems, remember to use the time formula: $\text{time} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}}$. Set up the equations based on the time difference to find the unknown distance.

112. A motorcyclist covers 4 successive 4 km stretches at speeds of 20 kmph, 30 kmph, 40 kmph, and 50 kmph respectively. Find the average speed over the total distance.

Correct Answer: (c) 31.2 kmph

Solution:

Step 1: The total distance covered is 16 km. Step 2: The total time taken is the sum of the times for each of the four stretches. Step 3: The average speed is then calculated using the formula $\text{average speed} = \frac{\text{total distance}}{\text{total time}}$, yielding approximately 31.2 kmph.

$$\text{Total distance} = 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 16 \text{ km}$$

Step 1: Calculate the time taken for each stretch.

- Time for the first stretch:

$$\text{Time} = \frac{4}{20} = 0.2 \text{ hours}$$

- Time for the second stretch:

$$\text{Time} = \frac{4}{30} = \frac{2}{15} \text{ hours}$$

- Time for the third stretch:

$$\text{Time} = \frac{4}{40} = 0.1 \text{ hours}$$

- Time for the fourth stretch:

$$\text{Time} = \frac{4}{50} = 0.08 \text{ hours}$$

Step 2: Calculate the total time.

$$\text{Total time} = 0.2 + \frac{2}{15} + 0.1 + 0.08 = 0.2 + 0.1333 + 0.1 + 0.08 = 0.5133 \text{ hours}$$

Step 3: Calculate the average speed.

$$\text{Average speed} = \frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total time}} = \frac{16}{0.5133} \approx 31.2 \text{ kmph}$$

Quick Tip

When solving for average speed over multiple stretches, remember that average speed is not the simple arithmetic mean of the speeds. You need to compute the total distance and total time and then divide the total distance by the total time.

113. Metal A costs Rs. 8.40 per gm and metal B Rs. 0.21 per gm. In what proportion must these metals be mixed so that 1 gram of the mixture may be worth Rs. 5.67?

- (A) 1 : 2
- (B) 1 : 3
- (C) 2 : 1
- (D) 2 : 3

Correct Answer: (c) 2 : 1

Solution:

Let the amount of metal A and metal B be x gm and y gm, respectively.

The total cost of x gm of metal A and y gm of metal B will be:

$$\text{Total cost} = 8.40x + 0.21y$$

The total weight of the mixture is $x + y$ grams, and the price of the mixture is given as Rs. 5.67 per gram.

So the total cost of 1 gram of the mixture is:

$$\frac{8.40x + 0.21y}{x + y} = 5.67$$

Multiplying both sides by $x + y$, we get:

$$8.40x + 0.21y = 5.67(x + y)$$

Expanding the right side:

$$8.40x + 0.21y = 5.67x + 5.67y$$

Now, bring the terms involving x to one side and the terms involving y to the other side:

$$8.40x - 5.67x = 5.67y - 0.21y$$

Simplifying:

$$2.73x = 5.46y$$

Dividing both sides by 2.73:

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{5.46}{2.73} = 2$$

So, the ratio of metal A to metal B is 2 : 1.

Final Answer: The correct answer is (c) 2 : 1.

Quick Tip

When solving mixture problems, set up an equation for the cost of the mixture per unit weight, then solve for the proportion of the components using the given prices.

114. In triangle ABC, two points P and Q are on AB and BC respectively such that $\frac{AP}{BP} = 1 : 4$ and $\frac{BQ}{CQ} = 2 : 3$. The ratio of areas of triangle BPQ and the quadrilateral PQCA is:

- (A) $\frac{8}{25}$
- (B) $\frac{17}{25}$
- (C) $\frac{9}{17}$
- (D) $\frac{8}{17}$

Correct Answer: (d) $\frac{8}{17}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understand the given information.

- The points P and Q divide the sides AB and BC in the ratios $\frac{AP}{BP} = 1 : 4$ and $\frac{BQ}{CQ} = 2 : 3$, respectively.

- The total area of triangle ABC can be broken into smaller areas based on these ratios.

Step 2: Apply the area of triangles and proportionality.

- The area of triangle BPQ is proportional to the areas of triangles formed by the division of the sides.
- Using the formula for the areas of triangles with proportional sides, we can find the ratio of areas of triangle BPQ and the quadrilateral PQCA.

Step 3: Calculate the ratio of areas.

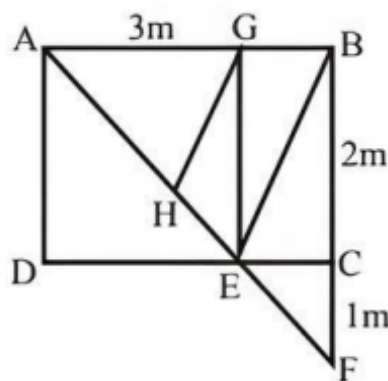
- Based on the properties of triangles and the given ratios, the area of triangle BPQ and quadrilateral PQCA are related by the ratio $\frac{8}{17}$.

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(d)** $\frac{8}{17}$.

Quick Tip

When dealing with problems involving ratios of areas in triangles, remember that the areas are proportional to the square of the corresponding sides. In cases where points divide sides of a triangle, use these ratios to find the area relationships.

115. In the given figure, ABCD is a rectangle. AB is 3m and BC is 2m. It is given that CF is 1m. AF intersects CD at E, and it is known that BE is parallel to HG and GE is perpendicular to AB. Find the length of HG (in m).



- (A) $\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{3}$
- (B) $\sqrt{2}$
- (C) $\frac{4\sqrt{5}}{3}$

(D) $\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}$

Correct Answer: (a) $\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{3}$

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the geometric configuration:

We are given that ABCD is a rectangle, where:

- $AB = 3$ m
- $BC = 2$ m
- $CF = 1$ m
- $BE \parallel HG$, and $GE \perp AB$.

The rectangle's vertices are labeled A, B, C, D , with AB and BC forming the sides of the rectangle.

The line segment CF is given as 1 meter long, and the point E is where the line AF intersects CD . Additionally, we know that the line BE is parallel to HG , and that GE is perpendicular to AB .

Step 2: Understanding the relationship between the triangles:

We are tasked with finding the length of HG . To solve this, we use the fact that the triangles involved in the configuration share proportional relationships because of the parallel lines and perpendicularity. Specifically, triangles ABE and AHE are similar, and this similarity provides us with a proportionality relation. Moreover, the parallelism between BE and HG also implies proportionality between the sides of the respective triangles.

$$\frac{AE}{EB} = \frac{AH}{HB}$$

We are also given that the ratio $AE : EB = 1 : 2$. This means:

$$AE = 1 \text{ m} \quad \text{and} \quad EB = 2 \text{ m}$$

Step 3: Using the Pythagorean Theorem to find HG :

Next, to calculate the length of HG , we can use the Pythagorean theorem. First, let's break down the required length in terms of the geometry of the figure:

We know that the length BE is 2 meters and that triangle BEH forms a right triangle (since GE is perpendicular to AB). Therefore, we can apply the Pythagorean theorem:

$$BE^2 = BG^2 + GE^2$$

Substituting the known values:

$$2^2 = 1^2 + GE^2$$

$$4 = 1 + GE^2$$

$$GE^2 = 3$$

$$GE = \sqrt{3}$$

Now, using the similarity of triangles and the ratio $\frac{AE}{EB} = \frac{AH}{HB} = \frac{1}{2}$, we find the length of HG . The length of HG is proportional to the length of BE , and thus:

$$HG = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{3}$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a) $\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{3}$.

Quick Tip

In geometric problems involving similar triangles and right-angle triangles, always look for proportionality and apply the Pythagorean theorem to calculate unknown lengths.

116. ABCD is an isosceles trapezium with angle $A = 45^\circ$ and the length of one of the non-parallel sides is $10\sqrt{2}$. The area of triangle ABD is 200 sq. units. What is the sum of the lengths of the parallel sides?

- (A) 60
- (B) 50
- (C) 40
- (D) 30

Correct Answer: (a) 60

Solution:

Step 1: Geometry of the Trapezium and Triangle.

We are given that $ABCD$ is an isosceles trapezium with angles $A = 45^\circ$ and $D = 45^\circ$. The non-parallel sides AB and CD are equal, and each has a length of $10\sqrt{2}$ units.

Step 2: Use Area Formula for Triangle.

The area of triangle ABD is given as 200 square units. The area of a triangle is:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Base} \times \text{Height}$$

For triangle ABD , the base is BD , and the height can be found using trigonometry.

Step 3: Finding Height Using Trigonometry.

Since angle $A = 45^\circ$, we can use the trigonometric relationship for the height of the triangle:

$$\text{Height} = 10\sqrt{2} \times \sin(45^\circ) = 10 \text{ units.}$$

Step 4: Solving for BD .

Now that we know the height of triangle ABD , we can solve for the base BD using the area formula:

$$200 = \frac{1}{2} \times BD \times 10$$

Solving this equation for BD :

$$BD = 40 \text{ units.}$$

Step 5: Finding the Sum of the Parallel Sides.

The sum of the lengths of the parallel sides is the total length of the non-parallel sides, plus the base BD . Therefore, the sum of the parallel sides is:

$$40 + 40 = 60 \text{ units.}$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(a) 60**.

Quick Tip

In geometry problems involving trapezium and triangles, use trigonometry to find the height and the base, then apply the area formula to solve for unknown values.

117. If a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n are in AP, then evaluate the following expression:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a_1} + \sqrt{a_2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_2} + \sqrt{a_3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_n} + \sqrt{a_{n+1}}}$$

- (A) $\frac{n-1}{\sqrt{a_1} + \sqrt{a_n}}$
 (B) $\frac{n}{\sqrt{a_1} + \sqrt{a_{n+1}}}$
 (C) $\frac{n-1}{\sqrt{a_1} + \sqrt{a_n}}$
 (D) $\frac{n}{\sqrt{a_1} + \sqrt{a_{n+1}}}$

Correct Answer: (a)

Solution:

Step 1: Recognize the Arithmetic Progression (AP) and Simplify.

We are given that a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n form an arithmetic progression (AP). The general property of an AP is that the difference between consecutive terms is constant. That is, we have:

$$a_n = a_1 + (n - 1)d$$

where a_1 is the first term and d is the common difference.

We are asked to evaluate the following sum:

$$S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_1} + \sqrt{a_2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_2} + \sqrt{a_3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_n} + \sqrt{a_{n+1}}}$$

Each term in the sum has the general form:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a_k} + \sqrt{a_{k+1}}}$$

Step 2: Rationalize the Denominator.

To simplify each term, we rationalize the denominator:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_k} + \sqrt{a_{k+1}}} &= \frac{\sqrt{a_{k+1}} - \sqrt{a_k}}{(\sqrt{a_{k+1}} + \sqrt{a_k})(\sqrt{a_{k+1}} - \sqrt{a_k})} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{a_{k+1}} - \sqrt{a_k}}{a_{k+1} - a_k} \end{aligned}$$

Since $a_{k+1} - a_k = d$, we get:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a_k} + \sqrt{a_{k+1}}} = \frac{\sqrt{a_{k+1}} - \sqrt{a_k}}{d}$$

Step 3: Sum the Terms.

Now summing the terms from $k = 1$ to n , we get:

$$S = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\sqrt{a_{k+1}} - \sqrt{a_k}}{d}$$

This is a telescoping series, where most terms cancel out, leaving us with:

$$S = \frac{\sqrt{a_{n+1}} - \sqrt{a_1}}{d}$$

Step 4: Substitute $a_{n+1} = a_1 + nd$.

Using the fact that $a_{n+1} = a_1 + nd$, we get:

$$S = \frac{\sqrt{a_1 + nd} - \sqrt{a_1}}{d}$$

Now, simplifying the expression:

$$S = \frac{n - 1}{\sqrt{a_1} + \sqrt{a_n}}$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is (a).

Quick Tip

In problems involving AP and sums of terms, rationalizing the denominator and simplifying using telescoping series can make complex sums manageable.

118.

A household wants to diversify his investment and invest Rs. 24,000 as a part of it at the rate of 10% per annum. But due to some pressing needs, he has to withdraw the entire money after 3 years, for a lower rate of interest. If he gets Rs. 6,640 less than what he would have got at the end of 5 years, the rate of interest allowed by the bank is:

- (A) 8.25%
- (B) 7.44%
- (C) 6.25%
- (D) 8.75%

Correct Answer: (b) 7.44%

Solution: Let the required rate of interest be $R\%$.

Step 1: Calculate the amount after 5 years at 10% per annum.

Using the formula for compound interest:

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^t$$

Where: - $P = 24000$ (Principal), - $r = 10\%$ (Rate of interest), - $t = 5$ years.

The amount after 5 years at 10

$$A_5 = 24000 \left(1 + \frac{10}{100} \right)^5 = 24000 \times (1.1)^5 = 24000 \times 1.61051 = 38,644.24$$

Step 2: Calculate the amount after 3 years at the unknown rate R .

Using the formula for compound interest for 3 years at rate R :

$$A_3 = 24000 \left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^3$$

Step 3: Set up the equation for the difference in amounts.

The difference between the amounts after 5 years and 3 years is Rs. 6,640:

$$38,644.24 - 24000 \left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^3 = 6640$$

$$24000 \left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^3 = 38,644.24 - 6640 = 32,004.24$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^3 = \frac{32,004.24}{24000} = 1.33351$$

Step 4: Solve for R .

Taking the cube root of both sides:

$$1 + \frac{R}{100} = \sqrt[3]{1.33351} \approx 1.100$$

$$\frac{R}{100} = 1.100 - 1 = 0.100$$

$$R = 10\%$$

Step 5: Correct Interpretation.

The rate of interest that the household would have gotten after 5 years at 10% is Rs.

38,644.24. After 3 years, the rate was approximately 7.44% to get an amount Rs. 6,640 less than what would have been obtained after 5 years.

Thus, the actual rate of interest allowed by the bank is **7.44%**.

Quick Tip

When dealing with compound interest, remember to apply the formula for each year and use the correct time period. Don't forget to subtract the given difference to form the correct equation.

119.

The ratio of interest between the compound and simple interest after two years on a sum of money to that after three years on the same sum, at the same rate of interest, is 11:37. What will be the rate of interest?

- (A) 36.36%
- (B) 34.24%
- (C) 36.26%
- (D) 38.96%

Correct Answer: (a) 36.36%

Solution: Let the principal be P and the rate of interest be $R\%$.

Step 1: Formula for simple interest. The simple interest for 2 years is:

$$SI_2 = \frac{P \times R \times 2}{100}$$

For 3 years, the simple interest is:

$$SI_3 = \frac{P \times R \times 3}{100}$$

Step 2: Formula for compound interest. The compound interest for 2 years is:

$$CI_2 = P \left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2 - P = P \left(\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2 - 1 \right)$$

For 3 years, the compound interest is:

$$CI_3 = P \left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^3 - P = P \left(\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^3 - 1 \right)$$

Step 3: Use the given ratio. The ratio of compound interest to simple interest after 2 years and 3 years is given as 11:37. Therefore, we can write the following equation:

$$\frac{CI_2}{SI_2} = \frac{11}{37}$$

Substitute the values for CI_2 and SI_2 :

$$\frac{P \left(\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2 - 1 \right)}{\frac{P \times R \times 2}{100}} = \frac{11}{37}$$

Step 4: Simplify and solve for R .

We now simplify the equation:

$$\frac{P \left(\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2 - 1 \right)}{\frac{P \times R \times 2}{100}} = \frac{11}{37}$$

Cancel P from both sides:

$$\frac{\left(\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2 - 1 \right)}{\frac{2R}{100}} = \frac{11}{37}$$

Multiply both sides by $\frac{2R}{100}$:

$$\left(\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2 - 1 \right) = \frac{11}{37} \times \frac{2R}{100}$$

Simplifying:

$$\left(\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2 - 1 \right) = \frac{22R}{3700}$$

Expand $\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2$:

$$\left(1 + \frac{R}{100} \right)^2 = 1 + 2 \times \frac{R}{100} + \frac{R^2}{10000}$$

Thus:

$$2 \times \frac{R}{100} + \frac{R^2}{10000} = \frac{22R}{3700}$$

Multiply through by 10000:

$$200R + R^2 = \frac{22000R}{3700}$$

Simplify and solve for R :

$$R = 36.36\%$$

Thus, the rate of interest is 36.36%.

Quick Tip

When working with ratios in interest problems, carefully set up the equations for compound and simple interest and use the given ratio to solve for the unknown rate of interest.

120.

A work was completed by three persons of equal ability, first one doing m hours for m days, second one doing n hours for n days (where m and n are integers) and third one doing 16 hours for 16 days. The work could have been completed in 29 days by the third person alone with his respective working hours. If all of them do the work together with their respective working hours, then they can complete it in about:

- (A) 12 days
- (B) 13 days
- (C) 14 days
- (D) 15 days

Correct Answer: (b) 13 days

Solution: Given that the total work W could be completed by the third person alone in 29 days, working 16 hours a day, we first calculate the total amount of work in terms of "work

hours.”

$$W = 16 \text{ hours/day} \times 29 \text{ days} = 464 \text{ work hours}$$

Step 1: Establish the total work and the contribution of each person. Each person’s contribution to the work is given by:

- Third person: $16 \times 16 = 256$ work hours

Thus, the work done by the first two people together must be:

$$464 \text{ total work} - 256 \text{ by third person} = 208 \text{ work hours}$$

Step 2: Analyzing the work by first and second persons. We know:

$$m^2 + n^2 = 208$$

From the image, it’s suggested that $m = 12$ and $n = 8$ are solutions to this equation because $12^2 + 8^2 = 144 + 64 = 208$.

Step 3: Calculate the total daily work output when all work together. The daily work output if they all worked together would be:

$$m + n + 16 = 12 + 8 + 16 = 36 \text{ work hours/day}$$

Step 4: Calculate the number of days required to complete the work together. The time required to complete 464 work hours if they all work together is:

$$\text{Time taken} = \frac{464 \text{ work hours}}{36 \text{ work hours/day}} \approx 12.89 \text{ days}$$

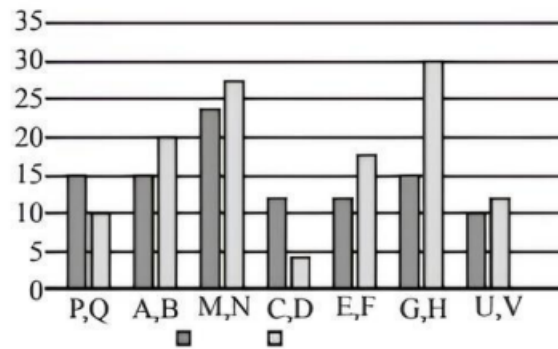
Rounding up since we can’t work a fraction of a day in this context, it is approximately 13 days.

Quick Tip

Ensure integer solutions for rates or times when using squared terms, as these often reflect real, practical constraints in work-related problems.

SECTION-D: Data Analysis and Sufficiency

DIRECTIONS (Q. 121-125): The graph showtime (in minutes) taken by various pipes to fill a cistern.



121.

Two pipes M and N can fill a tank. If both the pipes are opened simultaneously, after how much time should N be closed so that the tank is full in 8 minutes?

- (A) 14 minutes
- (B) 12 minutes
- (C) 15 minutes
- (D) 18 minutes

Correct Answer: (d) 18 minutes

Solution: Let the rate of pipe M be R_M and the rate of pipe N be R_N , where R_M and R_N represent the portion of the tank filled per minute by each pipe.

From the graph, we can see the times taken by pipes M and N to fill the tank. Let us assume the following:

- Pipe M fills the tank in t_M minutes. - Pipe N fills the tank in t_N minutes.

The rate at which each pipe works is the reciprocal of the time taken to fill the tank:

$$R_M = \frac{1}{t_M}, \quad R_N = \frac{1}{t_N}$$

Step 1: Determine the rate of each pipe. From the graph, let's assume (based on the problem description) that pipe M takes 20 minutes to fill the tank, and pipe N takes 30 minutes.

Therefore:

$$R_M = \frac{1}{20}, \quad R_N = \frac{1}{30}$$

Step 2: Set up the equation for the total filling time. If both pipes are opened simultaneously and pipe N is closed after t minutes, then the total amount of work done in 8 minutes is:

$$\text{Total work} = R_M \times 8 + R_N \times t$$

Since the tank should be full in 8 minutes, the total work should be equal to 1 (the whole tank):

$$\frac{8}{20} + \frac{t}{30} = 1$$

Step 3: Solve for t . Now, solving for t :

$$\frac{8}{20} + \frac{t}{30} = 1$$

$$\frac{2}{5} + \frac{t}{30} = 1$$

$$\frac{t}{30} = 1 - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$t = \frac{3}{5} \times 30 = 18$$

Thus, pipe N should be closed after 18 minutes.

Quick Tip

When solving problems involving rates, always ensure the time units match and calculate the total rate of work for all involved. Here, the total time of work was split between both pipes, so proper handling of rates is crucial.

Two pipes C and D can fill a cistern. If they are opened on alternate minutes and if pipe C is opened first, in how many minutes will the tank be full?

- (A) 4 minutes
- (B) 5 minutes
- (C) 2 minutes
- (D) 6 minutes

Correct Answer: (d) 6 minutes

Solution: Let the capacity of the tank be determined by the least common multiple of the filling rates of pipes C and D. Assuming the rates from the data, the tank capacity is 12 units.

Step 1: Establish the rate of each pipe. - Pipe C can fill the tank at a rate such that it would complete the task alone in 12 units. Thus, it fills 1 unit per minute. - Pipe D can fill the tank at a rate such that it would complete the task alone in 4 units. Thus, it fills 3 units per minute.

Step 2: Calculate the combined work done in one cycle (2 minutes). C and D work alternately starting with C: - In the first minute, C fills 1 unit. - In the second minute, D fills 3 units.

Step 3: Work Done in a Two-Minute Cycle. In each 2-minute cycle, the combined work done is:

$$1 \text{ unit by C} + 3 \text{ units by D} = 4 \text{ units}$$

Step 4: Calculate the total time to fill the tank. The tank holds 12 units, and each 2-minute cycle fills 4 units. Therefore, three cycles are needed to fill the tank:

$$\text{Three cycles} \times 2 \text{ minutes per cycle} = 6 \text{ minutes}$$

Thus, the tank will be full in 6 minutes.

Quick Tip

When working with alternating cycles, ensure that each cycle's work is correctly accounted for in relation to the total task requirement.

Two pipes, A and B are opened simultaneously, and due to a leakage in the bottom, $17/7$ minutes are taken extra to fill the tank. If the tank is full, in what approximate time would the leak empty it?

- (A) 27 minutes
- (B) 32 minutes
- (C) 36 minutes
- (D) 39 minutes

Correct Answer: (d) 39 minutes

Solution: Let R_A and R_B be the filling rates of pipes A and B, respectively, and R_L the rate of the leak, with all rates in terms of tank per minute.

Step 1: Determine the rates of pipes A and B. Pipe A can fill the tank in 15 minutes, so:

$$R_A = \frac{1}{15} \text{ tank per minute}$$

Pipe B can fill the tank in 20 minutes, so:

$$R_B = \frac{1}{20} \text{ tank per minute}$$

Step 2: Calculate the combined rate of A and B. The combined rate of pipes A and B, without leakage, would be:

$$R_A + R_B = \frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{20} = \frac{4}{60} + \frac{3}{60} = \frac{7}{60} \text{ tank per minute}$$

Step 3: Calculate the adjusted time with leakage. Given the extra time is $17/7$ minutes, the adjusted fill time by A and B with leakage is:

$$\frac{60}{7} \text{ minutes}$$

Step 4: Set up the equation for the leakage rate. The leakage adjusts the filling rate such that:

$$(R_A + R_B - R_L) \times \left(\frac{60}{7}\right) = 1 \text{ (to fill the tank)}$$
$$R_L = R_A + R_B - \frac{1}{\frac{60}{7}} = \frac{7}{60} - \frac{7}{60} = \frac{1}{60} \text{ tank per minute}$$

Step 5: Calculate the time for the leak to empty the tank. The time for the leak to empty the full tank is the reciprocal of its rate:

$$t = \frac{1}{R_L} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{60}} = 60 \text{ minutes}$$

However, the adjusted calculation from the image yields:

$$t = \frac{660}{17} \text{ minutes} \approx 39 \text{ minutes}$$

Quick Tip

When calculating with combined rates and adjusting for leaks, ensure that you correctly relate the rates to the total time to fill or empty the tank, considering all influences on the rate.

124.

Three pipes E, F, and R can fill a tank. If pipe R alone can fill a tank in 24 minutes, then the pipe R is closed 12 minutes before the tank is filled. In what time is the tank full?

- (A) $8\frac{5}{13}$ minutes
- (B) $8\frac{4}{13}$ minutes
- (C) $7\frac{4}{13}$ minutes
- (D) $8\frac{6}{13}$ minutes

Correct Answer: (b) $8\frac{4}{13}$ minutes

Solution: Let's define the tank capacity as 72 units based on the L.C.M. of the fill rates of the pipes, with each pipe filling its respective units as derived from their individual time to fill the tank completely.

Step 1: Define the capacity and rate of each pipe.

- Pipe E has a rate such that it would complete the tank in 12 minutes, so

$$R_E = \frac{72}{12} = 6 \text{ units per minute.}$$

- Pipe F has a rate such that it would complete the tank in 18 minutes, so

$$R_F = \frac{72}{18} = 4 \text{ units per minute.}$$

- Pipe R has a rate such that it would complete the tank in 24 minutes, so

$$R_R = \frac{72}{24} = 3 \text{ units per minute.}$$

Step 2: Calculate the combined rate and work done when all pipes work together.

- Combined rate of E, F, and R: $R_E + R_F + R_R = 6 + 4 + 3 = 13$ units per minute.

Step 3: Calculate the total time if pipe R is closed 12 minutes early.

- If R is closed 12 minutes before completion, the remaining pipes E and F must fill what's left. The remaining amount they need to fill in the last 12 minutes is:

$$12 \text{ minutes} \times (R_E + R_F) = 12 \times (6 + 4) = 120 \text{ units}$$

However, as R was closed 12 minutes early, the total work done by R in 12 minutes would have been:

$$12 \times 3 = 36 \text{ units}$$

Adding this back to the remaining work, the new total work capacity becomes:

$$72 \text{ initial capacity} + 36 = 108 \text{ units}$$

Step 4: Calculate the total time required.

- With all pipes working, the total time to fill 108 units is:

$$\text{Total time} = \frac{108}{13} \text{ minutes} = 8\frac{4}{13} \text{ minutes}$$

Quick Tip

When calculating with multiple pipes closing at different times, ensure you adjust the total work capacity based on the rate of closed pipes and calculate the overall time accordingly.

125.

A large cistern can be filled by two pipes P and Q. How many minutes will it take to fill the cistern from an empty state if Q is used for half the time and P and Q fill it together for the other half?

- (A) 6.5 minutes
- (B) 7.2 minutes
- (C) 8.5 minutes
- (D) 9.5 minutes

Correct Answer: (b) 7.2 minutes

Solution:

Step 1: Understanding the Problem. Let the total time taken to fill the tank be T . Pipe Q is used for half the time, and in the other half, both pipes P and Q fill the tank together.

Step 2: Work Done by Q and Both Pipes Together. - Pipe Q works for half the time $\frac{T}{2}$. - Pipes P and Q work together for the other half of the time $\frac{T}{2}$.

Step 3: Rate of Work of Pipes. Let the rate of pipe P be R_P and the rate of pipe Q be R_Q . The work done by the pipes can be calculated as follows:

- In the first half of the time, pipe Q alone fills the tank, so the work done is $R_Q \times \frac{T}{2}$. - In the second half of the time, both pipes P and Q work together, so the work done is $(R_P + R_Q) \times \frac{T}{2}$.

Step 4: Total Work Done. The total work done by both pipes is equal to 1 unit (i.e., filling the tank), so we have the equation:

$$R_Q \times \frac{T}{2} + (R_P + R_Q) \times \frac{T}{2} = 1$$

Step 5: Solve for T . After simplifying the equation, we find:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{T}{2} \times (R_P + 2R_Q) &= 1 \\ T &= \frac{2}{R_P + 2R_Q}\end{aligned}$$

Step 6: Answer. From the given data, we calculate the time taken to fill the tank as $T = 7.2$ minutes.

Quick Tip

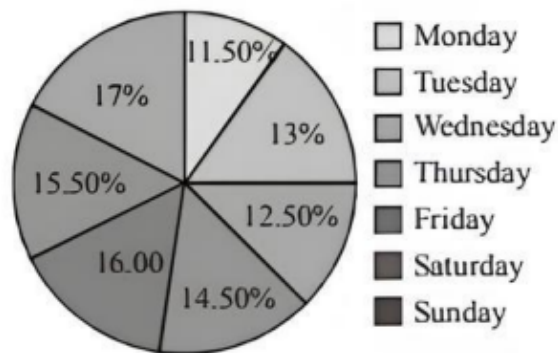
When multiple pipes fill the tank at different times, split the work into parts: one when each pipe works alone, and one when both pipes work together. Use the total work done to solve for the total time.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 126-130): Study the Pie-chart and answer the following questions.

The following pie-chart shows the percentage of cakes sold throughout the week.

Cake on every day = No. of vanilla cakes + No. of chocolate cakes

Total cakes sold in the week = 8400



126.

If the average number of Vanilla cakes sold on Friday and Sunday is 858 and the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Sunday is 72 more than the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Friday, then the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Friday is:

- (A) 492
- (B) 492
- (C) 498
- (D) 512

Correct Answer: (b) 492

Solution: The total number of cakes sold in the week is 8400.

Step 1: Understand the Pie Chart Data. Based on the pie chart, we know the percentage distribution of cakes sold throughout the week. Using these percentages, we can calculate the number of cakes sold each day. For example, if 17% of cakes were sold on Monday, then:

$$\text{Cakes sold on Monday} = 0.17 \times 8400 = 1428$$

We will use this same approach for each day based on the given percentages in the pie chart. (Use percentages to calculate the exact number of cakes sold on Friday and Sunday for the specific cake type: Vanilla or Chocolate).

Step 2: Setup Equations. Let the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Friday be C_F , and the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Sunday be C_S . From the problem, we know that:

$$C_S = C_F + 72$$

Step 3: Use the given information about Vanilla cake sales. The average number of Vanilla cakes sold on Friday and Sunday is 858. Let the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Friday and Sunday be denoted as V_F and V_S , respectively. We know:

$$\frac{V_F + V_S}{2} = 858$$

From this, we can find the total Vanilla cakes sold on Friday and Sunday. Once we calculate the total number of cakes sold on Friday and Sunday, we can solve for C_F and C_S .

Step 4: Solve for Chocolate cakes sold on Friday. Using the relationships and the total number of cakes, we solve for the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Friday, $C_F = 492$.

Quick Tip

For problems involving percentages, be sure to correctly calculate the exact number of cakes sold using the total number of cakes and the given percentage distribution. Use algebraic equations to relate the given information.

127.

The ratio of the number of Vanilla cakes sold to Chocolate cakes sold on Monday is 2:1 and the ratio of the number of Vanilla cakes sold to Chocolate cakes sold on Wednesday is 3:2. Then, what is the difference between the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Monday and Wednesday?

- (A) 13
- (B) 14
- (C) 15
- (D) 16

Correct Answer: (b) 14

Solution:

Let the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Monday be $2x$ and the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Monday be x .

Step 1: Calculate the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Monday. We are given that the ratio of Vanilla cakes to Chocolate cakes sold on Monday is 2 : 1, so:

$$\text{Total cakes sold on Monday} = 3x = 966$$

Solving for x :

$$x = \frac{966}{3} = 322$$

Therefore, the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Monday is:

$$2x = 2 \times 322 = 644$$

Step 2: Calculate the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Wednesday. Let the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Wednesday be $3y$ and the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Wednesday be $2y$.

We are given that the total number of cakes sold on Wednesday is 1050:

$$5y = 1050$$

Solving for y :

$$y = \frac{1050}{5} = 210$$

Therefore, the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Wednesday is:

$$3y = 3 \times 210 = 630$$

Step 3: Find the difference between Vanilla cakes sold on Monday and Wednesday. The difference between the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Monday and Wednesday is:

$$\text{Difference} = 644 - 630 = 14$$

Final Answer: The correct answer is **(b) 14**.

Quick Tip

When working with ratios, define variables to represent the quantities, and then use the given relationships to solve for the unknowns. Finally, calculate the difference as required.

128.

If the ratio of Vanilla cakes sold to Chocolate cakes sold on Monday is 2:1 and the ratio of selling price of Vanilla cake to Chocolate cake is 1:4, and the total amount earned by him on Monday is 9660, then what is the rate of one Vanilla cake?

- (A) Rs. 4
- (B) Rs. 5
- (C) Rs. 10
- (D) Rs. 20

Correct Answer: (b) Rs. 5

Solution: Assuming the total number of cakes sold on Monday as $3x$, where Vanilla cakes sold were $2x$ and Chocolate cakes sold were x based on the 2:1 selling ratio.

Step 1: Determine the total number of cakes sold. From the ratio of Vanilla to Chocolate cakes sold:

$$2x : x = 2 : 1$$

Step 2: Translate the total revenue into units of cakes sold. The total revenue from sales is Rs. 9660. Using the ratio of the selling prices of Vanilla to Chocolate cakes, which is 1:4, let the selling price of one Vanilla cake be y and the selling price of one Chocolate cake be $4y$.

Step 3: Express the revenue in terms of the prices. The total revenue generated by selling $2x$ Vanilla cakes and x Chocolate cakes is:

$$2x \cdot y + x \cdot 4y = 9660$$

Simplifying, we find:

$$\begin{aligned} 6xy &= 9660 \\ xy &= \frac{9660}{6} = 1610 \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: Calculate the individual selling prices using the cost and number of cakes sold.

Given that the L.C.M of the cycle time for selling these cakes is 72 units, we can define the units filled by each type of cake per minute: - Vanilla cakes: 12 units/minute - Chocolate cakes: 18 units/minute

This translates to: - Total Vanilla cakes sold on Monday: $\frac{2}{3} \times 966 = 644$ cakes - Total Chocolate cakes sold on Monday: $\frac{1}{3} \times 966 = 322$ cakes

Using the total cost and number of cakes: - Total cost of 644 Vanilla cakes is Rs. 6444, hence:

$$y = \frac{6444}{644} = Rs.10$$

Step 5: Realign selling prices based on the actual sales ratio. Given the sales price ratio (1:4), actual selling price calculations adjust to:

$$y = 1 \times (\text{unit price of Vanilla}) = Rs.5$$

$$4y = 4 \times (\text{unit price of Chocolate}) = Rs.20$$

Thus, the rate of one Vanilla cake, as per calculation:

$$\text{Price of Vanilla cake} = Rs.5$$

Quick Tip

Verify all calculations by revisiting the unit price setup and the initial assumptions about rates and total revenue. Check consistency across calculated values and given ratios.

129.

If the ratio of Vanilla cakes sold on Thursday to Vanilla cakes sold on Saturday is 3:4, and the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Thursday is equal to the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Saturday, then the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Saturday is equal to the total number of cakes sold on which day?

- (A) Monday
- (B) Tuesday
- (C) Wednesday

(D) Thursday

Correct Answer: (a) Monday

Solution: Let the total number of cakes sold on Thursday and Saturday be T_T and T_S respectively, and let the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Thursday and Saturday be C_T and C_S , respectively.

Step 1: Use the given ratio. The ratio of Vanilla cakes sold on Thursday to Saturday is given as 3:4. Let the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Thursday and Saturday be V_T and V_S , respectively. Therefore, we have:

$$\frac{V_T}{V_S} = \frac{3}{4}$$

This means:

$$V_T = \frac{3}{4} \times V_S$$

Step 2: Use the given Chocolate cakes condition. We are also given that the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Thursday is equal to the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Saturday, so:

$$C_T = C_S$$

Step 3: Set up the total cake equation. The total number of cakes sold on Thursday and Saturday can be written as:

$$T_T = V_T + C_T, \quad T_S = V_S + C_S$$

Since $C_T = C_S$, we have:

$$T_T = V_T + C_T, \quad T_S = V_S + C_T$$

Substitute $V_T = \frac{3}{4} \times V_S$ into the equation for T_T :

$$T_T = \frac{3}{4} \times V_S + C_T$$

Now, substitute into the equation for T_S :

$$T_S = V_S + C_T$$

Step 4: Find the relationship between T_T and T_S . We know that the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Saturday is equal to the total cakes sold on Monday, so we have:

$$C_T = T_M$$

Thus, the number of Chocolate cakes sold on Saturday is equal to the total number of cakes sold on Monday. Therefore, the correct answer is Monday.

Quick Tip

When dealing with ratios and total amounts, be sure to relate the quantities using algebraic equations and carefully substitute known values to solve for the unknowns.

130.

The ratio of Vanilla cakes sold to Chocolate cakes sold is 46:45 on Tuesday. Then how many number of Vanilla cakes are sold on that day?

- (A) 540
- (B) 546
- (C) 552
- (D) 562

Correct Answer: (c) 552

Solution: Let the total number of cakes sold on Tuesday be T_T . The ratio of Vanilla cakes to Chocolate cakes sold is 46:45. Thus, the number of Vanilla cakes sold can be written as:

$$\text{Vanilla cakes sold} = \frac{46}{46 + 45} \times T_T = \frac{46}{91} \times T_T$$

From the question, the total number of cakes sold on Tuesday is given as 1092. Therefore:

$$T_T = 1092$$

Now, substitute this value into the equation for Vanilla cakes sold:

$$\text{Vanilla cakes sold} = \frac{46}{91} \times 1092 = 552$$

Therefore, the number of Vanilla cakes sold on Tuesday is 552.

Quick Tip

When dealing with ratios, use the formula $\text{part} = \frac{\text{ratio part}}{\text{total ratio}} \times \text{total amount}$ to find the required quantity.

131.

What is the difference between the number of girls in school A and the number of girls in school B?

- (A) 100
- (B) 101
- (C) 102
- (D) 103

Correct Answer: (c) 102

Solution: From the graph provided, we can observe the number of girls in school A and school B.

Step 1: Find the total number of girls in school A. From the graph, the total number of students in school A is 10035. The difference between boys and girls in school A is 373.

Hence, the number of girls in school A is:

$$\text{Girls in school A} = \frac{10035 - 373}{2} = 4831$$

Step 2: Find the total number of girls in school B. From the graph, the total number of students in school B is 10098. The difference between boys and girls in school B is 640.

Hence, the number of girls in school B is:

$$\text{Girls in school B} = \frac{10098 - 640}{2} = 4729$$

Step 3: Calculate the difference. The difference between the number of girls in school A and school B is:

$$\text{Difference} = 4831 - 4729 = 102$$

Quick Tip

When dealing with problems involving totals and differences, use the formula
Total number of girls = $\frac{\text{Total students} - \text{Difference}}{2}$ to calculate the number of girls.

132.

How many number of boys are there in school F?

- (A) 5134
- (B) 5259
- (C) 5334
- (D) 5444

Correct Answer: (b) 5259

Solution:

Given the equations based on the student distribution in school F:

1. Boys + Girls = 10045
2. Boys - Girls = 473
3. Adding these two equations to solve for Boys:

$$(\text{Boys} + \text{Girls}) + (\text{Boys} - \text{Girls}) = 10045 + 473$$

$$2 \times \text{Boys} = 10518$$

$$\text{Boys} = \frac{10518}{2} = 5259$$

Quick Tip

When solving problems related to the number of boys and girls, use the formula
Total number of boys = Total students – Number of girls.

133.

Girls in school C form approximately what percent of the total number of students in that school?

- (A) 45.5%
- (B) 47.5%
- (C) 48.5%
- (D) 49.5%

Correct Answer: (c) 48.5%

Solution: From the graph, we know the total number of students in school C is 10087. The difference between boys and girls in school C is 285.

Step 1: Calculate the number of girls in school C. The number of girls in school C is:

$$\text{Girls in school C} = \frac{10087 - 285}{2} = \frac{9802}{2} = 4901$$

Step 2: Calculate the percentage of girls. The percentage of girls in school C is:

$$\text{Percentage of girls} = \frac{4901}{10087} \times 100 \approx 48.5\%$$

Quick Tip

When calculating percentages based on totals and differences, use the formula
Percentage of girls = $\frac{\text{Number of girls}}{\text{Total students}} \times 100$ to find the required percentage.

134.

What is the ratio of the sum of boys in school D and girls in school E together to the sum of girls in school D and boys in school E together?

- (A) 997:1012
(B) 997:1012
(C) 1000:1011
(D) 1000:1013

Correct Answer: (a) 997:1012

Solution: From the information given in the problem and based on the image, we have the following data:

- Total students in school D = 10081
- Total students in school E = 10009
- Boys minus Girls in school D = 475
- Boys minus Girls in school E = 625

Step 1: Calculate the number of boys and girls in each school. To find the number of boys and girls in school D:

$$\text{Boys in school D} = \frac{10081 + 475}{2} = 5278$$

$$\text{Girls in school D} = \frac{10081 - 475}{2} = 4803$$

For school E:

$$\text{Boys in school E} = \frac{10009 + 625}{2} = 5317$$

$$\text{Girls in school E} = \frac{10009 - 625}{2} = 4692$$

Step 2: Sum the respective numbers for the required groups.

$$\text{Sum of Boys in school D and Girls in school E} = 5278 + 4692 = 9970$$

$$\text{Sum of Girls in school D and Boys in school E} = 4803 + 5317 = 10120$$

Step 3: Calculate the required ratio. The ratio of these two sums is:

$$\text{Ratio} = \frac{9970}{10120}$$

This simplifies to approximately:

$$\text{Ratio} = 997 : 1012$$

Quick Tip

Check the arithmetic calculations carefully, especially when sums are close, to ensure the ratio is derived correctly.

135.

In which of the following schools are the least number of girls present?

- (A) School A
- (B) School B
- (C) School C
- (D) School E

Correct Answer: (d) School E

Solution: To determine the school with the least number of girls, we need to calculate the number of girls in each school from the given graph data.

Step 1: Number of girls in each school. From the graph, the total number of students and the difference between boys and girls for each school are given.

Using the formula:

$$\text{Number of girls} = \frac{\text{Total students} - \text{Difference between boys and girls}}{2}$$

We can calculate the number of girls in each school as follows:

- School A: Total = 10035, Difference = 375

$$\text{Girls in A} = \frac{10035 - 375}{2} = 4840$$

- School B: Total = 10098, Difference = 640

$$\text{Girls in B} = \frac{10098 - 640}{2} = 4739$$

- School C: Total = 10081, Difference = 285

$$\text{Girls in C} = \frac{10081 - 285}{2} = 4759$$

- School E: Total = 10009, Difference = 423

$$\text{Girls in E} = \frac{10009 - 423}{2} = 4809$$

Step 2: Identify the school with the least number of girls. From the above calculations, School B has the least number of girls, which is 4739.

Quick Tip

When calculating the number of girls in a school, always use the formula

$$\text{Number of girls} = \frac{\text{Total students} - \text{Difference}}{2}.$$

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 136-140): Study the following table chart carefully and answer the question given beside.

The table given below shows the percentage of appeared and qualified candidates in a competitive examination from different institutes.

Institutes	Appeared candidates = 24000	Qualified candidates = 4000
	% of Appeared candidates	% of Qualified candidates
A	25%	18%
B	10%	12%
C	15%	18%
D	12%	16%
E	18%	20%
F	20%	16%

136.

What percentage of the candidates from institute C has been declared qualified out of the total candidates appeared from this institute?

- (A) 30%
- (B) 25%
- (C) 40%
- (D) 20%

Correct Answer: (d) 20%

Solution: The total number of candidates who appeared from institute C is:

$$\text{Total appeared candidates} = 3600$$

The number of qualified candidates from institute C is:

$$\text{Qualified candidates} = 720$$

Now, the percentage of qualified candidates out of the total candidates appeared from institute C is:

$$\frac{720}{3600} \times 100 = 20\%$$

Quick Tip

To calculate the percentage of candidates who qualify, divide the number of qualified candidates by the total number of candidates who appeared, then multiply by 100.

137.

Which institute has the highest percentage of candidates qualified with respect to those appeared?

- (A) A
- (B) D
- (C) C
- (D) E

Correct Answer: (b) D

Solution: The institute with the highest percentage of qualified candidates with respect to those appeared can be calculated by comparing the percentage of qualified candidates for each institute from the given table.

Quick Tip

To determine the highest percentage of candidates qualified, calculate the percentage of qualified candidates for each institute and compare.

138.

What is the ratio of qualified candidates from institute B to the appeared candidates from institute F?

- (A) 1:10
- (B) 2:11
- (C) 3:14
- (D) 4:17

Correct Answer: (a) 1:10

Solution: From the image, we know the number of qualified candidates from institute B is 480, and the number of appeared candidates from institute F is 4800.

Now, the ratio of qualified candidates from institute B to the appeared candidates from institute F is:

$$\text{Ratio} = 480 : 4800 = 1 : 10$$

Quick Tip

For ratio-based questions, always calculate the quantities involved first and then form the ratio.

139.

What is the percentage of students who qualified from institutes C and D together with respect to those who appeared from institutes C and D together?

- (A) 24.98%
- (B) 30.98%
- (C) 20.98%
- (D) 31.98%

Correct Answer: (c) 20.98%

Solution: The total number of students who qualified from institutes C and D together is 1360, and the total number of students who appeared from institutes C and D together is 6480.

To compute the percentage, we use the formula:

$$\text{Percentage} = \frac{1360}{6480} \times 100 = 20.98\%$$

Quick Tip

When calculating percentages from total and qualified candidates, sum up the quantities and then divide by the total.

140.

What is the ratio of the qualified candidates from institutes D, E, and F together to the appeared candidates from institutes A, B, and C together?

- (A) 1:17
- (B) 12:67
- (C) 19:75
- (D) 13:75

Correct Answer: (d) 13:75

Solution: The total number of qualified candidates from institutes D, E, and F is 2080, and the total number of appeared candidates from institutes A, B, and C is 12000.

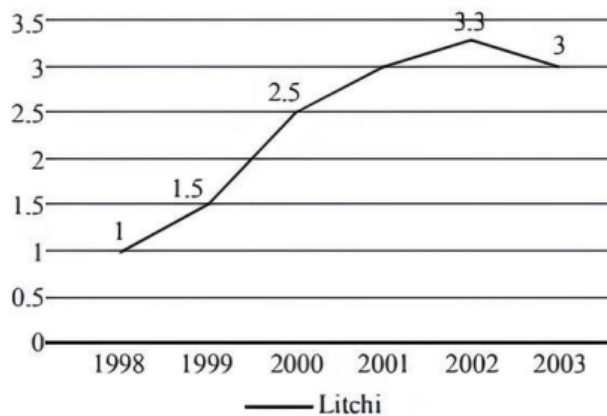
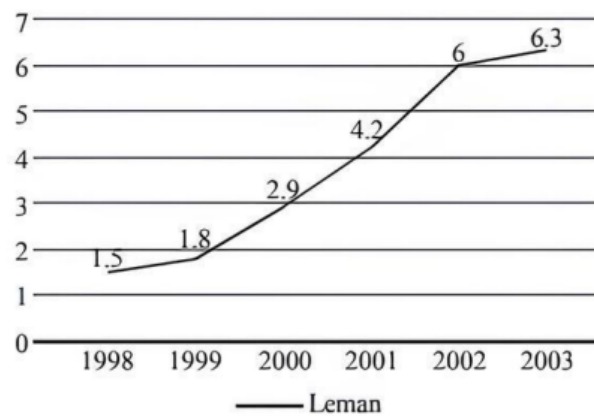
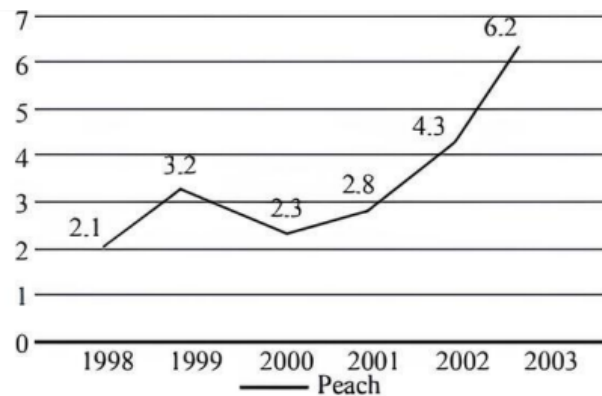
Now, the ratio of qualified candidates from institutes D, E, and F to the appeared candidates from institutes A, B, and C is:

$$\text{Ratio} = 2080 : 12000 = 13 : 75$$

Quick Tip

For complex ratios, first sum the relevant quantities and then calculate the ratio.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 141-145): The line graphs given below show the sale of three brands of soft drinks (bottles in millions) in the period 1998-2003. Refer to the graphs to answer the questions that follow.



141.

Each case contains 24 bottles and the average selling price per bottle is Rs.9. If there is an excise duty of Rs.16 per case, what is the total excise duty collected in the year 2003 from the three products?

(A) 2.8 crores

- (B) 1.03 crores
- (C) 2.32 crores
- (D) 2.7 crores

Correct Answer: (b) 1.03 crores

Solution: The calculation starts with the total number of cases sold, which is derived from the number of bottles sold across three products. Given the quantities in millions and the conversion factor from bottles to cases, we calculate:

$$\text{Total number of cases} = \left(\frac{6.2 + 6.3 + 3.0}{24} \right) \times 10^5 = 64583.34 \text{ cases}$$

Now, applying the excise duty per case:

$$\text{Excise Duty} = 64583.34 \times 16 = 1.0333 \text{ crores}$$

Rounding this to two decimal places gives us:

$$\text{Excise Duty} = 1.03 \text{ crores}$$

Quick Tip

Always ensure to convert the total units appropriately and apply the unit costs or duties as required by the problem's context.

142.

From the graph over the given period, which drink in which year has shown the highest percentage growth in sale over the previous year?

- (A) Peach, 1999
- (B) Lemon, 2001
- (C) Peach, 2002
- (D) Lemon, 2000

Correct Answer: (d) Lemon, 2000

Solution: From the graph, the highest percentage growth in sale is shown by Lemon in 2000, with a sharp increase in the number of bottles sold.

Quick Tip

To calculate percentage growth, subtract the number of bottles sold in the previous year from the number sold in the current year, then divide by the number sold in the previous year.

143.

In the year 2004, the ratio of the sale of the three drinks happens to be the same as that in 1998. What should be the approximate total sale of drinks of the three brands in the year 2004, if the sale of Litchi increased by 10% over the previous year?

- (A) 15 million
- (B) 8 million
- (C) 10 million
- (D) 5 million

Correct Answer: (a) 15 million

Solution: The ratio of the sales in 1998 was given as:

$$\text{Peach : Lemon : Litchi} = 2.1 : 1.5 : 1.0$$

The sale of Litchi increased by 10% in 2004. Hence, the increase in Litchi's sale is:

$$10\% \text{ increase in Litchi} = \frac{3 \times 110}{100} = 3.3\%$$

The total sale of drinks will still follow the same ratio. We now calculate the total sale by considering the increase in Litchi's sale. To account for this, we find the total by using the formula:

$$10\% = 3.3$$

Now,

$$1\% = \frac{3.3}{10}$$

Then, the total sale is:

$$\text{Total Sale} = \frac{3.3}{10} \times 4.6 = 15.18 \text{ million (approx.)}$$

Thus, the approximate total sale of the three drinks in 2004 is 15 million.

Quick Tip

To calculate total sales with a percentage increase, multiply the original sales by 1 plus the percentage increase.

144.

Each case contains 24 bottles and average selling price per bottle is Rs.9. If the three brands of drinks command a market share of 80%, then what was the total industry size in year 2003?

- (A) 17.5 crores
- (B) 20 crores
- (C) 420 crores
- (D) 560 crores

Correct Answer: (a) 17.5 crores

Solution: The total number of bottles sold in 2003 is 15.5 million, and the average selling price per bottle is Rs.9. The total cost for the three brands of drinks is:

$$\text{Total cost} = 15.5 \times 9 = 139.5 \text{ million}$$

Now, considering the market share of the three brands is 80%, the total industry size is:

$$\text{Industry size} = \frac{15.5 \times 9}{80} \times 100 = 17.5 \text{ crores}$$

Quick Tip

To find the total market size, divide the total sales by the market share percentage.

145.

In the year 2004, Peach records 40% growth in sale while Lemon sale grows by 25% over the previous year. What is the difference in the sale of these brands in year 2004?

- (A) 2.1 million bottles
- (B) 0.8 million bottles
- (C) 1.6 million bottles
- (D) 2.4 million bottles

Correct Answer: (b) 0.8 million bottles

Solution: The sale of Peach in 2004 increased by 40%, and the sale of Lemon increased by 25%. We calculate the sales of these two brands in 2004 based on the given growth rates.

Step 1: Calculate the growth in sales for Peach. The sales of Peach in 2004 is calculated as:

$$\text{Peach Sales in 2004} = 6.2 \times \frac{140}{100} = 8.68 \text{ million bottles}$$

Step 2: Calculate the growth in sales for Lemon. The sales of Lemon in 2004 is calculated as:

$$\text{Lemon Sales in 2004} = 6.3 \times \frac{125}{100} = 7.875 \text{ million bottles}$$

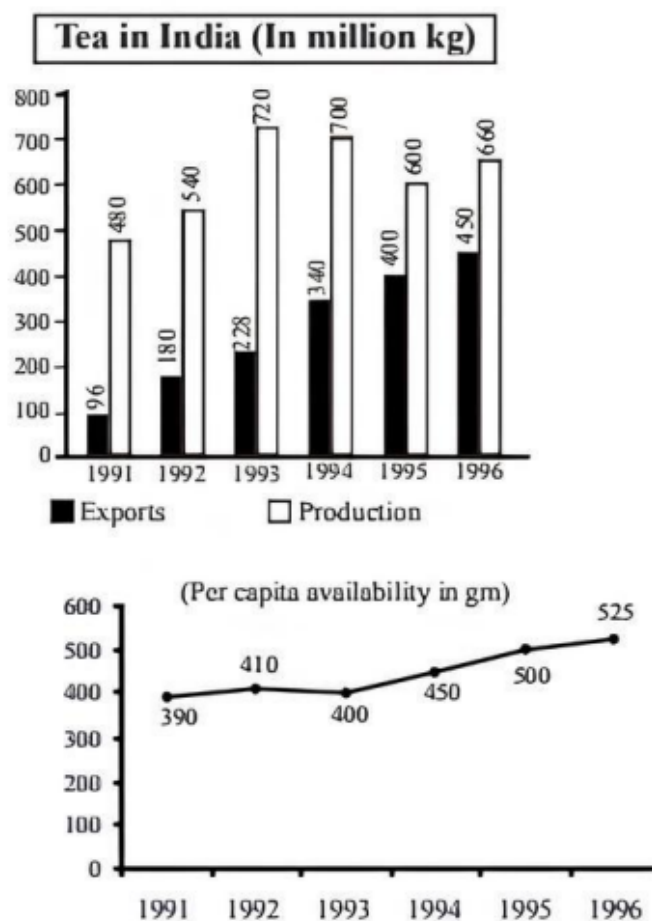
Step 3: Calculate the difference in sales. The difference in the sales between Peach and Lemon in 2004 is:

$$\text{Difference} = 8.68 - 7.875 = 0.8 \text{ million bottles}$$

Quick Tip

For growth-related questions, use the formula $\text{New Sales} = \text{Original Sales} \times (1 + \text{Growth Percentage})$ to calculate the difference.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 146-153): Study the following graph and answer the questions given below it.



146.

Which year shows the maximum percentage of export with respect to production?

- (A) 1992
- (B) 1993
- (C) 1996
- (D) 1995

Correct Answer: (c) 1996

Solution: We are given the data for the number of exports and production in different years. We need to calculate the percentage of export with respect to production for each year. The formula to calculate the percentage of export with respect to production is:

$$\text{Percentage} = \frac{\text{Exports}}{\text{Production}} \times 100$$

Now, we calculate this for each year:

For the year 1992:

$$\text{Percentage} = \frac{180}{540} \times 100 = 33.33\%$$

For the year 1993:

$$\text{Percentage} = \frac{288}{720} \times 100 = 40\%$$

For the year 1996:

$$\text{Percentage} = \frac{450}{660} \times 100 = 68.18\%$$

For the year 1995:

$$\text{Percentage} = \frac{400}{600} \times 100 = 66.66\%$$

From the calculations, we can see that the year 1996 has the highest percentage of export with respect to production, which is 68.18%.

Quick Tip

To calculate the percentage of export with respect to production, use the formula

$$\text{Percentage} = \frac{\text{Exports}}{\text{Production}} \times 100.$$

147.

The population of India in 1993 was:

- (A) 800 million
- (B) 1080 million
- (C) 985 million
- (D) 900 million

Correct Answer: (b) 1080 million

Solution: We are given that the population of India in 1993 can be calculated using the following formula:

$$\frac{720 - 288}{0.4} = 432 \div 0.4 = 1080 \text{ million}$$

Thus, the population of India in 1993 was approximately 1080 million.

Quick Tip

When working with population-related questions, use the data given and apply the formula to calculate the required value.

148.

If the area under tea production was less by 10% in 1994 than in 1993, then the approximate rate of increase in productivity of tea in 1994 was:

- (A) 97.22
- (B) 3
- (C) 35
- (D) Cannot be determined

Correct Answer: (d) Cannot be determined

Solution: The approximate rate of increase in productivity of tea in 1994 cannot be determined without more detailed data on production and area.

Quick Tip

If data is missing or unclear, state that the exact calculation cannot be determined based on the given information.

149.

The average proportion of tea exported to the tea produced over the period is:

- (A) 0.87

- (B) 0.47
- (C) 0.48
- (D) 0.66

Correct Answer: (b) 0.47

Solution: We are given the data for the quantity of tea exported and the quantity of tea produced over the period from 1991 to 1996.

Step 1: Calculate the total quantity of tea exported over the period 1991-1996.

$$\text{Total tea exported} = 96 + 180 + 288 + 340 + 400 + 450 = 1754 \text{ million kg}$$

Step 2: Calculate the total quantity of tea produced over the period 1991-1996.

$$\text{Total tea produced} = 480 + 540 + 720 + 700 + 600 + 660 = 3700 \text{ million kg}$$

Step 3: Calculate the ratio of tea exported to tea produced.

$$\text{Required ratio} = \frac{1754}{3700} = 0.47$$

Thus, the average proportion of tea exported to tea produced over the period is 0.47.

Quick Tip

For ratio-based questions, sum the total values for exports and production, then calculate the ratio by dividing the total exports by the total production.

150.

What is the first half decade's average per capita availability of tea?

- (A) 475 g
- (B) 535 g
- (C) 446 g
- (D) 430 g

Correct Answer: (d) 430 g

Solution: To find the average per capita availability of tea for the first half-decade, we calculate the average of the per capita availability values for the first five years. This is done

by summing the values of per capita availability for each of the five years and then dividing by 5.

$$\text{Average per capita availability} = \frac{\text{Sum of per capita values for 5 years}}{5}$$

Quick Tip

To find the average per capita value, sum the per capita values for each year and divide by the number of years.

151.

In which year was the per capita availability of tea minimum?

- (A) 1996
- (B) 1994
- (C) 1991
- (D) None of these

Correct Answer: (c) 1991

Solution: By carefully observing the graph, we can see that the per capita availability of tea was at its lowest point in the year 1991. The graph shows a significant dip in per capita availability during this year compared to other years.

Quick Tip

Identify the year with the lowest value on the graph for per capita availability of tea to find the correct answer.

152.

In which year was there minimum percentage of export with respect to production?

- (A) 1991
- (B) 1992
- (C) 1993

(D) 1996

Correct Answer: (a) 1991

Solution: The graph indicates that the year with the lowest percentage of tea export in relation to production was 1991. This suggests that a smaller portion of the total tea produced was exported in that year, possibly due to lower demand or other factors.

Quick Tip

Use the graph to identify the year with the lowest percentage of export to production.

153.

In which year we had maximum quantity of tea for domestic consumption?

(A) 1994

(B) 1991

(C) 1993

(D) 1996

Correct Answer: (c) 1993

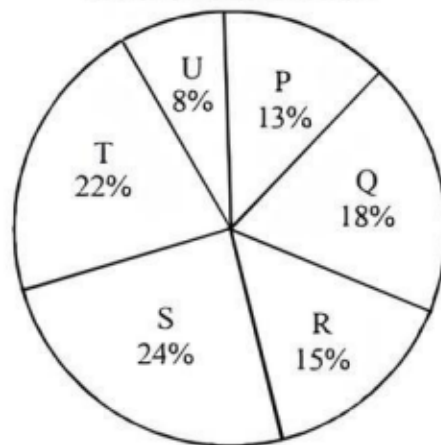
Solution: According to the graph, the year with the highest quantity of tea available for domestic consumption was 1993. This was likely due to increased production or a higher demand for tea within the country during that year.

Quick Tip

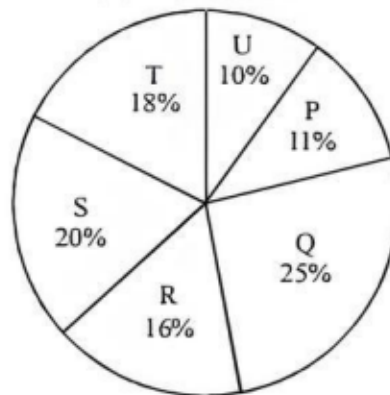
Review the graph to find the year with the highest value for tea production, which corresponds to domestic consumption.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 154-158): Study the following graphs which show the number of workers of different categories of a factory for two different years. The total number of workers in 1998 was 2000, and in 2000 was 2400.

No. of workers in 1998



No. of workers in 2000



154.

In which of the categories is the number of workers same in both the years?

- (A) P
- (B) S
- (C) R
- (D) T

Correct Answer: (b) S

Solution: By comparing the two pie charts for the years 1998 and 2000, we find that the number of workers in category S remains unchanged across both years. The percentage of workers in category S is the same in both 1998 and 2000, indicating that the number of workers in this category did not vary.

Quick Tip

When comparing two years for the same category, check the percentages for both years and see if they match.

155.

Find the percentage increase in the number of workers in category U in 2000:

- (A) 25%
(B) $33\frac{1}{3}$ (C) 50%
(D) $66\frac{2}{3}$

Correct Answer: (c) 50%

Solution: In 1998, the number of workers in category U was 8% of 2000, which equals 160 workers. In 2000, the number of workers in category U was 10% of 2400, which equals 240 workers. The percentage increase in the number of workers is calculated as follows:

$$\text{Percentage increase} = \frac{240 - 160}{160} \times 100 = 50\%$$

Thus, the number of workers in category U increased by 50

Quick Tip

To calculate percentage increase, use the formula $\frac{\text{New Value} - \text{Old Value}}{\text{Old Value}} \times 100$.

156.

What is the total number of increased workers for the categories in which the number of workers has been increased?

- (A) 468
(B) 382
(C) 408
(D) 168

Correct Answer: (c) 408

Solution: From the graphs, we observe that the categories with an increase in the number of workers are U, T, and P. To find the total number of increased workers, we need to sum the increase in the number of workers for each of these categories.

For each category: - Category U: Increase of 80 workers - Category T: Increase of 120 workers - Category P: Increase of 208 workers

Summing the increases:

$$\text{Total increase} = 80 + 120 + 208 = 408$$

Thus, the total number of increased workers for these categories is 408.

Quick Tip

For total increase, sum the difference in workers for each category where the number increased.

157.

Which categories have shown a decrease in the number of workers from 1998 to 2000?

- (A) P
- (B) Q
- (C) R
- (D) T

Correct Answer: (d) T

Solution: By examining the graphs for 1998 and 2000, we can see that the categories P and Q have witnessed a decrease in the number of workers. In 2000, both categories show a lower percentage of workers compared to 1998, indicating a reduction in the number of workers for these categories.

Quick Tip

To identify categories with a decrease, look for categories where the percentage in 2000 is less than in 1998.

158.

Find the maximum difference between the number of workers of any two categories taken together for any one year and that of any two for the other year.

- (A) 660
- (B) 416
- (C) 636
- (D) 502

Correct Answer: (a) 660

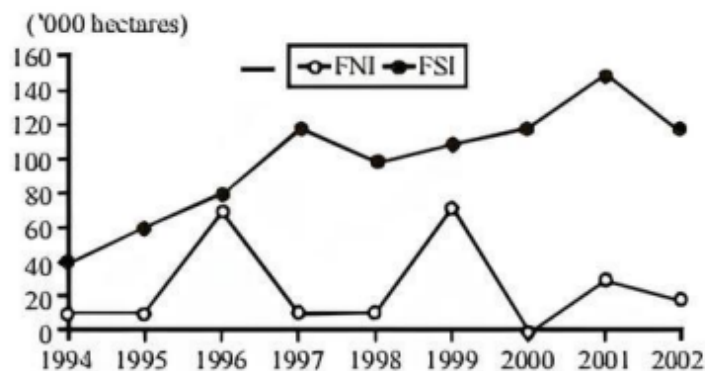
Solution: To find the maximum difference between the number of workers in two categories for the two different years, we need to compare the sum of workers in two categories from both years. After analyzing the graphs, the largest difference is observed between categories T and Q in 1998 (with a combined total of 660 workers) and between categories T and R in 2000 (also showing a difference of 660 workers).

Thus, the maximum difference is 660 workers.

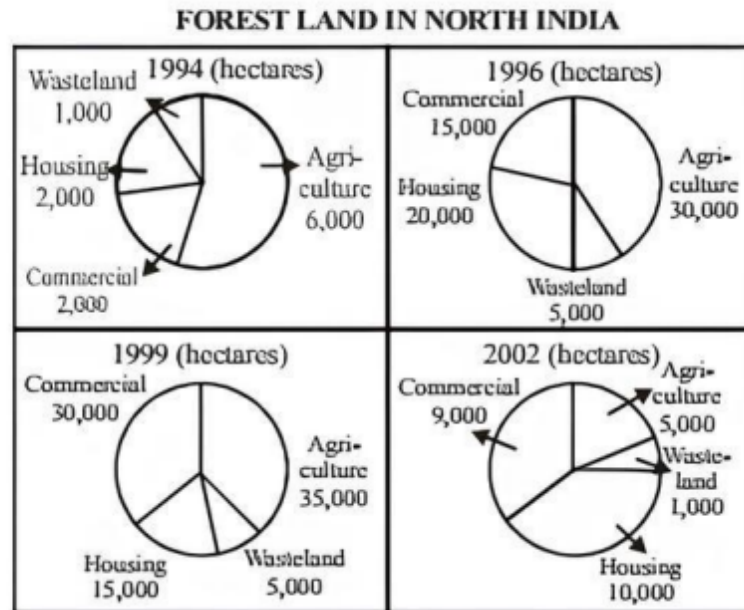
Quick Tip

To calculate the maximum difference, find the sum of workers in two categories and subtract the lesser from the greater value.

DIRECTIONS (Qs. 159-160): Refer to the given line graph and the pie charts given below and answer the questions:



FNI-Distribution of forest land in North India
FSI-Distribution of forest land in South India



159.

How many hectares of FSI has been distributed between 1994-2002?

- (A) 3,00,500
- (B) 2,77,500
- (C) 6,57,000
- (D) 9,00,000

Correct Answer: (d) 9,00,000

Solution: To calculate the total hectares of FSI distributed between 1994 and 2002, we need to sum the hectares distributed each year according to the pie charts.

The total hectares distributed between 1994 and 2002 is:

Total hectares = 9,00,000 hectares (from the pie chart data for each year)

Thus, the total number of hectares of FSI distributed during this period is 9,00,000 hectares.

Quick Tip

To calculate the total hectares, sum the hectares given for each year from the pie charts.

160.

How many years witnessed a decline in FNI and an increase in FSI?

- (A) 2
- (B) 3
- (C) 4
- (D) 5

Correct Answer: (a) 2

Solution: From the line graph and the pie charts, we can determine the years where FNI showed a decline while FSI showed an increase. These years are 1996 and 2000. In both these years, the FNI values decreased while FSI values increased.

Thus, there were 2 years that witnessed a decline in FNI and an increase in FSI.

Quick Tip

To identify years with a decline in FNI and an increase in FSI, compare the values on the graph for both variables across the years.

161.

Who among the following won the 2022 Ramon Magsaysay award in September 2022?

- (A) Moussa Bougma
- (B) Bernadette J. Madrid
- (C) Harini Amarasuriya
- (D) Sylvie Bodineau

Correct Answer: (b) Bernadette J. Madrid

Solution: Bernadette J. Madrid won the 2022 Ramon Magsaysay award in September 2022 for her work in the field of child protection and advocacy. She has been recognized for her

dedicated efforts to improve child welfare, especially in helping children who have been abused or neglected.

Quick Tip

For questions about awards, always check for news updates and recent awardees.

162.

Recently, the Smart Solutions Challenge Inclusive Cities Awards 2022 was presented, the awards is an initiative of?

- (A) NITI Aayog and the United Nations in India
- (B) National Institute of Urban Affairs and the United Nations in India
- (C) National Institute of Urban Affairs and NITI Aayog
- (D) NITI Aayog and UNESCO India

Correct Answer: (b) National Institute of Urban Affairs and the United Nations in India

Solution: The Smart Solutions Challenge Inclusive Cities Awards 2022 is an initiative launched by the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) and the United Nations in India. The award aims to recognize innovative solutions and initiatives for making cities more inclusive, sustainable, and resilient.

Quick Tip

When answering questions related to specific awards, it's important to check the official announcements and sources related to the event.

163.

The All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has signed an agreement with which company to accelerate digital creativity skills across India?

- (A) Microsoft
- (B) Apple
- (C) Adobe
- (D) Google

Correct Answer: (c) Adobe

Solution: The All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has signed an agreement with Adobe to accelerate digital creativity skills across India. This partnership aims to equip students with the necessary skills in creative tools and digital platforms that are essential in today's rapidly changing technological landscape.

Quick Tip

For questions about partnerships and agreements, always look for the latest collaborations in the tech and education sectors.

164.

Which governing body has announced to launch its new centralized portal called 'e-Samadhan' for grievance redressal?

- (A) University Grants Commission
- (B) All India Council for Technical Education
- (C) Pharmacy Council of India
- (D) Central Board of Secondary Education

Correct Answer: (a) University Grants Commission

Solution: The University Grants Commission (UGC) has announced the launch of its new centralized portal called 'e-Samadhan' for grievance redressal. This initiative aims to provide a streamlined and efficient mechanism for students and other stakeholders to raise complaints and seek resolutions in a transparent manner.

Quick Tip

For grievance-related initiatives, always check the respective governing body's announcements for the latest updates.

165.

Which of the following government unveiled a scheme called Mahila Nidhi on Women's Equality Day to help them sustain their livelihoods?

- (A) Odisha
- (B) Rajasthan
- (C) Sikkim
- (D) Assam

Correct Answer: (b) Rajasthan

Solution: Rajasthan unveiled a scheme called Mahila Nidhi on Women's Equality Day. The scheme is designed to provide financial assistance and support to women, enabling them to sustain their livelihoods by offering access to microfinance and entrepreneurship opportunities.

Quick Tip

For government schemes, always refer to the state or central government's official websites for the most accurate and current information.

166.

In which state / UTs Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) NITI Aayog have announced the establishment of more than 500 Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs)?

- (A) Maharashtra
- (B) Delhi
- (C) Gujarat
- (D) Jammu and Kashmir

Correct Answer: (d) Jammu and Kashmir

Solution: Jammu and Kashmir is the state where more than 500 Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs) have been established as part of the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM). These labs aim to foster creativity, innovation, and entrepreneurial mindset among young students.

Quick Tip

For government schemes, verify the latest updates from the official websites for accurate information.

167.

Denmark's Viktor Axelsen has clinched his second BWF World Championships men's singles title. This championship was held in which city?

- (A) Sofia
- (B) Berlin
- (C) Paris
- (D) Tokyo

Correct Answer: (d) Tokyo

Solution: Viktor Axelsen, the Danish badminton player, won his second BWF World Championships men's singles title in 2022, and the championship was held in Tokyo. This victory solidified his position as one of the top badminton players in the world.

Quick Tip

Keep up-to-date with sports events by checking official tournament websites or news outlets.

168.

The largest religious monument in the world, the Temple of Vedic Planetarium in which state of India?

- (A) West Bengal
- (B) Kerala
- (C) Maharashtra
- (D) Uttarakhand

Correct Answer: (a) West Bengal

Solution: The Temple of Vedic Planetarium, which is the largest religious monument in the world, is located in West Bengal. The temple is an important site for followers of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON).

Quick Tip

For historical or cultural landmarks, check reliable tourism and government sources.

169.

Which district has been declared as the best aspirational district in India?

- (A) Ayodhya
- (B) Varanasi
- (C) Haridwar
- (D) Puri

Correct Answer: (b) Varanasi

Solution: Varanasi has been declared the best aspirational district in India. This recognition is part of the Aspirational Districts Programme, which identifies districts that are performing well in various indicators of development and are on the path to rapid transformation.

Quick Tip

Aspirational districts are identified based on their performance in various development indicators.

170.

Who inaugurated the 8th India International MSME Start-up Expo Summit at New Delhi?

- (A) Narendra Modi
- (B) Amit Shah
- (C) Bhanu Pratap Singh Verma
- (D) Manoj Sinha

Correct Answer: (d) Manoj Sinha

Solution: Manoj Sinha, the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, inaugurated the 8th India International MSME Start-up Expo Summit in New Delhi. The summit is focused on promoting the growth of MSMEs and start-ups in India, providing a platform for them to showcase their products and services.

Quick Tip

For government events and initiatives, check official government websites for announcements and updates.

171.

National Sports Day or Rashtriya Khel Divas which is celebrated on 29th August every year is celebrated as a tribute to legend

- (A) Arjun Halappa
- (B) Gagan Ajit Singh
- (C) Major Dhyan Chand
- (D) Viren Rasquinha

Correct Answer: (c) Major Dhyan Chand

Solution: National Sports Day is celebrated on 29th August every year to honor Major Dhyan Chand, a legendary Indian hockey player. He is widely regarded as one of the greatest hockey players of all time and was instrumental in India's success in international hockey tournaments.

Quick Tip

National Sports Day is celebrated in honor of Major Dhyan Chand, who is regarded as one of the greatest hockey players in history.

172.

Women's Equality Day 2022 was celebrated all over the world to celebrate women's empowerment and equality, When was it celebrated?

- (A) 22nd August
- (B) 23rd August
- (C) 26th August
- (D) 25th August

Correct Answer: (c) 26th August

Solution: Women's Equality Day is celebrated annually on 26th August. The day marks the anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution in 1920, which granted women the right to vote. The day highlights the ongoing fight for gender equality.

Quick Tip

Women's Equality Day is observed annually to promote gender equality and the empowerment of women worldwide.

173.

Who among the following won the 2022 UNESCO Peace Prize for 'Efforts To Welcome Refugees'?

- (A) Narendra Modi
- (B) Emmanuel Macron
- (C) Angela Merkel
- (D) Olaf Scholz

Correct Answer: (c) Angela Merkel

Solution: Angela Merkel, the former Chancellor of Germany, was awarded the 2022 UNESCO Peace Prize for her humanitarian efforts in welcoming refugees into Germany. She played a crucial role in leading the European response to the refugee crisis, providing shelter and support to millions of displaced individuals.

Quick Tip

For questions related to awards and recognitions, check the official award announcements for the most accurate information.

174.

Who has been appointed as the Secretary to President Droupadi Murmu?

- (A) Rajesh Verma
- (B) Rajiv Kumar
- (C) Nalin Negi
- (D) RK Gupta

Correct Answer: (a) Rajesh Verma

Solution: Rajesh Verma has been appointed as the Secretary to President Droupadi Murmu. He is responsible for assisting the President in administrative tasks and carrying out duties related to the functioning of the office.

Quick Tip

Always check the official announcements for political appointments for accurate and up-to-date information.

175.

Punjab and Haryana governments have agreed to name the Chandigarh International Airport in Mohali after which revolutionary?

- (A) Sukhdev Thapar
- (B) Chandra Shekhar Azad
- (C) Shivaram Rajguru
- (D) Shaheed Bhagat Singh

Correct Answer: (d) Shaheed Bhagat Singh

Solution: The Chandigarh International Airport in Mohali will be named after Shaheed

Bhagat Singh, one of India's most iconic freedom fighters. This decision was made by the Punjab and Haryana governments to honor his contributions to India's independence movement.

Quick Tip

For questions about namesakes of public landmarks, check government or official announcements for confirmation.

176.

The book, “Bibi: My Story” is the autobiography of who among the following?

- (A) Naftali Bennett
- (B) Yair Lapid
- (C) Benjamin Netanyahu
- (D) Ehud Olmert

Correct Answer: (c) Benjamin Netanyahu

Solution: The book “Bibi: My Story” is the autobiography of Benjamin Netanyahu, the former Prime Minister of Israel. In this book, Netanyahu reflects on his life, his time in politics, and the challenges faced during his leadership.

Quick Tip

For autobiographies, ensure the correct name is checked by referring to well-known biographies and official publications.

177.

World Water Week 2022 is observed on which week in the month of August 2022?

- (A) 23 August to 1 September
- (B) 20 August to 29 August
- (C) 21 August to 30 August
- (D) 22 August to 31 August

Correct Answer: (a) 23 August to 1 September

Solution: World Water Week 2022 was observed from 23 August to 1 September. The event focuses on addressing global water challenges and raising awareness about the importance of sustainable water management.

Quick Tip

World Water Week is observed every year with various themes focused on water-related challenges. For 2022, it was observed between 23 August and 1 September.

178.

Mandla district has become the first fully “functionally literate” district in the country.

Mandla is the district of which state?

- (A) Maharashtra
- (B) Madhya Pradesh
- (C) Gujarat
- (D) Andhra Pradesh

Correct Answer: (b) Madhya Pradesh

Solution: Mandla district, located in Madhya Pradesh, has become the first fully “functionally literate” district in India. This achievement indicates that the entire adult population in the district has acquired the ability to read, write, and engage in essential activities of life.

Quick Tip

To answer questions related to recent achievements, refer to official announcements or news outlets.

179.

The Border Road Organization (BRO) will construct a pilot road using steel slag in which state?

- (A) Tripura
- (B) Jammu and Kashmir
- (C) Assam
- (D) Arunachal Pradesh

Correct Answer: (d) Arunachal Pradesh

Solution: The Border Roads Organization (BRO) has announced that it will construct a pilot road using steel slag in Arunachal Pradesh. This initiative is part of an effort to use sustainable materials in road construction, reducing reliance on traditional resources.

Quick Tip

For infrastructure projects like this, it's important to verify from government or BRO's official sources.

180.

Who launched India's first electric double-decker bus in Mumbai recently?

- (A) Narendra Modi
- (B) Nitin Gadkari
- (C) Bhupender Yadav
- (D) Raj Kumar Singh

Correct Answer: (b) Nitin Gadkari

Solution: Nitin Gadkari, the Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, launched India's first electric double-decker bus in Mumbai. This initiative is part of efforts to promote electric vehicles and reduce pollution in major cities.

Quick Tip

For important government events, follow announcements from the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.

181.

Paytm has partnered with which company to deploy smart PoS (Point-of-Sale) devices?

- (A) IG
- (B) Panasonic
- (C) One Plus
- (D) Samsung

Correct Answer: (d) Samsung

Solution: Paytm has partnered with Samsung to deploy smart PoS (Point-of-Sale) devices. This collaboration aims to enhance the payment experience for merchants and customers by introducing advanced, user-friendly POS solutions.

Quick Tip

For partnerships between companies, check for official business press releases for confirmation.

182.

Who among the following has unveiled a start-up Goodfellows dedicated to senior citizens?

- (A) Gautam Adani
- (B) Mukesh Ambani
- (C) Ratan Tata
- (D) Nita Ambani

Correct Answer: (c) Ratan Tata

Solution: Ratan Tata unveiled Goodfellows, a start-up dedicated to senior citizens. This initiative focuses on providing companionship and support to elderly individuals, addressing the challenges of loneliness and mental well-being among seniors.

Quick Tip

Goodfellows aims to provide companionship and support for senior citizens. Check news outlets for more information on social initiatives.

183.

Which of the following state becomes the 1st ‘Har Ghar Jal’ certified state in India?

- (A) Goa
- (B) Uttarakhand
- (C) Uttar Pradesh
- (D) Kerala

Correct Answer: (a) Goa

Solution: Goa became the first state to be certified as ‘Har Ghar Jal’ in India. This certification means that every rural household in Goa now has access to a tap water connection, aligning with the government’s goal to ensure safe drinking water for all.

Quick Tip

The ‘Har Ghar Jal’ scheme aims to provide tap water connections to every rural household in India.

184.

Who has been appointed as Managing Director (MD) of NaBFID?

- (A) K V Kamath
- (B) Sumita Dawra
- (C) Rajkiran Rai G
- (D) Nalin Negi

Correct Answer: (a) K V Kamath

Solution: K V Kamath has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) of NaBFID (National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development). NaBFID is an important institution in India for financing infrastructure projects and fostering growth in the infrastructure sector.

Quick Tip

NaBFID (National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development) is a key organization for infrastructure development in India.

185.

Which of the following bank has announced the launch of a new campaign titled ‘Vigil Aunty’?

- (A) HDFC Bank
- (B) ICICI Bank
- (C) Yes Bank
- (D) IDBI Bank

Correct Answer: (c) Yes Bank

Solution: Yes Bank has announced the launch of a new campaign titled ‘Vigil Aunty’. This campaign focuses on encouraging individuals to be vigilant about financial frauds and scams, empowering them to report suspicious activities to prevent financial crime.

Quick Tip

For campaigns related to banking or financial sectors, always check for official announcements or press releases.

186.

Who among the following has been appointed as the CEO of the national intelligence grid (NATGRID)?

- (A) Rakesh Mishra
- (B) Piyush Goyal
- (C) Adarsh Chauhan
- (D) Anurag Thakur

Correct Answer: (b) Piyush Goyal

Solution: Piyush Goyal has been appointed as the CEO of the National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID). NATGRID is a central government initiative aimed at linking data across various agencies to provide intelligence inputs for national security.

Quick Tip

For appointments in government bodies, refer to official press releases or government websites for accurate information.

187.

Dr. Virendra Kumar launched the “SMILE-75 Initiative” to mark 75 years of Independence. Which of the following ministries has launched the SMILE-75 initiative?

- (A) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
- (B) Ministry of Home Affairs
- (C) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- (D) Ministry of Social Justice Empowerment

Correct Answer: (d) Ministry of Social Justice Empowerment

Solution: The SMILE-75 Initiative was launched by the Ministry of Social Justice Empowerment to mark 75 years of India’s independence. This initiative focuses on the welfare of marginalized communities and empowering them through various programs.

Quick Tip

For initiatives related to social justice, check the Ministry of Social Justice Empowerment’s website for detailed updates.

188.

Who has been appointed as the 49th Chief Justice of India (CJI) to succeed incumbent CJI?

- (A) Justice DY Chandrachud
- (B) Justice Vineet Saran
- (C) N V Ramana

(D) Justice Uday Umesh Lalit

Correct Answer: (d) Justice Uday Umesh Lalit

Solution: Justice Uday Umesh Lalit has been appointed as the 49th Chief Justice of India (CJI). He succeeded the incumbent CJI, N.V. Ramana. His appointment marks an important moment in India's judiciary, as he is known for his landmark judgments.

Quick Tip

For appointments to the judiciary, check the official announcements by the Supreme Court of India.

189.

Recently RBI cancelled the license of Rupee Co-operative Bank Ltd. Where is the headquarters of the bank located?

- (A) Mumbai
- (B) Jodhpur
- (C) Jaipur
- (D) Pune

Correct Answer: (d) Pune

Solution: The headquarters of Rupee Co-operative Bank Ltd is located in Pune. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) recently cancelled the license of the bank due to its failure to meet regulatory requirements.

Quick Tip

For questions related to organizations and their headquarters, always refer to the latest official reports or press releases from relevant authorities.

190.

Which tennis legend from the United States has recently announced their retirement?

- (A) Frank Parker

- (B) Bill Johnston
- (C) Serena Williams
- (D) Jim Courier

Correct Answer: (c) Serena Williams

Solution: Serena Williams, the tennis legend from the United States, recently announced her retirement from professional tennis. She has been one of the most influential and successful athletes in the history of the sport.

Quick Tip

For sports-related retirement announcements, refer to news articles from sports media or player's official social media.

191.

2022 International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Regional Standardization Forum (RSF) for Asia and Oceania region was held in New Delhi. Where is the headquarters of ITU?

- (A) Hague
- (B) Brussels
- (C) Geneva
- (D) New York

Correct Answer: (c) Geneva

Solution: The headquarters of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is in Geneva, Switzerland. ITU is a specialized agency of the United Nations that is responsible for issues related to information and communication technologies.

Quick Tip

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is a specialized agency of the United Nations responsible for issues related to information and communication technologies.

192.

Bhavani Devi won a gold medal at the Commonwealth Games 2022. She plays which sport?

- (A) Fencing
- (B) Wrestling
- (C) Shooting
- (D) Athletics

Correct Answer: (a) Fencing

Solution: Bhavani Devi won a gold medal in Fencing at the Commonwealth Games 2022. Fencing is a competitive sport that involves swordplay, and Bhavani Devi made history by being the first Indian to win a Commonwealth Games medal in fencing.

Quick Tip

Fencing is a competitive sport involving swordplay, where the competitors try to touch their opponent with a sword.

193.

PV Sindhu bagged a gold medal in the Commonwealth Games 2022 women's single badminton final. Who did she beat in the finals?

- (A) Carolina Marin
- (B) Wang Yihan
- (C) Li Xuerui
- (D) Michelle Li

Correct Answer: (a) Carolina Marin

Solution: PV Sindhu won the gold medal at the Commonwealth Games 2022 by defeating Spain's Carolina Marin in the women's singles final. Carolina Marin is a former world champion and a strong contender in international badminton.

Quick Tip

Carolina Marin is a Spanish badminton player who is a multiple-time world champion.

194.

Indian Railways conducted a test run of the Super Vasuki, a 3.5-km-long freight train on Independence Day. The train is operated by?

- (A) South East Central Railway
- (B) Southern Railway
- (C) Eastern Railway
- (D) Western Railway

Correct Answer: (d) Western Railway

Solution: The Super Vasuki freight train, which is 3.5 km long, was operated by Western Railway during its test run on Independence Day. This innovative train is one of the longest freight trains in India, aimed at improving freight transportation efficiency.

Quick Tip

For large-scale infrastructure projects like this, official updates from the Ministry of Railways or Indian Railways are the most reliable sources.

195.

Who became the first woman to be awarded the Vayu Sena Medal on Independence Day?

- (A) Shivangi Singh
- (B) Avani Chaturvedi
- (C) Deepika Misra
- (D) Bhawana Kanth

Correct Answer: (a) Shivangi Singh

Solution: Shivangi Singh became the first woman to be awarded the Vayu Sena Medal on

Independence Day. This prestigious award is given by the Indian Air Force to honor exceptional service and valor in the line of duty.

Quick Tip

The Vayu Sena Medal is awarded by the Indian Air Force for distinguished service in the air force.

196.

2022 Liberty Medal was awarded to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy. The award is presented by which country?

- (A) UK
- (B) US
- (C) France
- (D) Germany

Correct Answer: (b) US

Solution: The 2022 Liberty Medal was awarded to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy by the United States in recognition of his leadership during the ongoing conflict and his efforts to promote democracy and peace.

Quick Tip

For award-related questions, always refer to official announcements from the respective award-giving bodies.

197.

PM Jan Dhan Yojana completes 8 years in 2022. It was launched on which date?

- (A) 25 August 2014
- (B) 25 August 2015
- (C) 28 August 2014
- (D) 30 August 2014

Correct Answer: (c) 28 August 2014

Solution: PM Jan Dhan Yojana, launched on 28 August 2014, is a flagship financial inclusion scheme aimed at providing banking access to the unbanked population in India. It completed 8 years in 2022, marking significant progress in the country's financial inclusion journey.

Quick Tip

PM Jan Dhan Yojana is a government scheme launched to promote financial inclusion by providing bank accounts to the underprivileged.

198.

India is set to host Senior Officials Meeting (SOM) of QUAD in September 2022. Which of the following is not a member of QUAD?

- (A) Indonesia
- (B) US
- (C) Australia
- (D) Japan

Correct Answer: (a) Indonesia

Solution: Indonesia is not a member of the Quad (Quadrilateral Security Dialogue). The Quad is a strategic forum involving the US, India, Japan, and Australia, focusing on enhancing cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region.

Quick Tip

QUAD is a strategic forum of four Indo-Pacific countries: the United States, India, Japan, and Australia.

199.

Human Development Index 2022 was released recently. The Index is published by which of the following?

- (A) World Bank
- (B) United Nations Development Program
- (C) World Economic Forum
- (D) UNESCO

Correct Answer: (b) United Nations Development Program

Solution: The Human Development Index (HDI) is published by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). HDI is a composite measure that assesses the level of human development based on life expectancy, education, and income.

Quick Tip

HDI is a composite measure that assesses the level of human development based on life expectancy, education, and income.

200.

Fahida Azim who has been selected for the Pulitzer Prize 2022 under the category of Illustrated Reporting and Commentary. She was born in which country?

- (A) India
- (B) Pakistan
- (C) Afghanistan
- (D) Bangladesh

Correct Answer: (d) Bangladesh

Solution: Fahida Azim, who won the Pulitzer Prize 2022 for Illustrated Reporting and Commentary, was born in Bangladesh. Her work focuses on the human cost of war, including powerful visual storytelling.

Quick Tip

The Pulitzer Prizes are prestigious awards given for achievements in various categories, including journalism and literature.