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# REASONING AND APTITUDE

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## ANSWER KEY >

1. (c)	7. (a)	13. (a)	19. (c)	25. (c)
2. (a)	8. (d)	14. (b)	20. (b)	26. (a)
3. (b)	9. (c)	15. (a)	21. (b)	27. (c)
4. (c)	10. (b)	16. (c)	22. (a)	28. (a)
5. (c)	11. (a)	17. (a)	23. (d)	29. (a)
6. (b)	12. (b)	18. (c)	24. (a)	30. (a)

## DETAILED EXPLANATIONS

1. (c)

$$C = \frac{A+D}{2}, D > B > C$$

$$B = \frac{A+E}{2}$$

$$A + D = 2C$$

$$A + E = 2B$$

Since  $B > C \Rightarrow E > D$

$$C < B < D < E$$

Since  $C$  is average of  $A$  and  $D$ , so  $A < C$

$\Rightarrow$  The correct sequence is  $A < C < B < D < E$

The middle number is  $B$ .

2. (a)

Let the age of Rohini in 2014 is  $x$  years,

His brother's age =  $x - 6$  years

In 2004,

$$3(x - 6 - 10) = x - 10$$

$$3x - 48 = x - 10$$

$$2x = 38$$

$$x = 19$$

Rohini's age in 2014 is 19 years.

$\Rightarrow$  She was born in  $2014 - 19 = 1995$

3. (b)

Let, The full fare = ₹  $x$

The reservation charge = ₹  $y$

$$x + y = 362$$

$$\frac{3}{2}x + 2y = 554$$

From here,  $x = 340$  and  $y = 22$

$\Rightarrow$  Reservation charge is ₹ 22.

4. (c)

Let their present ages are  $4x, 5x$ . Eighteen years ago, their ages were =  $4x - 18, 5x - 18$

$$\frac{4x - 18}{5x - 18} = \frac{11}{16}$$

$$64x - 288 = 55x - 198$$

$$9x = 90$$

$$x = 10$$

Sum of their present ages =  $4x + 5x = 9x = 9 \times 10 = 90$  years

5. (c)

$$378 = 2 \times 3^3 \times 7$$

$$675 = 3^3 \times 5^2$$

HCF of 378 and 675 is,  $3^3 = 27$

The minimum number of sections is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{378}{27} + \frac{675}{27} \\ &= 14 + 25 = 39 \text{ sections} \end{aligned}$$

6. (b)

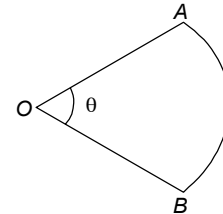
The area of sector  $OAB = \pi r^2 \times \frac{\theta}{360^\circ} = \pi(10)^2 \times \frac{\theta}{360^\circ} = 80$

From here,  $\left(\frac{\theta}{360^\circ}\right) = \frac{80}{\pi \times (10)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Length of arc } AB &= 2\pi r \times \frac{\theta}{360^\circ} \\ &= 2\pi \times 10 \times \frac{80}{\pi \times (10)^2} = 16 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

Perimeter of platform =  $16 + 10 + 10 = 36 \text{ cm}$

Length of the wire required =  $3 \times 36 = 108 \text{ cm}$



7. (a)

According to the given information,

$$\frac{23}{100} = \frac{10 \times 2 + 20 \times 3 + 30 \times x}{100 \times (2 + 3 + x)}$$

$$23 = \frac{20 + 60 + 30 \times x}{5 + x}$$

$$23(5 + x) = 80 + 30x$$

$$7x = 35$$

$$x = 5$$

8. (d)

$$(7 + 2) \times 4 = 36$$

$$(6 + 8) \times 3 = 42$$

$$(9 + 4) \times x = 26$$

From here,  $x = 2$

9. (c)

The number of boys in 6<sup>th</sup> class

$$= \frac{20}{100} \times \frac{3}{5} \times 1000 = 120$$

The number of boys in 9<sup>th</sup> class

$$= \frac{18}{100} \times \frac{3}{5} \times 1000 = 108$$

Total boys in 6<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> class =  $120 + 108 = 228$

10. (b)

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 E   B   A   C   D

∴ A is sitting in between B and C.

11. (a)

First month's saving = ₹ 20

Second month's saving = ₹ 20 + 4

Saving after  $n$  months = ₹ 20 +  $(n - 1)4$

$$\frac{n}{2}(2 \times 20 + (n - 1) \times 4) \geq 1000$$

$$40n + n(n - 1) \times 4 \geq 2000$$

$$40n + 4n^2 - 4n \geq 2000$$

$$4n^2 + 36n - 2000 \geq 0$$

$$n \geq 18.30, - 27.30$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 19$$

⇒ After 19 months his savings will be greater than ₹ 1000.

12. (b)

Let the cost prices are  $x, 2x, 4x$

Let the quantities are  $2y, 5y, 2y$

$$\text{Total cost price} = 2xy + 10xy + 8xy = 20xy$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total profit} &= \frac{10}{100} \times 2xy + \frac{20}{100} \times 10xy + \frac{25}{100} \times 8xy \\ &= 0.2xy + 2xy + 2xy = 4.2xy \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Profit percentage} = \frac{4.2xy}{20xy} \times 100 = 21\%$$

13. (a)

According to given data,

$$20 \times t + 12(10 - t) = 150$$

$$8t + 120 = 150$$

$$t = \frac{30}{8} = \frac{15}{4}$$

The ratio of distance,

$$20 \times \frac{15}{4} : 12 \times \left(10 - \frac{15}{4}\right)$$

$$75 : 75$$

$$1 : 1$$

14. (b)

$\triangle ABC$  is similar to  $\triangle DBE$

$\Rightarrow$  If

$$DE = 0.65 AC$$

$$DB = 0.65 AB$$

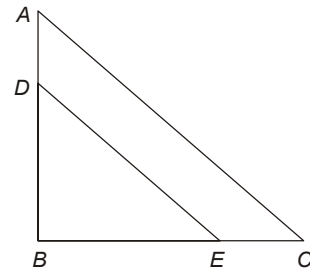
$$BE = 0.65 BC$$

$$\text{Initially area} = \frac{1}{2} \times AB \times BC = 34 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Changed area} = \frac{1}{2} \times BE \times DB = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.65 AB \times 0.65 BC$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times (0.65)^2 \times AB \times BC$$

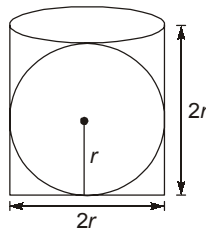
$$= (0.65)^2 \times 34 = 14.365 \text{ cm}^2$$



15. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Volume of total wood} &= \pi r^2 \times h \\ &= \pi r^2 \times 2r \end{aligned}$$

$$[\because h = \text{diameter} = 2r]$$



The radius of largest sphere possible =  $r$

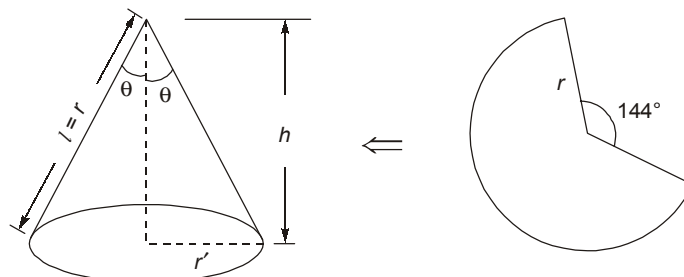
volume of sphere = volume of wood used

$$= \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

$$\text{Volume of wood wasted} = 2\pi r^3 - \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 = \frac{2}{3} \pi r^3$$

$$\text{Required ratio} = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 : \frac{2}{3} \pi r^3 = 2 : 1$$

16. (c)



Height of cone formed be  $h$

Slant height of cone so formed = radius of given circle

$$\Rightarrow l = r$$

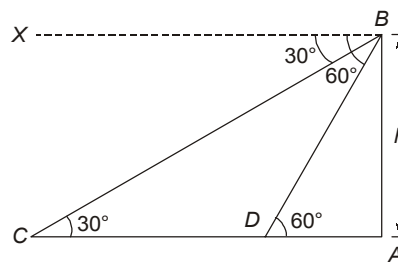
Now circumference of base of cone = Circumference of given sector of circle

$$\Rightarrow 2\pi r' = 2\pi r \times \frac{360^\circ - 144^\circ}{360^\circ}$$

$$\Rightarrow r' = \frac{3}{5}r$$

$$\text{Now vertex angle} = 2\theta = 2\sin^{-1}\left[\frac{r'}{l}\right] = 2\sin^{-1}\left[\frac{3}{5}\right]$$

17. (a)



From figure,  $\tan 30^\circ = \frac{h}{AC}$

$$AC = h\sqrt{3} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{h}{AD}$$

$$AD = \frac{h}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \dots(ii)$$

Also,

$$CD = AC - AD$$

$$= h\sqrt{3} - \frac{h}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2h}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Time taken to cover  $CD$  is 10 min,

$$\text{we know speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{time}}$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{\frac{2h}{\sqrt{3}}}{10} = \frac{h}{5\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore \text{time taken to cover, } AD = \frac{(\text{Distance } AD)}{\text{Speed}} = \frac{\left(\frac{h}{\sqrt{3}}\right)}{\frac{h}{5\sqrt{3}}} = 5 \text{ minutes}$$

18. (c)

Probability that either one of them is lying

$$= \frac{90}{100} \times \frac{20}{100} + \frac{10}{100} \times \frac{80}{100}$$

$$\text{Chances that he is first one} = \frac{\frac{10}{100} \times \frac{80}{100}}{\frac{90}{100} \times \frac{20}{100} + \frac{10}{100} \times \frac{80}{100}} \times 100 = \frac{\frac{800}{10000}}{\frac{1800}{10000} + \frac{800}{10000}} = \frac{800}{2600} = \frac{8}{26} = \frac{4}{13}$$

19. (c)

Let the number of trucks to be used initially =  $x$

Let capacity of one truck =  $y$

$$xy = 60$$

$$(x + 4)(y - 0.5) = 60$$

$$xy + 4y - 0.5x - 2 = 60$$

$$4y - 0.5x - 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore xy = 60$$

$$4\left(\frac{60}{x}\right) - 0.5x - 2 = 0$$

$$240 - 0.5x^2 - 2x = 0$$

$$x^2 + 4x - 480 = 0$$

$$x = 20, -24$$

By neglecting the negative value, we get,  $x = 20$ .

20. (b)

Let  $B$  can do the work in  $x$  days.  $A$  can do the work in  $x - 6$  days.

$$\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x-6} = \frac{1}{x-8}$$

$$\frac{x-6+x}{x^2-6x} = \frac{1}{x-8}$$

$$(2x-6)(x-8) = (x^2-6x)$$

$$2x^2 - 22x + 48 - x^2 + 6x = 0$$

$$x^2 - 16x + 48 = 0$$

$$x = 12, 4$$

$x \neq 4$  because for  $x = 4$ ,  $x - 6$  will be negative which is not possible. So,  $x = 12$ .

21. (b)

Let the cost price of the item = ₹  $x$

$$\text{selling price} = x \times \frac{125}{100} = 1.25x$$

$$\text{discount} = 25\%$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{marked price} = 1.25x \times \frac{100}{75} = ₹ \frac{5}{3}x$$

$$\text{New rate of discount} = 10\%$$

$$\text{New selling price} = \frac{5x}{3} \times \frac{90}{100} = ₹ \frac{3x}{2}$$

$$\text{New profit} = \frac{3x}{2} - x = \frac{x}{2}$$

$$\text{Profit percentage} = \frac{x/2}{x} \times 100 = 50\%$$

22. (a)

Let Pradeep alone can do the work in  $x$  days.

$$\frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{30} + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{24} - \frac{1}{30}$$

$$x = 120$$

Payment is in inverse ratio of number of days they required to do the work alone.

Ratio of payment

Ajay		Vijay		Pradeep
$\frac{1}{24}$	:	$\frac{1}{30}$	:	$\frac{1}{120}$
5	:	4	:	1

$$\Rightarrow \text{Pradeep gets the amount} = \frac{1}{5+4+1} \times 200 = ₹ 20$$

23. (d)

Let the number of fruits be  $2k$ ,  $5k$  and  $8k$

Given,  $5k - 2k = \text{multiple of 6 and 8}$

LCM of 6 and 8 is 24

Let's say  $5k - 2k = 24n$

$$3k = 24n$$

For  $k$  to be a natural number and have minimum value,  $n$  should be equal to 1

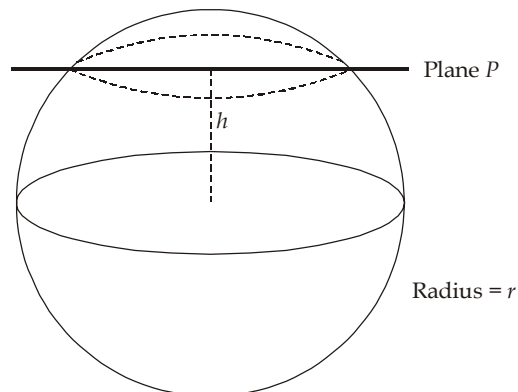
$$3k = 24$$

$$\text{Or } k = 8$$

Hence, the minimum number of fruits =  $2k + 5k + 8k = 15 \times 8 = 120$

24. (a)

$$\text{Area} = 4\pi r^2$$



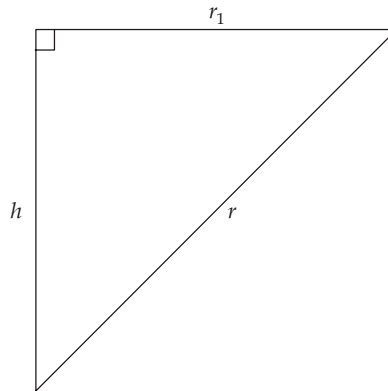


Cumulative area of the two pieces = 25% more than that of sphere =  $1.25 \times 4\pi^2 = 5\pi r^2$

Extra area = area of two new circles =  $\pi r^2$

Let radius of new circle be  $r_1$ .

$$\text{Now, } \pi r_1^2 = \pi r^2 / 2$$



$$r_1 = r / \sqrt{2}$$

Now,  $r_1$ ,  $h$  and  $r$  form a right angled triangle.

$$h^2 + r_1^2 = r^2$$

$$h = r / \sqrt{2}$$

25. (c)

Given,  $x^2 + 5x - 7 = 0$  has roots  $a$  and  $b$ . We know that,

$$\text{Sum of roots in a quadratic equation} = a + b = \frac{(-5)}{1} = -5$$

$$\text{Product of the roots} = ab = \frac{(-7)}{1} = -7.$$

Now, The second equation  $2x^2 + px + q = 0$  has roots  $a + 1$  and  $b + 1$ .

$$\text{Sum of the roots} = a + 1 + b + 1 = a + b + 2 = \frac{(-p)}{2} = -5 + 2 \Rightarrow -3 = \frac{(-p)}{2} \Rightarrow -p = -6 \Rightarrow p = 6$$

$$\text{Product of the roots} = (a + 1)(b + 1) = ab + a + b + 1 = \frac{q}{2}.$$

We know the values of  $ab$  and  $a + b$ . Substituting this, we get,  $-7 + (-5) + 1 = \frac{q}{2} \Rightarrow q = -22$ .

$$\therefore p + q = 6 - 22 = -16$$

26. (a)

First, the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of L.H.S need to be defined by observing the pattern :-

$$\text{It is } \log_{2^n} 2.2^n$$

$$\log_2 4 \times \log_4 8 \times \log_8 16 \times \dots \log_{2^n} 2.2^n = 49$$

Whenever solving a logarithm equation, generally one should approach towards making the base same.

Making the base 2 :-

$$\log_2 4 \times \frac{\log_2 8}{\log_2 4} \times \frac{\log_2 16}{\log_2 8} \times \dots \times \frac{\log_2 2 \cdot 2^n}{\log_2 2^n}$$

$$\log_{2^n} 2 + \log_{2^n} 2^n = 49$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + n = 49$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 48$$

27. (c)

Let the sum = 100, Time = 3 years

Amount due in 3 years = 200

$$100 \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^3 = 200$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^3 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right) = 2^{1/3} \quad \dots(i)$$

Let the amount become 16 times in  $n$  years.

$$100 \left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^n = 1600$$

$$\left( 1 + \frac{r}{100} \right)^n = 16 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From eq. (i) and eq. (ii), we get

$$(2^{1/3})^n = 16 = 2^4$$

$$\frac{n}{3} = 4$$

$$n = 12 \text{ years}$$

28. (a)

Ways to select 2 females =  ${}^5C_2$

Ways to select 1 male =  ${}^7C_1$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{{}^5C_2 \times {}^7C_1}{{}^{12}C_3} = \frac{7}{22}$$

29. (a)

Sum of angles in  $n$  sided polygon =  $(n - 2) 180^\circ$

In hexagon  $n = 6$

$$\therefore \text{Sum} = (6 - 2)180 = 720^\circ$$

$$\text{Each angle} = \frac{720^\circ}{6} = 120^\circ$$

Now, in  $\triangle CDE$ .  $CD = DE$ , so it is an isosceles triangle. The angle at  $D = 120^\circ$ , so other two angles must be  $30^\circ$  each. So  $\angle DEC = \angle DCE = 30^\circ$ .

Now,  $\angle CDG = \angle DCG = 30^\circ$

$$\therefore \angle DGC = 180^\circ - 30^\circ - 30^\circ = 120^\circ$$

$$\angle DGE = 180^\circ - \angle DGC = 180^\circ - 120^\circ = 60^\circ$$

30. (a)

With no restrictions, the six children can be arranged in  $6!$  ways i.e. 720 ways.

In all these arrangements it is just as likely for  $E$  to be on the left of  $F$  as it is for  $E$  to be on the right of  $F$ .

Therefore, exactly half must have  $E$  to the right of  $F$ , and exactly half must have  $E$  to the left of  $F$ .

Therefore, exactly  $\frac{720}{2} = 360$  of the arrangements have  $E$  to the left of  $F$ .

