

PREVIOUS YEAR PAPER

SSC CGL 2022 Tier I — 6 December 2022, Shift 2

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General Intelligence and Reasoning

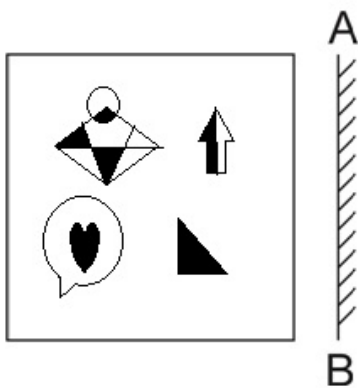
1. If $X \times Y$ means that X is the father of B, $X \div B$ means that X is the mother of B, $X - Y$ means that X is the brother of Y then which of the following expression shows that A is the father of C?

- (a) $A - B \times C$
- (b) $A \times C - B$
- (c) $A \times B \div C$
- (d) $A \times B - C$

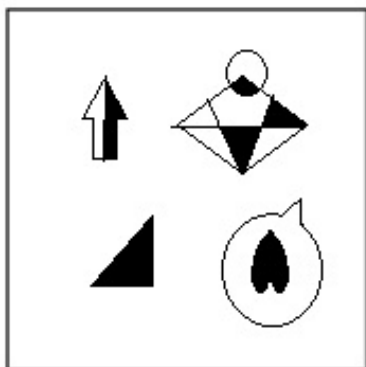
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2.

Select the correct mirror image of the given figure when the mirror is placed at AB as shown.



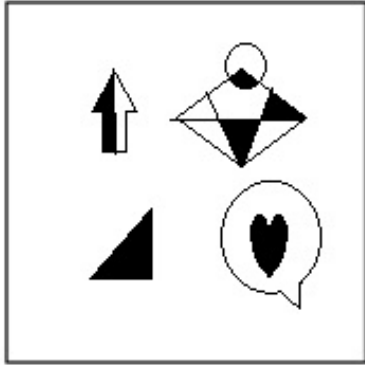
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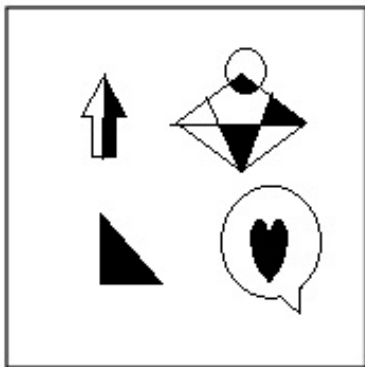
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(c)



(d)

**Answer: (b)**

3. Select the option that is related to the third word in the same way as the second word is related to the first word. (The words must be considered as meaningful English words and must not be related to each other based on the number of letters or the number of consonants/vowels in the word.) Octagon : Eight :: Heptagon : ?

- (a) Ten
- (b) Six
- (c) Nine
- (d) Seven

Answer: (d)

4. Select the set in which the numbers are related in the same way as are the numbers of the following set. (NOTE: Operations should be performed on the whole numbers, without breaking down the numbers into its constituent digits.) (2, 125, 3) (1, 64, 3)

- (a) (2, 100, 8)
- (b) (5, 512, 3)
- (c) (12, 50, 13)
- (d) (4, 341, 3)

Answer: (b)

5. Select the option that is related to the fourth term in the same way as the first term is related to the second term and the fifth term is related to the sixth term. $10 : 45 :: ? : 28 :: 11 : 55$

- (a) 9
- (b) 8
- (c) 12
- (d) 10

Answer: (b)

6. By interchanging the given two signs which of the following equation will be correct? + and ÷

- (a) $9 \times 18 + 27 \div 36 - 30 = 18$
- (b) $9 + 3 \times 2 - 8 \div 1 = -1$
- (c) $16 + 8 \times 2 \div 6 - 9 = 10$
- (d) $16 + 2 \times 6 \div 3 - 7 = 50$

Answer: (b)

7. Study the given pattern carefully and select the number that can replace the question mark (?) in it. First row: 243, 162, 9 Second row: 108, 72, 6 Third row: 48, ?, 4 (NOTE: Operations should be performed on the whole numbers, without breaking down the numbers into its constituent digits. E.g. 13 – Operations on 13 such as adding / subtracting / multiplying etc. to 13 can be performed. Breaking down 13 into 1 and 3 and then performing mathematical operations on 1 and 3 is not allowed)

- (a) 12
- (b) 21
- (c) 32
- (d) 23

Answer: (c)

8. In the following question, four number pairs are given. In each pair the number on left side of (–) is related to the number on the right side of (–) with some Logic/Rule/Relation. Three pairs are similar on basis of same Logic/Rule/Relation. Select the odd one out from the given alternatives. (NOTE: Operations should be performed on the whole numbers, without breaking down the numbers into its constituent digits. E.g. 13 – Operations on 13 such as adding / subtracting / multiplying etc. to 13 can be performed. Breaking down 13 into 1 and 3 and then performing mathematical operations on 1 and 3 is not allowed)

- (a) 8 – 60
- (b) 6 – 33
- (c) 12 – 141
- (d) 10 – 97

Answer: (a)

9.

Which two numbers, from amongst the given options, should be interchanged to make the given equation correct?

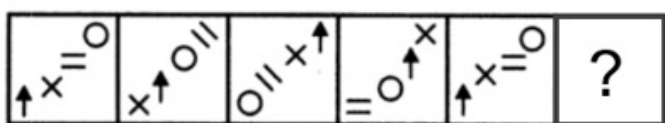
$$14 + 39 - (\sqrt{144} \div 4) + (5 \times 3) - 6 = 63$$

- (a) 14 and 6
- (b) 5 and 39
- (c) 4 and 3
- (d) 4 and 6

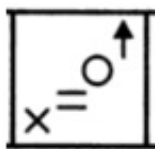
Answer: (c)

10.

Select the figure from among the given options that can replace the question mark (?) in the following series.



(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)



Answer: (b)

11. Three of the following letter-clusters are alike in some manner and hence form a group. Which letter-cluster does not belong to that group?

- (a) MNG
- (b) STM
- (c) ABU
- (d) HED

Answer: (d)

12. In a certain code language, 'NULLIFY' is written as 'MFOLRUB' and 'SKYWALK' is written as 'HPBWZOP'. How will 'FLAGGER' be written in that language?

- (a) VOZGTVI
- (b) UOZHTVI
- (c) UOZGTVI
- (d) UOZITVL

Answer: (c)

13. Which of the following numbers will replace the question mark (?) in the given series? 121, 169, 289, ?, 529, 841

- (a) 484
- (b) 361
- (c) 343
- (d) 441

Answer: (b)

14. Select the option that is related to the third word in the same way as the second word is related to the first word. (The words must be considered as meaningful English words and must not be related to each other based on the number of letters/number of consonants/vowels in the word.)

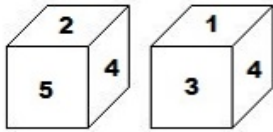
Dog : Bitch :: Stallion : ?

- (a) Doe
- (b) Mare
- (c) Goose
- (d) Vixen

Answer: (b)

15.

Two positions of the same cubical block are shown. When '6' is at the top, which number will be at the bottom?

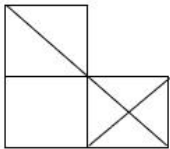


- (a) 4
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 5

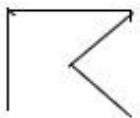
Answer: (a)

16.

Select the option figure which is embedded in the given figure as its part (rotation is NOT allowed).



(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

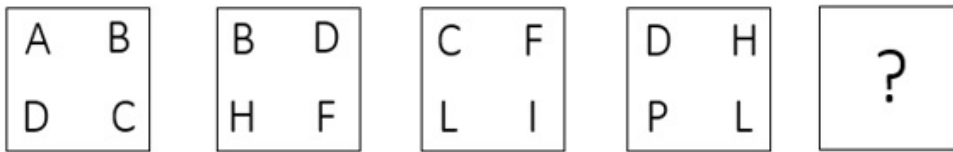


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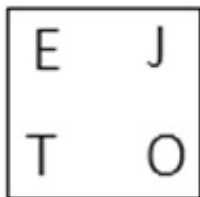
Select the figure from among the given options that can replace the question mark (?) in the following series.



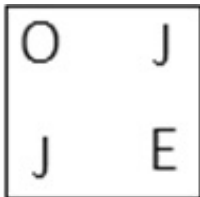
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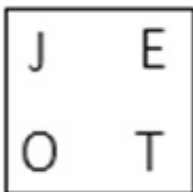
(b)



(c)



(d)

**Answer: (b)**

18. Three statements are given followed by three conclusions numbered I, II and III. Assuming the statements to be true, even if they seem to be at variance with commonly known facts, decide which of the conclusions logically follow (s) from the statements. Statements: Some mice are keyboards. All keyboards are CPUs. All mice are webcams. Conclusions:

I. Some CPUs are mice.

II. Some webcams are keyboards.

III. Some webcams are CPUs.

(a) All conclusions follow

(b) Only conclusions I and II follow

(c) Only conclusions II and III follow

(d) Only conclusions I and III follow

Answer: (a)

19. After interchanging the given two numbers and two signs what will be the values of equation

(I) and

(II) respectively? $\times$ and $-$, 4 and 5

I. $9 \div 3 \times 6 + 5 - 4$

II. $5 - 4 \times 3 + 6 \div 2$

(a) 17, 20

(b) 8, 6

(c) 16, 20

(d) 20, 17

Answer: (a)

20. Select the option that represents the correct order of the given words as they would appear in an English dictionary. 1- Miscellaneous 2- Miscalculate 3- Mischance 4- Miscall 5- Miscasting

(a) 2, 4, 1, 5, 3

(b) 2, 4, 5, 1, 3

(c) 4, 2, 5, 3, 1

(d) 4, 2, 5, 1, 3

Answer: (b)

21. A – B means 'A is the mother of B' A % B means 'A is the brother of B' A \$ B means 'A is the sister of B' A @ B means 'A is the son of B' If L @ M – N \$ O % P, then how is L related to P?

(a) Brother-in-law

(b) Father

(c) Son

(d) Brother

Answer: (d)

22. Which letter-cluster will replace the question mark (?) to complete the given series? MDSA, KERC, ?, GGPG, EHOI

(a) IFQE

(b) IFQG

(c) IEQF

(d) IQFE

Answer: (a)

23. In a certain code language, BELOVED is coded as 65, and FLOWER is coded as 79. How will QUIVER be coded in that language?

(a) 92

(b) 94

(c) 91

(d) 90

Answer: (a)

24. In the following question below are given some statements followed by some conclusions based on those statements. Taking the given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts. Read all the conclusions and then decide which of the given conclusion logically follows the given statements. Statements:

I. All Q are M.

II. All O are M. Conclusion: I. Some O are not Q. II. All M are Q.

- (a) Both conclusions I and II follows
- (b) Only conclusion II follows
- (c) Only conclusion I follows
- (d) Neither conclusion follows

Answer: (d)

25. A series is given with one term missing. Select the correct alternative from the given ones that will complete the series. NDRF, NZJT, NVBH, NRTV, ?

- (a) NJRM
- (b) NTQC
- (c) NNLJ
- (d) NIRQ

Answer: (c)

General Awareness

1. Baishakhi, the famous festival of Sikhs, is celebrated in which month every year?

- (a) April
- (b) February
- (c) January
- (d) March

Answer: (a)

2. Chola inscriptions mention several categories of land, which of the following land was known as gifted to temples?

- (a) Devadana
- (b) Shalabhoga
- (c) Pallichchhandam
- (d) Brahmadeya

Answer: (a)

3. Who was sworn in as the Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC) by President Droupadi Murmu in August 2022?

- (a) Rajiv Gauba
- (b) Ranjit Rath
- (c) Pramod Kumar
- (d) Suresh N. Patel

Answer: (d)

4. The appointments committee of cabinet (ACC) extended the tenure of current Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) chief for another year, till June 30, 2023. Who is the current chief?

- (a) Mukul Rohatgi
- (b) Anil Chauhan
- (c) Samant Kumar Goel
- (d) Sunil Barthwal

Answer: (c)

5. How many times did India organise the Commonwealth Games?

- (a) Once
- (b) Twice
- (c) Thrice
- (d) Never

Answer: (a)

6. Identify a dark-coloured amorphous substance that is highly resistant to microbial action and undergoes decomposition at an extremely slow rate.

- (a) Chitin
- (b) Humus
- (c) Carotenoids
- (d) Colloids

Answer: (b)

7. How many Indian states shares its border with Bangladesh?

- (a) Three
- (b) Four
- (c) Six
- (d) Five

Answer: (d)

8. Established in 1867 at Bombay, the _____sought to remove caste restrictions, abolish child marriage, and encourage the education of women, etc.

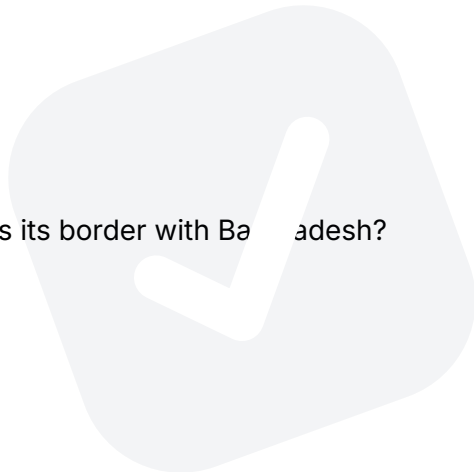
- (a) Veda Samaj
- (b) Arya Samaj
- (c) Prarthana Samaj
- (d) Satyashodhak Samaj

Answer: (c)

9. A Hindu festival celebrated by the Tamil community that falls in the Tamil Solar Month is called?

- (a) Karaga
- (b) Bihu
- (c) Onam
- (d) Thaipusam

Answer: (d)



10. Goods and services tax (GST) became operational from _____.

- (a) 1 July 2017
- (b) 1 May 2016
- (c) 1 April 2016
- (d) 1 April 2017

Answer: (a)

11. Which of the following was known as an organisation of merchants in the inscriptions of the Pallavas?

- (a) Nagaram
- (b) Sangathana
- (c) Ur
- (d) Sabha

Answer: (a)

12. Sundaram Balachander has been the main player of which of the following musical instruments?

- (a) Mridangam
- (b) Bansuri
- (c) Veena
- (d) Santoor

Answer: (c)

13. As of 10 April 2022, who among the following is the Chief Minister of Puducherry?

- (a) N Rangasamy
- (b) RV Janakiraman
- (c) V Vaithilingam
- (d) P Shanmugam

Answer: (a)

14. What is the average height of troposphere?

- (a) 20 km
- (b) 13 km
- (c) 24 km
- (d) 8 km

Answer: (b)

15. pH of milk of magnesia is _____.

- (a) 12
- (b) 8
- (c) 10
- (d) 14

Answer: (c)



16. The real executive power is vested in the Council of Ministers with the _____ as its head.

- (a) Prime Minister
- (b) Speaker of Rajya Sabha
- (c) Vice President
- (d) President

Answer: (a)

17. Which singer was given the Padma Shri in 2022 under the Arts category?

- (a) Kumar Sanu
- (b) Udit Narayan
- (c) Abhijeet Bhattacharya
- (d) Sonu Nigam

Answer: (d)

18. What is the numerical value of a physical quantity?

- (a) Reference
- (b) Direction
- (c) Distance
- (d) Magnitude

Answer: (d)

19. In March 2022, Tripura government announced _____ reservation for women in government jobs.

- (a) 20 percent
- (b) 27 percent
- (c) 10 percent
- (d) 33 percent

Answer: (d)

20. In 1840, the Paramhans Mandali was established to work for the abolition of 'Caste' at _____.

- (a) Lahore
- (b) Calcutta
- (c) Surat
- (d) Bombay

Answer: (d)

21. In football, when the ball strikes the frame of the goal or the referee and remains within the goal and touch lines, it is:

- (a) foul
- (b) still in play
- (c) a misconduct
- (d) out of play

Answer: (b)

22. The Indian Institute of remote sensing was established at:

- (a) Khadakwasla
- (b) Shimla
- (c) Dehradun
- (d) Kochi

Answer: (c)

23. 'Modernisation' as a goal of planning in context of the Indian economy was NOT aimed at:

- (a) adopting a Western lifestyle
- (b) change in social outlook
- (c) increase in production of goods and services
- (d) use of new technology

Answer: (a)

24. In 1664, who discovered the fifth star in the Trapezium, an asterism (miniconstellation) in the constellation Orion?

- (a) George Willis Ritchey
- (b) Giordano Bruno
- (c) Johannes Kepler
- (d) Robert Hooke

Answer: (d)

25.

Match column A with column B.

Column A	Column B
i. Kwashiorkor	a. Iodine deficiency
ii. Weak bones and muscles	b. Iron deficiency
iii. Anaemia	c. Calcium deficiency
iv. Goitre	d. Protein deficiency

- (a) i-c, ii-b, iii-d, iv-a
- (b) i-b, ii-a, iii-c, iv-d
- (c) i-d, ii-c, iii-b, iv-a
- (d) i-b, ii-c, iii-a, iv-d

Answer: (c)

Quantitative Aptitude

1. How many circles can be drawn that pass(es) through two fixed points?

- (a) Infinite
- (b) Only two
- (c) One or two
- (d) Only one

Answer: (a)

2. If x is the mean proportional between 12.8 and 64.8, then the value of x is:

- (a) 32
- (b) 34
- (c) 28.8
- (d) 26.4

Answer: (c)

3. If $\cot A = 15/8$, then what will be the value of $\tan 2A$?

- (a) $200/161$
- (b) $240/161$
- (c) $240/173$
- (d) $220/171$

Answer: (b)

4. The table given below shows the number of persons participating in a survey from 6 different states.



States	Persons
J	200
K	300
L	500
M	600
N	700
P	900

Number of persons participating in the survey from L is what percent of the number of persons participating in the survey from J?

- (a) 200 percent
- (b) 250 percent
- (c) 80 percent
- (d) 40 percent

Answer: (b)

5. The table given below shows the temperature recorded every day in a certain week.

Days	Temperature
Monday	20°
Tuesday	45°
Wednesday	30°
Thursday	50°
Friday	25°
Saturday	55°
Sunday	60°

What is the difference between the temperature recorded on Monday and Tuesday together and the temperature recorded on Friday and Saturday together?

- (a) 25 degree
- (b) 20 degree
- (c) 15 degree
- (d) 10 degree

Answer: (c)

6.

$3^{50} + 9^{26} + 27^{18} + 9^{28} + 9^{29}$ is divisible by which of the following integers?

- (a) 11
- (b) 5
- (c) 7
- (d) 2

Answer: (a)

7. A car with a price of ₹6,50,000 is bought by making some down payment. On the balance, a simple interest of 10% is charged in lump sum and the money is to be paid in 20 equal annual instalments of ₹25,000. How much is the down payment?

- (a)
₹1,55,945
- (b)
₹1,95,455
- (c)
₹1,94,555
- (d)
₹1,45,955

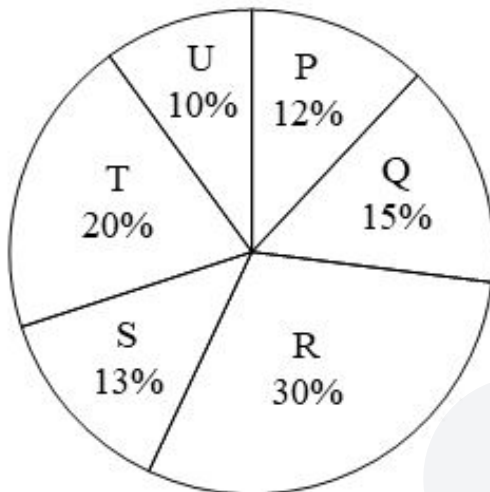
Answer: (b)

8. A shopkeeper has 2220 kg of rice. A part of which he sells at a 20% profit and the rest at a 12% profit. He gains 18% on the whole. The quantity (in kg) sold at a 12% profit is:

- (a) 555
- (b) 1210
- (c) 1665
- (d) 425

Answer: (a)

10. The pie chart given below shows the production of 6 different factories. The total production of all these 6 factories is 12000. The production of a particular factory is shown as a percent of total production of all these 6 factories.



J1 = The value of average production of P and R. J2 = The value of average production of Q and T.
What is the value of $(J1 - J2)$?

- (a) 360
- (b) 420
- (c) 340
- (d) 400

Answer: (b)

11.

If $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = 1$ and $a + b = 2$, then the value of $a^3 + b^3$ is:

- (a) 0
- (b) 3
- (c) 1
- (d) 2

Answer: (a)

12. If 3 coconuts are offered free on purchase of 12 coconuts, priced ₹25 each, what is the effective discount on each coconut?.

(a)

20%

(b)

24%

(c)

20.83%

(d)

15%

Answer: (a)

13. The population of country A decreased by $p\%$ and the population of country B decreased by $q\%$ from the year 2020 to 2021. Here ' p ' is greater than ' q '. Let ' x ' be the ratio of the population of country A to the population of country B in the given year. What is the percentage decrease in ' x ' from 2020 to 2021?

(a)

$$\frac{100(p - q)}{(100 - q)}$$

(b)

$$\frac{100(p - q)}{100 + P}$$

(c)

$$\frac{100(p - q)}{100 - p}$$

(d)

$$\frac{100(p - q)}{100 + q}$$

Answer: (a)

14. A chord of length 40 cm is drawn in a circle having diameter 50 cm. What is the minimum distance of other parallel chord of length 30 cm in the same circle from 40 cm long chord?

(a) 10 cm

(b) 15 cm

(c) 5 cm

(d) 20 cm

Answer: (c)



15.

If $4x^2 + y^2 = 40$ and $xy = 6$, find the positive value of $2x + y$.

- (a) 8
- (b) 6
- (c) 5
- (d) 4

Answer: (a)

16. Piyush sold a guitar to Anuj at 16% gain and Anuj sold it to Mayank at 32% gain. If Mayank paid Rs.3,828 for the guitar, what amount did Piyush pay for the same?

- (a) Rs.2,500
- (b) Rs.3,200
- (c) Rs.1,600
- (d) Rs.2,800

Answer: (a)

17.

The external diameter of an iron pipe is 20 cm and its length is 12 cm. If the thickness of the pipe is 1 cm, find the surface area of the pipe (take $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$) correct to two places of decimal.

- (a)
1,662.67 cm²
- (b)
1,552.57 cm²
- (c)
1,442.48 cm²
- (d)
1,772.76 cm²

Answer: (b)

18. A group of men decided to do a job in 6 days, but 18 men dropped out every day. If the job was completed in 8 days, then how many men initially decided to do the job.

- (a) 300
- (b) 252
- (c) 188
- (d) 150

Answer: (b)

19.

What is the value of $\frac{\cos 37^\circ}{\sin 53^\circ}$?

(a)

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

(b)

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

(c)

$$0$$

(d)

$$1$$

Answer: (d)

20.

What is the value of $\cos\left(-\frac{17\pi}{3}\right)$?

(a)

$$1$$

(b)

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

(c)

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

(d)

$$0$$

Answer: (c)

21. A dog saw a cat at a distance of 280 m. The cat started running at the speed of 10 km/h and the dog also ran to catch it with the speed of 24 km/h. How much time will the dog take to catch the cat?

(a) 1.4 min

(b) 1.5 min

(c) 1.2 min

(d) 1.3 min

Answer: (c)

22. A tangent is drawn from a point M to a circle, which meets the circle at T such that $MT = 12$ cm. A secant MAB intersects the circle at points A and B. If $MA = 8$ cm, what is the length (in cm) of the chord AB?

- (a) 16
- (b) 10
- (c) 12
- (d) 9

Answer: (b)

23.

If $p = 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$, then what is the value of $\frac{p^6 + p^4 + p^2 + 1}{p^3}$?

- (a) 2617
- (b) 2167
- (c) 2716
- (d) 2176

Answer: (c)

24. The height of an equilateral triangle is

$$7\sqrt{3}$$

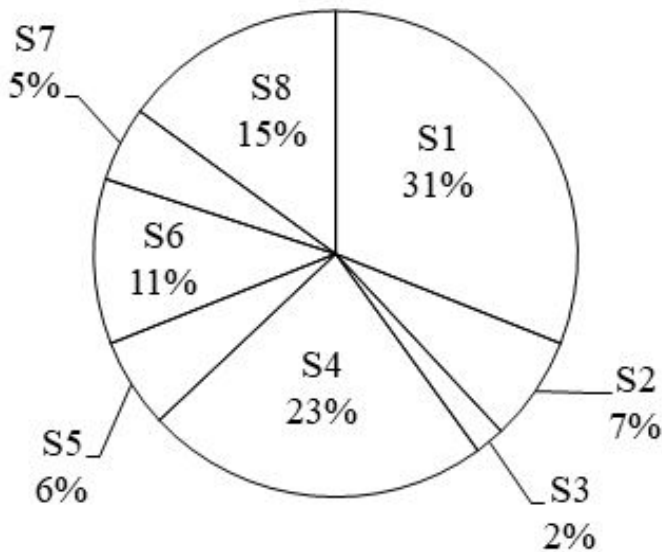
cm. What is the area of this equilateral

triangle?

- (a)
 $36\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$
- (b)
 $25\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$
- (c)
 $49\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$
- (d)
 $32\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$

Answer: (c)

25. The pie chart given below shows the number of boys in 8 schools. The total number of boys in all these 8 school is 12000. Number of boys in a particular school is shown as a percent of total number of boys in all these 8 schools.



The average number of boys in S1 and S2 is what percent of the average number of boys in S6 and S8?

- (a) 133.33 percent
- (b) 192.24 percent
- (c) 172.26 percent
- (d) 146.15 percent

Answer: (d)

English Comprehension

1. Select the most appropriate option that can substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select 'No substitution required'.

The soldiers had no choice to report the loss to their commander.

- (a) no choice as to
- (b) no choice how to
- (c) No substitution required
- (d) no choice but to

Answer: (d)

2. Identify the most appropriate ANTONYM of the underlined word in the given sentence. The game continued due to heavy rainfall after the pitch became completely wet.

- (a) ongoing
- (b) played
- (c) stopped
- (d) disregarded

Answer: (c)

3. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom. On the ball

- (a) To be alert
- (b) Doing a bad job
- (c) Doing an average job
- (d) To be lazy

Answer: (a)

4. Select the most appropriate collocating word to fill in the blank. Great people are always ready to _____ responsibilities.

- (a) kindle
- (b) secure
- (c) shoulder
- (d) burden

Answer: (c)

5. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the word 'IMMORAL' from the given sentence. The city of Hamburg and its surrounding region have generally decent health, with no pandemic illnesses having lately developed to any significant degree.

- (a) Degree
- (b) Decent
- (c) Illness
- (d) Region

Answer: (b)

6. In the given sentence the underlined word may have been incorrectly spelt. Identify the option that rectifies the spelling. If there is no error in spelling, select 'No error'.

The Education Ministry believes that after the reopening of the schools, it will take some time to regain the equilibreium.

- (a) equilibreum
- (b) equelibrium
- (c) No error
- (d) equilibrium

Answer: (d)

8. Sentences of a paragraph are given below in jumbled order. Arrange the sentences in the correct order to form a meaningful and coherent paragraph.

- A. Such problems include difficulty in implementing decisions, providing social security to everyone and ensuring employment.
- B. This is because almost all countries face problems related to their population.
- C. The most crucial aspect of the problem is population pressure.
- D. The population explosion is an important issue these days.

- (a) CDAB
- (b) DBCA
- (c) DBAC
- (d) ABCD

Answer: (c)

9. Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence. Radha said, "Why didn't he forward his petition to me?"

- (a) Radha enquired why he had not forwarded his petition to her.
- (b) Radha enquired why he has not forwarded his petition to her.
- (c) Radha enquired why had he not forwarded his petition to her.
- (d) Radha enquired why he had not forward his petition to her.

Answer: (a)

10. Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order. Electrolytes like

P. important for balancing the water in your body

Q. are present in the body's fluids and are

R. are electrically charged minerals that

S. sodium, potassium, chloride and magne

- (a) PQSR
- (b) SPRQ
- (c) SQRP
- (d) SRQP

Answer: (d)

11. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the underlined words in the given sentence.

Today my dad will teach me how to make a small shelter for my dog.

- (a) kennel
- (b) canal
- (c) burrow
- (d) shed

Answer: (a)

12. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word. Harmony

- (a) Hostility
- (b) Congruity
- (c) Consent
- (d) Concord

Answer: (a)

13. Select the most appropriate option to complete the given sentence. His brother _____ his _____ and gave him a watch after his result.

- (a) took, word
- (b) broke, record
- (c) lost, temper
- (d) kept, promise

Answer: (d)

15. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute for the given group of words. Existing in a land from the earliest times or from before the arrival of colonists

- (a) Native
- (b) Ancient
- (c) Aboriginal
- (d) Original

Answer: (c)

17. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word.

- (a) Athlete
- (b) Practically
- (c) Benefitted
- (d) Antartic

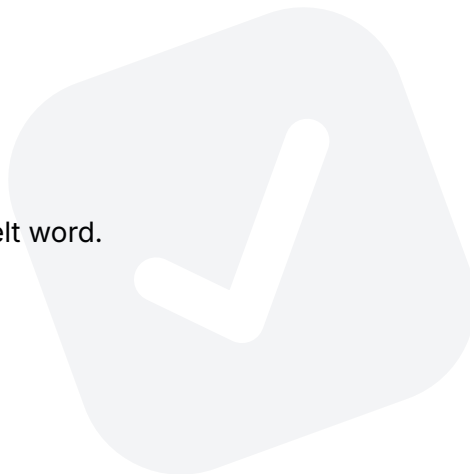
Answer: (d)

18. Select the most appropriate synonym of the underlined word in the given sentence.

The essayist's sole intention was to baffle his readers.

- (a) Puzzle
- (b) Influence
- (c) Scold
- (d) Annoy

Answer: (a)



19. The following sentence has been divided into parts. One of them may contain an error. Select the part that contains the error from the given options. If you don't find any error, mark 'No error' as your answer. He always / aimed highly / in life.

- (a) No error
- (b) in life
- (c) aimed highly
- (d) He always

Answer: (c)

20. Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom. When the war breaks out, all the war mongering social media activists become yellow bellies.

- (a) Zealots
- (b) Cowards
- (c) Sceptics
- (d) Upset stomachs

Answer: (b)

Passage — for questions 21–25

In the following passage, some words have been deleted. Read the passage carefully and select the most appropriate option to fill in each blank.

India is one of the largest producers of tea in the world. The industry is (1)_____ recognised as technically very well (2) _____. The Indian tea industry is a (3) _____ one traditionally. Tea has been used in India for (4) _____ purposes as well as for (5) _____.

21. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 1.

- (a) globally
- (b) tediously
- (c) industrially
- (d) mutually

Answer: (a)

22. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 2.

- (a) complex
- (b) establish
- (c) pampered
- (d) equipped

Answer: (d)

23. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 3.

- (a) flourish
- (b) condensing
- (c) flourishing
- (d) thrashing

Answer: (c)

24. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 4.

- (a) sick
- (b) immune
- (c) medicinal
- (d) immunology

Answer: (c)

25. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank number 5.

- (a) fulfillment
- (b) advantage
- (c) consumption
- (d) retention

Answer: (c)



Answer key

Answer key as marked in the Staff Selection Commission's response sheet. "—" means the sheet did not show it clearly.

General Intelligence and Reasoning

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

General Awareness

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

Quantitative Aptitude

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

English Comprehension

1	(d)	2	(c)	3	(a)	4	(c)	5	(b)	6	(d)	8	(c)	9	(a)
10	(d)	11	(a)	12	(a)	13	(c)	14	(c)	17	(d)	18	(a)	19	(c)
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