



**NATIONAL LEVEL SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION (UPDATED)**

**CLASS - 10**  
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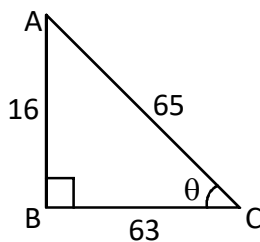
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**SOLUTIONS**

**MATHEMATICS**

01. (C) Given  $\cot \theta = \frac{63}{16} = \frac{\text{adj side to } \theta}{\text{opp side to } \theta}$



$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 = 16^2 + 63^2 = 256 + 3969 = 4225$$

$$\therefore AC = \sqrt{4225} = 65$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta + \cos \theta = \frac{16}{65} + \frac{63}{65} = \frac{79}{65}$$

02. (D) LHS =  $\sin^2 6^\circ + \sin^2 12^\circ + \sin^2 18^\circ + \dots + \sin^2 84^\circ + \sin^2 90^\circ$

$$= (\sin^2 6^\circ + \sin^2 84^\circ) + (\sin^2 12^\circ + \sin^2 78^\circ) + (\sin^2 18^\circ + \sin^2 72^\circ) + \dots + (\sin^2 42^\circ + \cos^2 48^\circ) + \sin^2 90^\circ$$

$$= (\sin^2 6^\circ + \cos^2 6^\circ) + (\sin^2 12^\circ + \cos^2 12^\circ) + \dots + (\sin^2 42^\circ + \cos^2 42^\circ) + 1$$

$$= 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$$

$$= 8$$

03. (B) In an equilateral triangle  $BD:DC = 2:1$  &  $AP \perp BC$

$$\therefore 9AD^2 = 7AB^2$$

$$9 \times AD^2 = 7 \times 9 \times 9 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$AD^2 = \frac{7 \times 9 \times 9 \text{ cm}^2}{9}$$

$$AD = \sqrt{7 \times 9} \text{ cm} = 3\sqrt{7} \text{ cm}$$

04. (B) L.H.S =

$$\frac{\cos^2(90^\circ - 45^\circ + \theta) + \cos^2(45^\circ - \theta)}{\tan(90^\circ - 30^\circ + \theta) \tan(30^\circ - \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos^2[90^\circ - (45^\circ - \theta)] + \cos^2(45^\circ - \theta)}{\tan[90^\circ - (30^\circ - \theta)] \tan(30^\circ - \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{\sin^2(45^\circ - \theta) + \cos^2(45^\circ - \theta)}{\cot(30^\circ - \theta) \tan(30^\circ - \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1}$$

$$= 1$$

05. (A)  $\angle BAC = 90^\circ$  [ $\because$  Angle in a semi-circle]

$$\Rightarrow BC^2 = AB^2 + AC^2 = 28^2 + 21^2 = 784 + 441 = 1225$$

$$BC = \sqrt{1225} = 35$$

Area of shaded region = Area of the circle – Area of the right angled triangle – Area of sector COD.

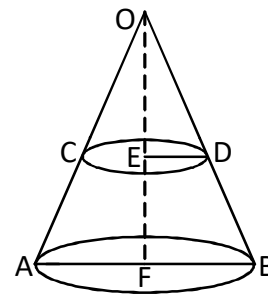
$$= \left( \pi \times \left( \frac{35}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \times 28 \times 21 - \frac{1}{4} \times \pi \left( \frac{35}{2} \right)^2 \right) \text{ cm}^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{22}{2} \times \frac{35}{2} \times \frac{35}{2} - 294 - \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{22}{2} \times \frac{35}{2} \times \frac{35}{2} \right) \text{ cm}^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{3}{4} \times 55 \times \frac{35}{2} - 294 \right) \text{ cm}^2$$

$$= [721.875 - 294] \text{ cm}^2 = 427.875 \text{ cm}^2$$

06. (C) Let OAB be the given hollow cone cut by the plane CD parallel to base AB and let cone OCD be removed. Then, the remainder to the frustum CABD of the given cone.



[by Thales' theorem]

Let  $OE = h$  units,  $OF = H$  units

$OD = l$  units,  $OB = L$  units

$ED = r$  units,  $FB = R$  units

In  $\triangle OED$  and  $\triangle OFB$ , we have

$\angle EOD = \angle FOB$

(Common)

$\angle OED = \angle OFB = 90^\circ$ .

$\therefore \triangle OED \sim \triangle OFB$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{OE}{OF} = \frac{OD}{OB} = \frac{ED}{FB} = \frac{h}{H} = \frac{l}{L} = \frac{r}{R} \dots\dots (i)$$

Now, (curved surface area of the frustum CABD)

$$= \frac{8}{9} \text{ (curved surface area of the cone OAB)} \dots\dots (ii)$$

$\therefore$  (Curved surface area of the cone OCD)

= (Curved surface area of cone OAB) – (Curved surface area of frustum CABD)

= (Curved surface area of cone OAB) –

$$\frac{8}{9} \text{ (curved surface area of cone OAB)}$$

[Using (ii)]

$$= \frac{1}{9} \text{ (curved surface area of cone OAB)}$$

$$= \pi r l = \frac{1}{9} \pi R L$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{r}{R}\right) \times \left(\frac{l}{L}\right) = \frac{1}{9} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{h}{H} \times \frac{h}{H}\right) = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{h}{H} = \frac{1}{3}$$

[Using (ii)]

$$H = 3h \quad \dots\dots \text{(iii)}$$

$$\text{Now, } EF = (OF - OE) = (H - h) = (3h - h) = 2h \quad [\because OF = H = 3h \text{ and } OE = h]$$

$$\frac{OE}{EF} = \frac{h}{2H} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, the required ratio = OE : EF = 1 : 2

7. (C)  $x = 0.\overline{87}$

$$\therefore 100x = 87.8787\dots$$

$$x = 0.8787\dots$$

$$\begin{array}{r} (-) \quad (-) \\ \hline 99x = 87 \end{array}$$

$$x = \frac{87}{99} = \frac{29}{33} = \frac{p}{q}$$

$$\therefore q = 33 = 3 \times 11$$

8. (C) Factors of 5 are 1 & 5 (or) -5 & -1

$$\text{Given } f(x) = x^3 - ax^2 - 69x + 5$$

$$f(x) = 13 - 9(1)2 - 69(1) + 6$$

$$= -72$$

$$f(1) \neq 0$$

$$f(-5) = (-5)3 - 9(-5)2 - 69(-5) + 5$$

$$= -125 - 225 + 345 + 5 = 0$$

$(x + 5)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$

$$\begin{array}{r} x+5 \overline{) x^3 - 9x^2 - 69x + 5} \\ \underline{x^3 + 5x^2} \phantom{+ 5} \\ (-) \quad (-) \phantom{+ 5} \\ \underline{-14x^2 - 69x + 5} \\ \phantom{-14x^2 - 69x} \underline{-14x^2 - 70x} \\ \phantom{-14x^2 - 69x} \phantom{-14x^2 - 70x} \underline{x + 5} \\ \phantom{-14x^2 - 69x} \phantom{-14x^2 - 70x} \phantom{x + 5} \underline{x + 5} \\ \phantom{-14x^2 - 69x} \phantom{-14x^2 - 70x} \phantom{x + 5} \phantom{x + 5} \underline{0} \end{array}$$

$$x^2 - 14x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-(-14) \pm \sqrt{196 - 4 \times 1}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{14 \pm \sqrt{192}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{14 \pm 8\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= 7 \pm 4\sqrt{3}$$

9. (B) Given  $a = 3\sqrt{2}$  &  $d = 4\sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{2} = \sqrt{2}$

$$a_{10} = a + ad = 3\sqrt{2} + 9\sqrt{2} = 12\sqrt{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{144 \times 2} = \sqrt{288}$$

10. (D)  $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{3}{0.06} = \frac{300}{6} = 50$

$$\frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{4}{0.08} = \frac{400}{8} = 50$$

$$\frac{c_1}{c_2} = \frac{-5}{0.1} = -50$$

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} \neq \frac{c_1}{c_2}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Given lines are parallel lines

$\therefore$  No solution

11. (D)  $\triangle ADG \sim \triangle ABC$  [ $\because$  A - A similarity]

$$\therefore \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{DG}{BC} = \frac{AG}{AC}$$

$$\therefore \frac{18\text{cm}}{AB} = \frac{DE}{BC} \quad \text{_____ (1)}$$

[ $\because$  DG = DE]

$\triangle CEF \sim \triangle CBA$

[ $\because$  A - A similarity]

$$\frac{CE}{CB} = \frac{EF}{BA} = \frac{CF}{AC}$$

$$\frac{32\text{cm}}{BC} = \frac{DE}{AB} \text{ ————— (2)}$$

$$[\because EF = DE]$$

$$\text{Eq (1)} \times \text{(2)} \Rightarrow \frac{18\text{cm}}{AB} \times \frac{32\text{cm}}{BC} = \frac{DE}{AB} \times \frac{DE}{BC}$$

$$\frac{DE^2}{AB \times BC} \times AB \times BC = 576 \text{ cm}^2$$

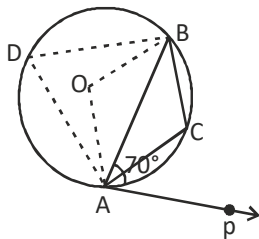
$$DE = \sqrt{576 \text{ cm}^2} = 24 \text{ cm}$$

12. (B) Centroid  $\triangle ABC =$  Centroid of  $\triangle DEF$

$$= \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{5 - 5 + 6}{3}, \frac{-3 + 3 + 6}{3} \right)$$

$$= (2, 2)$$



13. (B)

Construction: Notice the centre of the circle as 'O'. Join OA, OB. Notice a point 'D' on the major arc join AD & BD.

Proof: A tangent is perpendicular to the radius.

$$\therefore \angle OAB + \angle BAP = 90^\circ$$

$$\angle OAB + 70^\circ = 90^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle OAB = 20^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle OBA = 20^\circ$$

$$\text{In } \triangle AOB, 20^\circ + 20^\circ + \angle AOB = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle AOB = 140^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle ADB = \frac{\angle AOB}{2} = \frac{140^\circ}{2} = 70^\circ$$

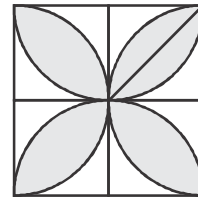
But ACBD is a cyclic quadrilateral.

$$\therefore \angle D + \angle BCA = 180^\circ$$

$$70^\circ + \angle BCA = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle BCA = 180^\circ - 70^\circ = 110^\circ$$

14 (B) Radius =  $14 \text{ cm} \div 2 = 7 \text{ cm}$

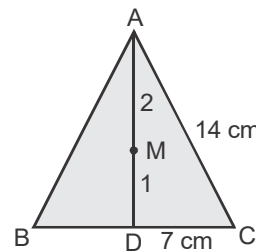


$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of a } \frac{1}{4} \text{ circle} &= \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{22}{7} \times 7 \text{ cm} \times 7 \text{ cm} \\ &= 38.5 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

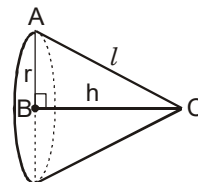
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of a } \frac{1}{2} \text{ triangle} &= \frac{1}{2} \times 7 \text{ cm} \times 7 \text{ cm} = 24.5 \\ &\text{cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of a } \text{leaf} &= 38.5 \text{ cm}^2 - 24.5 \text{ cm}^2 = 14 \\ &\text{cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of shaded region} &= 14 \text{ cm}^2 \times 8 = \\ &112 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$



15. (A) Given,  $h = 16 \text{ cm}$  and  $l = 20 \text{ cm}$ .

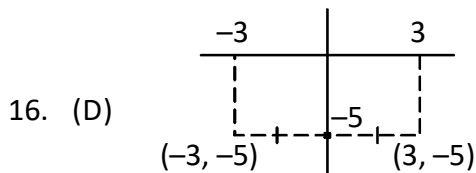


$$\therefore r = \sqrt{l^2 - h^2} = \sqrt{20^2 - 16^2} \text{ cm} = 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume} = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 h$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{22}{7} \times 12^2 \times 16 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$= \frac{16896}{7} \text{ cm}^3 = 2413.7 \text{ cm}^3$$



17. (C) Side of square = HCF of length and breadth of the room.

1763 cm & 1927 cm

HCF = 41 cm

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1783 \ 1927 \ (1) \\
 \underline{1763} \\
 164 \ 1763 \ (10) \\
 \underline{1640} \\
 123 \ 164 \ (1) \\
 \underline{123} \\
 41 \ 123 \ (3) \\
 \underline{123} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$\therefore$  Least number of square tiles =

$$\frac{1763^{43} \text{ cm} \times 1927^{47} \text{ cm}}{41 \text{ cm} \times 41 \text{ cm}}$$

= 2021

18. (A) Give  $\alpha + \beta = \frac{1}{2} \alpha\beta$

$$-[-(k + 4)] = \frac{1}{2} \times 2(2k + 1)$$

$$k + 4 = 2k + 1$$

$$4 - 1 = 2k - k$$

$$k = 3$$

19. (C) Given  $1 + \sin^2 \theta = 3 \sin \theta \cos \theta$

$$\therefore \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta - 3 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$$

$$2\sin^2 \theta - 2\sin \theta \cos \theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 0$$

$$2\sin \theta (\sin \theta - \cos \theta) - \cos \theta (\sin \theta - \cos \theta) = 0$$

$$\therefore (\sin \theta - \cos \theta) (2\sin \theta - \cos \theta) = 0$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \cos \theta = 5m(90 - \theta)$$

$$\therefore \theta = 90 - \theta$$

$$2\theta = 90^\circ$$

$$\sin \theta - \cos \theta = 0 \text{ (or)}$$

$$\theta = \frac{90^\circ}{2} = 45^\circ$$

$$2\sin \theta - \cos \theta = 0 \text{ (or)}$$

$$2\sin \theta = \cos \theta$$

$$\sin \theta - \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\sin \theta = 50(90^\circ - \theta) \text{ (or)}$$

$$2 = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \cot \theta$$

$$\theta = 90^\circ - \theta$$

$$2\theta = 90^\circ$$

$$\theta = \frac{90^\circ}{2} = 45^\circ$$

20. (B) Given  $a_{18} = a + 17d = 18$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

$$\therefore S_{35} = \frac{35}{2} [2a + 34d]$$

$$= \frac{35}{2} \times 2(a + 17d)$$

$$= 35 \times 18$$

$$= 630$$

21. (A)  $18(6x^4 + x^3 - x^2) = 18x^2(6x^2 + x - 1)$

$$= 18x^2 (6x^2 + 3x - 2x - 1)$$

$$= 18x^2 [3x(2x + 1) - 1(2x + 1)]$$

$$= 9x^2 (2x + 1)(3x - 1)$$

$$45(2x^6 + 3x^5 + x^4) = 45x^4(2x^2 + 3x + 1)$$

$$= 45x^2(2x^2 + 2x + x + 1)$$

$$= 45x^2 [2x(x + 1) + 1(x + 1)]$$

$$= 9 \times 5x^2 (x + 1)(2x + 1)$$

$$\therefore \text{HCF of } 18(6x^4 + x^3 - x^2) \text{ and } 45(2x^6 + 3x^5 + x^4) = 9x^2(2x + 1)$$

22. (D) Given  $\cos^2 \theta - 3\cos \theta + 2 = \sin^2 \theta$   
 $\cos^2 \theta - 3\cos \theta + 2 = 1 - \cos^2 \theta$   
 $\cos^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta - 3\cos \theta + 2 - 1 = 0$   
 $2\cos^2 \theta - 2\cos \theta - \cos \theta + 1 = 0$   
 $2 \cos \theta(\cos \theta - 1) - 1(\cos \theta - 1) = 0$   
 $(\cos \theta - 1)(2\cos \theta - 1) = 0$   
 $\therefore \cos \theta - 1 = 0$  and  $2 \cos \theta - 1 = 0$   
 $\cos \theta = 1 = \cos 0^\circ$  and  $2\cos \theta = 1$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} = \cos 60^\circ$$

$$\therefore \theta = 60^\circ$$

$[\theta = 0^\circ$  is rejected because in the question denominator  $= \sin \theta = \sin 0^\circ = 0]$

23. (C) Let the two numbers be  $x$  &  $y$  when  $x > y$   
 $\therefore x + y = 1000$  \_\_\_\_\_ (1)  
 Given  $x^2 - y^2 = 256,000$   
 $(x + y)(x - y) = 2,56,000$   
 $1000(x - y) = 25,6000$

$$x - y = \frac{256000}{1000}$$

$$x - y = 256$$

\_\_\_\_\_ (2)

$$x + y = 1000$$

\_\_\_\_\_ (1)

$$\underline{x - y = 256}$$

\_\_\_\_\_ (2)

$$2x = 1256$$

$$x = \frac{1256}{2} = 628$$

$$\therefore y = 1000 - x = 1000 - 628 = 512$$

$$\therefore \text{Greater number} = 628$$

24. (A) Given  $2(l + b) = 98$  m

$$l + b = \frac{98}{2} \text{ m} = 49 \text{ m}$$

$$l + b = 49$$

S.O.B.S

$$l^2 + b^2 + 2lb = 2401$$

$$41^2 + 2lb = 2401$$

$$1681 + 2lb = 2401$$

$$2lb = 2401 - 1681 = 720$$

$$lb = \frac{720}{2} = 360$$

$$40 + 9 = 49 \text{ and } 40 \times 9 = 360$$

$$\therefore l = 40 \text{ m}$$

25. (D) Given  $a = 23$   $d = a_2 - a_1 = 22 \frac{1}{4} - 23$   
 $= \frac{-3}{4}$

Given  $a_n < 0$

$$a + (n - 1)d < 0$$

$$23 + (n - 1)\left(\frac{-3}{4}\right) < 0$$

$$23 - (n - 1)\frac{3}{4} < 0$$

$$23 < (n - 1)\frac{3}{4}$$

$$23 \times \frac{4}{3} < n - 1$$

$$\frac{92}{3} < n - 1$$

$$30.6 + 1 < n$$

$$n > 31.6$$

$\therefore$  Next integer of 31.6 is '32'

$$\therefore N = 32$$

$\therefore a_{32}$  is the first negative term

$$\therefore a_{32} = 23 + 31 \times \left(\frac{-3}{4}\right) = \frac{92 - 93}{4} = \frac{-1}{4}$$

$$a_{31} = a + 30d = 23 + 30\left(\frac{-3}{4}\right)$$

$$= \frac{92 - 90}{4} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

**PHYSICS**

26. (D)  $R = \frac{\rho l}{A} \therefore \frac{R_A}{R_B} = \frac{\rho_A l_A}{\rho_B l_B}$

For copper wires  $\rho_A = \rho_B$ ,

So,  $\frac{R_A}{R_B} = \frac{l_A}{l_B} = \frac{3}{5} < 1$  or  $R_A < R_B$

27. (A) Here,  $x = u + v$

As  $m = \frac{f}{f+u} = \frac{f-v}{f}$

and image is real, magnification is negative.

$\therefore -m = \frac{f}{f+u}, u = \frac{-(m+1)f}{m}$

From  $-m = \frac{f-v}{f} v = (m+1) f$

Put in (i)

$x = \frac{-(m+1)f}{m} + (m+1)f$

Solving, we get,  $f = \frac{mx}{(m+1)^2}$

28. (C) For reading purposes :

$u = -25 \text{ cm}, v = -50 \text{ cm}, f = ?$

$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = -\frac{1}{50} + \frac{1}{25} = \frac{1}{50}$

$P = \frac{100}{f} = +2 \text{ D}$

For distant vision,

$f' = \text{Distance of far point} = -3 \text{ m}$

$P = \frac{1}{f'} = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ D} = -0.33 \text{ D}$

29. (A)  $n_{QP} = \frac{v_1}{v_2}$

$v_1 = \text{Speed of light in medium P.}$

$v_2 = \text{Speed of light in medium Q.}$

As a ray of light bends towards the normal, when it goes from medium P to medium Q, therefore, medium P is rarer and medium Q is denser medium. Speed of light in rarer medium ( $v_1$ ) is greater than the speed of light in denser medium ( $v_2$ ). Hence,  $n_{QP} > 1$ .

30. (B) Houses have three thick copper wires. One wire is called earth wire (in green insulation cover) and second wire is called live wire (in red insulation cover) and the third wire is neutral wire (in black insulation cover). The appliances are connected to the earth wire by using the top pin of 3-pin-plug. Earthing saves us from electrical shocks.

31. (C) Statements I, II and V are correct. Myopia and short sightedness are the same defects. Iris is a flat, coloured, ring-shaped membrane present behind the cornea of the eye.

32. (B) As a convex lens alone can form a real image as well as a virtual image, therefore, the lens is a convex lens. Let  $f$  be the focal length of the lens and  $m$  be the magnification produced.

In the first case, when the image is real,  
 $u = -16 \text{ cm}, v = +16 \text{ m}$

As  $\frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$

$\therefore \frac{1}{16m} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{f}$  or  $1 + \frac{1}{m} = \frac{16}{f} \dots (i)$

In the second case, when the image is virtual,

$u = -6 \text{ cm}, v = -6 \text{ m}$

From  $\frac{1}{v} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$

$$\frac{1}{-6m} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{f} \quad \text{or} \quad 1 - \frac{1}{m} = \frac{6}{f} \quad \dots (ii)$$

Add (i) and (ii)

$$2 = \frac{22}{f} \quad \text{or} \quad f = \frac{22}{2} = 11 \text{ cm}$$

33. (C) Statements I, III and V are true and II and IV are false.

An AC generator can be converted into DC generator by replacing the slip rings of an AC generator with the commutator of a DC generator with brushes.

In India, AC changes its direction after every  $1/100$  s.

34. (D) Here,  $i_1 = 60^\circ$ ,  $A = 30^\circ$ ,  $\delta = 30^\circ$

$$\text{As } i_1 + i_2 = A + \delta, \quad \therefore i_2 = 0.$$

Hence, angle between the ray and the face from which it emerges =  $90^\circ - 0 = 90^\circ$ .

35. (C) As the lamp (of resistance,  $R_1 = 20 \Omega$ ) and conductor (of resistance,  $R_2 = 4 \Omega$ ) are in series,

Total resistance in the circuit,  $R_s = 20 \Omega + 4 \Omega = 24 \Omega$

Current through the circuit,

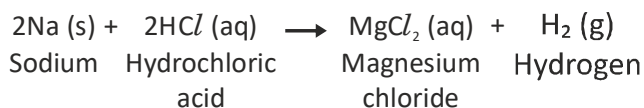
$$I = \frac{V}{R_s} = \frac{6 \text{ V}}{24 \Omega} = 0.25 \text{ A}$$

Pd across the lamp,  $V_1 = IR_1 = 0.25 \text{ A} \times 20 \Omega = 5 \text{ V}$

Pd across the conductor,  $V_2 = IR_2 = 0.25 \text{ A} \times 4 \Omega = 1 \text{ V}$

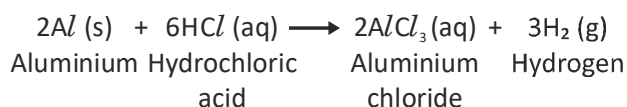
## CHEMISTRY

36. (A) Magnesium reacts quite rapidly with dilute hydrochloric acid forming magnesium chloride and hydrogen gas :



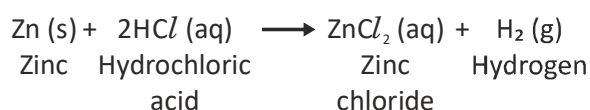
Aluminium metal at first reacts slowly with dilute hydrochloric acid due to the presence of a tough protective layer of aluminium oxide on its surface. But when the thin, outer oxide layer gets dissolved in acid, then fresh aluminium metal is exposed which reacts rapidly with dilute hydrochloric acid.

Aluminium metal reacts rapidly with dilute hydrochloric acid to form aluminium chloride and hydrogen gas :



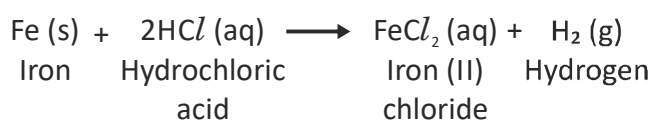
The reaction of aluminium with dilute hydrochloric acid is less rapid than that of magnesium, so aluminium is less reactive than magnesium.

Zinc reacts with dilute hydrochloric acid to form zinc chloride and hydrogen gas (but the reaction is less rapid than that of aluminium)



This reaction shows that zinc is less reactive than aluminium.

Iron reacts slowly with cold hydrochloric acid to form iron (II) chloride and hydrogen gas.



This shows that iron is less reactive than zinc.



37. (D) The by product of chlor-alkali process which absorbs moisture is sodium hydroxide (NaOH).

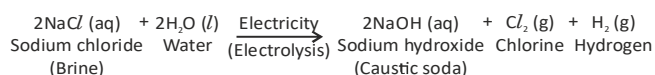
As sodium hydroxide is a strong base and  $\text{CO}_2$  is acidic in nature, so reaction occurring between them is called the neutralisation reaction.

38. (B) In order to restore silverware, the tarnished silver layer containing silver ions needs to be reduced to metallic silver. Aluminium is a rather reactive metal and thus a good reducing agent. Sodium carbonate has no known redox property.

39. (D) The correct match is P-IV, Q-I, R-II, S-III

P.	Addition of O and removal of H	Oxidation
Q.	Complete addition of $\text{H}_2$	Addition
R.	Substitution of H by $\text{—Cl}$	Substitution
S.	Complete combustion into $\text{CO}_2$ and water	Combustion

40. (C) When electricity is passed through an aqueous solution of sodium chloride (called brine), it decomposes to form sodium hydroxide, chlorine and hydrogen :



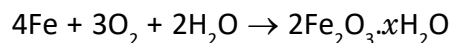
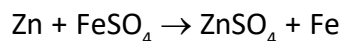
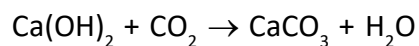
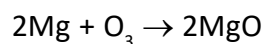
During electrolysis, chlorine gas is produced at the anode (positive electrode) and hydrogen gas is produced at the cathode (negative electrode). Sodium hydroxide solution is formed near the cathode.

41. (B) Statements (A), (C) and (D) are true.

Metals high in reactivity series are very reactive. They are obtained by electrolysis of their molten chlorides.

42. (B) The correct matching is

P-(iii), Q-(i), R-(iv), S-(ii)



43. (B) Acids (compounds containing  $\text{—COOH}$  group) react with ethanol to form a sweet smelling liquid called esters.

44. (A)

Salts	Composition	Salt type	pH
Blue vitriol	$\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Strong acid + Weak base	$\text{pH} < 7$
Common salt	$\text{NaCl}$	Strong acid + Strong base	$\text{pH} = 7$
Baking soda	$\text{NaHCO}_3$	Strong base + Weak acid	$\text{pH} > 7$
Washing soda	$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$	Strong base + Weak acid	$\text{pH} > 7$ and $>$ baking soda

Thus, the increasing order of pH of given salts is Blue vitriol  $<$  Common salt  $<$  Baking soda  $<$  Washing soda

45. (B) A metal which can replace another metal from its salt solution is more reactive than that metal.

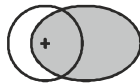
As R can replace silver, lead and iron, so it is more reactive than these three. S can replace only former two and Q only former one, so these are less reactive as compared to R. P cannot displace any of these metals, so it is least reactive among the given metals.

Hence, the ascending order of reactivity (or tendency to form positive ions) in the given metals is P, Q, S, R.

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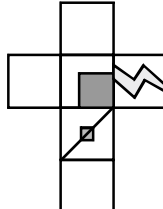
46. (C) Dental formula of human adult is  $\frac{2123}{2123} \times 2$
47. (D) P - iii; Q - iv; R - i; S - ii
48. (C) Cohesion of water and transpiration pull contributed most to transport of water from the ground to the leaves of a tall tree.
49. (D) The pituitary controls the functions of most of other endocrine glands.
50. (D) Fertilization occur in fallopian tube.
51. (D) Sex chromosomes in human females are XX and in males are XY.
52. (D) Cerebrospinal fluid protects brain from mechanical shocks.
53. (B) Absciscic acid induces dormancy.
54. (D) Drooping of touch me not plant touch is a response to stimulus.
55. (A) Ptyalin is the enzyme of saliva that help in breakdown of starch.

**CRITICAL THINKING**

56. (A) 
57. (A) The first five positive powers of 11 are  $11^1 = 11$ ;  $11^2 = 121$ ;  $11^3 = 1331$ ;  $11^4 = 14641$ ;  $11^5 = 161051$ . So 3 across is 14641, since this is the only five-digit power of 11. Therefore the solution to 2 down is a two-digit square with units digit 4 and so is  $8^2 = 64$ , as the only other two-digit squares are 16, 25, 36, 49, 81. Hence 1 across is a three-digit cube with units digit 6 and so is  $6^3 = 216$ , as the only other three-digit cubes are  $5^3 = 125$ ,  $7^3 = 343$ ,  $8^3 = 512$ ,  $9^3 = 729$ . So the sum of the digits in the completed cross number is  $2 + 1 + 6 + 1 + 4 + 6 + 4 + 1 = 25$ .

	1	2	1	2	6
3	1	4	6	4	1

58. (D) Both statements (I and II) are the effects of same cause.
59. (D) If Geetha always tells the truth, then both Anu and Geetha have cats (statements I and II), and Anu is lying (statement III). So all the statements are facts.

60. (C) 

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