

# AME CET English & General Awareness

## Sample Paper – 6

Duration: 30 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 120

### Instructions

- This paper contains **30** Multiple Choice Questions (Single Correct Answer), modelled on the combined **English** (Q1–15) and **General Awareness** (Q16–30) sections of the **AME CET** entrance.
- Each correct answer carries **+4 marks**. Each wrong answer carries **–1 mark**. Unattempted questions carry **0 marks**.
- Only **one** option is correct per question. Choose carefully.
- The General Awareness section emphasises **aviation fundamentals, civil-aviation regulation, and basic science** relevant to an Aircraft Maintenance Engineer.
- Use of mobile phones, calculators, or any electronic gadget is strictly prohibited.

### Part A: English

- Q1.** Choose the word that is most nearly the **SYNONYM** of the word in capitals: **VIVID**
- (A) Dull  
(B) Faint  
(C) Bright  
(D) Blurred
- Q2.** Choose the word that is most nearly the **ANTONYM** of the word in capitals: **TEMPORARY**
- (A) Brief  
(B) Permanent



- (C) Passing
- (D) Fleeting

**Q3.** Fill in the blank with the correct preposition: “After reviewing the report, the chief engineer said he could agree \_\_\_\_\_ your proposal.”

- (A) to
- (B) with
- (C) on
- (D) for

**Q4.** Identify the part of the sentence that contains an error. If there is no error, mark (D).

*The technician (A) returned back home (B) very late at night. (C) No error (D)*

- (A) The technician
- (B) returned back home
- (C) very late at night
- (D) No error

**Q5.** Choose the grammatically **correct** sentence:

- (A) This matter is strictly between you and I.
- (B) This matter is strictly between you and myself.
- (C) This matter is strictly between you and me.
- (D) This matter is strictly between I and you.

**Q6.** Choose the single word for the phrase: “A person who cannot read or write.”

- (A) Illiterate
- (B) Ignorant
- (C) Inexperienced



(D) Incompetent

**Q7.** What does the idiom “in the same boat” mean?

- (A) Travelling together on a ship
- (B) In the same difficult situation
- (C) Of the same age group
- (D) Working in the same office

**Q8.** Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word: “Only a licensed engineer may \_\_\_\_\_ the aircraft as airworthy after the inspection.”

- (A) clarify
- (B) classify
- (C) notify
- (D) certify

**Q9.** Choose the correct **passive voice** form of: “Someone has stolen my tools.”

- (A) My tools were being stolen.
- (B) Someone is stolen by my tools.
- (C) My tools have been stolen.
- (D) My tools are stolen by someone.

**Q10.** Choose the correct **indirect (reported) speech** form of: The teacher said, “The Earth revolves around the Sun.”

- (A) The teacher said that the Earth revolves around the Sun.
- (B) The teacher said that the Earth revolved around the Sun.
- (C) The teacher said that the Earth had revolved around the Sun.
- (D) The teacher said that the Earth was revolving around the Sun.



**Q11. Read the passage and answer Questions 11 and 12.**

*Becoming a pilot is a long and structured process. A trainee first attends ground school, where the rules of the air, navigation, meteorology, and aircraft systems are studied in the classroom. Next comes practice in a flight simulator, a machine that realistically imitates a cockpit so that emergencies can be rehearsed safely on the ground. Only after this preparation does the student build up the required flight hours in a real aircraft, always under the watch of a qualified instructor. The licence is granted only when the trainee has passed the written examinations and logged the minimum number of supervised flying hours.*

**Q11.** According to the passage, a flight simulator is mainly used to:

- (A) replace real flying hours completely
- (B) rehearse emergencies safely on the ground
- (C) test the strength of the airframe
- (D) entertain the trainees between classes

**Q12.** (Based on the passage above.) According to the passage, the licence is granted only when the trainee has:

- (A) completed ground school alone
- (B) flown without any instructor
- (C) passed the written exams and logged the minimum supervised flying hours
- (D) bought a personal aircraft

**Q13.** Fill in the blank with the correct verb: “Ten kilometres \_\_\_\_\_ a long distance to walk after a night shift.”

- (A) is
- (B) are
- (C) were
- (D) have been

**Q14.** Fill in the blank with the correct verb form: “He \_\_\_\_\_ on the faulty engine for two hours before it finally started.”



- (A) works
- (B) is working
- (C) has been working
- (D) had been working

**Q15.** Choose the **correctly spelled** word:

- (A) Hydrolic
- (B) Hydraulic
- (C) Hydraulic
- (D) Hidraulic

### Part B: General Awareness

**Q16.** In Indian civil aviation, the abbreviation **AAI** stands for:

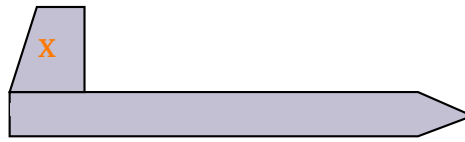
- (A) Airports Authority of India
- (B) Aircraft Association of India
- (C) Aviation Academy of India
- (D) Air Administration of India

**Q17.** Which ministry of the Government of India is responsible for the formulation and monitoring of national policies and programmes for the development of civil aviation?

- (A) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- (B) Ministry of Civil Aviation
- (C) Ministry of Defence
- (D) Ministry of Railways

**Q18.** In the side-view diagram of the aircraft below, the fixed upright surface at the tail marked **X** keeps the aircraft pointing steadily in its direction of travel. This vertical stabiliser (tail fin) mainly provides:





(Aircraft, side view)

- (A) Lift for take-off
- (B) Pitch stability
- (C) Roll control
- (D) Directional (yaw) stability

**Q19.** The first piloted aircraft to break the sound barrier in level flight, in 1947, was flown by:

- (A) Orville Wright
- (B) Charles Lindbergh
- (C) Chuck Yeager
- (D) Amelia Earhart

**Q20.** India's busiest airport by passenger traffic, located in the national capital, is:

- (A) Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi
- (B) Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport, Mumbai
- (C) Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru
- (D) Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport, Kolkata

**Q21.** The cockpit instrument used to measure an aircraft engine's **rotational speed** in revolutions per minute (RPM) is the:

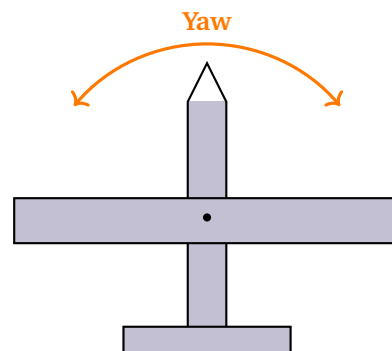
- (A) Altimeter
- (B) Tachometer
- (C) Barometer
- (D) Voltmeter



- Q22.** A helicopter can hover and rise because its main rotor blades, as they spin, behave like rotating wings. Each blade generates an upward force by acting as a(n):
- (A) flat paddle that simply pushes water
  - (B) electromagnet that repels the ground
  - (C) parachute that traps falling air
  - (D) airfoil that produces lift
- Q23.** The headquarters of the Airports Authority of India (AAI) is located in:
- (A) Mumbai
  - (B) Bengaluru
  - (C) New Delhi
  - (D) Hyderabad
- Q24.** As the angle of attack of a wing is increased, lift rises up to a critical angle, beyond which the airflow separates and lift suddenly drops. This condition is called a:
- (A) stall
  - (B) spin
  - (C) skid
  - (D) slip
- Q25.** Which strong, lightweight **aluminium alloy** (chiefly aluminium with copper) has been widely used in aircraft structures?
- (A) Bronze
  - (B) Duralumin
  - (C) Cast iron
  - (D) Brass



- Q26.** Most large jet airliners cruise in the lower part of which layer of the Earth's atmosphere, where the air is thin and relatively free of weather?
- (A) Mesosphere
  - (B) Thermosphere
  - (C) Exosphere
  - (D) Stratosphere
- Q27.** In the context of national defence, the abbreviation **IAF** stands for:
- (A) Indian Air Force
  - (B) International Aviation Federation
  - (C) Indian Aviation Fleet
  - (D) Integrated Airframe Facility
- Q28.** The figure shows a top view of an aircraft swinging its nose left and right about the vertical axis through its centre of gravity. A weathercock-stable aircraft naturally points into the wind by means of this motion, which is called:



(Aircraft, top view — vertical axis through C.G.)

- (A) Pitch
- (B) Roll
- (C) Yaw
- (D) Lift



- Q29.** In an aircraft's electrical and avionics systems, the SI unit used to measure **electric current** is the:
- (A) Volt
  - (B) Ampere
  - (C) Ohm
  - (D) Watt
- Q30.** Modern passenger-aircraft windows are made small and given rounded corners, rather than large and square. The main engineering reason is to:
- (A) give passengers a smaller view of the clouds
  - (B) make the windows cheaper to clean
  - (C) let in less sunlight at high altitude
  - (D) reduce stress concentration caused by cabin pressurisation



**Detailed Solutions**

Q1.

**Solution**

**Concept — Synonyms:** A synonym is a word that has the same or nearly the same meaning as another word.

**Step 1 — Meaning of the key word:** “Vivid” means producing strong, clear images; bright and intense; full of life.

**Step 2 — Match the option:** Among the choices, “Bright” carries the same sense of being strong, clear, and intense.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Dull): The opposite of vivid — it means lacking brightness or sharpness.
- Option B (Faint): Means weak or barely perceptible, the reverse of vivid.
- Option D (Blurred): Means unclear or hazy, again the opposite of vivid.

**Final Answer:** VIVID  $\approx$  Bright  $\Rightarrow$

[Go Back to Q1](#)

Q2.

**Solution**

**Concept — Antonyms:** An antonym is a word opposite in meaning to another word.

**Step 1 — Meaning of the key word:** “Temporary” means lasting for only a limited time; not permanent.

**Step 2 — Find the opposite:** The opposite of something that lasts only briefly is “Permanent,” which means lasting or intended to last indefinitely.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Brief): A synonym of temporary, meaning short-lived.
- Option C (Passing): Means fleeting or momentary — a synonym, not an antonym.
- Option D (Fleeting): Means lasting a very short time — again a synonym.

**Final Answer:** TEMPORARY  $\leftrightarrow$  Permanent  $\Rightarrow$



Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q2](#)

Q3.

### Solution

**Concept — Fixed preposition with “agree”:** The verb “agree” takes different prepositions depending on meaning. “Agree *to*” is used with a proposal, plan, or suggestion (accepting it), while “agree *with*” is used with a person or an opinion.

**Step 1 — Identify what follows the blank:** The word after the blank is “your proposal” — a plan or suggestion, not a person.

**Step 2 — Choose the matching preposition:** We accept a proposal, so the correct form is “agree to your proposal.”

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option B (with): “Agree with” is used for a person or an opinion, e.g. “I agree with you,” not with a proposal.
- Option C (on): “Agree on” is used for a shared decision (“they agreed on a date”), not for accepting a single proposal offered to you.
- Option D (for): “Agree for” is not a standard collocation in English.

**Final Answer:** agree to your proposal ⇒  A

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q3](#)

Q4.

### Solution

**Concept — Redundancy (pleonasm):** An error occurs when two words in a sentence repeat the same idea unnecessarily. The verb “return” already means “to come back,” so adding “back” is redundant.

**Step 1 — Examine each part:** “returned back home” contains both “returned” and “back,” which carry the same meaning of coming back.

**Step 2 — Apply the rule:** The correct phrase is simply “returned home.” The redundancy lies in part (B), so part (B) contains the error.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (The technician): A correct, simple subject with no error.
- Option C (very late at night): A correct adverbial phrase of time.



- Option D (No error): Incorrect, because part (B) does contain a redundancy error.

**Final Answer:** The error is “returned back” (should be “returned”) ⇒ D

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q4](#)

Q5.

### Solution

**Concept — Pronoun case after a preposition:** After a preposition (such as “between”), a pronoun must be in the *objective* case (me, him, her, us, them), not the *subjective* case (I, he, she, we, they).

**Step 1 — Identify the preposition:** “Between” is a preposition, so the pronouns that follow it must be objective: “you and me.”

**Step 2 — Apply the rule:** The correct sentence is “This matter is strictly between you and me.”

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (you and I): “I” is subjective and cannot follow the preposition “between.”
- Option B (you and myself): “Myself” is a reflexive pronoun and is wrong here, as there is no matching subject “I” to reflect back to.
- Option D (I and you): Uses the subjective “I” and also places the speaker first, which is impolite and ungrammatical here.

**Final Answer:** “. . . between you and me.” ⇒ C

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q5](#)

Q6.

### Solution

**Concept — One-word substitution:** A single precise word can replace a longer descriptive phrase.

**Step 1 — Read the definition:** “A person who cannot read or write” describes someone who lacks basic reading and writing ability.

**Step 2 — Select the term:** That person is “Illiterate.”

**Why other options are wrong:**



- Option B (Ignorant): Lacking knowledge in general, but an ignorant person may still be able to read and write.
- Option C (Inexperienced): Lacking experience or skill, unrelated to reading and writing.
- Option D (Incompetent): Not capable of doing a job well, which is not the same as being unable to read or write.

**Final Answer:** Illiterate ⇒

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Q6](#)

Q7.

### Solution

**Concept — Idioms:** An idiom is a fixed expression whose meaning cannot be guessed from the literal words.

**Step 1 — Recall the idiom:** “In the same boat” describes people who are sharing the same unpleasant or difficult circumstances.

**Step 2 — Match the meaning:** The closest meaning is “In the same difficult situation.”

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Travelling together on a ship): A literal misreading of “boat.”
- Option C (Of the same age group): Not the meaning of this idiom.
- Option D (Working in the same office): A specific situation that the idiom does not refer to.

**Final Answer:** in the same boat = in the same difficult situation ⇒

**Answer: (B)** [Go Back to Q7](#)

Q8.

### Solution

**Concept — Vocabulary in context:** The correct word must fit both the grammar and the meaning of the sentence.

**Step 1 — Understand the context:** To officially declare that an aircraft is fit and safe to fly is to “certify” it as airworthy.

**Step 2 — Select the word:** “Certify the aircraft as airworthy” is the standard



aviation collocation.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (clarify): Means to make something clear or easier to understand, not to declare it fit.
- Option B (classify): Means to arrange into groups or categories.
- Option C (notify): Means to inform someone, not to declare airworthiness.

**Final Answer:** certify the aircraft as airworthy ⇒  D

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q8](#)

Q9.

### Solution

**Concept — Active to passive (present perfect):** In the passive of a present-perfect sentence, the object becomes the subject and the verb becomes “has/have been + past participle.” When the doer is the vague word “someone,” the “by...” phrase is usually dropped.

**Step 1 — Identify the parts:** Subject = “Someone,” verb = “has stolen” (present perfect), object = “my tools.”

**Step 2 — Build the passive:** Object first: “My tools” + “have been stolen” (plural subject, so “have”). The vague agent “someone” is dropped.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (were being stolen): Past continuous passive, not the present perfect of the original.
- Option B (Someone is stolen by my tools): Reverses the meaning and is nonsensical.
- Option D (are stolen by someone): Simple-present passive, not present perfect, and needlessly keeps “someone.”

**Final Answer:** “My tools have been stolen.” ⇒  C

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q9](#)



Q10.

**Solution**

**Concept — Reported speech of a universal truth:** When the words inside the quotation state a universal truth or a permanent fact, the tense does *not* change in reported speech, even though the reporting verb (“said”) is in the past.

**Step 1 — Recognise the universal truth:** “The Earth revolves around the Sun” is a permanent scientific fact, always true.

**Step 2 — Apply the rule:** Because it is a universal truth, the present tense “revolves” is kept unchanged, joined by “that.”

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option B (revolved): Back-shifts the tense, which is wrong for a universal truth.
- Option C (had revolved): Uses the past perfect, wrongly suggesting the action is finished and no longer true.
- Option D (was revolving): Changes a permanent fact into a temporary past action.

**Final Answer:** “... that the Earth revolves around the Sun.” ⇒

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Q11.

**Solution**

**Concept — Reading comprehension (locating a stated fact):** The answer must come directly from what the passage says, not from outside assumptions.

**Step 1 — Find the relevant line:** The passage describes the simulator as “a machine that realistically imitates a cockpit so that emergencies can be rehearsed safely on the ground.”

**Step 2 — Match to an option:** This directly supports “rehearse emergencies safely on the ground.”

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (replace real flying hours completely): The passage says the student still builds up required flight hours in a real aircraft, so the simulator does not replace them.
- Option C (test the strength of the airframe): Never mentioned; the simulator



imitates a cockpit, not a structural test.

- Option D (entertain the trainees): The passage gives a serious training purpose, not entertainment.

**Final Answer:** rehearse emergencies safely on the ground ⇒

**Answer:** (B) [Go Back to Q11](#)

Q12.

### Solution

**Concept — Reading comprehension (detail recall):** Choose the option that restates the passage accurately.

**Step 1 — Find the relevant line:** The passage states: “The licence is granted only when the trainee has passed the written examinations and logged the minimum number of supervised flying hours.”

**Step 2 — Match to an option:** Option C repeats both conditions exactly.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (completed ground school alone): Ground school is only the first step; flight hours and exams are also required.
- Option B (flown without any instructor): The passage says training is always “under the watch of a qualified instructor.”
- Option D (bought a personal aircraft): Never mentioned anywhere in the passage.

**Final Answer:** passed the written exams and logged the minimum supervised flying hours ⇒

**Answer:** (C) [Go Back to Q12](#)

Q13.

### Solution

**Concept — Subject-verb agreement with measured quantities:** When a plural-looking phrase of distance, time, money, or weight expresses a *single* amount taken as a whole, it takes a *singular* verb.

**Step 1 — Identify the subject:** “Ten kilometres” here is treated as one single distance, not ten separate units.



**Step 2 — Choose the verb:** A single amount takes the singular verb “is.”

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option B (are): Plural; would treat the distance as separate units, which is wrong.
- Option C (were): Plural and past tense; does not agree and shifts the tense.
- Option D (have been): Plural present-perfect; does not agree with a single amount.

**Final Answer:** “Ten kilometres is a long distance...” ⇒

[Go Back to Q13](#)

Q14.

### Solution

**Concept — Past perfect continuous:** The past perfect continuous (“had been + verb-ing”) describes an action that had been going on *for a period of time* before another past event happened.

**Step 1 — Spot the time clues:** “for two hours” shows a duration, and “before it finally started” fixes a later past event.

**Step 2 — Apply the tense:** The action of working continued for two hours up to the moment the engine started, so the correct form is “had been working.”

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (works): Simple present; cannot describe a past action.
- Option B (is working): Present continuous; wrong time frame.
- Option C (has been working): Present perfect continuous, which links to *now*, not to a past “before” event.

**Final Answer:** had been working ⇒

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Q15.

**Solution**

**Concept — Correct spelling:** Recognise the standard spelling of a commonly misspelled technical word.

**Step 1 — Recall the correct form:** The word for systems that use pressurised fluid is spelled **hydraulic** (“hydr-” + “-aulic”).

**Step 2 — Eliminate the misspellings:** Only option C matches the dictionary spelling.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Hydrolic): Wrong vowel (“-olic” instead of “-aulic”).
- Option B (Hydraullic): An extra “l” in the middle.
- Option D (Hidraulic): Wrong first vowel (“Hi-” instead of “Hy-”).

**Final Answer:** Hydraulic ⇒

**Answer: (C)** [Go Back to Q15](#)

Q16.

**Solution**

**Concept — Indian aviation organisations:** A statutory body manages the country’s airports and air-navigation services.

**Step 1 — Expand the abbreviation:** AAI stands for **Airports Authority of India** — the body that builds, owns, and operates civil airports and provides air-traffic management in India.

**Step 2 — Confirm the role:** It manages major airports and the airspace over Indian territory.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option B (Aircraft Association of India): Not a real statutory body of this name.
- Option C (Aviation Academy of India): Not the expansion of AAI.
- Option D (Air Administration of India): An invented title, not the official name.

**Final Answer:** Airports Authority of India ⇒

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Q16](#)



Q17.

**Solution**

**Concept — Government of India ministries:** Each sector of national activity is overseen by a dedicated ministry.

**Step 1 — Identify the right ministry:** Civil aviation policy, airports, and air services come under the **Ministry of Civil Aviation**.

**Step 2 — Confirm its scope:** The DGCA and the Airports Authority of India both function under this ministry.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Road Transport and Highways): Handles roads and highways, not aviation.
- Option C (Defence): Oversees the armed forces, including the Air Force, but not civil aviation policy.
- Option D (Railways): Manages the railway network, unrelated to civil aviation.

**Final Answer:** Ministry of Civil Aviation ⇒

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Q18.

**Solution**

**Concept — Stability surfaces of an aircraft:** Besides the movable control surfaces, an aircraft has fixed surfaces that keep it steady about its axes.

**Step 1 — Locate the marked surface:** The surface marked X is the upright fin at the tail — the *vertical stabiliser* (tail fin).

**Step 2 — Identify its function:** The vertical stabiliser acts like a weathervane, keeping the nose pointed into the relative airflow and so providing **directional (yaw) stability**.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Lift for take-off): Lift is generated by the main wings, not the tail fin.
- Option B (Pitch stability): That is provided by the *horizontal stabiliser* (tailplane), not the vertical fin.
- Option C (Roll control): Roll is controlled by the ailerons on the wings, not



by the fixed fin.

**Final Answer:** The tail fin provides directional (yaw) stability  $\Rightarrow$

**Answer:**  [Go Back to Q18](#)

Q19.

### Solution

**Concept — Milestones of aviation history:** Breaking the “sound barrier” means flying faster than the speed of sound (supersonic flight).

**Step 1 — Recall the event:** On 14 October 1947, American test pilot **Chuck Yeager** flew the Bell X-1 rocket plane faster than sound in level flight.

**Step 2 — Confirm the credit:** This was the first piloted supersonic level flight in history.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Orville Wright): A pioneer of the first powered flight (1903), not of supersonic flight.
- Option B (Charles Lindbergh): Famous for the first solo non-stop transatlantic flight (1927), at subsonic speed.
- Option D (Amelia Earhart): A pioneering aviator of the 1930s, not connected to breaking the sound barrier.

**Final Answer:** Chuck Yeager  $\Rightarrow$

**Answer:**  [Go Back to Q19](#)

Q20.

### Solution

**Concept — Indian aviation infrastructure:** India’s largest airports handle the highest passenger volumes.

**Step 1 — Identify the airport:** **Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport, Delhi**, is India’s busiest airport by passenger traffic.

**Step 2 — Confirm the location:** It is situated in the national capital, New Delhi.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option B (Mumbai): A very busy airport, but second to Delhi in passenger



traffic.

- Option C (Bengaluru): A major airport, but not the busiest in the country.
- Option D (Kolkata): A large eastern-region airport, well behind Delhi in traffic.

**Final Answer:** Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi ⇒

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**Q21.**

### Solution

**Concept — Flight instruments:** Each cockpit instrument measures a specific parameter.

**Step 1 — Match instrument to quantity:** The **tachometer** measures the engine's (or rotor's) rotational speed in revolutions per minute (RPM).

**Step 2 — Confirm:** “Tacho-” (speed) + “-meter” (measure) = an instrument that measures rotational speed.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Altimeter): Measures altitude (height), not engine RPM.
- Option C (Barometer): Measures atmospheric pressure.
- Option D (Voltmeter): Measures electrical voltage.

**Final Answer:** Tachometer ⇒

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**Q22.**

### Solution

**Concept — How a helicopter generates lift:** A helicopter's rotor blades are not flat paddles; each blade has the curved cross-section of a wing (an airfoil).

**Step 1 — Describe the rotor blade:** As the rotor spins, each blade moves through the air just like a wing moving forward, so it generates lift.

**Step 2 — Identify the principle:** Each blade acts as an **airfoil that produces lift**, and the combined lift of all the blades supports the helicopter and lets it hover.

**Why other options are wrong:**



- Option A (flat paddle pushing water): A helicopter flies in air, and rotor blades are shaped as airfoils, not flat paddles.
- Option B (electromagnet repelling the ground): No magnetic force is involved in lift.
- Option C (parachute trapping falling air): A parachute only slows a descent; it cannot generate the upward lift needed to climb or hover.

**Final Answer:** airfoil that produces lift  $\Rightarrow$

**Answer: (D)** [Go Back to Q22](#)

Q23.

### Solution

**Concept — Indian aviation bodies and their seats:** National authorities are usually headquartered in or near the capital.

**Step 1 — Recall the headquarters:** The Airports Authority of India (AAI) is headquartered in **New Delhi**.

**Step 2 — Confirm:** Its corporate head office is at Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan, New Delhi.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Mumbai): A major airport city, but not the AAI headquarters.
- Option B (Bengaluru): Home of HAL, not the AAI head office.
- Option D (Hyderabad): Has a large airport, but not the AAI headquarters.

**Final Answer:** New Delhi  $\Rightarrow$

**Answer: (C)** [Go Back to Q23](#)

Q24.

### Solution

**Concept — Stalling of a wing:** Lift depends on the angle of attack, but only up to a critical limit.

**Step 1 — Describe what happens:** As the angle of attack increases, lift increases until a critical angle. Beyond it the smooth airflow over the wing separates, and lift falls sharply.

**Step 2 — Name the condition:** This sudden loss of lift at too high an angle of



attack is called a **stall**.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option B (spin): A spin is an autorotating descent that may follow an uncorrected stall, but it is not the loss of lift itself.
- Option C (skid): A skid is a coordination error in a turn, not a loss of lift.
- Option D (slip): A slip is another turn-coordination condition, unrelated to airflow separation.

**Final Answer:** stall  $\Rightarrow$

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Q24](#)

**Q25.**

### Solution

**Concept — Aircraft structural materials:** Aircraft frames need materials with a high strength-to-weight ratio.

**Step 1 — Identify the alloy:** **Duralumin** is a strong, lightweight alloy of aluminium (chiefly with copper, plus small amounts of magnesium and manganese), long used in aircraft structures.

**Step 2 — Confirm:** Its combination of light weight and strength made it a classic aircraft material.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Bronze): A copper–tin alloy, heavy and not used as a primary aircraft structural metal.
- Option C (Cast iron): Very heavy and brittle, unsuitable for aircraft frames.
- Option D (Brass): A copper–zinc alloy, heavy and used for fittings, not airframes.

**Final Answer:** Duralumin  $\Rightarrow$

**Answer: (B)** [Go Back to Q25](#)



Q26.

**Solution**

**Concept — Layers of the atmosphere:** The atmosphere is divided into layers; jet airliners cruise where the air is thin and weather is largely absent.

**Step 1 — Recall the cruising layer:** Large jet airliners cruise around 10–12 km, in the lower part of the **stratosphere** (just above the weather-filled troposphere).

**Step 2 — Reason:** The thin, stable air there means less drag and a smoother ride, mostly above clouds and storms.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Mesosphere): Far higher (about 50–85 km), well above cruising aircraft.
- Option B (Thermosphere): Higher still, where satellites orbit, not airliners.
- Option C (Exosphere): The outermost layer, near space, not a cruising layer.

**Final Answer:** Stratosphere ⇒  D

**Answer: (D)** [Go Back to Q26](#)

Q27.

**Solution**

**Concept — National defence forces:** Each branch of the armed forces has a standard abbreviation.

**Step 1 — Expand the abbreviation:** IAF stands for the **Indian Air Force**, the air-warfare branch of the Indian Armed Forces.

**Step 2 — Confirm:** The IAF was established in 1932 and is responsible for securing Indian airspace.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option B (International Aviation Federation): Not the meaning of IAF in this context.
- Option C (Indian Aviation Fleet): An invented title, not an official body.
- Option D (Integrated Airframe Facility): Not a recognised expansion of IAF.

**Final Answer:** Indian Air Force ⇒  A

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Q27](#)



Q28.

**Solution**

**Concept — The three axes of aircraft rotation:** An aircraft rotates about three mutually perpendicular axes through its centre of gravity — longitudinal (roll), lateral (pitch), and vertical (yaw).

**Step 1 — Identify the axis:** The figure shows the nose swinging left and right about the *vertical* axis through the centre of gravity.

**Step 2 — Name the motion:** Rotation about the vertical axis, which turns the nose left or right, is called **yaw**. A weathercock-stable aircraft uses this motion to point into the wind.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Pitch): Rotation about the lateral (wingtip-to-wingtip) axis, moving the nose up or down.
- Option B (Roll): Rotation about the longitudinal (nose-to-tail) axis, banking the wings.
- Option D (Lift): A force, not a rotation about an axis.

**Final Answer:** Yaw  $\Rightarrow$

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Q29.

**Solution**

**Concept — SI units:** Each physical quantity has a defined SI unit.

**Step 1 — Recall the unit of current:** The SI unit of electric current is the **ampere** (A), one of the seven SI base units.

**Step 2 — Apply to avionics:** Currents in an aircraft's electrical and avionics circuits are measured in amperes.

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (Volt): The unit of electric potential difference (voltage), not current.
- Option C (Ohm): The unit of electrical resistance.
- Option D (Watt): The unit of power, not current.

**Final Answer:** Ampere  $\Rightarrow$



**Answer: (B)** [Go Back to Q29](#)

Q30.

### Solution

**Concept — Stress concentration at corners:** When a pressurised cabin is repeatedly inflated, sharp corners concentrate stress and can start cracks. Rounded shapes spread the stress evenly.

**Step 1 — Explain the problem:** A square window has sharp corners where pressure stresses pile up, making fatigue cracks more likely.

**Step 2 — Explain the solution:** Small, oval or round-cornered windows spread the load smoothly, so the design **reduces stress concentration caused by cabin pressurisation**. (Early square-window airliners suffered fatigue failures, which led to this change.)

**Why other options are wrong:**

- Option A (smaller view): A side effect, not the engineering reason for the shape.
- Option B (cheaper to clean): Not a structural or safety reason.
- Option C (less sunlight): Not the reason; sun-shades handle light, while the shape is about stress.

**Final Answer:** reduce stress concentration caused by cabin pressurisation ⇒

**Answer: (D)** [Go Back to Q30](#)



**Answer Key**

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6	A	7	B	8	D	9	C	10	A
11	B	12	C	13	A	14	D	15	C
16	A	17	B	18	D	19	C	20	A
21	B	22	D	23	C	24	A	25	B
26	D	27	A	28	C	29	B	30	D

