CAT 2012 QA Slot 2 Question Paper

Time Allowed: 3 Hours | Maximum Marks: 300 | Total questions: 100

General Instructions

Read the following instructions very carefully and strictly follow them:

- 1. **Duration of Section:** 40 Minutes
- 2. **Total Number of Questions:** 22 Questions (as per latest pattern, may vary slightly)
- 3. **Section Covered:** Quantitative Aptitude (QA)
- 4. Type of Questions:
 - Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)
 - Type In The Answer (TITA) Questions No options given, answer to be typed in
- 5. Marking Scheme:
 - +3 marks for each correct answer
 - -1 mark for each incorrect MCQ
 - No negative marking for TITA questions
- 6. **Syllabus Coverage:** Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Number System, Modern Math, and Mensuration
- 7. **Skills Tested:** Numerical ability, analytical thinking, and problem-solving

1. If the sum of two numbers is 15 and their product is 56, what is the sum of their
reciprocals?
(1) $\frac{15}{56}$
$(2) \frac{56}{15}$
$(3) \frac{7}{8}$
$(4) \frac{8}{7}$
2. A train travels 360 km at a uniform speed. If the speed is increased by 5 km/h, the journey
takes 1 hour less. Find the original speed.
(1) 40 km/h
(2) 45 km/h
(3) 50 km/h
(4) 55 km/h
3. What is the remainder when 7^{100} is divided by 8?
(1) 1
(2) 3
(3) 5
(4) 7
4. A shopkeeper sells an item at a 20% discount but still makes a 20% profit. If the cost price
is Rs. 100, what is the marked price?
(1) Rs. 120
(2) Rs. 125
(3) Rs. 150
(4) Rs. 160
5. The roots of the quadratic equation $x^2 - 6x + k = 0$ are real and distinct. How many
integer values of k are possible if k is positive?
(1) 6
(2) 7
(3) 8
(4) 9

6. In how many ways can 5 identical balls be distributed into 3 distinct boxes?
(1) 15
(2) 21
(3) 25
(4) 35
7. A rectangle's length is twice its breadth. If the perimeter is 60 cm, what is its area?
(1) 100 cm ²
(2) 150 cm ²
(3) 200 cm ²
(4) 250 cm ²
8. What is the sum of the first 20 terms of the arithmetic sequence 3, 7, 11,?
(1) 820
(2) 840
(3) 860
(4) 880
9. In a seating arrangement, 5 people (A, B, C, D, E) sit in a row. A and B must sit together,
and C cannot sit at the ends. How many arrangements are possible?
(1) 24
(2) 36
(3) 48
(4) 60
10. If $\log_2(x) + \log_4(x) = 5$, what is x ?
(1) 8
(2) 16
(3) 32
(4) 64

11. A circle is inscribed in an equilateral triangle with side length 12 cm. What is the radius
of the circle?
(1) $2\sqrt{3}$ cm
(2) $3\sqrt{3}$ cm
(3) $4\sqrt{3}$ cm
(4) $6\sqrt{3}$ cm
12. What is the value of $2^{100} \mod 5$?
(1) 1
(2) 2
(3) 3
(4) 4
13. A and B can complete a task in 12 days, B and C in 15 days, and A and C in 20 days.
How many days will A alone take?
(1) 24 days
(2) 30 days
(3) 36 days
(4) 40 days
14. What is the sum of the series $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots$?
(1) 1
(2) 2
(3) 3
(4) 4
15. If $3x + 4y = 12$ and $x - y = 1$, what is the value of $x + y$?
(1) 2
(2) 3
(3) 4
(4) 5

16. A bag contains 4 red and 5 blue balls. Two balls are drawn without replacement. What is
the probability that both are red?
$(1)\frac{2}{9}$
$(2) \frac{1}{6}$
$(3) \frac{1}{7}$
$(4) \frac{2}{7}$
17. What is the value of $\sin 30^{\circ} + \cos 60^{\circ}$?
(1) 1
$(2) \frac{1}{2}$
$(3) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
$(4) \frac{3}{2}$
18. A number when divided by 7 leaves a remainder of 4. What is the remainder when its
square is divided by 7?
(1) 1
(2) 2
(3) 3
(4) 4
19. The HCF of two numbers is 12, and their LCM is 144. If one number is 36, what is the
other?
(1) 24
(2) 48
(3) 60
(4) 72
20. A car travels at 60 km/h for half the distance and 80 km/h for the other half. What is the
average speed for the entire journey?
(1) $\frac{200}{3}$ km/h
(2) $\frac{480}{7}$ km/h
(3) 70 km/h
(4) 72 km/h

21. What is the number of solutions to $ x-2 = x-4 $?
(1) 1
(2) 2
(3) 3
(4) 4
22. A pipe can fill a tank in 6 hours, and another pipe can empty it in 8 hours. If both are
open, how long will it take to fill the tank?
(1) 18 hours
(2) 24 hours
(3) 30 hours
(4) 36 hours
23. The sum of the first n natural numbers is 55. What is n ?
(1) 8
(2) 9
(3) 10
(4) 11
24. What is the area of a triangle with vertices at (0,0), (3,0), and (0,4)?
(1) 6
(2) 8
(3) 10
(4) 12
25. If $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ and $xy = 12$, what is $x + y$?
(1) 5
(2) 7
(3) 9
(4) 11

26. A man invests Rs. 5000 at 6% simple interest per annum. How much interest will he
earn in 3 years?
(1) Rs. 800
(2) Rs. 900
(3) Rs. 1000
(4) Rs. 1100
27. What is the value of $\sqrt{50 + \sqrt{50 + \sqrt{50 + \dots}}}$?
(1) 5
(2) 6
(3) 7
(4) 8
28. The ratio of ages of A and B is 3:4. After 6 years, their ages will be in the ratio 4:5. What
is A's current age?
(1) 18
(2) 24
(3) 30
(4) 36
29. A number is divisible by 3 and 5. What is the smallest such number greater than 100?
(1) 105
(2) 120
(3) 135
(4) 150
30. What is the sum of digits of 2^{10} ?
(1) 7
(2) 8
(3) 9
(4) 10

31. A boat travels 24 km upstream in 6 hours and 30 km downstream in 5 hours. What is the
speed of the boat in still water?
5 km/h
(2) 6 km/h
(3) 7 km/h
(4) 8 km/h
32. What is the value of x if $2^x \cdot 3^{x+1} = 486$?
(1) 2
(2) 3
(3) 4
(4) 5
33. In how many ways can 6 people be seated around a circular table?
(1) 120
(2) 360
(3) 720
(4) 1440
34. What is the probability that a leap year has 53 Sundays?
$(1)\frac{1}{7}$
$(2) \frac{2}{7}$
$(3) \frac{3}{7}$
$(4) \frac{4}{7}$