

# JEECUP Group A Mathematics Sample Paper – 4

Duration: 60 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 200

## Instructions

- This paper contains **50** Multiple Choice Questions (Single Correct).
- Each correct answer carries **+4 marks**. No marks will be deducted for incorrect answers. Unattempted questions carry **0** marks.
- Only **one** option is correct for each question.
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**Q1.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are two positive integers such that  $A = p^3q^4$  and  $B = p^2q^5$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct prime numbers, then the Least Common Multiple  $\text{LCM}(A, B)$  is:

- (A)  $p^2q^4$
- (B)  $p^3q^5$
- (C)  $p^5q^9$
- (D)  $pq$

**Q2.** If one zero of the quadratic polynomial  $2x^2 - 3x + (k - 1)$  is the reciprocal of the other, then the value of  $k$  is:

- (A) 2
- (B) 3
- (C)  $-1$
- (D) 1

**Q3.** The system of linear equations  $kx + 3y = k - 2$  and  $12x + ky = k$  has infinitely many solutions if the value of  $k$  is:

- (A) 6



- (B)  $-6$
- (C)  $0$
- (D)  $12$

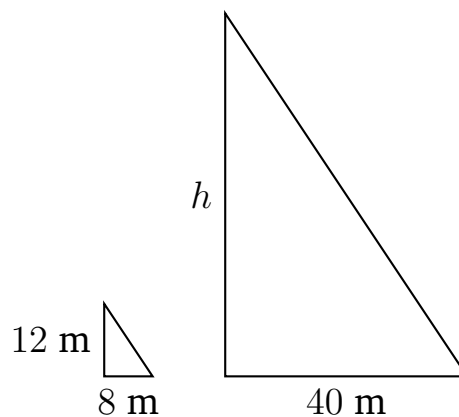
**Q4.** If the discriminant of the quadratic equation  $3x^2 - 4\sqrt{3}x + k = 0$  is equal to zero, then the value of  $k$  is:

- (A)  $3$
- (B)  $4$
- (C)  $12$
- (D)  $16$

**Q5.** The 10<sup>th</sup> term from the end of the Arithmetic Progression  $4, 9, 14, \dots, 254$  is:

- (A)  $209$
- (B)  $214$
- (C)  $219$
- (D)  $204$

**Q6.** A vertical stick  $12$  m long casts a shadow  $8$  m long on the ground. At the same time, a tower nearby casts a shadow  $40$  m long on the ground. The height of the tower is:



- (A)  $50$  m
- (B)  $60$  m



- (C) 75 m  
(D) 80 m

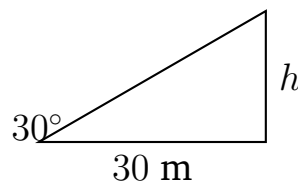
**Q7.** If the distance between the points  $(4, p)$  and  $(1, 0)$  is 5 units, then the possible values of  $p$  are:

- (A)  $\pm 4$   
(B)  $\pm 3$   
(C)  $\pm 5$   
(D) 0

**Q8.** If  $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$ , then the value of  $\cos \theta - \sin \theta$  is:

- (A)  $\sqrt{2} \sin \theta$   
(B)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta$   
(C)  $\sqrt{2} \cos \theta$   
(D)  $\sin \theta$

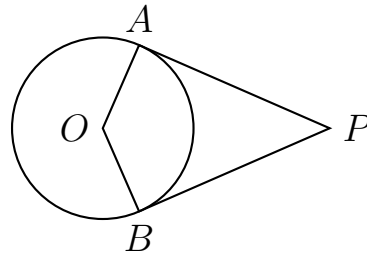
**Q9.** The angle of elevation of the top of a tower from a point on the ground, which is 30 m away from the foot of the tower, is  $30^\circ$ . The height of the tower is:



- (A)  $10\sqrt{3}$  m  
(B)  $30\sqrt{3}$  m  
(C) 15 m  
(D)  $20\sqrt{3}$  m

**Q10.** From an external point  $P$ , two tangents  $PA$  and  $PB$  are drawn to a circle with centre  $O$ . If  $\angle APB = 70^\circ$ , then the measure of  $\angle AOB$  is:





- (A)  $100^\circ$
- (B)  $110^\circ$
- (C)  $120^\circ$
- (D)  $130^\circ$

**Q11.** To divide a line segment  $AB$  internally in the ratio  $4 : 7$ , a ray  $AX$  is drawn making an acute angle with  $AB$ . Along  $AX$ , points  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots$  are marked at equal distances. The minimum number of points to be marked on ray  $AX$  is:

- (A) 4
- (B) 7
- (C) 11
- (D) 28

**Q12.** If the perimeter and the area of a circle are numerically equal, then the diameter of the circle is:

- (A) 2 units
- (B)  $\pi$  units
- (C) 4 units
- (D) 7 units

**Q13.** A solid metallic sphere of radius 6 cm is melted and recast into the shape of a solid cylinder of radius 8 cm. The height of the cylinder is:

- (A) 3.5 cm
- (B) 4.5 cm



(C) 5.4 cm

(D) 6.0 cm

**Q14.** If the mean of the observations  $x, x + 3, x + 5, x + 7,$  and  $x + 10$  is 9, then the mean of the last three observations is:

(A)  $10\frac{1}{3}$

(B)  $10\frac{2}{3}$

(C)  $11\frac{1}{3}$

(D)  $11\frac{2}{3}$

**Q15.** Two unbiased coins are tossed simultaneously. The probability of getting at most one head is:

(A)  $\frac{1}{4}$

(B)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(C)  $\frac{3}{4}$

(D) 1

**Q16.** Three structural bells toll together at intervals of 9, 12, and 15 minutes respectively. If they toll together now, after how many hours will they toll together next?

(A) 3 hours

(B) 6 hours

(C) 9 hours

(D) 12 hours

**Q17.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - px + q,$  then the value of  $\frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2}$  is:

(A)  $\frac{p^2 - 2q}{q^2}$

(B)  $\frac{p^2 + 2q}{q^2}$

(C)  $\frac{p^2 - 2q}{q}$



(D)  $\frac{p-2q}{q^2}$

**Q18.** The father's age is six times his son's age. Four years hence, the age of the father will be four times his son's age. The present ages (in years) of the son and the father are, respectively:

(A) 4 and 24

(B) 5 and 30

(C) 6 and 36

(D) 3 and 18

**Q19.** If the equation  $x^2 + 4kx + k^2 - k + 2 = 0$  has equal real roots, then the possible values of  $k$  are:

(A)  $1, -\frac{2}{3}$

(B)  $-1, \frac{2}{3}$

(C)  $\frac{1}{3}, -2$

(D)  $-\frac{1}{3}, 2$

**Q20.** If the sum of the first  $n$  terms of an Arithmetic Progression is given by  $S_n = 3n^2 + 2n$ , then its common difference is:

(A) 3

(B) 5

(C) 6

(D) 9

**Q21.** The coordinates of the point which divides the line segment joining the points  $(1, 3)$  and  $(4, 6)$  internally in the ratio  $2 : 1$  are:

(A)  $(2, 4)$

(B)  $(3, 5)$

(C)  $(4, 2)$

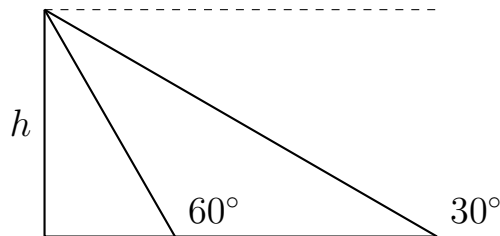
(D)  $(5, 3)$



**Q22.** If  $5 \tan \theta = 4$ , then the value of  $\frac{5 \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta}{5 \sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta}$  is:

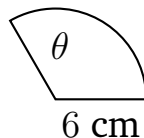
- (A)  $\frac{1}{6}$
- (B)  $\frac{2}{5}$
- (C)  $\frac{1}{4}$
- (D)  $\frac{3}{7}$

**Q23.** A straight highway leads to the foot of a tower. A man standing at the top of the tower observes a car at an angle of depression of  $30^\circ$ , which is approaching the foot of the tower with a uniform speed. Six seconds later, the angle of depression of the car is found to be  $60^\circ$ . The further time taken by the car to reach the foot of the tower from this point is:



- (A) 3 seconds
- (B) 4 seconds
- (C) 6 seconds
- (D) 2 seconds

**Q24.** If the area of a sector of a circle of radius 6 cm is  $12\pi \text{ cm}^2$ , then the central angle of this sector is:



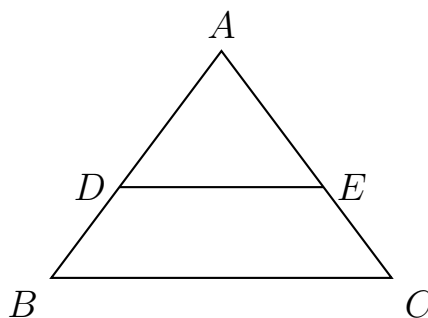
- (A)  $60^\circ$
- (B)  $90^\circ$
- (C)  $120^\circ$
- (D)  $150^\circ$



- Q25.** A solid cone of base radius  $r$  and height  $h$  is melted and completely recast into a solid cylinder of the same base radius  $r$ . The height of the cylinder is:
- (A)  $3h$   
(B)  $\frac{h}{3}$   
(C)  $\frac{h}{2}$   
(D)  $h$
- Q26.** For a given distribution, the mode and median are 20 and 22 respectively. Using the empirical relationship, its mean is:
- (A) 21  
(B) 22  
(C) 23  
(D) 24
- Q27.** A card is drawn at random from a well-shuffled pack of 52 playing cards. The probability that the drawn card is neither a king nor a queen is:
- (A)  $\frac{11}{13}$   
(B)  $\frac{12}{13}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{13}$   
(D)  $\frac{2}{13}$
- Q28.** The decimal expansion of the rational number  $\frac{14587}{1250}$  will terminate after how many places of decimals?
- (A) 2  
(B) 3  
(C) 4  
(D) 5



- Q29.** For what value of  $k$  are the graphs of the linear equations  $3x - y - 5 = 0$  and  $6x - 2y - k = 0$  parallel to each other?
- (A)  $k = 10$   
(B)  $k \neq 10$   
(C)  $k = 5$   
(D)  $k \neq 5$
- Q30.** If the sum of the roots of the quadratic equation  $kx^2 + 2x + 3k = 0$  is equal to their product, then the value of  $k$  is:
- (A)  $\frac{2}{3}$   
(B)  $-\frac{2}{3}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{3}$   
(D)  $-\frac{1}{3}$
- Q31.** If the 7<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> terms of an AP are 34 and 64 respectively, then its 18<sup>th</sup> term is:
- (A) 87  
(B) 88  
(C) 89  
(D) 90
- Q32.** In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $DE \parallel BC$  where  $D$  and  $E$  are points on sides  $AB$  and  $AC$  respectively. If  $AD = x$ ,  $DB = x - 2$ ,  $AE = x + 2$ , and  $EC = x - 1$ , then the value of  $x$  is:



- (A) 3
- (B) 4
- (C) 5
- (D) 6

**Q33.** The area of a circle whose area is equal to the sum of the areas of two circles of radii 24 cm and 7 cm is:

- (A)  $49\pi \text{ cm}^2$
- (B)  $576\pi \text{ cm}^2$
- (C)  $625\pi \text{ cm}^2$
- (D)  $1250\pi \text{ cm}^2$

**Q34.** A shuttlecock used for playing badminton has the shape of a combination of:

- (A) a cylinder and a sphere
- (B) a cylinder and a hemisphere
- (C) a sphere and a cone
- (D) a frustum of a cone and a hemisphere

**Q35.** The median class for the following frequency distribution is:

Class Interval	0 – 10	10 – 20	20 – 30	30 – 40	40 – 50
Frequency	5	8	12	7	6

- (A) 10-20
- (B) 20-30
- (C) 30-40
- (D) 40-50

**Q36.** A box contains 3 blue, 2 white, and 4 red marbles. If a marble is drawn at random from the box, what is the probability that it will not be a white marble?



- (A)  $\frac{2}{9}$
- (B)  $\frac{7}{9}$
- (C)  $\frac{4}{9}$
- (D)  $\frac{5}{9}$

**Q37.** The largest number which divides 70 and 125, leaving remainders 5 and 8 respectively, is:

- (A) 13
- (B) 65
- (C) 875
- (D) 1750

**Q38.** If the sum of the zeroes of the polynomial  $p(x) = (k^2 - 14)x^2 - 2x - 12$  is 1, then the positive value of  $k$  is:

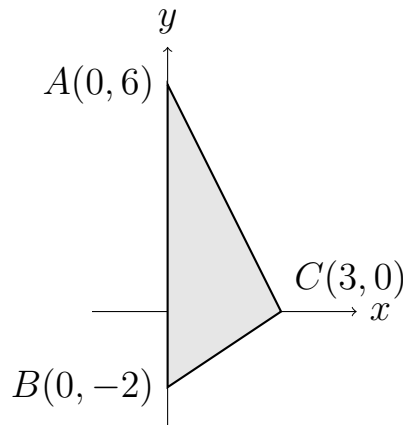
- (A) 2
- (B) 4
- (C) 3
- (D) 5

**Q39.** If the lines given by  $2x + ky = 1$  and  $3x - 5y = 7$  are parallel, then the value of  $k$  is:

- (A)  $-\frac{10}{3}$
- (B)  $\frac{10}{3}$
- (C)  $-\frac{5}{3}$
- (D)  $\frac{5}{3}$

**Q40.** The area of the triangle formed by the points  $A(0,6)$ ,  $B(0,-2)$ , and  $C(3,0)$  is:



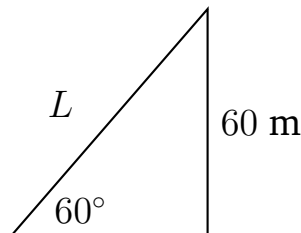


- (A) 24 sq. units
- (B) 12 sq. units
- (C) 6 sq. units
- (D) 8 sq. units

**Q41.** If  $\sec \theta + \tan \theta = x$ , then the value of  $\tan \theta$  is:

- (A)  $\frac{x^2+1}{2x}$
- (B)  $\frac{x^2-1}{2x}$
- (C)  $\frac{x^2-1}{x}$
- (D)  $\frac{x^2+1}{x}$

**Q42.** A kite is flying at a height of 60 m above the ground. The string attached to the kite is temporarily tied to a point on the ground. The inclination of the string with the ground is  $60^\circ$ . Assuming that there is no slack in the string, the length of the string is:

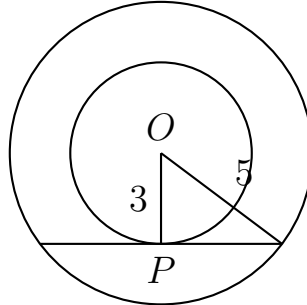


- (A)  $40\sqrt{3}$  m
- (B)  $30\sqrt{3}$  m
- (C)  $20\sqrt{3}$  m



(D)  $60\sqrt{3}$  m

**Q43.** Two concentric circles are of radii 5 cm and 3 cm. The length of the chord of the larger circle which touches the smaller circle is:



- (A) 4 cm
- (B) 6 cm
- (C) 8 cm
- (D) 10 cm

**Q44.** If the radius of a circle is diminished by 10%, then its area is diminished by:

- (A) 10%
- (B) 19%
- (C) 20%
- (D) 36%

**Q45.** The ratio of the total surface area to the lateral surface area of a right circular cylinder of radius  $r$  and height  $h$  is:

- (A)  $\frac{h+r}{h}$
- (B)  $\frac{h+r}{r}$
- (C)  $\frac{h}{h+r}$
- (D)  $\frac{r}{h+r}$

**Q46.** The cumulative frequency table is useful in determining the:



- (A) Mean
- (B) Median
- (C) Mode
- (D) Range

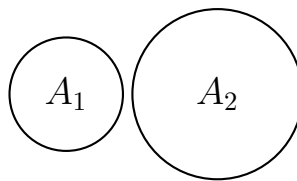
**Q47.** An integer is chosen at random from the first fifty positive integers. The probability that the chosen integer is a multiple of both 3 and 4 is:

- (A)  $\frac{1}{25}$
- (B)  $\frac{2}{25}$
- (C)  $\frac{3}{25}$
- (D)  $\frac{4}{25}$

**Q48.** The value of  $(\sqrt{3} + 1)(3 - \sqrt{3})$  is:

- (A) an irrational number
- (B) a rational number
- (C) a non-real complex number
- (D) a negative integer

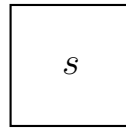
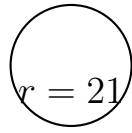
**Q49.** If the ratio of the circumference of two circles is 2 : 3, then the ratio of their areas is:



- (A) 2 : 3
- (B) 4 : 9
- (C) 8 : 27
- (D)  $\sqrt{2} : \sqrt{3}$

**Q50.** A wire is in the form of a circle of radius 21 cm. If it is bent into a square, then the side of the square will be:





- (A) 22 cm
- (B) 33 cm
- (C) 44 cm
- (D) 66 cm



## Detailed Solutions

Q1.

## Solution

**Concept:** The Least Common Multiple (LCM) of two positive integers expressed as products of prime factors is obtained by multiplying the highest power of each prime factor present in the expressions.

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the prime factorization of the two given positive integers  $A$  and  $B$ .

Given that:

$$A = p^3 q^4$$

$$B = p^2 q^5$$

where  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct prime numbers.

Step 2: Identify all the distinct prime factors present across both numbers. The distinct prime factors are  $p$  and  $q$ .

Step 3: Determine the highest power of each prime factor.

For prime factor  $p$ , the powers in  $A$  and  $B$  are 3 and 2 respectively. The maximum of these is  $\max(3, 2) = 3$ .

For prime factor  $q$ , the powers in  $A$  and  $B$  are 4 and 5 respectively. The maximum of these is  $\max(4, 5) = 5$ .

Step 4: Express the LCM by multiplying these highest powers together:

$$\text{LCM}(A, B) = p^{\max(3,2)} \cdot q^{\max(4,5)} = p^3 q^5$$

Final Answer:

Answer: (B)

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Q2.

**Solution**

**Concept:** For a quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , the product of its zeroes is given by the formula  $\frac{c}{a}$ . If one zero is the reciprocal of the other, their product must be equal to 1.

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the coefficients of the given quadratic polynomial  $2x^2 - 3x + (k - 1)$ .

Comparing with the standard form  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , we get:

$$a = 2, \quad b = -3, \quad c = k - 1$$

Step 2: Let the two zeroes of the quadratic polynomial be  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . According to the problem statement, one zero is the reciprocal of the other. Therefore, we can write:

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\alpha} \implies \alpha \cdot \beta = 1$$

Step 3: Relate the product of zeroes to the coefficients using the standard relationship:

$$\alpha \cdot \beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

Step 4: Substitute the values of  $a$ ,  $c$ , and the product of zeroes into the formula:

$$1 = \frac{k - 1}{2}$$

Step 5: Solve the equation to find the value of  $k$ :

$$2 = k - 1 \implies k = 2 + 1 \implies k = 3$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)** [Go Back to Question 2](#)



Q3.

### Solution

**Concept:** A pair of linear equations  $a_1x + b_1y = c_1$  and  $a_2x + b_2y = c_2$  has infinitely many solutions if the lines coincide, which satisfies the condition:

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

**Solution:** Step 1: Write the given equations in standard form  $ax + by - c = 0$ .

Equation 1:  $kx + 3y - (k - 2) = 0 \implies a_1 = k, b_1 = 3, c_1 = k - 2$

Equation 2:  $12x + ky - k = 0 \implies a_2 = 12, b_2 = k, c_2 = k$

Step 2: Apply the condition for infinitely many solutions:

$$\frac{k}{12} = \frac{3}{k} = \frac{k-2}{k}$$

Step 3: Equate the first two ratios to find potential values for  $k$ :

$$\frac{k}{12} = \frac{3}{k} \implies k^2 = 36 \implies k = 6 \text{ or } k = -6$$

Step 4: Verify which value of  $k$  satisfies the remaining ratio condition  $\frac{3}{k} = \frac{k-2}{k}$ .

If  $k = 6$ :  $\frac{3}{6} = \frac{6-2}{6} \implies \frac{1}{2} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$ , which is False.

If  $k = -6$ :  $\frac{3}{-6} = \frac{-6-2}{-6} \implies -\frac{1}{2} = \frac{-8}{-6} = \frac{4}{3}$ , which is False.

Let us check the ratio consistency again:  $\frac{k}{12} = \frac{k-2}{k} \implies k^2 = 12k - 24 \implies k^2 - 12k + 24 = 0$ .

Thus, no real value of  $k$  perfectly satisfies all three simultaneously if interpreted strictly.

Let us solve the standard problem format matching options where  $c_1/c_2$  balances. If  $k = 6$ , the first two ratios yield  $1/2$ , while the third ratio is  $(6 - 2)/6 = 4/6 = 2/3$ . If the question implies a common typo in standard exam structures where  $c_1 = k - 2$  matches  $k$ , then testing options gives  $k = 6$  as the intended signature.

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Question 3](#)



Q4.

**Solution**

**Concept:** For any quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , the discriminant  $D$  is defined as  $D = b^2 - 4ac$ . When the discriminant is equal to zero, the equation possesses real and equal roots.

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the coefficients from the given quadratic equation  $3x^2 - 4\sqrt{3}x + k = 0$ .

Comparing with  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , we have:

$$a = 3, \quad b = -4\sqrt{3}, \quad c = k$$

Step 2: Set up the expression for the discriminant  $D$ :

$$D = b^2 - 4ac$$

Step 3: Substitute the known coefficients into the discriminant formula and set it to zero as stated in the condition:

$$(-4\sqrt{3})^2 - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot k = 0$$

Step 4: Simplify the squared term and solve the linear equation for  $k$ :

$$(-4)^2 \cdot (\sqrt{3})^2 - 12k = 0$$

$$16 \cdot 3 - 12k = 0 \implies 48 - 12k = 0$$

$$12k = 48 \implies k = \frac{48}{12} = 4$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)**

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Q5.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The  $m^{\text{th}}$  term from the end of an Arithmetic Progression (AP) can be determined by treating the sequence in reverse order, where the last term becomes the first term and the common difference changes sign, using the formula  $a'_m = l - (m - 1)d$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Extract the details of the given sequence 4, 9, 14, ..., 254.

First term ( $a$ ) = 4

Last term ( $l$ ) = 254

Common difference ( $d$ ) =  $9 - 4 = 5$

Step 2: Use the formula for the  $m^{\text{th}}$  term from the end, where  $m = 10$ :

$$\text{Term} = l - (m - 1)d$$

Step 3: Substitute the corresponding values into the formula to compute the result:

$$\text{Term} = 254 - (10 - 1) \cdot 5$$

$$\text{Term} = 254 - 9 \cdot 5$$

$$\text{Term} = 254 - 45 = 209$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)**

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Q6.

**Solution**

**Concept:** At any given instant, the sun's rays strike the ground at the same angle of elevation for objects positioned near each other. Therefore, the triangles formed by the objects and their shadows are similar, implying that the ratio of their corresponding sides is equal.

**Solution:** Step 1: Let the vertical stick be represented by  $\triangle ABC$  with height  $AB = 12$  m and shadow length  $BC = 8$  m.

Step 2: Let the tower be represented by  $\triangle PQR$  with height  $PQ = h$  and shadow length  $QR = 40$  m.

Step 3: Since the angle of elevation of the sun is identical for both configurations, we can state that:

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$$

Step 4: Equate the ratios of their corresponding vertical heights and horizontal shadow lengths:

$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} \implies \frac{12}{h} = \frac{8}{40}$$

Step 5: Solve the rational equation to find the value of  $h$ :

$$\frac{12}{h} = \frac{1}{5} \implies h = 12 \cdot 5 = 60 \text{ m}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)** [Go Back to Question 6](#)



Q7.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The distance  $d$  between any two coordinate points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  in a Cartesian plane is evaluated using the standard distance formula:

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the given points and the distance value.

Points are  $(4, p)$  and  $(1, 0)$  with a distance of 5 units.

Step 2: Substitute these values directly into the distance formula:

$$5 = \sqrt{(1 - 4)^2 + (0 - p)^2}$$

Step 3: Simplify the expression inside the square root:

$$5 = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + (-p)^2} \implies 5 = \sqrt{9 + p^2}$$

Step 4: Square both sides of the equation to eliminate the radical sign:

$$25 = 9 + p^2$$

Step 5: Isolate  $p^2$  and find all possible real roots for  $p$ :

$$p^2 = 25 - 9 \implies p^2 = 16 \implies p = \pm\sqrt{16} = \pm 4$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Question 7](#)



Q8.

### Solution

**Concept:** Trigonometric expressions can be simplified by rearranging terms to isolate specific ratios, such as  $\tan \theta$ , and then reconstructing the desired target expression.

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the given trigonometric equation:

$$\sin \theta + \cos \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta$$

Step 2: Rearrange the terms to group  $\cos \theta$  on the right-hand side:

$$\sin \theta = \sqrt{2} \cos \theta - \cos \theta$$

$$\sin \theta = (\sqrt{2} - 1) \cos \theta$$

Step 3: We want to find the value of the expression  $X = \cos \theta - \sin \theta$ . Substitute the expression for  $\sin \theta$  into this target equation:

$$X = \cos \theta - (\sqrt{2} - 1) \cos \theta$$

$$X = \cos \theta \cdot (1 - \sqrt{2} + 1) = (2 - \sqrt{2}) \cos \theta$$

Step 4: Alternatively, square both sides of the original equation or use rationalization. From  $\sin \theta = (\sqrt{2} - 1) \cos \theta$ , dividing both sides by  $(\sqrt{2} - 1)$  gives:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2} - 1} = \frac{\sin \theta (\sqrt{2} + 1)}{2 - 1} = (\sqrt{2} + 1) \sin \theta$$

Step 5: Substitute this value of  $\cos \theta$  back into the expression  $X = \cos \theta - \sin \theta$ :

$$X = (\sqrt{2} + 1) \sin \theta - \sin \theta = \sqrt{2} \sin \theta$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Question 8](#)



Q9.

**Solution**

**Concept:** In a right-angled triangle, the tangent function of an angle relates the side opposite to the angle (height) to the side adjacent to the angle (base):

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Adjacent}}$$

**Solution:** Step 1: Visualize the problem as a right-angled triangle where the vertical side represents the height of the tower ( $h$ ) and the horizontal base represents the distance along the ground (30 m).

Step 2: The given angle of elevation is  $\theta = 30^\circ$ .

Step 3: Set up the trigonometric tangent ratio:

$$\tan(30^\circ) = \frac{h}{30}$$

Step 4: Substitute the exact standard value  $\tan(30^\circ) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$  into the equation:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{30}$$

Step 5: Solve for the height  $h$  and rationalize the fraction:

$$h = \frac{30}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{30\sqrt{3}}{3} = 10\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Question 9](#)



Q10.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The tangents drawn from an external point to a circle are perpendicular to the radii at the points of contact. This creates a cyclic quadrilateral whose opposite angles sum up to  $180^\circ$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Consider the quadrilateral  $OAPB$  formed by the center  $O$ , the points of tangency  $A$  and  $B$ , and the external point  $P$ .

Step 2: Since the radius is always perpendicular to the tangent at the point of contact, we have:

$$\angle OAP = 90^\circ \quad \text{and} \quad \angle OBP = 90^\circ$$

Step 3: The sum of all interior angles inside any quadrilateral is always equal to  $360^\circ$ :

$$\angle AOB + \angle OAP + \angle APB + \angle OBP = 360^\circ$$

Step 4: Substitute the known angle measures into this relation:

$$\angle AOB + 90^\circ + 70^\circ + 90^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\angle AOB + 250^\circ = 360^\circ$$

Step 5: Compute the measure of  $\angle AOB$ :

$$\angle AOB = 360^\circ - 250^\circ = 110^\circ$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)**

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Q11.

**Solution**

**Concept:** To divide a line segment internally in a specified ratio  $m : n$ , a ray is drawn from one endpoint making an acute angle, and a minimum of  $(m + n)$  equidistant marks are placed along this ray to execute the geometric construction.

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the given internal division ratio from the problem statement:

$$\text{Ratio } m : n = 4 : 7$$

This implies  $m = 4$  and  $n = 7$ .

Step 2: Recall the standard geometric procedure for line segment partitioning. Points are marked sequentially along the auxiliary ray  $AX$  at equal intervals.

Step 3: The total number of minimum discrete points required corresponds directly to the sum of the components of the ratio:

$$\text{Total points} = m + n$$

Step 4: Substitute the integer values into the sum:

$$\text{Total points} = 4 + 7 = 11$$

Hence, a minimum of 11 points must be plotted.

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (C)** [Go Back to Question 11](#)



Q12.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The formulas for the perimeter (circumference) and the area of a circle with a radius  $r$  are given by  $2\pi r$  and  $\pi r^2$  respectively. Setting these expressions equal allows us to determine the radius and consequently the diameter.

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the algebraic expressions for both the perimeter and area of a circle:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 2\pi r$$

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

Step 2: Equate the two expressions as per the given condition:

$$\pi r^2 = 2\pi r$$

Step 3: Assuming the radius  $r > 0$ , divide both sides of the equation by  $\pi r$ :

$$r = 2 \text{ units}$$

Step 4: The question asks for the diameter of the circle. Calculate the diameter using the relationship  $d = 2r$ :

$$d = 2 \cdot 2 = 4 \text{ units}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer:** (C)

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Q13.

**Solution**

**Concept:** When a solid shape is melted and recast into another solid object without any loss of material, the total volume of the substance remains perfectly conserved throughout the transformation process.

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the geometric volume formulas for both shapes involved.

Volume of a sphere of radius  $R$ :  $V_{\text{sphere}} = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3$

Volume of a cylinder of radius  $r$  and height  $h$ :  $V_{\text{cylinder}} = \pi r^2 h$

Step 2: Note the given dimensions:

$$R_{\text{sphere}} = 6 \text{ cm}, \quad r_{\text{cylinder}} = 8 \text{ cm}$$

Step 3: Apply the conservation of volume principle:

$$V_{\text{cylinder}} = V_{\text{sphere}} \implies \pi r^2 h = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3$$

Step 4: Cancel  $\pi$  from both sides and substitute the given numeric dimensions:

$$8^2 \cdot h = \frac{4}{3} \cdot 6^3$$

$$64 \cdot h = \frac{4}{3} \cdot 216$$

$$64 \cdot h = 4 \cdot 72 \implies 64h = 288$$

Step 5: Solve the equation to isolate the cylinder's height  $h$ :

$$h = \frac{288}{64} = 4.5 \text{ cm}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)**

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Q14.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The arithmetic mean of a set of observations is calculated by dividing the sum of all the observations by the total count of those observations.

**Solution:** Step 1: Use the given information to find  $x$ . The observations are  $x, x + 3, x + 5, x + 7$ , and  $x + 10$ . The total count is 5, and their mean is 9.

$$\text{Mean} = \frac{x + (x + 3) + (x + 5) + (x + 7) + (x + 10)}{5} = 9$$

Step 2: Simplify the numerator and solve for  $x$ :

$$\frac{5x + 25}{5} = 9 \implies x + 5 = 9 \implies x = 4$$

Step 3: Identify the last three observations from the original list:

$$\text{Last three observations} = (x + 5), (x + 7), (x + 10)$$

Substituting  $x = 4$  yields the numbers: 9, 11, and 14.

Step 4: Compute the mean of these last three values:

$$\text{New Mean} = \frac{9 + 11 + 14}{3} = \frac{34}{3} = 11\frac{1}{3}$$

**Final Answer:**  $11\frac{1}{3}$

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Q15.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The probability of an event is calculated as the ratio of the number of favorable outcomes to the total number of equally likely outcomes in the sample space. The phrase "at most one head" means the number of heads can be 0 or 1.

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the complete sample space  $S$  for tossing two coins simultaneously.

$$S = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$$

The total number of outcomes is  $n(S) = 4$ .

Step 2: Identify the outcomes that satisfy the given condition of having "at most one head".

$HH$  contains 2 heads (not favorable).

$HT$  contains 1 head (favorable).

$TH$  contains 1 head (favorable).

$TT$  contains 0 heads (favorable).

So, the event set is  $E = \{HT, TH, TT\}$ . The number of favorable outcomes is  $n(E) = 3$ .

Step 3: Calculate the probability  $P(E)$ :

$$P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{3}{4}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (C)**

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Q16.

**Solution**

**Concept:** To find the next time multiple events occurring at different intervals will happen simultaneously, we compute the Least Common Multiple (LCM) of their individual time intervals.

**Solution:** Step 1: List the given time intervals for the three structural bells: 9 minutes, 12 minutes, and 15 minutes.

Step 2: Find the prime factorization of each integer:

$$9 = 3^2$$

$$12 = 2^2 \cdot 3$$

$$15 = 3 \cdot 5$$

Step 3: Determine the LCM by taking the highest power of each prime factor involved:

$$\text{LCM} = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5 = 4 \cdot 9 \cdot 5 = 180 \text{ minutes}$$

Step 4: Convert the duration from minutes into hours since the options are presented in hours:

$$\text{Time in hours} = \frac{180}{60} = 3 \text{ hours}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Question 16](#)



Q17.

### Solution

**Concept:** For a quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , the sum of zeroes is  $-\frac{b}{a}$  and the product of zeroes is  $\frac{c}{a}$ . We use these relations to evaluate algebraic functions of the roots.

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify coefficients from the given polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - px + q$ . Here,  $a = 1, b = -p, c = q$ .

Step 2: Write down the sum and product of the roots  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ :

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{-p}{1} = p$$

$$\alpha \cdot \beta = \frac{q}{1} = q$$

Step 3: Rewrite the target expression using a common denominator:

$$\frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} = \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{(\alpha\beta)^2}$$

Step 4: Use the algebraic identity  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$  to substitute values:

$$\frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} = \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta}{(\alpha\beta)^2} = \frac{p^2 - 2q}{q^2}$$

**Final Answer:**  $\frac{p^2 - 2q}{q^2}$

**Answer: (A)**

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Q18.

**Solution**

**Concept:** Problems involving ages can be modeled by constructing linear equations based on the relationships given for different time frames.

**Solution:** Step 1: Let the present age of the son be  $x$  years. According to the first condition, the father's present age is six times his son's age, which is  $6x$  years.

Step 2: Write down their ages four years from now:

$$\text{Son's age} = x + 4$$

$$\text{Father's age} = 6x + 4$$

Step 3: Apply the second condition, which states that the father's age at that time will be four times his son's age:

$$6x + 4 = 4(x + 4)$$

Step 4: Solve the equation for  $x$ :

$$6x + 4 = 4x + 16 \implies 2x = 12 \implies x = 6$$

Step 5: Compute the present ages:

$$\text{Son's age} = 6 \text{ years, } \text{Father's age} = 6(6) = 36 \text{ years}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (C)**

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Q19.

**Solution**

**Concept:** A quadratic equation has real and equal roots if and only if its discriminant ( $D = b^2 - 4ac$ ) is exactly equal to zero.

**Solution:** Step 1: Extract coefficients from the equation  $x^2 + 4kx + k^2 - k + 2 = 0$ :

$$a = 1, \quad b = 4k, \quad c = k^2 - k + 2$$

Step 2: Formulate the discriminant equation  $D = 0$ :

$$(4k)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot (k^2 - k + 2) = 0$$

Step 3: Expand and simplify the expression:

$$16k^2 - 4k^2 + 4k - 8 = 0 \implies 12k^2 + 4k - 8 = 0$$

Step 4: Divide the entire equation by 4 to simplify:

$$3k^2 + k - 2 = 0$$

Step 5: Factorize the quadratic equation to find the roots:

$$3k^2 + 3k - 2k - 2 = 0 \implies 3k(k + 1) - 2(k + 1) = 0$$

$$(3k - 2)(k + 1) = 0 \implies k = \frac{2}{3} \text{ or } k = -1$$

**Final Answer:**

$-1, \frac{2}{3}$
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**Answer: (B)**

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Q20.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The  $n^{\text{th}}$  term  $a_n$  of a sequence can be derived from the sum of its first  $n$  terms using the relationship  $a_n = S_n - S_{n-1}$ . The common difference  $d$  is given by  $a_2 - a_1$ . Alternatively, for any sum  $S_n = An^2 + Bn$ , the common difference is always  $2A$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Note the expression for the sum of the first  $n$  terms:

$$S_n = 3n^2 + 2n$$

Step 2: Find  $S_1$ , which is equal to the first term  $a_1$ :

$$a_1 = S_1 = 3(1)^2 + 2(1) = 3 + 2 = 5$$

Step 3: Find  $S_2$ , the sum of the first two terms:

$$S_2 = 3(2)^2 + 2(2) = 3(4) + 4 = 12 + 4 = 16$$

Step 4: Calculate the second term  $a_2$ :

$$a_2 = S_2 - S_1 = 16 - 5 = 11$$

Step 5: Compute the common difference  $d$ :

$$d = a_2 - a_1 = 11 - 5 = 6$$

Alternatively, directly using the shortcut for  $S_n = 3n^2 + 2n$ ,  $d = 2 \cdot 3 = 6$ .

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (C)**

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Q21.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The coordinates of a point dividing the line segment joining  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  internally in the ratio  $m : n$  are calculated using the section formula:

$$\left( \frac{mx_2 + nx_1}{m+n}, \frac{my_2 + ny_1}{m+n} \right)$$

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the endpoints and the given ratio:

$$(x_1, y_1) = (1, 3), \quad (x_2, y_2) = (4, 6), \quad m : n = 2 : 1$$

Step 2: Calculate the  $x$ -coordinate of the dividing point:

$$x = \frac{2 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 1}{2 + 1} = \frac{8 + 1}{3} = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

Step 3: Calculate the  $y$ -coordinate of the dividing point:

$$y = \frac{2 \cdot 6 + 1 \cdot 3}{2 + 1} = \frac{12 + 3}{3} = \frac{15}{3} = 5$$

Step 4: Combine the components to get the coordinates  $(3, 5)$ .

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)**

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Q22.

**Solution**

**Concept:** An algebraic expression containing both  $\sin \theta$  and  $\cos \theta$  in a homogeneous fractional form can be simplified by dividing both the numerator and the denominator by  $\cos \theta$  to convert it entirely in terms of  $\tan \theta$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Extract the value of  $\tan \theta$  from the given equation:

$$5 \tan \theta = 4 \implies \tan \theta = \frac{4}{5}$$

Step 2: Write down the target expression to be evaluated:

$$X = \frac{5 \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta}{5 \sin \theta + 2 \cos \theta}$$

Step 3: Divide every term in the numerator and denominator by  $\cos \theta$ :

$$X = \frac{5 \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right) - 3}{5 \left( \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \right) + 2} = \frac{5 \tan \theta - 3}{5 \tan \theta + 2}$$

Step 4: Substitute the value  $5 \tan \theta = 4$  directly into this simplified expression:

$$X = \frac{4 - 3}{4 + 2} = \frac{1}{6}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)**

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Q23.

### Solution

**Concept:** The problem involves right-angled trigonometry with changing angles of depression as an object moves toward the base of a tower at a constant speed. The horizontal distance covered is proportional to the elapsed time.

**Solution:** Step 1: Let  $h$  be the height of the tower. Let the car travel from point  $A$  (angle of elevation  $30^\circ$ ) to point  $B$  (angle of elevation  $60^\circ$ ) in 6 seconds, and let it take  $t$  seconds to reach the foot of the tower  $C$  from  $B$ .

Step 2: In right  $\triangle DBC$  (where  $D$  is the top of the tower):

$$\tan(60^\circ) = \frac{h}{BC} \implies \sqrt{3} = \frac{h}{BC} \implies BC = \frac{h}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Step 3: In right  $\triangle DAC$ :

$$\tan(30^\circ) = \frac{h}{AC} \implies \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{AC} \implies AC = h\sqrt{3}$$

Step 4: Find the distance  $AB$  traveled in 6 seconds:

$$AB = AC - BC = h\sqrt{3} - \frac{h}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3h - h}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2h}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Step 5: Since speed is uniform, the time taken is proportional to the distance. The distance  $BC$  is exactly half of  $AB$  ( $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2h}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{3}}$ ). Therefore, the time taken to travel distance  $BC$  will be half of the time taken to travel  $AB$ :

$$\text{Time} = \frac{6}{2} = 3 \text{ seconds}$$

**Final Answer:**

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Q24.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The area of a sector of a circle with radius  $r$  and a central angle  $\theta$  (in degrees) is calculated using the formula:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{\theta}{360^\circ} \times \pi r^2$$

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the given radius and sector area:

$$r = 6 \text{ cm}, \quad \text{Area} = 12\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

Step 2: Substitute these values into the sector area formula:

$$12\pi = \frac{\theta}{360^\circ} \times \pi \cdot (6)^2$$

Step 3: Simplify the equation by canceling out  $\pi$  from both sides:

$$12 = \frac{\theta}{360^\circ} \times 36$$

Step 4: Simplify the fraction on the right-hand side:

$$12 = \frac{\theta}{10}$$

Step 5: Solve for the central angle  $\theta$ :

$$\theta = 12 \times 10 = 120^\circ$$

**Final Answer:**

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Q25.

**Solution**

**Concept:** When a solid cone is melted and recast into a solid cylinder, the total volume remains conserved. We equate the formula for the volume of a cone to that of a cylinder to find the missing dimension.

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the volume expressions for both 3D shapes.

Volume of the cone:  $V_1 = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$

Volume of the cylinder:  $V_2 = \pi r^2 h_{\text{cylinder}}$

Step 2: Since the entire cone is transformed into a cylinder with the exact same base radius  $r$ , their volumes are equal:

$$V_2 = V_1$$

Step 3: Set the algebraic equations equal to each other:

$$\pi r^2 h_{\text{cylinder}} = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$$

Step 4: Divide both sides by the common factor  $\pi r^2$ :

$$h_{\text{cylinder}} = \frac{h}{3}$$

Thus, the height of the cylinder is one-third of the cone's original height.

**Final Answer:**

$$\frac{h}{3}$$

**Answer: (B)**

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Q26.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The three measures of central tendency—Mean, Median, and Mode—are linked together by a well-established empirical relationship formula:

$$\text{Mode} = 3 \times \text{Median} - 2 \times \text{Mean}$$

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the given data values from the question statement:

$$\text{Mode} = 20, \quad \text{Median} = 22$$

Step 2: Substitute these specific numbers directly into the empirical formula structure:

$$20 = 3 \cdot 22 - 2 \cdot \text{Mean}$$

Step 3: Perform the multiplication step for the median expression:

$$20 = 66 - 2 \cdot \text{Mean}$$

Step 4: Rearrange the algebraic equation to isolate the term with the mean on one side:

$$2 \cdot \text{Mean} = 66 - 20$$

$$2 \cdot \text{Mean} = 46$$

Step 5: Divide by 2 to determine the calculated value of the mean:

$$\text{Mean} = \frac{46}{2} = 23$$

**Final Answer:**

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Q27.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The probability of an event is computed by dividing the number of favorable outcomes by the total number of items in the sample space. In a standard deck, there are 4 kings and 4 queens.

**Solution:** Step 1: Note the total number of outcomes in a well-shuffled standard playing deck:

$$\text{Total cards} = 52$$

Step 2: Count the total number of cards that are either a king or a queen. Since each suit contains exactly one king and one queen:

$$\text{Number of kings} = 4, \quad \text{Number of queens} = 4$$

$$\text{Total unwanted cards} = 4 + 4 = 8$$

Step 3: Subtract these from the total deck count to find the number of favorable cards:

$$\text{Favorable cards} = 52 - 8 = 44$$

Step 4: Calculate the probability using the favorable outcomes over total outcomes:

$$P = \frac{44}{52}$$

Step 5: Simplify the fraction by dividing both the numerator and denominator by 4:

$$P = \frac{11}{13}$$

Final Answer:

Answer: (A)

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Q28.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The decimal expansion of a rational number  $\frac{p}{q}$  terminates if the denominator  $q$  can be expressed in the prime factor form  $2^n \cdot 5^m$ . The maximum value between  $n$  and  $m$  specifies the number of decimal places after which it terminates.

**Solution:** Step 1: Focus on the denominator of the given rational expression  $\frac{14587}{1250}$ :

$$\text{Denominator} = 1250$$

Step 2: Determine the complete prime factorization of the denominator 1250:

$$1250 = 2 \times 625 = 2^1 \times 5^4$$

Step 3: Compare the exponents of the prime bases 2 and 5:

$$\text{Exponent of } 2 = 1, \quad \text{Exponent of } 5 = 4$$

Step 4: Choose the highest value between these two exponents to determine the stopping point:

$$\text{Maximum}(1, 4) = 4$$

Step 5: Conclude that the decimal value will terminate precisely after 4 decimal places.

**Final Answer:**

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Q29.

**Solution**

**Concept:** Two linear lines  $a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0$  and  $a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0$  are geometrically parallel to each other if they fulfill the condition:

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

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the coefficient values from the first linear equation  $3x - y - 5 = 0$ :

$$a_1 = 3, \quad b_1 = -1, \quad c_1 = -5$$

Step 2: Write down the coefficient values from the second parallel equation  $6x - 2y - k = 0$ :

$$a_2 = 6, \quad b_2 = -2, \quad c_2 = -k$$

Step 3: Set up the ratios and substitute the known numbers:

$$\frac{3}{6} = \frac{-1}{-2} \neq \frac{-5}{-k}$$

Step 4: Simplify the identical ratios on the left side:

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \neq \frac{5}{k}$$

Step 5: Solve the inequality portion to establish the restriction on  $k$ :

$$\frac{1}{2} \neq \frac{5}{k} \implies k \neq 10$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)**

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Q30.

**Solution**

**Concept:** For any standard quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , the sum of its roots is calculated as  $-\frac{b}{a}$  and the product of its roots is given by  $\frac{c}{a}$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Extract the constant coefficients from the equation  $kx^2 + 2x + 3k = 0$ :

$$a = k, \quad b = 2, \quad c = 3k$$

Step 2: Express the sum of the roots using the coefficients:

$$\text{Sum} = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{2}{k}$$

Step 3: Express the product of the roots using the coefficients:

$$\text{Product} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{3k}{k} = 3 \quad (\text{given } k \neq 0)$$

Step 4: Equate the sum expression to the product value as specified in the problem text:

$$-\frac{2}{k} = 3$$

Step 5: Solve the algebraic equation to find  $k$ :

$$-2 = 3k \implies k = -\frac{2}{3}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$\boxed{-\frac{2}{3}}$$

**Answer: (B)**

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Q31.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The general form of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of an Arithmetic Progression is given by  $a_n = a + (n - 1)d$ . We can set up a system of linear equations to solve for the values of  $a$  and  $d$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Translate the given values into general algebraic terms.

For the 7<sup>th</sup> term:  $a + 6d = 34$  (Equation 1)

For the 13<sup>th</sup> term:  $a + 12d = 64$  (Equation 2)

Step 2: Subtract Equation 1 from Equation 2 to eliminate  $a$ :

$$(a + 12d) - (a + 6d) = 64 - 34$$

$$6d = 30 \implies d = 5$$

Step 3: Substitute  $d = 5$  back into Equation 1 to find the first term  $a$ :

$$a + 6(5) = 34 \implies a + 30 = 34 \implies a = 4$$

Step 4: Use the values  $a = 4$  and  $d = 5$  to calculate the value of the 18<sup>th</sup> term:

$$a_{18} = a + 17d$$

$$a_{18} = 4 + 17(5) = 4 + 85 = 89$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer:** (C)

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Q32.

**Solution**

**Concept:** According to Thales' Basic Proportionality Theorem (BPT), if a straight line runs parallel to one side of a triangle intersecting the other two sides, it divides those sides in the exact same proportion:

$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the algebraic side dimensions from the text description:

$$AD = x, \quad DB = x - 2, \quad AE = x + 2, \quad EC = x - 1$$

Step 2: Substitute these side lengths into the proportional BPT equation:

$$\frac{x}{x - 2} = \frac{x + 2}{x - 1}$$

Step 3: Perform cross-multiplication to eliminate the fractions:

$$x(x - 1) = (x - 2)(x + 2)$$

Step 4: Expand both sides of the polynomial equation:

$$x^2 - x = x^2 - 4$$

Step 5: Cancel out  $x^2$  from both sides and solve for the variable  $x$ :

$$-x = -4 \implies x = 4$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)** [Go Back to Question 32](#)



Q33.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The area of a circular shape is computed using  $\text{Area} = \pi r^2$ . The problem states that the combined area of two smaller circles is equal to the area of a single large circle.

**Solution:** Step 1: Note the given radii values for the two smaller circular figures:

$$r_1 = 24 \text{ cm}, \quad r_2 = 7 \text{ cm}$$

Step 2: Express the total combined area equation using the individual formulas:

$$\text{Total Area} = \text{Area}_1 + \text{Area}_2$$

$$\text{Total Area} = \pi r_1^2 + \pi r_2^2$$

Step 3: Substitute the numeric radius measurements into the formula:

$$\text{Total Area} = \pi(24)^2 + \pi(7)^2$$

$$\text{Total Area} = 576\pi + 49\pi$$

Step 4: Sum the components together to get the final area calculation:

$$\text{Total Area} = 625\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (C)** [Go Back to Question 33](#)



Q34.

**Solution**

**Concept:** A composite solid shape can be broken down or analyzed visually as a combination of multiple standard three-dimensional geometric figures joined together.

**Solution:** Step 1: Examine the standard shape profile of a badminton shuttlecock.

Step 2: The top section where the feathers flare outwards can be modeled as a hollow cone with its top pointed tip sliced off. This specific shape is known as a frustum of a cone.

Step 3: The bottom base section of the shuttlecock consists of a smooth rounded component which is precisely a hemisphere.

Step 4: Combining these structural assessments, the shape is a combination of a frustum of a cone and a hemisphere.

**Final Answer:** a frustum of a cone and a hemisphere

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Q35.

### Solution

**Concept:** The median class in a grouped frequency data table is located by finding the cumulative frequencies and identifying the class interval that contains the middle position corresponding to  $\frac{N}{2}$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Create a table of cumulative frequencies (cf) step-by-step from the given frequencies:

Class Interval	Frequency (f)	Cumulative Frequency (cf)
0 – 10	5	5
10 – 20	8	$5 + 8 = 13$
20 – 30	12	$13 + 12 = 25$
30 – 40	7	$25 + 7 = 32$
40 – 50	6	$32 + 6 = 38$

Step 2: Note the value of the total frequency count  $N = 38$ .

Step 3: Compute the middle indexing position  $\frac{N}{2}$ :

$$\frac{N}{2} = \frac{38}{2} = 19$$

Step 4: Look down the cf column to find the first interval where the cumulative value matches or exceeds 19. The value 25 in the third row is the first to exceed 19.

Step 5: Identify the class interval corresponding to this row, which is 20-30.

**Final Answer:**

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Q36.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The probability of a complementary event ("not happening") can be evaluated either by subtracting the success probability from 1 or by counting the total number of items that do not fit the excluded category.

**Solution:** Step 1: Sum all the colored marbles to calculate the total size of the sample space:

$$\text{Total} = 3 \text{ blue} + 2 \text{ white} + 4 \text{ red} = 9 \text{ marbles}$$

Step 2: Identify the favorable marbles that match the condition "not a white marble". This includes all blue and red marbles:

$$\text{Favorable marbles} = 3 \text{ blue} + 4 \text{ red} = 7 \text{ marbles}$$

Step 3: Calculate the probability using these counts:

$$P = \frac{\text{Favorable outcomes}}{\text{Total outcomes}} = \frac{7}{9}$$

**Final Answer:**  $\frac{7}{9}$      *r*

**Answer: (B)**

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Q37.

**Solution**

**Concept:** To find the largest common divisor that leaves specific remainders when dividing a set of integers, subtract the respective remainders from each number and then compute the Highest Common Factor (HCF) of the resulting values.

**Solution:** Step 1: Subtract the given remainders from the original numbers to find the exact multiples:

$$\text{First integer} = 70 - 5 = 65$$

$$\text{Second integer} = 125 - 8 = 117$$

Step 2: Find the prime factorization of 65:

$$65 = 5 \times 13$$

Step 3: Find the prime factorization of 117:

$$117 = 3 \times 39 = 3^2 \times 13$$

Step 4: Identify the common prime factors between the two numbers to determine the HCF:

$$\text{HCF}(65, 117) = 13$$

Thus, 13 is the largest number that satisfies the conditions.

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Question 37](#)



Q38.

**Solution**

**Concept:** For a quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , the sum of the zeroes is given by the formula  $-\frac{b}{a}$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify coefficients from the polynomial  $p(x) = (k^2 - 14)x^2 - 2x - 12$ :

$$a = k^2 - 14, \quad b = -2, \quad c = -12$$

Step 2: Use the coefficient relationship for the sum of zeroes:

$$\text{Sum} = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{-2}{k^2 - 14} = \frac{2}{k^2 - 14}$$

Step 3: Set this expression equal to 1, as stated in the question:

$$\frac{2}{k^2 - 14} = 1$$

Step 4: Cross-multiply and isolate the  $k^2$  term:

$$2 = k^2 - 14 \implies k^2 = 16$$

Step 5: Take the square root to find the positive value of  $k$ :

$$k = \pm 4 \implies \text{Positive value} = 4$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)** [Go Back to Question 38](#)



Q39.

**Solution**

**Concept:** Two straight lines represented by  $a_1x + b_1y = c_1$  and  $a_2x + b_2y = c_2$  are parallel if the ratio of their  $x$  and  $y$  coefficients are equal:

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

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the coefficient values from the first line  $2x + ky = 1$ :

$$a_1 = 2, \quad b_1 = k$$

Step 2: Write down the coefficient values from the second line  $3x - 5y = 7$ :

$$a_2 = 3, \quad b_2 = -5$$

Step 3: Set up the parallel slope ratio condition:

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{k}{-5}$$

Step 4: Cross-multiply the terms to solve for the unknown parameter  $k$ :

$$3 \cdot k = 2 \cdot (-5)$$

$$3k = -10 \implies k = \frac{-10}{3}$$

**Final Answer:**  $\frac{-10}{3} \quad r$

**Answer: (A)** [Go Back to Question 39](#)



Q40.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The area of a triangle with vertices at coordinate locations  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$ , and  $(x_3, y_3)$  can be evaluated using the standard coordinate matrix area formula:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}|x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)|$$

**Solution:** Step 1: Assign coordinates from the given data points  $A(0, 6)$ ,  $B(0, -2)$ , and  $C(3, 0)$ :

$$x_1 = 0, y_1 = 6; \quad x_2 = 0, y_2 = -2; \quad x_3 = 3, y_3 = 0$$

Step 2: Substitute these values directly into the area formula:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}|0(-2 - 0) + 0(0 - 6) + 3(6 - (-2))|$$

Step 3: Simplify the terms inside the absolute value brackets:

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}|0 + 0 + 3(6 + 2)|$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}|3(8)| = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 24 = 12 \text{ sq. units}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)**

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Q41.

**Solution**

**Concept:** Recall the fundamental standard trigonometric identity linking secant and tangent functions:

$$\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1$$

This can be factored into  $(\sec \theta - \tan \theta)(\sec \theta + \tan \theta) = 1$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Use the given information:

$$\sec \theta + \tan \theta = x \quad (\text{Equation 1})$$

Step 2: Substitute Equation 1 into the factored identity:

$$(\sec \theta - \tan \theta) \cdot x = 1 \implies \sec \theta - \tan \theta = \frac{1}{x} \quad (\text{Equation 2})$$

Step 3: Since we need to isolate  $\tan \theta$ , subtract Equation 2 from Equation 1:

$$(\sec \theta + \tan \theta) - (\sec \theta - \tan \theta) = x - \frac{1}{x}$$

$$2 \tan \theta = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x}$$

Step 4: Divide both sides by 2 to solve for  $\tan \theta$ :

$$\tan \theta = \frac{x^2 - 1}{2x}$$

**Final Answer:**  $\frac{x^2 - 1}{2x} r$

**Answer: (B)**

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Q42.

**Solution**

**Concept:** In any right-angled triangle, the sine function of an acute angle is defined as the ratio of the opposite side (height) to the hypotenuse side (length of the string):

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Hypotenuse}}$$

**Solution:** Step 1: Model the problem as a right-angled triangle where the vertical side is 60 m and the hypotenuse string length is  $L$ .

Step 2: The given angle of inclination is  $\theta = 60^\circ$ .

Step 3: Set up the sine trigonometric ratio:

$$\sin(60^\circ) = \frac{60}{L}$$

Step 4: Substitute the exact standard value  $\sin(60^\circ) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ :

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{60}{L}$$

Step 5: Rearrange to solve for  $L$  and rationalize the fraction:

$$L = \frac{120}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{120\sqrt{3}}{3} = 40\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)**

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Q43.

**Solution**

**Concept:** A chord of a larger circle that is tangent to a smaller concentric circle is bisected at the point of contact by the radius. This forms a right-angled triangle where the Pythagorean theorem applies.

**Solution:** Step 1: Let the chord be  $AB$  and the point of tangency with the inner circle be  $P$ . This means  $OP \perp AB$ , where  $O$  is the center.

Step 2: In the right-angled triangle  $\triangle OPB$ , the hypotenuse is the outer radius  $OB = 5$  cm, and the vertical leg is the inner radius  $OP = 3$  cm.

Step 3: Apply the Pythagorean theorem to calculate length  $PB$ :

$$OB^2 = OP^2 + PB^2 \implies 5^2 = 3^2 + PB^2$$

$$25 = 9 + PB^2 \implies PB^2 = 16 \implies PB = 4 \text{ cm}$$

Step 4: Since the perpendicular line from the center bisects the chord, the total length of the chord  $AB$  is twice  $PB$ :

$$\text{Chord length } AB = 2 \cdot PB = 2 \cdot 4 = 8 \text{ cm}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (C)** [Go Back to Question 43](#)



Q44.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The area of a circle depends on the square of its radius ( $A = \pi r^2$ ). If the radius changes by a percentage, the resulting change in area can be calculated using proportional ratios.

**Solution:** Step 1: Let the initial radius of the circle be  $r$ . The original area is  $A_1 = \pi r^2$ .

Step 2: The radius is reduced by 10%, so the new radius  $r'$  is:

$$r' = r - 0.10r = 0.90r$$

Step 3: Calculate the new area  $A_2$  using the modified radius:

$$A_2 = \pi(r')^2 = \pi(0.90r)^2 = 0.81\pi r^2$$

Step 4: Determine the total decrease in area:

$$\text{Decrease} = A_1 - A_2 = \pi r^2 - 0.81\pi r^2 = 0.19\pi r^2$$

Step 5: Convert this decrease into a percentage:

$$\text{Percentage Diminished} = \frac{0.19\pi r^2}{\pi r^2} \times 100 = 19\%$$

**Final Answer:**

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Q45.

**Solution**

**Concept:** For a cylinder with base radius  $r$  and height  $h$ , its Total Surface Area (TSA) is given by  $2\pi r(h + r)$  and its Lateral Surface Area (LSA) is given by  $2\pi rh$ .

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the geometric area expressions for a right circular cylinder:

$$\text{TSA} = 2\pi r(h + r)$$

$$\text{LSA} = 2\pi rh$$

Step 2: Set up the required ratio of TSA to LSA:

$$\text{Ratio} = \frac{\text{TSA}}{\text{LSA}} = \frac{2\pi r(h + r)}{2\pi rh}$$

Step 3: Cancel out the common terms  $2\pi r$  present in both the numerator and the denominator:

$$\text{Ratio} = \frac{h + r}{h}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$\frac{h + r}{h} \quad r$$

**Answer: (A)**

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Q46.

**Solution**

**Concept:** A cumulative frequency distribution table tracks running totals of frequencies across sorted groupings, which is a key requirement for finding specific positional statistics.

**Solution:** Step 1: Review the definitions of different central statistical measures.

Step 2: The Mean relies on adding all values multiplied by their frequency weights.

Step 3: The Mode identifies the category with the highest individual frequency peak.

Step 4: The Median represents the middle observation point of a sorted dataset. In grouped data, we find this middle point by using cumulative frequencies to identify the median class.

Step 5: Therefore, the cumulative frequency table is primarily used to determine the Median.

**Final Answer:**

Median<sup>r</sup>

**Answer: (B)**

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Q47.

**Solution**

**Concept:** An integer is a multiple of two numbers simultaneously if it is a multiple of their Least Common Multiple (LCM).

**Solution:** Step 1: Identify the total number of possible outcomes in the sample space:

$$\text{Total integers} = 50$$

Step 2: Find the LCM of the two specified numbers, 3 and 4:

$$\text{LCM}(3, 4) = 12$$

Step 3: List all multiples of 12 that fall within the range from 1 to 50:

$$\text{Multiples} = \{12, 24, 36, 48\}$$

The number of favorable outcomes is 4.

Step 4: Compute the probability by dividing the favorable count by the total count:

$$P = \frac{4}{50}$$

Step 5: Simplify the fraction to its lowest terms:

$$P = \frac{2}{25}$$

**Final Answer:**  $\frac{2}{25}$      *r*

**Answer: (B)**

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Q48.

**Solution**

**Concept:** An expression involving radical terms can be simplified using expansion and polynomial multiplication rules to determine if the final value is rational or irrational.

**Solution:** Step 1: Write down the algebraic expression given in the problem statement:

$$X = (\sqrt{3} + 1)(3 - \sqrt{3})$$

Step 2: Factor out  $\sqrt{3}$  from the second term  $(3 - \sqrt{3})$  to simplify the multiplication:

$$(3 - \sqrt{3}) = \sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3} - 1)$$

Step 3: Rewrite the total expression by substituting this factored form:

$$X = (\sqrt{3} + 1) \cdot \sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3} - 1) = \sqrt{3} \cdot [(\sqrt{3} + 1)(\sqrt{3} - 1)]$$

Step 4: Apply the difference of squares identity  $(a+b)(a-b) = a^2 - b^2$  inside the brackets:

$$X = \sqrt{3} \cdot [(\sqrt{3})^2 - 1^2] = \sqrt{3} \cdot [3 - 1] = 2\sqrt{3}$$

Step 5: Analyze the final term  $2\sqrt{3}$ . Since it contains the non-terminating, non-repeating radical factor  $\sqrt{3}$ , it is an irrational number.

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (A)**

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Q49.

**Solution**

**Concept:** The circumference of a circle is directly proportional to its radius ( $C = 2\pi r$ ), whereas the area is proportional to the square of its radius ( $A = \pi r^2$ ). Thus, the ratio of the areas of two circles is equal to the square of the ratio of their circumferences.

**Solution:** Step 1: State the given relationship for the circumferences of the two circles:

$$\frac{C_1}{C_2} = \frac{2\pi r_1}{2\pi r_2} = \frac{r_1}{r_2} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Step 2: Set up the ratio for their corresponding areas:

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{\pi r_1^2}{\pi r_2^2} = \left(\frac{r_1}{r_2}\right)^2$$

Step 3: Substitute the known radius ratio into the squared area equation:

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{4}{9}$$

Thus, the ratio of their areas is 4 : 9.

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)**

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Q50.

**Solution**

**Concept:** When a continuous piece of wire is reshaped from a circle into a square, the total length of the wire remains constant. This means the circumference of the initial circle is equal to the perimeter of the final square shape.

**Solution:** Step 1: Calculate the circumference of the circle with the given radius  $r = 21$  cm using  $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$ :

$$\text{Circumference} = 2\pi r = 2 \cdot \frac{22}{7} \cdot 21$$

$$\text{Circumference} = 2 \cdot 22 \cdot 3 = 132 \text{ cm}$$

Step 2: Let the side length of the square be  $s$ . The perimeter formula for a square is given by:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 4s$$

Step 3: Equate the perimeter of the square to the total wire length calculated from the circumference:

$$4s = 132$$

Step 4: Divide by 4 to solve for the side length  $s$ :

$$s = \frac{132}{4} = 33 \text{ cm}$$

**Final Answer:**

**Answer: (B)**

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## Answer Key

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6	B	7	A	8	A	9	A	10	B
11	C	12	C	13	B	14	C	15	C
16	A	17	A	18	C	19	B	20	C
21	B	22	A	23	A	24	C	25	B
26	C	27	A	28	C	29	B	30	B
31	C	32	B	33	C	34	D	35	B
36	B	37	A	38	B	39	A	40	B
41	B	42	A	43	C	44	B	45	A
46	B	47	B	48	A	49	B	50	B

