

Jharkhand Polytechnic Physics

Sample Paper – 9

Duration: 50 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 50

Instructions

- This paper contains **50** Multiple Choice Questions (Single Correct Answer), modelled on the Physics section of the **Jharkhand Polytechnic (PECE)** entrance examination conducted by JCECEB.
- Each correct answer carries **+ 1 mark**. There is **a negative marking of 0.25 mark** for every wrong answer. Unattempted questions carry **no penalty**.
- Only **one** option is correct. Choose carefully.
- This is an offline OMR based test. Darken the correct bubble fully with a blue or black ball pen.
- Take **$g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$** wherever required, unless stated otherwise.
- Use of mobile phones, calculators, or electronic gadgets is strictly prohibited.

Q1. The SI unit of temperature is the:

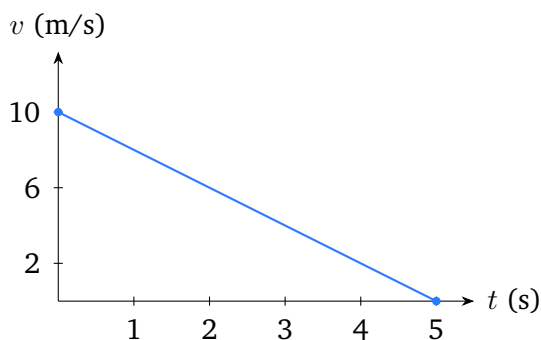
- (A) degree Celsius
- (B) joule
- (C) kelvin
- (D) degree Fahrenheit

Q2. Out of the quantities listed below, which one is a fundamental quantity?

- (A) Electric current
- (B) Force
- (C) Pressure
- (D) Velocity

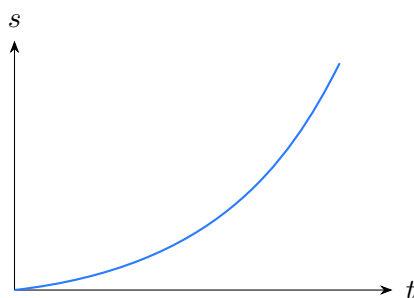


- Q3.** A train moves with a speed of 144 km/h. Its speed in metre per second is:
- (A) 50 m/s
(B) 14.4 m/s
(C) 72 m/s
(D) 40 m/s
- Q4.** The prefix “nano” stands for a factor of:
- (A) 10^{-6}
(B) 10^{-9}
(C) 10^{-3}
(D) 10^{-12}
- Q5.** A car moving at 10 m/s slows down uniformly with a retardation of 2 m/s², as shown in the velocity–time graph. Its velocity after 5 seconds is:



- (A) 0 m/s (the car comes to rest)
(B) 5 m/s
(C) 20 m/s
(D) 2 m/s
- Q6.** The distance–time graph of a moving body is a curve whose slope keeps increasing, as shown. This indicates that the body is moving with:





- (A) uniform (constant) speed
- (B) rest (no motion)
- (C) accelerated (non-uniform) motion
- (D) backward motion

Q7. Seat belts in a car protect a passenger during a sudden stop. They do so by opposing the passenger's:

- (A) gain in momentum
- (B) inertia of motion (tendency to keep moving forward)
- (C) increase in weight
- (D) loss of energy

Q8. A force of 50 N acts on a body of mass 10 kg. The acceleration produced in the body is:

- (A) 500 m/s^2
- (B) 60 m/s^2
- (C) 0.2 m/s^2
- (D) 5 m/s^2

Q9. When a cannon fires a ball in the forward direction, the cannon itself moves backward. This recoil is an example of Newton's:

- (A) third law of motion
- (B) first law of motion



- (C) second law of motion
- (D) universal law of gravitation

Q10. The impulse given to a body by a force is equal to the:

- (A) rate of change of its momentum
- (B) change in its momentum
- (C) change in its kinetic energy
- (D) force applied on it

Q11. A body moving with uniform velocity along a straight line has an acceleration of:

- (A) a constant non-zero value
- (B) a steadily increasing value
- (C) a value equal to g
- (D) zero

Q12. A constant force of 13 N moves a body through 2 m in the direction of the force. The work done is:

- (A) 6.5 J
- (B) 15 J
- (C) 26 J
- (D) 11 J

Q13. The kinetic energy of a body of mass 5 kg moving with a speed of 4 m/s is:

- (A) 40 J
- (B) 10 J
- (C) 80 J
- (D) 20 J



- Q14.** A body of mass 6 kg is lifted to a height of 5 m. The gravitational potential energy gained by it is:
- (A) 30 J
 - (B) 300 J
 - (C) 150 J
 - (D) 60 J
- Q15.** A machine pushes a body with a constant force of 25 N so that the body moves with a steady velocity of 2 m/s. The power developed by the machine is:
- (A) 12.5 W
 - (B) 27 W
 - (C) 100 W
 - (D) 50 W
- Q16.** A stretched bow (just before the arrow is released) stores energy in the form of:
- (A) kinetic energy
 - (B) heat energy
 - (C) elastic potential energy
 - (D) sound energy
- Q17.** The weight of an object of mass 11 kg on the surface of the Earth is:
- (A) 110 N
 - (B) 11 N
 - (C) 1.1 N
 - (D) 1100 N
- Q18.** As we go higher and higher above the surface of the Earth, the value of acceleration due to gravity g :



- (A) increases steadily
- (B) remains exactly the same
- (C) becomes zero immediately
- (D) decreases

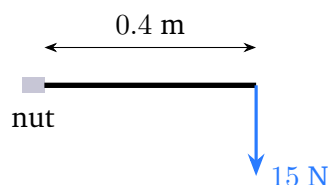
Q19. A stone is dropped from rest and falls freely for 2 seconds. The distance it falls is (take $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$):

- (A) 10 m
- (B) 20 m
- (C) 40 m
- (D) 5 m

Q20. An object weighs 120 N on the Earth. Its weight on the Moon, where gravity is one-sixth that of the Earth, will be:

- (A) 120 N
- (B) 720 N
- (C) 20 N
- (D) 12 N

Q21. A force of 15 N is applied at the end of a spanner at a perpendicular distance of 0.4 m from the nut, as shown. The moment (turning effect) of the force about the nut is:

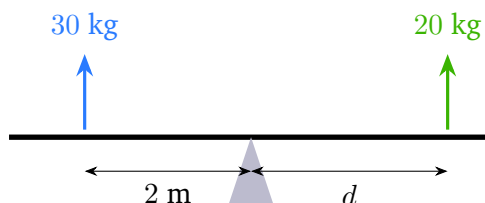


- (A) 6 N m
- (B) 3 N m
- (C) 37.5 N m



(D) 0.6 N m

- Q22.** On a balanced seesaw, a child of weight 30 kg sits 2 m from the pivot. A second child of weight 20 kg sits on the other side, as shown. For balance, the second child must sit at a distance of:



- (A) 1 m
(B) 1.5 m
(C) 2 m
(D) 3 m
- Q23.** A simple pendulum is taken from the Earth to the Moon, where the value of g is smaller. The time period of the pendulum will:
- (A) decrease
(B) increase
(C) remain unchanged
(D) become zero
- Q24.** In simple harmonic motion, the acceleration of the particle is always directed:
- (A) towards the mean (equilibrium) position
(B) away from the mean position
(C) along the direction of velocity
(D) towards the nearer extreme position
- Q25.** A temperature of 77°C , expressed on the Kelvin scale, is:



- (A) 77 K
- (B) 304 K
- (C) 350 K
- (D) 196 K

Q26. How much heat is required to raise the temperature of 0.1 kg of water by 50°C ? (Specific heat of water = $4200 \text{ J kg}^{-1} ^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$)

- (A) 2100 J
- (B) 21000 J
- (C) 4200 J
- (D) 42000 J

Q27. The three modes by which heat can be transferred from one place to another are:

- (A) conduction, reflection and radiation
- (B) convection, dispersion and conduction
- (C) radiation, refraction and convection
- (D) conduction, convection and radiation

Q28. Which one of the following surfaces is the best absorber of heat radiation?

- (A) a dull black surface
- (B) a shiny white surface
- (C) a polished silver surface
- (D) a mirror-like surface

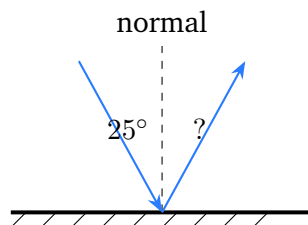
Q29. Ice floats on the surface of water because:

- (A) ice is warmer than water
- (B) ice has no weight of its own

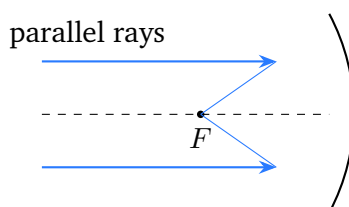


- (C) ice is less dense than water
- (D) water repels ice magnetically

Q30. A ray of light strikes a plane mirror making an angle of incidence of 25° with the normal, as shown. The angle of reflection is:



- (A) 50°
 - (B) 25°
 - (C) 65°
 - (D) 0°
- Q31.** For a concave mirror, when the object is placed at infinity, the parallel rays converge after reflection, as shown. The image is formed:



- (A) at the centre of curvature
 - (B) behind the mirror
 - (C) at infinity
 - (D) at the focus (real, inverted and point-sized)
- Q32.** Convex mirrors are used as rear-view mirrors in vehicles and at sharp road turnings mainly because they:
- (A) give a wide field of view with erect images

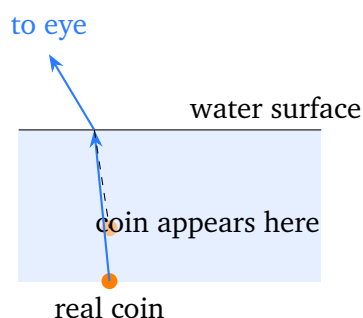


- (B) form magnified real images
- (C) form inverted real images
- (D) absorb most of the light falling on them

Q33. An object is placed 15 cm in front of a concave mirror of focal length 10 cm. Using the mirror formula $\frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$, the image distance v is:

- (A) -10 cm
- (B) -15 cm
- (C) -30 cm
- (D) +30 cm

Q34. A coin lying at the bottom of a water tank appears to be raised when viewed from above, as shown. The apparent depth of the coin is:



- (A) more than the real depth
- (B) less than the real depth
- (C) equal to the real depth
- (D) exactly zero

Q35. The eye defect known as hypermetropia (long sight), in which a person cannot see nearby objects clearly, is corrected by using a:

- (A) concave lens
- (B) cylindrical lens
- (C) plane glass plate



(D) convex lens

Q36. The twinkling of stars on a clear night is caused by:

- (A) the atmospheric refraction of starlight
- (B) the reflection of light by clouds
- (C) dispersion of light inside the eye
- (D) the stars actually switching on and off

Q37. A sound wave has a frequency of 300 Hz and a wavelength of 1.1 m. The speed of the wave is:

- (A) 272 m/s
- (B) 301 m/s
- (C) 330 m/s
- (D) 165 m/s

Q38. When the stretched string of a guitar is plucked, the waves that travel along the string itself are:

- (A) longitudinal waves
- (B) transverse waves
- (C) electromagnetic waves
- (D) sound waves in air

Q39. Bats can fly safely in complete darkness and locate obstacles by using:

- (A) ultrasound (echolocation)
- (B) infrared light
- (C) X-rays
- (D) only ordinary audible sound

Q40. The loudness of a sound depends mainly on the wave's:

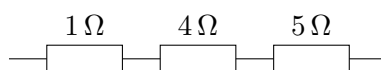


- (A) frequency
- (B) wavelength
- (C) speed
- (D) amplitude

Q41. A current of 2.5 A flows through a resistor of resistance $4\ \Omega$. The potential difference across the resistor is:

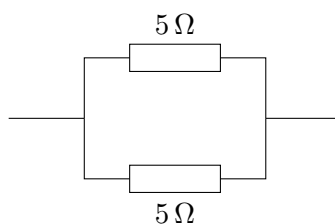
- (A) 1.6 V
- (B) 10 V
- (C) 6.5 V
- (D) 0.625 V

Q42. Three resistors of $1\ \Omega$, $4\ \Omega$ and $5\ \Omega$ are connected in series, as shown. Their equivalent resistance is:



- (A) $0.7\ \Omega$
- (B) $5\ \Omega$
- (C) $10\ \Omega$
- (D) $20\ \Omega$

Q43. Two resistors, each of $5\ \Omega$, are connected in parallel, as shown. Their equivalent resistance is:



- (A) $2.5\ \Omega$



- (B) $10\ \Omega$
- (C) $5\ \Omega$
- (D) $25\ \Omega$

Q44. A current of 2 A flows through a resistor of resistance $10\ \Omega$. The electrical power dissipated in the resistor is:

- (A) 20 W
- (B) 5 W
- (C) 80 W
- (D) 40 W

Q45. In a three-pin plug, the earth pin is connected to the metal body of an appliance mainly in order to:

- (A) increase the current drawn
- (B) protect the user from electric shock
- (C) reduce the supply voltage
- (D) save electrical energy

Q46. Nichrome wire is used as the heating element in electric heaters and irons because it has:

- (A) a very low resistivity
- (B) zero electrical resistance
- (C) a high resistivity and a high melting point
- (D) the lowest melting point among metals

Q47. In a diagram of magnetic field lines, the magnetic field is strongest at a place where the field lines are:

- (A) parallel and evenly spaced
- (B) perfectly straight

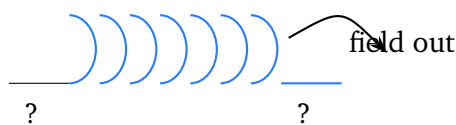


- (C) far apart from one another
- (D) crowded very close together

Q48. Soft iron is preferred over steel for the core of an electromagnet because soft iron:

- (A) loses its magnetism as soon as the current is switched off
- (B) remains a permanent magnet forever
- (C) cannot be magnetised at all
- (D) is a good insulator of electricity

Q49. When current flows through the solenoid shown, it behaves like a bar magnet. The end from which the magnetic field lines come out behaves as the:



- (A) south pole
- (B) north pole
- (C) a neutral (field-free) region
- (D) the positive terminal of the cell

Q50. The direction of the force acting on a current-carrying conductor placed in a magnetic field is given by:

- (A) Fleming's right-hand rule
- (B) the right-hand thumb rule
- (C) Fleming's left-hand rule
- (D) Maxwell's corkscrew rule



Detailed Solutions**Q1.****Solution**

Concept — SI base units: Temperature is one of the seven fundamental quantities, and each fundamental quantity has its own SI base unit.

Step 1 — Recall the unit: The SI base unit of temperature is the **kelvin (K)**.

Step 2 — Note the convention: The kelvin scale starts from absolute zero, and its size of one degree equals one degree Celsius.

Why other options are wrong:

- Degree Celsius is a commonly used unit, but it is not the SI base unit.
- Joule is the SI unit of heat energy, not of temperature.
- Degree Fahrenheit is an older non-SI scale.

Final Answer: The SI unit of temperature is the kelvin $\Rightarrow$ **C**

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q1](#)

Q2.**Solution**

Concept — Fundamental quantities: The seven fundamental (base) quantities are length, mass, time, electric current, temperature, amount of substance and luminous intensity. All others are derived from these.

Step 1 — Test each option: Force, pressure and velocity are all obtained by combining base quantities, so they are derived quantities.

Step 2 — Identify the base quantity: Among the choices, only **electric current** is one of the seven fundamental quantities.

Why other options are wrong:

- Force = mass $\times$ acceleration (derived).
- Pressure = force / area (derived).
- Velocity = displacement / time (derived).

Final Answer: Electric current is the fundamental quantity $\Rightarrow$ **A**

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



Q3.

Solution

Concept — Unit conversion: To change km/h into m/s, multiply by $\frac{1000}{3600} = \frac{5}{18}$.

Step 1 — Write the conversion factor: $1 \text{ km/h} = \frac{5}{18} \text{ m/s}$.

Step 2 — Substitute the value: Speed = $144 \times \frac{5}{18} \text{ m/s}$.

Step 3 — Simplify: $144 \div 18 = 8$, then $8 \times 5 = 40$. So speed = 40 m/s.

Why other options are wrong:

- 50 and 72 come from using a wrong factor.
- 14.4 divides by 10 instead of using $5/18$.

Final Answer: $144 \text{ km/h} = 40 \text{ m/s} \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{D}}$

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

Q4.

Solution

Concept — Metric prefixes: Standard prefixes stand for fixed powers of ten and are placed before a unit to make it larger or smaller.

Step 1 — Recall the prefix: The prefix “nano” represents the factor 10^{-9} .

Step 2 — Give a feel for it: For example, 1 nanometre = 10^{-9} m , which is one-billionth of a metre.

Why other options are wrong:

- 10^{-6} is the prefix “micro”.
- 10^{-3} is the prefix “milli”.
- 10^{-12} is the prefix “pico”.

Final Answer: Nano stands for $10^{-9} \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{B}}$

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



Q5.

Solution

Concept — Equation of motion: For uniform acceleration, $v = u + at$. A retardation is a negative acceleration, so we write $a = -2 \text{ m/s}^2$.

Step 1 — List the data: $u = 10 \text{ m/s}$, $a = -2 \text{ m/s}^2$, $t = 5 \text{ s}$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $v = 10 + (-2 \times 5)$.

Step 3 — Compute: $v = 10 - 10 = 0 \text{ m/s}$, so the car comes to rest.

Why other options are wrong:

- 5 m/s uses the wrong time.
- 20 m/s adds instead of subtracting.
- 2 m/s is just the value of the retardation.

Final Answer: Final velocity $= 0 \text{ m/s} \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{A}}$

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

Q6.

Solution

Concept — Distance–time graph: On a distance–time graph, the slope at any point gives the speed of the body. A steeper slope means a greater speed.

Step 1 — Read the graph: The curve becomes steeper as time increases, so the slope keeps increasing.

Step 2 — Interpret: An increasing slope means the speed is increasing with time, which is accelerated (non-uniform) motion.

Why other options are wrong:

- Uniform speed would give a straight slanting line, not a curve.
- A body at rest would give a horizontal line.
- Backward motion would show the distance decreasing.

Final Answer: The body is in accelerated motion $\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{C}}$

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q6](#)



Q7.

Solution

Concept — Newton's first law (inertia): A moving body tends to continue moving in a straight line unless an external force acts on it. This tendency is called inertia of motion.

Step 1 — Apply to the passenger: When a fast car stops suddenly, the passenger's body tends to keep moving forward because of its inertia of motion.

Step 2 — Role of the belt: The seat belt provides the external force that holds the passenger back, preventing injury.

Why other options are wrong:

- There is no gain in momentum; the car is stopping.
- The passenger's weight does not increase.
- Loss of energy does not explain the forward lurch.

Final Answer: Seat belts oppose the inertia of motion $\Rightarrow$ **B**

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

Q8.

Solution

Concept — Newton's second law: The acceleration of a body equals the net force divided by its mass, $a = \frac{F}{m}$.

Step 1 — List the data: $F = 50 \text{ N}$, $m = 10 \text{ kg}$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $a = \frac{50}{10}$.

Step 3 — Compute: $a = 5 \text{ m/s}^2$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 500 multiplies force and mass.
- 60 adds force and mass.
- 0.2 divides mass by force.

Final Answer: Acceleration $= 5 \text{ m/s}^2 \Rightarrow$ **D**

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



Q9.

Solution

Concept — Newton's third law: To every action there is an equal and opposite reaction, and the two forces act on two different bodies.

Step 1 — Apply to the cannon: The cannon pushes the ball forward (action) and the ball pushes the cannon backward (reaction), making the cannon recoil.

Step 2 — Identify the law: This forward-backward force pair is a direct example of the third law of motion.

Why other options are wrong:

- The first law deals with inertia, not force pairs.
- The second law relates force, mass and acceleration.
- Gravitation deals with attraction between masses.

Final Answer: Recoil of a cannon illustrates the third law $\Rightarrow$ A

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

Q10.

Solution

Concept — Impulse: Impulse is the product of the force and the time for which it acts, $J = F \times t$. By Newton's second law this equals the change in momentum.

Step 1 — Write the relation: $F = \frac{\Delta p}{t}$, so $F \times t = \Delta p$.

Step 2 — Conclude: Therefore impulse equals the **change in momentum** of the body.

Why other options are wrong:

- Rate of change of momentum is the force, not the impulse.
- Change in kinetic energy is equal to the work done, not the impulse.
- Force alone is not the impulse; impulse also includes the time factor.

Final Answer: Impulse = change in momentum $\Rightarrow$ B

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q10](#)



Q11.

Solution

Concept — Acceleration: Acceleration is the rate of change of velocity, $a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$.

Step 1 — Use the meaning of uniform velocity: Uniform velocity means the velocity does not change, so $\Delta v = 0$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $a = \frac{0}{\Delta t} = 0$.

Step 3 — Conclude: A body moving with uniform velocity has zero acceleration.

Why other options are wrong:

- A constant non-zero acceleration would change the velocity.
- An increasing acceleration would also change the velocity.
- Acceleration g applies to free fall, not uniform velocity.

Final Answer: Acceleration = 0 $\Rightarrow$ **D**

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q11](#)

Q12.

Solution

Concept — Work done: When a force acts along the direction of motion, work $W = F \times s$.

Step 1 — List the data: $F = 13 \text{ N}$, $s = 2 \text{ m}$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $W = 13 \times 2$.

Step 3 — Compute: $W = 26 \text{ J}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 6.5 divides force by distance.
- 15 adds force and distance.
- 11 subtracts the values.

Final Answer: Work done = 26 J $\Rightarrow$ **C**

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



Q13.

Solution

Concept — Kinetic energy: The kinetic energy of a moving body is $KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$.

Step 1 — List the data: $m = 5 \text{ kg}$, $v = 4 \text{ m/s}$.

Step 2 — Square the velocity: $v^2 = 4^2 = 16$.

Step 3 — Substitute and compute: $KE = \frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 16 = 40 \text{ J}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 10 uses v instead of v^2 .
- 80 forgets the factor $\frac{1}{2}$.
- 20 takes half of the mass only.

Final Answer: Kinetic energy = 40 J $\Rightarrow$ **A**

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q13](#)

Q14.

Solution

Concept — Gravitational potential energy: The energy gained on raising a body is $PE = mgh$.

Step 1 — List the data: $m = 6 \text{ kg}$, $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$, $h = 5 \text{ m}$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $PE = 6 \times 10 \times 5$.

Step 3 — Compute: $PE = 300 \text{ J}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 30 uses only $m \times h$.
- 150 takes half the correct value.
- 60 leaves out the height.

Final Answer: Potential energy = 300 J $\Rightarrow$ **B**

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q14](#)



Q15.

Solution

Concept — Power: When a body moves at a steady velocity under a constant force, power $P = F \times v$.

Step 1 — List the data: $F = 25 \text{ N}$, $v = 2 \text{ m/s}$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $P = 25 \times 2$.

Step 3 — Compute: $P = 50 \text{ W}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 12.5 divides force by velocity.
- 27 adds force and velocity.
- 100 multiplies by an extra factor.

Final Answer: Power = 50 W $\Rightarrow$ **D**

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q15](#)

Q16.

Solution

Concept — Elastic potential energy: Work done in stretching or compressing an elastic body is stored in it as elastic potential energy.

Step 1 — Examine the bow: When the bow is stretched, the archer does work against the elastic restoring force of the bow.

Step 2 — Identify the stored energy: This work is stored as **elastic potential energy**, which is released to give the arrow kinetic energy.

Why other options are wrong:

- Kinetic energy appears only when the arrow is moving after release.
- Heat energy is not the main form of stored energy here.
- Sound energy is only a small by-product on release.

Final Answer: A stretched bow stores elastic potential energy $\Rightarrow$ **C**

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q16](#)



Q17.

Solution

Concept — Weight: The weight of a body is the gravitational force on it, $W = mg$.

Step 1 — List the data: $m = 11 \text{ kg}$, $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $W = 11 \times 10$.

Step 3 — Compute: $W = 110 \text{ N}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 11 N is the mass value, not the weight.
- 1.1 N divides instead of multiplying.
- 1100 N multiplies by an extra factor of ten.

Final Answer: Weight = 110 N $\Rightarrow$ A

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q17](#)

Q18.

Solution

Concept — Variation of g with height: The value of g at a height h above the Earth's surface is smaller than its value on the surface, because the distance from the Earth's centre increases.

Step 1 — Use the inverse-square idea: Gravity weakens as the square of the distance from the centre, so moving higher reduces g .

Step 2 — Conclude: As we go higher, the value of g **decreases**.

Why other options are wrong:

- g does not increase with height.
- g does not stay exactly the same; it falls gradually.
- g does not drop to zero immediately; it decreases slowly.

Final Answer: g decreases with altitude $\Rightarrow$ D

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



Q19.

Solution

Concept — Free fall: For a body dropped from rest, the distance fallen is $s = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$.

Step 1 — List the data: $u = 0$, $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$, $t = 2 \text{ s}$.

Step 2 — Square the time: $t^2 = 2^2 = 4$.

Step 3 — Substitute and compute: $s = \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times 4 = 20 \text{ m}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 10 uses t instead of t^2 .
- 40 forgets the factor $\frac{1}{2}$.
- 5 takes only a quarter of the correct value.

Final Answer: Distance fallen = 20 m $\Rightarrow$ **B**

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

Q20.

Solution

Concept — Weight and gravity: Weight depends on the local value of g . On the Moon, g is one-sixth that on the Earth, so the weight becomes one-sixth.

Step 1 — Write the relation: $W_{\text{moon}} = \frac{1}{6} \times W_{\text{earth}}$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $W_{\text{moon}} = \frac{1}{6} \times 120$.

Step 3 — Compute: $W_{\text{moon}} = 20 \text{ N}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 120 N ignores the change in gravity.
- 720 N multiplies by 6 instead of dividing.
- 12 N divides by 10, not by 6.

Final Answer: Weight on the Moon = 20 N $\Rightarrow$ **C**

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q20](#)



Q21.

Solution

Concept — Moment of a force: The moment (turning effect) of a force about a point is the force times the perpendicular distance from that point, moment $= F \times d$.

Step 1 — List the data: $F = 15 \text{ N}$, $d = 0.4 \text{ m}$.

Step 2 — Substitute: Moment $= 15 \times 0.4$.

Step 3 — Compute: Moment $= 6 \text{ N m}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 3 N m takes half of the correct value.
- 37.5 N m divides force by distance.
- 0.6 N m misplaces the decimal point.

Final Answer: Moment of the force $= 6 \text{ N m} \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{A}}$

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q21](#)

Q22.

Solution

Concept — Principle of moments: For a balanced seesaw, the clockwise moment equals the anticlockwise moment, $W_1 \times d_1 = W_2 \times d_2$.

Step 1 — Write the balance: $30 \times 2 = 20 \times d$.

Step 2 — Simplify the left side: $60 = 20 \times d$.

Step 3 — Solve for d : $d = \frac{60}{20} = 3 \text{ m}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 1 m and 1.5 m give too small a moment to balance.
- 2 m would balance only if both children had equal weight.

Final Answer: The second child must sit at $3 \text{ m} \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{D}}$

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



Q23.

Solution

Concept — Pendulum time period: The time period of a simple pendulum is $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$, so T is larger when g is smaller.

Step 1 — Compare the planets: On the Moon, g is about one-sixth of its value on the Earth.

Step 2 — Apply the formula: Since g is in the denominator under the square root, a smaller g makes T larger, so the pendulum swings more slowly.

Step 3 — Conclude: The time period **increases** on the Moon.

Why other options are wrong:

- A smaller g cannot make T decrease.
- The period changes because g changes, so it is not unchanged.
- The pendulum still swings, so T is not zero.

Final Answer: The time period increases on the Moon $\Rightarrow$ **B**

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q23](#)

Q24.

Solution

Concept — Simple harmonic motion: In SHM the restoring force, and hence the acceleration, always points back towards the mean position.

Step 1 — Use the SHM relation: The acceleration is $a = -\omega^2 x$, where x is the displacement from the mean position.

Step 2 — Interpret the minus sign: The negative sign shows the acceleration is opposite to the displacement, that is, directed towards the mean position.

Why other options are wrong:

- Acceleration is never directed away from the mean position in SHM.
- It is not along the velocity; it is along the displacement line.
- It points towards the mean position, not towards the extreme.

Final Answer: SHM acceleration is directed towards the mean position $\Rightarrow$ **A**

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



Q25.

Solution

Concept — Celsius to Kelvin: To convert a Celsius temperature to kelvin, add 273: $T(\text{K}) = T(^{\circ}\text{C}) + 273$.

Step 1 — Write the relation: $T = 77 + 273$.

Step 2 — Add the numbers: $77 + 273 = 350$.

Step 3 — State the result: $T = 350 \text{ K}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 77 K forgets to add 273.
- 304 K adds 227 by mistake.
- 196 K subtracts instead of adding.

Final Answer: $77^{\circ}\text{C} = 350 \text{ K} \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{C}}$

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q25](#)

Q26.

Solution

Concept — Heat absorbed: The heat needed to change the temperature of a substance is $Q = mc\Delta T$.

Step 1 — List the data: $m = 0.1 \text{ kg}$, $c = 4200 \text{ J kg}^{-1} ^{\circ}\text{C}^{-1}$, $\Delta T = 50^{\circ}\text{C}$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $Q = 0.1 \times 4200 \times 50$.

Step 3 — Compute step by step: $0.1 \times 4200 = 420$; then $420 \times 50 = 21000 \text{ J}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 2100 uses $\Delta T = 5$ instead of 50.
- 4200 leaves out both the mass and the temperature change.
- 42000 doubles the correct value.

Final Answer: Heat required = 21000 J $\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{B}}$

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q26](#)



Q27.

Solution

Concept — Modes of heat transfer: Heat can travel from one place to another in three distinct ways.

Step 1 — Name the modes: These are conduction (through solids), convection (in fluids) and radiation (without any medium).

Step 2 — Match the option: Only one option lists all three correctly as conduction, convection and radiation.

Why other options are wrong:

- Reflection, dispersion and refraction are properties of light, not modes of heat transfer.
- The options that include these light terms are therefore incorrect.

Final Answer: The three modes are conduction, convection and radiation $\Rightarrow$ **D**

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q27](#)

Q28.

Solution

Concept — Absorption of radiation: Dark, dull surfaces absorb heat radiation well, while shiny, light-coloured surfaces reflect most of it.

Step 1 — Compare the surfaces: A dull black surface absorbs almost all the radiation falling on it.

Step 2 — Conclude: Therefore a dull black surface is the best absorber of heat radiation.

Why other options are wrong:

- A shiny white surface reflects most radiation.
- A polished silver surface is a strong reflector.
- A mirror-like surface reflects almost all radiation.

Final Answer: A dull black surface is the best absorber $\Rightarrow$ **A**

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q28](#)



Q29.

Solution

Concept — Anomalous expansion of water: When water freezes into ice, it expands, so a given mass of ice occupies more volume than the same mass of water. This makes ice less dense than water.

Step 1 — Compare densities: Ice has a density of about 0.92 g/cm^3 , while water has a density of about 1.0 g/cm^3 .

Step 2 — Apply the floating rule: A substance floats if it is less dense than the liquid, so ice floats on water.

Why other options are wrong:

- Ice is colder, not warmer, than liquid water.
- Ice certainly has weight.
- Magnetism has nothing to do with floating.

Final Answer: Ice floats because it is less dense than water $\Rightarrow$ **C**

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q29](#)

Q30.

Solution

Concept — Law of reflection: The angle of reflection is always equal to the angle of incidence, both measured from the normal.

Step 1 — Read the data: The angle of incidence is 25° .

Step 2 — Apply the law: Angle of reflection = angle of incidence = 25° .

Why other options are wrong:

- 50° wrongly doubles the angle.
- 65° measures from the mirror surface, not the normal.
- 0° would mean the ray strikes along the normal, which it does not.

Final Answer: Angle of reflection = $25^\circ \Rightarrow$ **B**

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q30](#)



Q31.

Solution

Concept — Concave mirror, object at infinity: Rays coming from a very distant object are parallel. After reflection from a concave mirror they all pass through the principal focus.

Step 1 — Trace the rays: The parallel rays converge at the focus F of the mirror.

Step 2 — Describe the image: The image is formed at the focus and is real, inverted and reduced to a point (highly diminished).

Why other options are wrong:

- The image is not at the centre of curvature for an object at infinity.
- A concave mirror forms this real image in front, not behind, the mirror.
- The image is not at infinity; only the object is.

Final Answer: The image is formed at the focus $\Rightarrow$ D

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q31](#)

Q32.

Solution

Concept — Convex mirror: A convex mirror always forms a virtual, erect and diminished image, and it can gather light from a wide area.

Step 1 — State the property: Because the image is small and erect, a convex mirror shows a large field of view in a small mirror.

Step 2 — Apply it: This is why convex mirrors are used as rear-view mirrors and at blind turnings, where a wide view of traffic is needed.

Why other options are wrong:

- A convex mirror never forms a magnified real image.
- It does not form inverted real images.
- It reflects light well rather than absorbing it.

Final Answer: Convex mirrors give a wide erect field of view $\Rightarrow$ A

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q32](#)



Q33.

Solution

Concept — Mirror formula: The mirror formula is $\frac{1}{v} + \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f}$. Using the sign convention, for a concave mirror f and u are negative.

Step 1 — List the data with signs: $f = -10$ cm, $u = -15$ cm.

Step 2 — Rearrange: $\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{-10} - \frac{1}{-15}$.

Step 3 — Combine the fractions: $\frac{1}{v} = -\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{15} = \frac{-3+2}{30} = -\frac{1}{30}$.

Step 4 — Invert: $v = -30$ cm.

Why other options are wrong:

- -10 cm is the focal length, not the image distance.
- -15 cm is the object distance.
- $+30$ cm has the wrong sign; a real image is in front of the mirror.

Final Answer: Image distance $v = -30$ cm $\Rightarrow$ **C**

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q33](#)

Q34.

Solution

Concept — Apparent depth: When we view an object in water from above, refraction bends the light at the surface, making the object look nearer to the surface than it really is.

Step 1 — Use the relation: Apparent depth = $\frac{\text{real depth}}{n}$, where n is the refractive index of water ($n \approx 1.33 > 1$).

Step 2 — Compare the depths: Dividing the real depth by a number greater than 1 gives a smaller value.

Step 3 — Conclude: So the apparent depth is **less** than the real depth, and the coin appears raised.

Why other options are wrong:

- The apparent depth is smaller, not larger.
- It is not equal to the real depth because refraction occurs.
- It is not zero; the coin is still seen below the surface.



Final Answer: Apparent depth is less than the real depth $\Rightarrow$ **B**

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q34](#)

Q35.

Solution

Concept — Hypermetropia: In hypermetropia (long sight) the image of a nearby object is formed behind the retina because the eye's converging power is too weak.

Step 1 — Find what is needed: To bring the image forward onto the retina, we need extra converging power.

Step 2 — Choose the lens: A **convex (converging) lens** adds the required converging power and corrects the defect.

Why other options are wrong:

- A concave lens diverges light and corrects short sight (myopia), not long sight.
- A cylindrical lens corrects astigmatism.
- A plane glass plate has no focusing power.

Final Answer: Hypermetropia is corrected by a convex lens $\Rightarrow$ **D**

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q35](#)

Q36.

Solution

Concept — Atmospheric refraction: The Earth's atmosphere has layers of air of slightly different densities, which keep changing. Starlight bends as it passes through these changing layers.

Step 1 — Trace the light: As the air conditions vary, the apparent position and brightness of a star keep changing slightly.

Step 2 — Conclude: This continuous change due to atmospheric refraction makes the star appear to twinkle.

Why other options are wrong:

- Clouds reflecting light is not the cause of twinkling.
- Dispersion in the eye does not cause twinkling.
- Stars shine steadily; they do not switch on and off.



Final Answer: Twinkling of stars is due to atmospheric refraction $\Rightarrow$ A

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q36](#)

Q37.

Solution

Concept — Wave speed: The speed of a wave is the product of its frequency and wavelength, $v = f\lambda$.

Step 1 — List the data: $f = 300$ Hz, $\lambda = 1.1$ m.

Step 2 — Substitute: $v = 300 \times 1.1$.

Step 3 — Compute: $v = 330$ m/s.

Why other options are wrong:

- 272 uses a wrong wavelength.
- 301 adds the values instead of multiplying.
- 165 takes half of the correct value.

Final Answer: Speed of the wave = 330 m/s $\Rightarrow$ C

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q37](#)

Q38.

Solution

Concept — Transverse waves: In a transverse wave the particles of the medium vibrate at right angles to the direction in which the wave travels.

Step 1 — Examine the string: When a guitar string is plucked, each part of the string moves up and down while the wave runs along the length of the string.

Step 2 — Identify the wave: Since the vibration is perpendicular to the travel direction, the wave on the string is a **transverse wave**.

Why other options are wrong:

- Longitudinal waves vibrate along the travel direction (like sound in air).
- Electromagnetic waves need no medium and are not waves on a string.
- The wave on the string is not the sound wave in the surrounding air.

Final Answer: The wave on a plucked string is transverse $\Rightarrow$ B



Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q38](#)

Q39.

Solution

Concept — Ultrasound and echolocation: Sound of frequency above 20 000 Hz is called ultrasound. Bats produce ultrasound and listen for the reflected echoes.

Step 1 — Trace the process: A bat emits ultrasonic squeaks, which reflect off obstacles and prey and return to the bat.

Step 2 — Conclude: By judging these echoes, the bat locates objects in the dark. This is echolocation using ultrasound.

Why other options are wrong:

- Infrared light is not used by bats to detect obstacles.
- X-rays are not produced or used by bats.
- Ordinary audible sound alone does not give the fine detail of echolocation.

Final Answer: Bats navigate using ultrasound (echolocation) $\Rightarrow$ **A**

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q39](#)

Q40.

Solution

Concept — Loudness and amplitude: The loudness of a sound depends on the amount of energy carried by the wave, which is decided by its amplitude.

Step 1 — Link energy to amplitude: A larger amplitude means the wave carries more energy and sounds louder.

Step 2 — Conclude: Therefore loudness depends mainly on the amplitude of the wave.

Why other options are wrong:

- Frequency decides the pitch, not the loudness.
- Wavelength is linked to frequency and speed, not directly to loudness.
- The speed depends on the medium, not on how loud the sound is.

Final Answer: Loudness depends on amplitude $\Rightarrow$ **D**

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q40](#)



Q41.

Solution

Concept — Ohm's law: The potential difference across a resistor is $V = IR$.

Step 1 — List the data: $I = 2.5 \text{ A}$, $R = 4 \Omega$.

Step 2 — Substitute: $V = 2.5 \times 4$.

Step 3 — Compute: $V = 10 \text{ V}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 1.6 V divides current by resistance.
- 6.5 V adds the values instead of multiplying.
- 0.625 V divides resistance by current.

Final Answer: Potential difference = 10 V $\Rightarrow$ **B**

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q41](#)

Q42.

Solution

Concept — Series resistance: In a series connection the equivalent resistance is the sum of the individual resistances, $R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$.

Step 1 — List the data: $R_1 = 1 \Omega$, $R_2 = 4 \Omega$, $R_3 = 5 \Omega$.

Step 2 — Add them: $R = 1 + 4 + 5$.

Step 3 — Compute: $R = 10 \Omega$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 0.7Ω is the parallel result, not the series result.
- 5Ω uses only one resistor.
- 20Ω doubles the correct sum.

Final Answer: Equivalent series resistance = $10 \Omega \Rightarrow$ **C**

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q42](#)



Q43.

Solution

Concept — Parallel resistance: For two equal resistors in parallel, the equivalent resistance is half of one resistor, $R = \frac{R_1}{2}$.

Step 1 — Write the formula: $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5}$.

Step 2 — Add the fractions: $\frac{1}{R} = \frac{2}{5}$.

Step 3 — Invert: $R = \frac{5}{2} = 2.5 \Omega$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 10Ω adds the resistances as if in series.
- 5Ω uses only one resistor.
- 25Ω multiplies the two values.

Final Answer: Equivalent parallel resistance = $2.5 \Omega \Rightarrow \boxed{A}$

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q43](#)

Q44.

Solution

Concept — Electrical power: The power dissipated in a resistor carrying a current is $P = I^2 R$.

Step 1 — List the data: $I = 2 \text{ A}$, $R = 10 \Omega$.

Step 2 — Square the current: $I^2 = 2^2 = 4$.

Step 3 — Substitute and compute: $P = 4 \times 10 = 40 \text{ W}$.

Why other options are wrong:

- 20 W uses I instead of I^2 .
- 5 W divides resistance by current.
- 80 W doubles the correct value.

Final Answer: Power dissipated = $40 \text{ W} \Rightarrow \boxed{D}$

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q44](#)



Q45.

Solution

Concept — Earthing: The earth pin connects the metal body of an appliance to the ground through a low-resistance wire.

Step 1 — Trace a fault: If the live wire accidentally touches the metal body, the current flows safely to the earth instead of through the user.

Step 2 — Conclude: So earthing protects the user from a dangerous electric shock.

Why other options are wrong:

- Earthing does not increase the current drawn.
- It does not reduce the supply voltage.
- It is a safety measure, not an energy-saving one.

Final Answer: The earth pin protects the user from electric shock $\Rightarrow$ **B**

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q45](#)

Q46.

Solution

Concept — Heating element: A good heating element must produce a lot of heat without melting, so it needs a high resistivity and a high melting point.

Step 1 — Recall the property: Nichrome is an alloy with a high resistivity, so it produces large heat ($P = I^2 R$) for a given current.

Step 2 — Add the melting point: Nichrome also has a high melting point, so it does not melt while glowing hot.

Why other options are wrong:

- A very low resistivity would produce too little heat.
- No real wire has zero resistance at room temperature.
- A low melting point would make the element melt quickly.

Final Answer: Nichrome has high resistivity and a high melting point $\Rightarrow$ **C**

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q46](#)



Q47.

Solution

Concept — Magnetic field lines: The closeness of magnetic field lines shows the strength of the field. Where the lines are crowded, the field is strong; where they are far apart, the field is weak.

Step 1 — Read the spacing: The field is strongest at the place where the field lines are packed most closely together.

Step 2 — Conclude: So the field is strongest where the lines are crowded very close together.

Why other options are wrong:

- Evenly spaced parallel lines indicate a uniform, not the strongest, field.
- Merely being straight does not indicate strength.
- Lines far apart indicate a weak field.

Final Answer: The field is strongest where the lines are closest $\Rightarrow$ **D**

Answer: (D) [Go Back to Q47](#)

Q48.

Solution

Concept — Electromagnet core: An electromagnet should be magnetic only while the current flows and should lose its magnetism the moment the current stops. This needs a temporary magnetic material.

Step 1 — Compare the metals: Soft iron is easily magnetised and also loses its magnetism almost completely as soon as the current is switched off.

Step 2 — Conclude: This temporary behaviour makes soft iron the preferred core over steel, which would stay magnetised.

Why other options are wrong:

- Soft iron does not remain a permanent magnet; that is its advantage here.
- Soft iron is in fact easily magnetised, not impossible to magnetise.
- Soft iron is a metal and a conductor, not an insulator.

Final Answer: Soft iron loses its magnetism when the current stops $\Rightarrow$ **A**

Answer: (A) [Go Back to Q48](#)



Q49.

Solution

Concept — Solenoid as a magnet: A current-carrying solenoid behaves like a bar magnet, with magnetic field lines emerging from one end and entering the other.

Step 1 — Recall the pole rule: Magnetic field lines come out of the north pole and go into the south pole of a magnet.

Step 2 — Apply to the solenoid: The end from which the field lines come out is therefore the **north pole**.

Why other options are wrong:

- Field lines enter at the south pole, so that end is not where they come out.
- There is a definite pole at the end, not a field-free region.
- North and south poles are magnetic, not electrical, terminals.

Final Answer: Field lines come out of the north pole $\Rightarrow$ **B**

Answer: (B) [Go Back to Q49](#)

Q50.

Solution

Concept — Fleming's left-hand rule: This rule gives the direction of the force on a current-carrying conductor placed in a magnetic field, and is the basis of the electric motor.

Step 1 — State the rule: Stretch the thumb, forefinger and middle finger of the left hand mutually perpendicular: the forefinger points along the field, the middle finger along the current, and the thumb gives the direction of the force.

Step 2 — Conclude: So the force direction is found using Fleming's left-hand rule.

Why other options are wrong:

- Fleming's right-hand rule gives the induced current in a generator.
- The right-hand thumb rule gives the field around a straight wire.
- Maxwell's corkscrew rule also gives field direction, not the force.

Final Answer: The force direction is given by Fleming's left-hand rule $\Rightarrow$ **C**

Answer: (C) [Go Back to Q50](#)



Answer Key

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31	D	32	A	33	C	34	B	35	D
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