## Question 1

A trader sells 10 litres of a mixture of paints A and B , where the amount of $B$ in the mixture does not exceed that of $A$. The cost of paint A per litre is Rs. 8 more than that of paint B. If the trader sells the entire mixture for Rs. 264 and makes a profit of $10 \%$, then the highest possible cost of paint B, in Rs. per litre, is
A) 20
B) 16
C) 22
D) 26

## Question 2

In a circle with centre 0 and radius 1 cm , an arc $A B$ makes an angle 60 degrees at $O$. Let $R$ be the region bounded by the radii $O A, O B$ and the arc $A B$. If $C$ and $D$ are two points on $O A$ and $O B$, respectively, such that $O C=$ $O D$ and the area of triangle $O C D$ is half that of $R$, then the length of $O C$, in cm , is
A) $\left(\frac{M}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
B) $\left(\frac{M}{6}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
C) $\left(\frac{\pi}{4 \sqrt{3}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
D) $\left(\frac{M}{3 \sqrt{3}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

## Question 3

If $f(x+2)=f(x)+f(x+1)$ for all positive integers $x$, and $f(11)=91$, $f(15)=617$, then $f(10)$ equals. [TITA]

## Question 4

The distance from A to B is 60 km . Partha and Narayan start from $A$ at the same time and move towards B. Partha takes four hours morethan Narayan to reach B. Moreover, Partha reaches the midpoint ofA and B two hours before Narayan reaches B. The speed of Partha, inkm per hour, is
A) 6
B) 3
C) 4
D) 5

## Question 5

A CAT aspirant appears for a certain number of tests. His average score increases by 1 if the first 10 tests are not considered, and decreases by 1 if the last 10 tests are not considered. If his average scores for the first 10 and the last 10 tests are 20 and 30 , respectively, then the total number of tests taken by him is [TITA]

## Question 6

Two types of tea, A and B, are mixed and then sold at Rs. 40 per kg . The profit is $10 \%$ if $A$ and $B$ are mixed in the ratio $3: 2$, and $5 \%$ if thisratio is $2: 3$. The cost prices, per kg , of $A$ and $B$ are in the ratio
A) $21: 25$
B) $19: 24$
C) $18: 25$
D) $17: 25$

## Question 7

A wholesaler bought walnuts and peanuts, the price of walnut per kgbeing thrice that of peanut per kg . He then sold 8 kg of peanuts at a profit of $10 \%$ and 16 kg of walnuts at a profit of $20 \%$ to a shopkeeper.However, the shopkeeper lost 5 kg of walnuts and 3 kg of peanuts in transit. He then mixed the remaining nuts and sold the mixture at Rs. 166 per kg, thus making an overall profit of $25 \%$. At what price, in Rs.per kg, did the wholesaler buy the walnuts?
A) 84
B) 86
C) 96
D) 98

## Question 8

When they work alone, B needs $25 \%$ more time to finish a job than Adoes. They two finish the job in 13 days in the following manner: A works alone till half the job is done, then A and B work together for four days, and finally B works alone to complete the remaining $5 \%$ ofthe job. In how many days can B alone finish the entire job?
A) 16
B) 22
C) 20
D) 18

## Question 9

Given an equilateral triangle T 1 with side 24 cm , a second triangle T2is formed by joining the midpoints of the sides of T1. Then a third triangle T 3 is formed by joining the midpoints of the sides of T 2 . If this process of forming triangles is continued, the sum of the areas, in sq cm, of infinitely many such triangles $\mathrm{T} 1, \mathrm{~T} 2, \mathrm{~T} 3$,... will be
A) $192 \sqrt{ } 3$
B) $164 \sqrt{ } 3$
C) $248 \sqrt{ } 3$
D) $188 \sqrt{3}$

## Question 10

While multiplying three real numbers, Ashok took one of the numbers as 73 instead of 37 . As a result, the product went up by 720 . Then the minimum possible value of the sum of squares of the other two numbers is: [TITA]

## Question 11

If x is a positive quantity such that $2^{x}=3^{\log _{5} 2}$, then x is equal to
A) $\log _{5} 9$
B) $1+\log _{5}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$
C) $1+\log _{3}\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)$
D) $\log _{5} 8$

## Question 12

If $\log _{12} 81=p$, then $3\left(\frac{4-p}{4+p}\right)$ is equal to:
A) $\log _{2} 8$
B) $\log _{6} 8$
C) $\log _{4} 16$
D) $\log _{6} 16$

## Question 13

A right circular cone, of height 12 ft , stands on its base which has diameter 8 ft . The tip of the cone is cut off with a plane which is parallel to the base and 9 ft from the base. With $\pi=22 / 7$, the volume, in cubic ft , of the remaining part of the cone is:[TITA]

## Question 14

How many numbers with two or more digits can be formed with thedigits $1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8$, and 9 so that in every such number, each digit is used at most once and the digits appear in the ascending order?[TITA]

## Question 15

John borrowed Rs. 2,10,000 from a bank at an interest rate of 10\% per annum, compounded annually. The loan was repaid in two equalinstalments, the first after one year and the second after another year. The first instalment was interest of one year plus part of the principal amount, while the second was the rest of the principal amount plus due interest thereon. Then each instalment, in Rs., is: [TITA]

## Question 16

If $u^{2}+(u-2 v-1)^{2}=-4 v(u+v)$, then what is the value of $u+3 v$ ?
A) $\frac{1}{4}$
B) $\frac{1}{2}$
C) 0
D) $-\frac{1}{4}$

## Question 17

Point $P$ lies between points $A$ and $B$ such that the length of $B P$ is thrice that of AP. Car 1 starts from A and moves towards B. Simultaneously, car 2 starts from B and moves towards A. Car 2 reaches $P$ one hour after car 1 reaches $P$. If the speed of car 2 is halfthat of car 1 , then the time, in minutes, taken by car 1 in reaching Pfrom A is:[TITA]

## Question 18

Let $A B C D$ be a rectangle inscribed in a circle of radius 13 cm . Which one of the following pairs can represent, in cm, the possible lengthand breadth of ABCD?
A) 25,10
B) 24,12
C) 25,9
D) 24,10

## Question 19

In an examination, the maximum possible score is N while the pass mark is $45 \%$ of N . A candidate obtains 36 marks, but falls short of thepass mark by $68 \%$. Which one of the following is then correct?
A) $\mathrm{N} \leq 200$
B) $243 \leq \mathrm{N} \leq 252$
C) $\mathrm{N} \geq 253$
D) $201 \leq \mathrm{N} \leq 242$

## Question 20

Let $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}, \mathrm{z}$ be three positive real numbers in a geometric progression such that $x<y<z$. If $5 x, 16 y$, and $12 z$ are in an arithmetic progression then the common ratio of the geometric progression is
A) $\frac{1}{6}$
B) $\frac{3}{6}$
C) $\frac{3}{2}$
D) $\frac{5}{2}$

## Question 21

The number of integers $x$ such that $0.25<2^{x}<200$, and $2^{x}+2$ is perfectly divisible by either 3 or 4 , is [TITA]

## Question 22

Each of 74 students in a class studies at least one of the three subjects $H, E$ and $P$. Ten students study all three subjects, while twenty study H and E, but not P. Every student who studies P also studies $H$ or $E$ or both. If the number of students studying $H$ equalsthat studying $E$, then the number of students studying $H$ is [TITA]

## Question 23

Train T leaves station X for station Y at 3 pm . Train S, traveling at three quarters of the speed of $T$, leaves $Y$ for $X$ at 4 pm . The two trains pass each other at a station Z , where the distance between X and Z is three-fifths of that between X and Y . How many hours does train T take for its journey from X to Y ? [TITA]

## Question 24

Points E, F, G, H lie on the sides $\mathrm{AB}, \mathrm{BC}, \mathrm{CD}$, and DA , respectively, of a squareABCD. If EFGH is also a square whose area is $62.5 \%$ of that of $A B C D$ and CG islonger than EB, then the ratio of length of EB to that of CG is:
A) $1: 3$
B) $4: 9$
C) $2: 5$
D) $3: 8$

## Question 25

Given that $\mathrm{x}^{2018} \mathrm{y}^{2017}=1 / 2$ and $\mathrm{x}^{2016} \mathrm{y}^{2019}=8$, the value of $\mathrm{x}^{2}+\mathrm{y}^{3}$ is
A) $\frac{37}{4}$
B) $\frac{31}{4}$
C) $\frac{35}{4}$
D) $\frac{33}{4}$

## Question 26

Raju and Lalitha originally had marbles in the ratio 4 : 9 . Then Lalitha gave some of her marbles to Raju. As a result, the ratio of the number of marbles with Raju to that with Lalitha became $5: 6$. What fraction of her original number of marbles was given by Lalitha to Raju?
A) $\frac{1}{4}$
B) $\frac{1}{5}$
C) $\frac{6}{19}$
D) $\frac{7}{33}$

## Question 27

If $\log _{2}\left(5+\log _{3} a\right)=3$ and $\log _{5}\left(4 a+12+\log _{2} b\right)=3$, then $a+b$ is equal to:
A) 32
B) 59
C) 67
D) 40

## Question 28

Humans and robots can both perform a job but at different efficiencies. Fifteen humans and five robots working together take thirty days to finish the job, whereas five humans and fifteen robotsworking together take sixty days to finish it. How many days will fifteen humans working together (without any robot) take to finish it?
A) 40
B) 32
C) 36
D) 45

## Question 29

In a parallelogram $A B C D$ of area 72 sq cm , the sides $C D$ and $A D$ havelengths 9 cm and 16 cm , respectively. Let $P$ be a point on CD such that AP is perpendicular to CD. Then the area, in sq cm, of triangle APD is:
A) $18 \sqrt{3}$
B) $24 \sqrt{ } 3$
C) $32 \sqrt{ } 3$
D) $12 \sqrt{3}$

## Question 30

In a circle, two parallel chords on the same side of a diameter have lengths 4 cm and 6 cm . If the distance between these chords is 1 cm , then the radius of the circle, in cm , is
A) $\sqrt{13}$
B) $\sqrt{14}$
C) $\sqrt{11}$
D) $\sqrt{12}$

## Question 31

A tank is fitted with pipes, some filling it and the rest draining it. Allfilling pipes fill at the same rate, and all draining pipes drain at the same rate. The empty tank gets completely filled in 6 hours when 6filling and 5 draining pipes are on, but this time becomes 60 hours when 5 filling and 6 draining pipes are on. In how many hours will the empty tank get completely filled when one draining and two filling pipes are on? [TITA]

## Question 32

If among 200 students, 105 like pizza and 134 like burger, then the number of students who like only burger can possibly be
A) 26
B) 23
C) 96
D) 93

## Question 33

Let $f(x)=\min \left\{2 x^{2}, 52-5 x\right\}$, where $x$ is any positive real number. Then the maximum possible value of $f(x)$ is [TITA]

## Question 34

In an apartment complex, the number of people aged 51 years and above is 30 and there are at most 39 people whose ages are below 51 years. The average age of all the people in the apartment complexis 38 years. What is the largest possible average age, in years, of the people whose ages are below 51 years?
A) 25
B) 26
C) 27
D) 28

## Solutions

1) Option A
2) Option D
3) 54
4) Option D
5) 60
6) Option B
7) Option C
8) Option C
9) Option A
10) 40
11) Option B 21) 5
12) Option B
13) 1981
14) 502
15) 121000
16) Option D
17) 12
18) Option D
19) Option B
20) Option D
21) 36
22) Option A
23) Option D
24) Option D
25) Option B
26) Option B
27) Option C
28) Option A
29) 10
30) Option D
31) $\underline{32}$
32) Option A

## Solution 1

Let the quantities of the paints $A$ and $B$ in the mixture sold be a litres and $b$ litres respectively.
Value at which the entire mixture is sold=264 Profit percent made $=10 \%$
Value at which the entire mixture is bought $=264 \times \frac{100}{100}=240$
Price at which the entire mixture is bought=24 per litre Let the cost of $B$ be $x$ per litre.
Cost of $A=(x+8)$ per litre

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\frac{(x+8) a+x b}{10}=24
$$

Maximum cost of $B$ will occur when $a$ is minimum. $b<=a$. So, minimum $a$ is 5 .
Corresponding $b$ is 5 . Then $(x+8)(5)+x(5)=240 x=20$

## Solution 2

It is given that radius of the circle $=1 \mathrm{~cm}$
Chord $A B$ subtends an angle of $60^{\circ}$ on the centre of the given circle. $R$ be the region bounded by the radii $O A, O B$ and the arc $A B$.

Therefore, $\mathrm{R}=\frac{60^{\circ}}{360^{\circ}} \times$ Area of the circle $=\frac{1}{6} \times \pi \times(1)^{2}=\frac{\pi}{6} \mathrm{sq}$. cm


It is given that $O C=O D$ and area of triangle $O C D$ is half that of $R$. Let $O C=O D=x$.
Area of triangle $\mathrm{COD}=\frac{1}{2} \times O C \times O D \times \sin 60^{\circ}$
$\frac{\pi}{6 \times 2}=\frac{1}{2} \times x \times x \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
$\Rightarrow x^{2}=\frac{\pi}{3 \sqrt{3}}$
$\Rightarrow x=\left(\frac{\pi}{3 \sqrt{3}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{~cm}$.

## Solution 3

$\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x}+2)=\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x})+\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x}+1)$
$\mathrm{f}(11)=91$
Let $\mathrm{f}(12)=\mathrm{a}$
$\mathrm{f}(13)=91+\mathrm{a}$
$\mathrm{f}(14)=91+2 \mathrm{a}$
$\mathrm{f}(15)=182+3 \mathrm{a}$
This is also equal to 617 .

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182+3 \mathrm{a}=617 \Rightarrow \mathrm{a}=145
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\mathrm{f}(10)=\mathrm{f}(12)-\mathrm{f}(11)=145-91=54
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## Solution 4

Let the time taken by Partha to cover 60 km be x hours.
As per the condition, Narayan will cover 60 km in $\mathrm{x}-4$ hours.
Therefore, Speed of Partha $=60 / \mathrm{x}$
And Speed of Narayan $=60 /(x-4)$
It is also given that Partha reaches the mid-point of A and B two hours before Narayan reaches B. Hence,

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\begin{aligned}
& =>\frac{30}{\frac{60}{x}}+2=\frac{60}{\frac{60}{(x-4)}} \\
& \frac{x}{2}+2=x-4 \\
& \frac{x+4}{2}=x-4 \\
& x+4=2 x-8 \\
& x=12 \\
& \text { OR Partha will take } 12 \text { hours to cross } 60 \mathrm{~km} . \\
& =>\text { Speed of Partha }=60 / 12=5 \mathrm{Kmph}
\end{aligned}
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Solution 5 Let the average score of the aspirant in all the tests be $x$. Let the number of tests be $n$. The aspirant's average score for the first 10 tests and last 10 tests are 20 and 30 respectively.
$\frac{n x-200}{n-10}=x+1$ and $\frac{n x-300}{n-10}=x-1$
Solving, we get $\mathrm{n}=60$

## Solution 6

The selling price of the mixture is Rs. $40 / \mathrm{kg}$.
Let a be the quantity of tea $A$ in the mixture and $b$ be the quantity of tea $B$ in the mixture.
It has been given that the profit is $10 \%$ if the 2 varieties are mixed in the ratio $3: 2$

## Let the cost price of the mixture be $x$.

It has been given that $1.1 \mathrm{x}=40$
$x=40 / 1.1$
$\frac{3 a+2 b}{5}=\frac{40}{1.1}$
$3.3 a+2.2 b=200 \cdots-----(1)$
The profit is $5 \%$ if the 2 varieties are mixed in the ratio 2:3.
$\frac{2 a+3 b}{5}=\frac{40}{1.05}$
$2.1 a+3.15 b=200-----(2)$
Equating (1) and (2), we get,
$3.3 a+2.2 b=2.1 a+3.15 b$
$1.2 a=0.95 b$
$\frac{a}{b}=\frac{0.95}{1.2}$
$\frac{a}{b}=\frac{19}{24}$
Solution 7 Let the cost price of peanuts for the wholesaler be x per kg.

Cost price of walnuts for the wholesaler is 3 x per kg .
The wholesaler sold 8 kg of peanuts at $10 \%$ profit and 16 kg of walnuts at $20 \%$ profit to a shopkeeper.
Total cost price to the shopkeeper $=(8)(x)(1.1)+16(3 \mathrm{x})(1.2)=66.4 \mathrm{x}$ The shopkeeper lost 5 kg walnuts and 3 kg peanuts.
The shopkeeper sold the mixture of 11 kg walnuts and 5 kg peanuts.
His total selling price $=166(16)=2656$
His total cost price $=2656=\left(\frac{100}{125}\right)=2124.8$
$66.4 x=2124.8$
$\mathrm{x}=32$
Price at which the wholesaler bought walnuts $=3 x=96 /-$ per kg
Solution 8 Let the time taken by A to finish the job be "a" days.
Time taken by $B$ to finish the job $=\frac{5}{4} a$ days.
Part of the job completed when A and B worked together for 4 days $=1=\frac{1}{2}-\frac{5}{100}=\frac{9}{20}$
$4\left(\frac{1}{a}+\frac{1}{\frac{5 a}{4}}\right)=\frac{9}{20} \Rightarrow a=16$
Time taken by B alone to complete the entire $\mathrm{job}=5 \mathrm{a} / 4=20$ days.

## Solution 9

## Any equilateral triangle formed by joining the midpoints of the sides of another equilateral triangle will have its side equal to half the side

 of the second equilateral triangle. Side of T1 $=24 \mathrm{~cm}$ Side of $\mathrm{T} 2=12 \mathrm{~cm}$ Side of T3 $=6 \mathrm{~cm}$ and so on. Sum of the areas of all the triangles$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\left(24^{2}+12^{2}+6^{2}+\ldots . .\right) \\
& =\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}\left(\frac{576}{1-\frac{1}{4}}\right)=192 \sqrt{3}
\end{aligned}
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## Solution 10

Let the other two numbers be y and z . As per the condition $73 y z-37 y z=720$ Or $36 y z=720$
Or $y z=20$
Minimum possible sum of the squares of the other two numbers would occur when $\mathrm{y}=\mathrm{z}$ i.e.
$y=z=\sqrt{20}$
Hence the required sum $=40$.
Solution 11

Givne that: $2^{x}=3^{\log _{5} 2}$
$\Rightarrow 2^{x}=2^{\log _{5} 3 \mid}$
$\Rightarrow x=\log _{5} 3$
$\Rightarrow x=\log _{5} \frac{3 * 5}{5}$
$\Rightarrow x=\log _{5} 5+\log _{5} \frac{3}{5}$
$\Rightarrow x=1+\log _{5} \frac{3}{5}$.
Solution 12

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\begin{aligned}
& \log _{12} 81=\mathrm{p} \Rightarrow \log _{12} 3^{4}=\mathrm{p} \\
& \Rightarrow 4 \log _{12} 3=\mathrm{p} \\
& \Rightarrow \frac{\mathrm{p}}{4}=\log _{12} 3 \\
& 3\left(\frac{4-\mathrm{p}}{4+\mathrm{p}}\right)=3\left(\frac{1-\frac{\mathrm{p}}{4}}{1+\frac{\mathrm{p}}{4}}\right) \\
& =3\left(\frac{1-\log _{12} 3}{1+\log _{12} 3}\right) \\
& =3\left(\frac{\log _{12} 12-\log _{12} 3}{\log _{12} 12+\log _{12} 3}\right) \\
& =3\left(\frac{\left.\log _{(12} / 3\right)}{\log (12 / 3)}\right) \\
& =3 \frac{\log 4}{\log 36}=3 \log _{36} 4 \\
& =\log g_{6} 8 \\
& \text { Solution } 13
\end{aligned}
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We are given that diameter of base $=8 \mathrm{ft}$. Therefore, the radius of circular base $=8 / 2=4 \mathrm{ft}$


In triangle OAB and OCD
$\frac{O A}{A B}=\frac{O C}{C D}$
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{AB}=\frac{3 \times 4}{12}=1 \mathrm{ft}$.
Therefore, the volume of remaining part = Volume of entire cone - Volume of smaller cone

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\begin{aligned}
& \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times 4^{2} \times 12-\frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times 1^{2} \times 3 \\
& \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \times \pi \times 189 \\
& \Rightarrow \frac{22}{7 \times 3} \times 189
\end{aligned}
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\Rightarrow 198 \text { cubic } \mathrm{ft}
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## Solution 14

As the digits appear in ascending order in the numbers, number of ways of forming a n-digit number using the 9 digits $={ }^{9} C_{n}$ Number of possible two-digit numbers which can be formed $=$

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{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{2}+{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{3}+{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{4}+{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{5}+{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{6}+{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{7}+{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{8}+{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{9}
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=2^{9}-\left(9 \mathrm{C}_{1}+{ }^{9} \mathrm{C}_{1}\right)
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=512-(1+9)=502
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## Solution 15

Let each instalment be ₹x. Equating the present value of both the instalments to the money borrowed,

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\frac{x}{1.1}+\frac{x}{1.1^{2}}=210000
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\begin{aligned}
& u^{2}+(u-2 v-1)^{2}=-4 v(u+v) \\
& \Rightarrow u^{2}+u^{2}+4 v^{2}+1-4 u v+4 v-2 u+4 v u+4 v^{2}=0 \\
& \Rightarrow 2 u^{2}-2 u+8 v^{2}+4 v+1=0 \\
& \Rightarrow 2\left(u^{2}-u+\frac{1}{4}\right)+2\left(4 v^{2}+2 v+\frac{1}{4}\right)=0 \\
& \Rightarrow 2\left(u-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}+2\left(2 v+\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}=0 \\
& \Rightarrow u-\frac{1}{2}=0 ; 2 v+\frac{1}{2}=0 \\
& \mathrm{u}=\frac{1}{2} \text { and } \mathrm{v}=-\frac{1}{4} \\
& \mathrm{u}+3 \mathrm{v}=\frac{1}{2}-\frac{3}{4}=-\frac{1}{4}
\end{aligned}
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## Solution 17

Let the time taken for car 1 to reach $P$ from $A$ be $x$ hours.
Speed of car $1=A P / x$
Given $\mathrm{BP}=3 \mathrm{AP}$

Car 2 starts from B to A and reaches P one hour after car 1 reaches P .
Speed of car $2=\frac{3 A P}{x+1}$

## Therefore,

$\frac{3 \mathrm{AP}}{\mathrm{x}+1}=\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\mathrm{AP}}{\mathrm{x}}\right)$
Or $\mathrm{x}=\frac{1}{5}$. Time taken for car 1 to reach from is $12 \mathrm{~min} . \mathrm{PA}$

## Solution 18



In right angle triangle ABC ,

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\begin{aligned}
& A C^{2}=A B^{2}+B C^{2} \\
& \Rightarrow A B^{2}+B C^{2}=26^{2} \\
& \Rightarrow A B^{2}+B C^{2}=676
\end{aligned}
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Let us check with the options.
Option (A): $24^{2}+10^{2}=676$.
Option (B): $25^{2}+9^{2}=706 \neq 676$.
Option (C): $25^{2}+10^{2}=725 \neq 676$.
Option (D): $24^{2}+12^{2}=720 \neq 676$.

## Solution 19

A got 36 marks but falls short of pass marks by $68 \%$. Maximum possible score is N .
Pass mark is $45 \%$ of $N$. $32 \%$ of $45 \%$ of $N=36=>N=250$

## Solution 20

Since $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}$, and z are in G.P. and $\mathrm{x}<\mathrm{y}<\mathrm{z}$, let $\mathrm{x}=\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{y}=\operatorname{ar}$ and $\mathrm{z}=\mathrm{ar} 2$, where $\mathrm{a}>0$ and $\mathrm{r}>1$.
It is also given that, $15 \mathrm{x}, 16 \mathrm{y}$ and 12 z are in A.P.
Therefore, $2 \times 16 y=5 x+12 z$

Substituting the values of $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}$ and z we get, 32 ar $=5 a+12 a^{2}$
$\Rightarrow 32 r=5+12 r^{2}$
$\Rightarrow 12 r^{2}-32 r+5=0$
On solving the above quadratic equation we get $\mathrm{r}=1 / 6$ or $5 / 2$.
Since $r>1$, therefore $r=5 / 2$.
Solution 21
$0.25 \leq 2^{x} \leq 200$
Possible values of x satisfying the above inequality are $-2,-1,0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7$.
When $\mathrm{x}=0,1,2,4$ and $6,2^{x}+2$ is divisible by 3 or 4 .
The number of value of $x$ is 5
Solution 22 Let the number of students who studying only H be h , only E be e, only H and P but not E be x , only E and P but not H be y


Given only $\mathrm{P}=0$ All three $=10$; Studying only H and E but not $\mathrm{P}=20$ Given number of students studying $\mathrm{H}=$ Number of students studying $\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{h}+\mathrm{x}+20+10=\mathrm{e}+\mathrm{y}+20+10 \mathrm{~h}+\mathrm{x}=\mathrm{e}+\mathrm{y}$ total number of students $=74$ Therefore, $\mathrm{h}+\mathrm{x}+20+10+\mathrm{e}+\mathrm{y}=74 \mathrm{~h}+\mathrm{x}+\mathrm{e}+\mathrm{y}$ $=44 \mathrm{~h}+\mathrm{x}+\mathrm{h}+\mathrm{x}=44 \mathrm{~h}+\mathrm{x}=22$ Therefore, the number of students studying $\mathrm{H}=\mathrm{h}+\mathrm{x}+20+10=22+20+10=52$.

## Solution 23

Train T starts at 3 PM and train S starts at 4 PM .
Let the speed of train T be t .
$=>$ Speed of $\operatorname{train} S=0.75 \mathrm{t}$.
When the trains meet, train $t$ would have traveled for one more hour than train $S$.
Let us assume that the 2 trains meet x hours after 3 PM. Trains $S$ would have traveled for $\mathrm{x}-1$ hours.
Distance traveled by $\operatorname{train} \mathrm{T}=\mathrm{xt}$
Distance traveled by train $\mathrm{S}=(\mathrm{x}-1)^{*} 0.75 \mathrm{t}=0.75 \mathrm{xt}-0.75 \mathrm{t}$
We know that train T has traveled three fifths of the distance. Therefore, $\operatorname{train} \mathrm{S}$ should have traveled two-fifths the distance between the 2 cities.
$=>(\mathrm{xt}) /(0.75 \mathrm{xt}-0.75 \mathrm{t})=3 / 2$
$2 \mathrm{xt}=2.25 \mathrm{xt}-2.25 \mathrm{t}$
$0.25 \mathrm{x}=2.25$

## $\mathrm{x}=9$ hours.

Train T takes 9 hours to cover three-fifths the distance. Therefore, to cover the entire distance, train T will take $9^{*}(5 / 3)=15$ hours.
Therefore, 15 is the correct answer.
Solution 24 Let the area of ABCD be 100. Side of ABCD $=10$ Area of EFGH is $62.5=>$ Side of EFGH $=\sqrt{ } 62.5$
Triangles AEH, BFE, CGF and DHG are congruent by ASA.
Let $\mathrm{AE}=\mathrm{BF}=\mathrm{CG}=\mathrm{DH}=\mathrm{x} ; \mathrm{EB}=\mathrm{FC}=\mathrm{DG}=\mathrm{AH}=10-\mathrm{xx}$
$\mathrm{AE}^{2}+\mathrm{AH}^{2}+\mathrm{EH}^{2}$
$x^{2}+(10-x)^{2}=(\sqrt{62.5})^{2}$
Solving, $\mathrm{x}=2.5$ or 7.5
Since it's given that CG is longer than $\mathrm{EB}, \mathrm{CG}=7.5$ and $\mathrm{EB}=2.5$. Therefore, $\mathrm{EB}: \mathrm{CG}=1: 3$
Solution 25

$$
x^{2018} y^{2017}=\frac{1}{2} \ldots .(1)
$$

and $x^{2016} y^{2019}=8 \ldots$.(2)
Dividing (1) by (2), $\frac{x^{2}}{y^{2}}=\frac{1}{16}$
$\frac{x}{y}=\frac{1}{4}$ i.e. $x= \pm \frac{1}{4} y$
$\left( \pm \frac{1}{4} y\right)^{2018} y^{2017}=\frac{1}{2}$
$y^{4035}=2^{4035}$
$y=2$
Therefore, $x= \pm \frac{1}{4} y= \pm \frac{1}{2}$
Hence, $x^{2}+y^{3}=\frac{1}{4}+8=\frac{33}{4}$

Solution 26 Let the number of marbles with Raju and Lalitha initially be 4 x and 9 x .

## Let the number of marbles that Lalitha gave to Raju be $y$.

It has been given that $(4 x+y) /(9 x-y)=5 / 6$
$24 x+6 y=45 x-5 y$
$11 y=21 x$
$\mathrm{y} / \mathrm{x}=21 / 11$
Fraction of original marbles given to Raju by Lalitha $=y / 9 x$ (As Lalitha had $9 x$ marbles initially). $y / 9 x=21 / 99$ $=7 / 33$.
Solution 27
$5+\log _{3} a=2^{3}=8 \Rightarrow a=27$
Similarly, $4 a+12+\log _{2} b=5^{3}=125$
since $a=27,4(27)+12+\log _{2} b=125 \Rightarrow b=32$

Solution 28 Let the rates of work of each human and each robot be H and R respectively (both in units/day).

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\begin{aligned}
& 15 \mathrm{H}+5 \mathrm{R}=\frac{1}{30} \ldots \ldots(1) \\
& 5 \mathrm{H}+15 \mathrm{R}=\frac{1}{60} \ldots \ldots(2) \\
& 3(1)-(2)=>40 \mathrm{H}=\frac{1}{12} \\
& \mathrm{H}=\frac{1}{480}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\text { In a day, } 15 \text { humans can complete } 15 \mathrm{H} \text { i.e. } \frac{1}{32} \text { th of the job. }
$$

$$
15 \text { humans can complete the job in } 32 \text { days }
$$

## Solution 29


$(\mathrm{CD})(\mathrm{AP})=729(\mathrm{AP})=72=>\mathrm{AP}=8$

$$
D P=\sqrt{A D^{2}-A P^{2}}=\sqrt{16^{2}-8^{2}}=8 \sqrt{3}
$$

Area of triangle $A P D=\frac{1}{2}(A P)(P D)=32 \sqrt{3}$

## Solution 30

Let the 6 cm long chord be xcm away from the centre of the circle. Let the radius of the circle be rcm .
The perpendiculars from the centre of the circle to the chords bisect the chords.

$$
r^{2}=x^{2}+3^{2}=(x+1)^{2}+2^{2}
$$

Solving, $x=2$ and $r=\sqrt{13}$

## Solution 31

Let the rate of each filling pipes be 'x lts/hr' similarly, the rate of each draining pipes be 'y lts/hr'.
As per the first condition,
Capacity of tank $=(6 x-5 y) \times 6$ $\qquad$
Similarly, from the second condition,
Capacity of tank $=(5 x-6 y) \times 60 \ldots .$. (ii)
On equating (i) and (ii), we get
$(6 x-5 y) \times 6=(5 x-6 y) \times 60$
or, $6 x-5 y=50 x-60 y$
or, $44 x=55 y$
or, $4 x=5 y$
or, $x=1.25 y$
Therefore, the capacity of the tank $=(6 x-5 y) \times 6=(7.5 y-5 y) \times 6=15 y$ lts

## Solution 32

Let the number of students who like both pizza and burger be ' $m$ '. The number of students who like neither of them be $n$


From venn diagram $105-m+m+134-m+n=200 m-n=39$
$\therefore$ The possible values of $(m, n)$ are $(39,0)(40,1) \ldots \ldots .(105,66)$
$\therefore$ The number of students who like only burger is lies in the range $[134-105,134-39]=[29,95]$
$\therefore$ From options, 93 is a possible answer

$$
\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x})=\min \left(2 x^{2}, 52-5 x\right)
$$

The maximum possible value of this function will be attained when $2 x^{2}=52-5 x$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
2 x^{2}+5 x-52=0 \\
(2 x+13)(x-4)=0
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\Rightarrow x=\frac{-13}{2} \text { or } x=4
$$

Since $x$ has to be positive integer, we can discard the case $x=\frac{-13}{2}$.
is the point at which the function attains the maximum value. 4 x
putting in the original function, we get, $2 x^{2}=2 * 4^{2}=32$.
Or the maximum value of $f(x)=32$

## Solution 34

Let the average age of people aged 51 years and above be $x$ years.
Let the average age of people aged below 51 years be y years.
Let the number of people aged below 51 years be N .
Given, the average age of all the people in the apartment complex is 38 years.
Therefore,
$\frac{x \times 30+y \times N}{30+N}=38$
We want to maximize $y$, which occurs when $x$ is minimum i.e. for $x=51$.

