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Q. No. 12 (a)

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Attempt All Sixty Questions

A-1

ONLY ONE OUT OF FOUR OPTIONS IS CORRECT. BUBBLE THE CORRECT OPTION.

- 1. In animals, heart is the main pumping station, supplying and collecting blood from various parts of the body. In mammals, which of the following structures regulates the unidirectional flow of blood and found between left auricle and ventricle?
 - (a) Tricuspid valve
 - (b) Aortic semilunar valve
 - (c) Pulmonary seminular valve
 - (d) Mitral valve

Answer (d)

- **Sol.** Mitral valve (bicuspid valve) lies between the left atrium and left ventricle of the human heart and enables the unidirectional flow of blood.
- 2. Which of the following refer to the units involved in most of the Reflex Arcs?
 - (a) Stimulus receptor, afferent nerve, efferent nerve and an effector neuron
 - (b) Two receptor neurons, one or more internuncial neuron(s) and an effector neuron
 - (c) One receptor neuron, one or more internuncial neuron(s) and an effector neuron
 - (d) One receptor neuron, afferent nerve and an effector neuron

Answer (c)

- **Sol.** The units involved in most of the reflex arcs are one receptor neuron, one or more internuncial neuron(s) and an effector neuron.
- 3. Through the process of cross-breeding/mutation breeding or cytoplasmic hybridization of animals and plants, new improved, high yielding varieties or exclusively distinct hybrids are obtained. Which of the following are cytoplasmic hybrids/cybrids?
 - (a) Triticale & Fairchild Mule

(b) Tigon & Leopon

(c) Pomato & Bromato

(d) Jaya & Ratna Rice

Answer (c)

Sol. A cybrid is a hybrid of cells of plants containing the genome of one species but cytoplasm of both species. Pomato is a cybrid of potato and tomato whereas bomato is a cybrid of tomato and brinjal.



- 4. In a kind of animal tissue all cells rest on a basement membrane, but the basal cells do not reach the free surface of the epithelium. Two layers of cells and two layers of nuclei are, therefore, observable. Thus, without being stratified, the epithelium appears to have 2 or 3 layers of cells. Such epithelia are mostly ciliated and contain mucus-secreting goblet cells. These epithelia are characteristic to which of the following?
 - (a) Thin bronchioles, Uriniferous tubules, Ciliary body
 - (b) Bile ducts, lining of stomach, Trachea
 - (c) Skin epidermis, Anal canal, Cornea of eye
 - (d) Trachea, Vasa deferentia, Epididymes

Answer (d)

Sol. The given characteristics are of pseudostratified ciliated columnar epithelium which forms the lining of trachea, vasa deferentia and epididymis.

- 5. Phenylthiocarbamide (PTC) has a bitter taste. Non-tasting ability is reported to be due to recessive allele of the taster gene. In random populations about 30% people lack the ability to taste PTC. A non-taster woman is married to a PTC taster man and has three children. The first two children are born as non-tasters. What is the probability that their third child will be born a non-taster?
 - (a) 0.25

(b) 0.50

(c) 0.15

(d) 0.75

Answer (b)

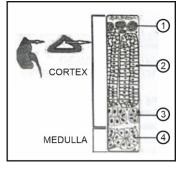
Sol. The inability to taste PTC is an autosomal recessive genetic disorder i.e. it occurs when the allele responsible for this trait is present in homozygous recessive condition on autosomes.

	Parents:	Non-taster w tt ↓	oman ×	Tast	er man Tt	
Gametes: t T						
		Т	t			
	t	Tt (Taster)	tt (Non-tas	ster)		
	t	Tt (Taster)	tt (Non-tas	ster)		

The children born will be non-taster only when the man is atleast carrier for the recessive allele in the given case.

The probability that child will be non-taster = 0.50 or $\frac{1}{2}$.

6. The diagram presented here is a sectional view of an endocrine gland. Its histologically characteristics layers are labeled as 1, 2, 3 and 4. Which of these is/are responsible for the secretion of C₂₁ Cortisol and Corticosterone hormones?



(a) 1

(b) 1 and 3

(c) 2 and 4

(d) 2 and 3

Answer (d)



- **Sol.** Layer 2 is zona fasciculata which secretes C₂₁ cortisol and layer 3 is zona reticularis which secretes corticosterone hormone.
- 7. Which of the following eye defects, arises due to gradual weakening of the ciliary muscles and diminishing flexibility of the eye lens?

(a) Hyperopia

(b) Presbyopia

(c) Astigmatism

(d) Myopia

Answer (b)

Sol. Presbyopia arises due to gradual weakening of the ciliary muscles and diminishing flexibility of the eye lens.

8. Which of the following is an Angoumois grain moth, causing severe damage to the stored grains, like paddy or wheat?

(a) Sitophilus sp.

(b) Sitotroga sp.

(c) Gnorimoschema sp.

(d) Plodia sp.

Answer (b)

- **Sol.** Sitotroga cerealella is the scientific name of Angoumois grain moth, which causes severe damage to the stored grains, like paddy or wheat.
- 9. To effect fertilization in angiosperms, pollen grains germinate on the stigma and give out pollen tubes which grow through the style and reach the ovule where the male gametes are discharged close to the egg. Suppose a brinjal plant has to produce 300 seeds in a particular fruit. How many cell divisions will be required to produce the desired fruit?

(a) 250 Meiotic divisions

(b) 375 Meiotic divisions

(c) 375 Mitotic divisions

(d) 300 Mitotic and 125 Meiotic divisions

Answer (b)

Sol. In angiosperms, one megaspore mother cell undergoes meiosis to produce four megaspores, out of these, only one megaspore is functional and 300 megaspores are formed from 300 meiotic divisions. In microspore mother cell, one meiosis form four microspore so, 300 male gametes would be formed by $=\frac{300}{4}=75$

Total meiotic divisions required to produce desired fruit = 300 + 75 = 375.

10. In the Kingdom Plantae, which of the following examples is considered peculiar for the anatomical characters namely Carinal canals and Vallecular canals?

(a) Magnolia

(b) Gnetum

(c) Equisetum

(d) Lycopodium

Answer (c)

Sol. Carinal canals and Vallecular canals are peculiar for the *Equisetum*.

- 11. The secondary constriction on the chromosomes always has a constant position. Therefore, it can be used as marker to identify specific chromosomes. In addition to the centromere, one or more secondary constrictions can be observed in Metaphase stage chromosomes. These chromosomes are called Satellite or SAT chromosomes. In man they are usually associated with the short arm of acrocentric chromosomes. Select the correct option for such types of chromosomes.
 - (a) 1, 10, 15, 16 and Y

(b) 13, 14, 15, 21 and 22

(c) 13, 14, 16, 18 and 21

(d) 13, 14, 18 and 22

Answer (b)

Sol. In humans, 5 SAT chromosomes are present that are chromosome number 13, 14, 15, 21 and 22



- 12. In some plants the secondary cell wall has depressions or pits. Adjacent pits are separated by the middle lamella and the primary cell wall, together forming the pit membrane. Which of the following is the thickening formed on the pit membrane by circular deposition of microfibrils?
 - (a) Margo

(b) Torus

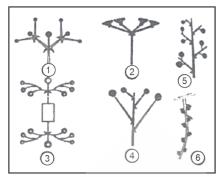
(c) Zona occludens

(d) Sclereid

Answer (b)

Sol. Torus is the thickening formed on the pit membrane by circular deposition of microfibrils.

13. The arrangement of flowers and their mode of distribution on the shoot system is characteristic to a particular plant. The diagrammatic presentation given herewith, illustrates various types of inflorescences. Select the option exemplifying a kind of Cymose type:



(a) 2 and 4

(b) 1 and 6

(c) 1 and 3

(d) 3 and 5

Answer (c)

- **Sol.** Arrangements 1 and 3 are showing cymose inflorescence because the main axis does not grow continuously and a flower is present terminally on the main axis.
- 14. Genes that are normally important in mammalian embryogenesis include members of all of the following classes, EXCEPT:
 - (a) Proto-oncogenes

(b) Growth factor genes

(c) Tumor suppressor genes

(d) Hox genes

Answer (c)

- **Sol.** Tumor suppressor gene slow down cell division or let the cells die at right time by apoptosis and these genes are not important in mammalian embryogenesis.
- 15. During a type of Carbon dioxide fixation occurring at night while the stomata are still open, the first step is the combination of CO₂ with phosphoenolpyruvate (PEP) to form 4-carbon oxaloacetate in the chloroplast of mesophyll cells. To which kind of ecological type of plant this process is related to?
 - (a) Cocos

(b) Rhizophora

(c) Aloe

(d) Vallisneria

Answer (c)

- **Sol.** Combination of carbon dioxide in night with phosphoenolpyruvate (PEP) to form 4-carbon oxaloacetate in the chloroplast of mesophyll cells is common in *Aloe*.
- 16. Some plants are specifically called hemiparasitic epiphytes. Included among them are the plants called as mistletoes. Which of the following is the most common hemiparasitic mistletoe occurring in India?
 - (a) Monotropa uniflora

(b) Dendrophthoe falcata

(c) Orobanche cernua

(d) Cuscuta reflexa

Answer (b)

Sol. Dendrophthoe falcata is the most common hemiparasitic mistletoe occurring in India.



17. Two blocks *A* and *B* of masses 1 kg and 4 kg respectively are moving with equal kinetic energies. Read the following statements S₁ and S₂

Statement S₁: Ratio of speed of the block A to that of B is 1: 2

Statement S₂: Ratio of magnitude of linear momentum of A to that of B is 1: 2

Now choose the correct option:

(a) Both S₁ and S₂ are true

(b) Both S₁ and S₂ are false

(c) S₁ is true, S₂ is false

(d) S₁ is false, S₂ is true

Answer (d)

Sol.
$$K_A = K_B$$

$$\frac{1}{2}m_{A}v_{A}^{2}=\frac{1}{2}m_{B}v_{B}^{2}$$

$$\frac{v_A}{v_B} = \sqrt{\frac{m_B}{m_A}} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{1}}$$

$$\frac{v_A}{v_B} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\frac{p_A}{p_B} = \sqrt{\frac{m_A}{m_B}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} = 1:2$$

- 18. The mass of a straight copper wire is 20.95 g and its electrical resistance is 0.065 Ω . If the density and resistivity of copper are d = 8900 kg/m³ and ρ = 1.7 x 10⁻⁸ ohm-meter respectively, the length of the copper wire is
 - (a) 3 m

(b) 6 m

(c) 12 m

(d) data is insufficient

Answer (a)

Sol.
$$R = \frac{\rho l^2 d}{m}$$

$$I = \sqrt{\frac{Rm}{\rho d}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.065 \times 0.02095}{1.7 \times 10^{-8} \times 8900}} = 3 \text{ m}$$

- 19. It is known that the speed of sound in a gas is directly proportional to square root of its absolute temperature T measured in Kelvin i.e. $v \propto \sqrt{T}$. Speed of sound in air at 0°C is 332 m/s. On a hot day, the speed of sound was measured 360 m/s in NCR Delhi, the temperature of air in Delhi on that very day must have been close to
 - (a) 40°C

(b) 42°C

(c) 44°C

(d) 48°C

Answer (d)



Sol.
$$\frac{v_2}{v_1} = \sqrt{\frac{T_2}{T_1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{360}{332} = \sqrt{\frac{T_2}{273}}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 $T_2 = 48^{\circ}\text{C}$

- 20. A small bar magnet is allowed to fall vertically through a metal ring lying in a horizontal plane. During its fall, the acceleration of the magnet in the region close to the ring must be (*g* is the acceleration due to gravity)
 - (a) equal to g

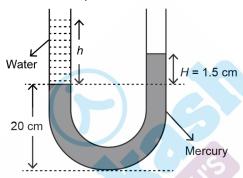
(b) less than g and uniform

(c) less than g and non-uniform

(d) greater than g and uniform

Answer (c)

21. A U-tube of uniform cross section contains two different liquids in its limbs namely water (density 1.0×10^3 kg/m³) and Mercury (density 13.6×10^3 kg/m³) as shown in figure. The difference of height of mercury column in two limbs of the tube is H = 1.5 cm. The height h of the water column in the left limb above the Mercury column must be nearly (neglect surface tension effects)



(a) 13.6 cm

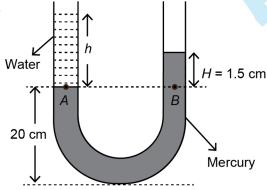
(b) 20.4 cm

(c) 27.0 cm

(d) 9.0 cm

Answer (b)

Sol.



$$P_A = P_B$$

$$P_0 + \rho_w gh = P_0 + \rho_m gH$$

$$h = \frac{\rho_m H}{\rho_W} = \frac{13.6 \times 10^3}{1 \times 10^3} \times 1.5$$

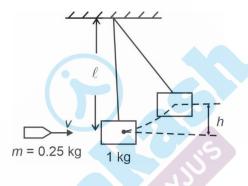
$$h = 20.4 \text{ cm}$$

- 22. An object pin is placed at a distance 10 cm from first focus of a thin convex lens on its principal axis, the lens forms a real and inverted image of this object pin at a distance 40 cm beyond the second focus. The focal length of the lens is
 - (a) 16 cm
 - (b) 20 cm
 - (c) 25 cm
 - (d) 40 cm

Answer (b)

Sol.
$$f = \sqrt{x_1 x_2} = \sqrt{10 \times 40} = 20 \text{ cm}$$

23. A bullet of mass 0.25 kg moving horizontally with velocity v (m/s) strikes a stationary block of mass 1.00 kg suspended by a long inextensible string of negligible mass and length ℓ . The bullet gets embedded in the block and the system rises up to maximum height h = 19.6 cm (as shown in the figure. The string still remains taut). The value of initial speed v of the bullet is



- (a) 5.9 m/s
- (b) 7.8 m/s
- (c) 9.8 m/s
- (d) 11.8 m/s

Answer (c)

Sol. By momentum conservation

$$mv + 0 = (m+1)v'$$

$$v' = \frac{0.25 \times v}{1.25}$$

By energy conservation

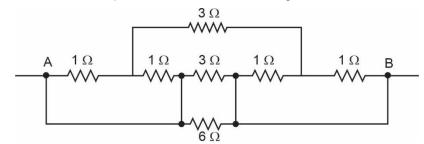
$$h = \frac{{v'}^2}{2g} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{0.25 \times v}{1.25}\right)^2 = 2 \times 9.8 \times 19.6 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\frac{v^2}{25} = 19.6 \times 19.6 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$v = 9.8 \text{ m/s}$$

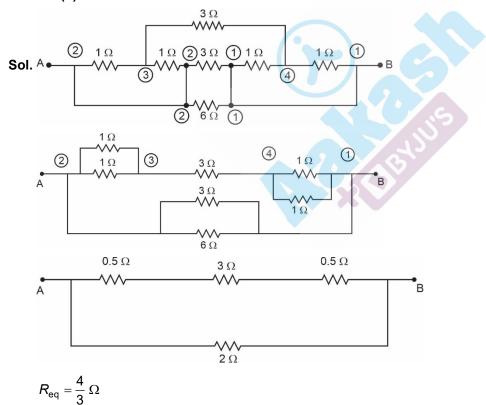


24. The equivalent resistance between points A and B in the following electrical network is



- (a) $\frac{3}{4}\Omega$
- (b) $\frac{4}{3}\Omega$
- (c) $\frac{2}{5}\Omega$
- (d) $\frac{9}{14}\Omega$

Answer (b)



- 25. The order of magnitude of the pressure (in pascal) exerted by an adult human on the Earth when he stands bare footed on the Earth on both of his legs, is
 - (a) 10^2

(b) 10^4

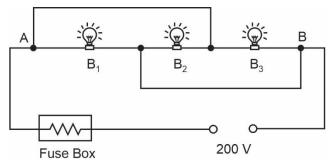
(c) 10^7

(d) 10^9

Answer (c)



26. On the board of an experiment, three bulbs B₁ (100 W, 200 V), B₂ (60 W, 200 V) and B₃ (40 W, 200 V) are connected to a 200 V fluctuating supply with a fuse in series as shown in the figure. The electric current rating of the fuse required in the circuit to protect all the three bulbs must be



(a) 0.2 Amp

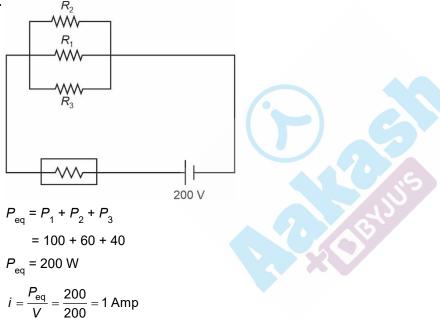
(b) 0.3 Amp

(c) 0.5 Amp

(d) 1.0 Amp

Answer (d)

Sol.



- 27. An ant is sitting on the principal axis of a convex mirror of focal length *f*, at a distance 2*f* from the pole in front of the mirror. It starts moving on principal axis towards the mirror. During the course of motion, the distance between the ant and its image
 - (a) throughout increases

- (b) throughout decreases
- (c) first increases, then decreases
- (d) first decreases, then increases

Answer (b)

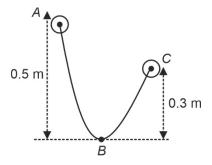
Sol. Throughout decreases

- 28. You are given three resistance of values 2 Ω , 4 Ω and 6 Ω . Which of the following values of equivalent resistance is not possible to get by using/arranging these three resistors in any circuit?
 - (a) Less than 2 Ω
 - (b) Equal to 4.4 Ω
 - (c) Equal to 5.5 Ω
 - (d) Equal to 7.6 Ω

Answer (d)



29. ABC is a 0.8 meter long curved wire track in a vertical plane. A bead of mass 3 g is released from rest at A. It slides along the wire and comes to rest at C. The average frictional force opposing the motion in a single trip from A to C is



- (a) $18.40 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}$
- (b) $11.04 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}$

- (c) $29.04 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}$
- (d) $7.36 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N}$

Answer (d)

Sol. $F_{avg} \times 0.8 = mg (0.5 - 0.3)$

$$F_{\text{avg}} = 3 \times 10^{-3} \times 9.8 \times \frac{0.2}{0.8}$$

= 7.36 × 10⁻³ N

30. Two long straight conductors 1 and 2, carrying parallel currents I_1 and I_2 in the same direction, are lying parallel and close to each other, as shown in the figure. F_e and F_m respectively represent the electric and magnetic forces, applied by conductor 1 on conductor 2.

Choose the correct alternative regarding nature of $F_{\rm e}$ and $F_{\rm m}$



- (a) F_e is repulsive while F_m is attractive
- (b) $F_{\rm e}$ is repulsive and $F_{\rm m}$ is repulsive too
- (c) F_e is zero F_m is repulsive
- (d) F_e is zero F_m is attractive

Answer (d)

- 31. A doctor measures the temperature of a patient by a digital thermometer as 37.3° C. As a Physics student you will record his temperature in Kelvin as
 - (a) 310.30 K

(b) 310.45 K

(c) 310.46 K

(d) 310.31 K

Answer (b)

Sol. T = 273.15 + 37.3

= 310.45 K



- 32. Two planets P_1 and P_2 are moving around the Sun, in circular orbits of radii 10^{13} m and 10^{12} m respectively. The ratio of the orbital speeds of planets P_1 and P_2 in their respective orbits is
 - (a) $\sqrt{10}$

(b) 10

(c) $10\sqrt{10}$

(d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$

Answer (d)

Sol.
$$v = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{R}}$$

$$\frac{v_1}{v_2} = \sqrt{\frac{R_2}{R_1}} = \sqrt{\frac{10^{12}}{10^{13}}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$$

- 33. During the formation of which of the following ionic species, the process will be exothermic and endothermic respectively:
 - (a) Na⁺ and Cl⁻

(b) Cl⁻ and O²⁻

(c) He⁺ and Mg²⁺

(d) F- and Br-

Answer (b)

Sol. CI + $e^- \longrightarrow CI^-$ (Exothermic)

$$O^- + e^- \longrightarrow O^{2-}$$
 (Endothermic)

- 34. H₂ reacts faster with Cl₂ at 13 times faster rate than D₂ because:
 - (a) H₂ has high activation energy
 - (b) In H_2 , H–H bond energy is higher than D–D bond energy in D_2
 - (c) H₂ has low activation energy because H–H bond energy is lower than D–D bond energy
 - (d) In ${\rm H_2}$ there is no neutron therefore it reacts faster

Answer (c)

 $\textbf{Sol.} \ \textbf{H}_{2} \ \text{has low activation energy because H-H bond energy is lower than D-D bond energy}.$

- 35. Select the correct order of dielectric constant, refractive index and intermolecular forces for water (H₂O) and heavy water (D₂O) at 293 K respectively among those given below
 - (i) Dielectric constant H₂O > D₂O
 - (ii) Dielectric constant D₂O > H₂O
 - (iii) Refractive index $H_2O > D_2O$
 - (iv) Refractive index $D_2O > H_2O$
 - (v) Intermolecular forces $-H_2O > D_2O$
 - (vi) Intermolecular forces D₂O > H₂O

The option containing all correct statements is

(a) (i), (iii), (vi)

(b) (i), (iv), (v)

(c) (ii), (iii), (v)

(d) (i), (iv), (vi)

Answer (a)

Sol.

Properties	H ₂ O	D ₂ O
Dielectric constant (N·m²)	78.39	78.06
Refractive index	1.333	1.328
Melting point (K)	273	276
Boiling point (K)	373	374

Since, melting and boiling points of D_2O are greater than H_2O , this proves that intermolecular forces of D_2O are stronger than H_2O .

36. The compound which is used to purify air in space shuttles, submarines and breathing masks is:

(a) K₂O₂

(b) KO₂

(c) K₂O

(d) Na₂O

Answer (b)

Sol. KO₂ is used because it produces oxygen by utilizing CO₂ exhaled by humans and thus we get a continuous supply of oxygen.

$$4KO_2 + 2CO_2 \rightarrow 2K_2CO_3 + 3O_2$$

37. The total number of lone pairs of electrons in l_3^- .

(a) 3

(b) 6

(c) 2

(d) 9

Answer (d)

Sol.

Total number of lone pairs present in l_3^- is 9.

38. Among the elements of atomic number (Z) from 1 to 92 (i.e., from H to U), the elements having atomic number....and.... are not found in nature.

(a) 89, 92

(b) 83, 89

(c) 48, 61

(d) None of these

Answer (d)

Sol. Uranium (92U), bismuth (83Bi) and cadmium (48Cd) are found in nature whereas actinium (89Ac) and promethium (61Pm) are not found in nature.

39. Which state of matter exists at very high temperature and at very low temperature (near absolute zero) respectively? BEC stands for Bose Einstein Condensate.

- (a) BEC, fermionic condensate
- (b) Plasma, BEC
- (c) Fermionic condensate, Plasma
- (d) Gas, BEC

Answer (b)

Sol. State of matter which exist at very high temperature is plasma and the state of matter which exist at very low temperature is BEC.



40. The bond which will break in first step when following compound reacts with H₃O⁺ is

(a) bond a

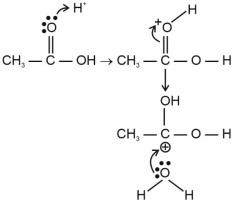
(b) bond b

(c) bond c

(d) bond d

Answer (b)

Sol.



41. Arrange the following compounds in increasing order of Lewis base strength

(i)
$$CH_2 - NH_2$$
 (ii)

(ii) N



The option containing correct increasing order is

(a) iii, ii, i

(b) i, ii, iii

(c) ii, i, iii

(d) iii, i, ii

Answer (a)

Sal

ol.
$$CH_2 - NH$$
 $CH_2 - NH$
 $CH_3 - NH$
 $CH_3 - NH$
 $CH_3 - NH$

In benzyl amine (i), nitrogen is sp^3 hybridised so it can donate its lone pair much easily than pyridine (ii), in which nitrogen is sp^2 hybridised.

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42. The maximum number of -CH₃ groups which may be present in alkane C₁₁H₂₄ is close to

(a) 6

(b) 7

(c) 8

(d) 2

Answer (c)

Sol. C₁₁H₂₄

The maximum number of methyl groups is 8.



- 43. A glass bulb of 1 litre capacity contains 4 g methane. The bulb is so as to burst out if the pressure exceeds just 10 atm. The temperature, at which the pressure of gas reaches the bursting point is close to (Given; R = 0.0821 lit atm K^{-1} mol⁻¹)
 - (a) 480 K

(b) 487.6 K

(c) 500 K

(d) 373 K

Answer (b)

Sol. PV = nRT

$$T = \frac{PV}{nR} = \frac{10 \times 1}{\frac{4}{16} \times 0.0821}$$

$$T = 487.21 K$$

So, at T = 487. 21 K, pressure will be 10 atm.

Above it, the pressure will increase and the glass bulb will burst.

- 44. The pH of 10⁻⁸ M HCl is
 - (a) 7

(b) <7

(c) 8

(d) >8

Answer (b)

Sol. [HCI] = 10^{-8} M, [H⁺]_{water} = 10^{-7} M

$$[H^+]_{total} = 10^{-8}M + 10^{-7}M$$

$$[H^+]_{total} = (1.1 \times 10^{-7})M$$

$$pH = -log_{10}[H^{+}]$$

$$pH = -log_{10}(1.1 \times 10^{-7})$$

$$pH = 7 - log_{10}(1.1)$$

$$pH = 7 - 0.041$$

$$pH = 6.959$$

- 45. An element X has two natural isotopes: ${}^{10}_5{\rm X}$ (atomic mass 10.013 u) and ${}^{11}_5{\rm X}$ (atomic mass 11.009 u). Relative abundance of these isotopes in nature has been recorded 19.8% and 80.2 % respectively. On the basis of these data, average atomic mass of element X is close to
 - (a) 10.210 u

(b) 10.511 u

(c) 10.799 u

(d) 10.812 u

Answer (d)

Sol. Average atomic mass = $\frac{\sum \text{%Abundance} \times \text{Atomic mass}}{100}$

Average atomic mass of element 'X'

$$=\frac{10.013\times19.8+11.009\times80.2}{100}$$

$$=\frac{198.26+882.92}{100}$$

- = 10.8118
- = 10.812 u



- 46. A mass 0.75 g of the mixture of Na₂CO₃ and K₂CO₃ is completely neutralized by 50 mL 0.25 N HCl. The percentage of Na₂CO₃ in the mixture is:
 - (a) 50.6

(b) 49.4

(c) 50

(d) Data insufficient

Answer (b)

Sol. Let amount of Na₂CO₃ in mixture = xg

So, let amount of K_2CO_3 in mixture = (0.75 - x)g

Now, g eq. of $Na_2CO_3 + g$ eq. of $K_2CO_3 = g$ eq. of HCI

$$\left(\frac{x \times 2}{106}\right) + \left(\frac{\left(0.75 - x\right) \times 2}{138}\right) = \frac{50}{1000} \times 0.25$$

$$\frac{x}{53} + \frac{0.75 - x}{69} = 0.0125$$

$$69x + 39.75 - 53x = 45.71$$

$$16x = 5.96$$

$$x = 0.372 g$$

So, % of Na₂CO₃ in mixture = $\frac{0.372}{0.75} \times 100 = 49.6\%$

47. A boy gifted a diamond ring to his mother on her wedding anniversary. If this diamond ring contains 3 carat diamond then number of carbon atoms he gifted to his mother is, Given – (1 carat = 200 mg)

(a)
$$3.01 \times 10^{23}$$

(b)
$$2.1 \times 10^{23}$$

(c)
$$3.01 \times 10^{22}$$

(d)
$$2.1 \times 10^{22}$$

Answer (c)

Sol. 1 Carat = 200 mg

$$3 \text{ Carat} = 200 \times 3 = 600 \text{ mg} = 0.6 \text{ g}$$

Moles of carbon in diamond ring = $\frac{0.6}{12}$ = 0.05 mole

Number of carbon atoms = $0.05 \times 6.022 \times 10^{23}$

$$= 3.011 \times 10^{22}$$

- 48. Which of the following will form foam in water containing Ca²⁺ and Mg²⁺ ions?
 - (a) Ba-stearate

- (b) Na-palmitate
- (c) Potassium n-dodecyl benzene sulphonate
- (d) All of these

Answer (c)

Sol. Detergents will form foam with hard water (water containing Ca²⁺ and Mg²⁺ ions)

Ba-stearate and Na-palmitate are soaps

Potassium n-dodecyl benzene sulphonate is detergent



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ANY NUMBER OF OPTIONS 4, 3, 2 or 1 MAY BE CORRECT MARKS WILL BE AWARDED ONLY IF ALL THE CORRECT OPTIONS ARE BUBBLED AND NO INCORRECT.

49. In a classroom, students were taught typical mammalian characters along with the names of Orders and representative examples. In the Table given below, column I includes the names of examples or Orders whereas column 2 shows related characteristics.

	Order/Representative example		Characteristics
1.	Lagomorpha	(i)	First finger clawed, tail enclosed in an interfemoral membrane.
2.	Microchiroptera	(ii)	Toothless and polyembryony.
3.	Armadillo	(iii)	Baleen.
4.	Proboscidea	(iv)	Incisors open-rooted and continue to grow throughout life.

Choose the option(s) that has the correct match in the above table.

(a) $1 \rightarrow (iv)$

(b) $2 \rightarrow (i)$

(c) $3 \rightarrow (ii)$

(d) $4 \rightarrow (iii)$

Answer (a, b)

Sol. In Lagomorpha, incisors are open-rooted and continue to grow throughout life. Example - Rabbit.

In Microchiroptera, first finger clawed and tail is enclosed in an interfemoral membrane. Example - Bat.

Armadillos are not toothless mammals and show polyembryony.

Proboscidea includes afrotherian mammals.

- 50. Continuous inheritance of some characteristics in certain human families had attracted the attention of scientists. To improve human race by selective breeding led Sir Francis Galton to collect and statistically analyze genealogies or pedigrees of a number of families where some or the other traits were regularly transmitted through generations. Which of the following relate(s) to pedigree of beggars and scoundrels?
 - (a) Back family of Germany

(b) Zero family of Switzerland

(c) Kallikak of America

(d) Jukes of New York

Answer (b, d)

Sol. Zero family of Switzerland and Jukes of New York relate to pedigree of beggars and scoundrels.

- 51. An important feature of plants is the ability to adapt their growth towards or away from external stimuli such as light, water, temperature and gravity. The physiological process of root gravitropism comprises gravity perception, signal transmission, growth response and the reestablishment of normal growth. Following are some of the modern concepts(s) explaining the mechanism of root gravitropism. Which of the following best explain(s) the root gravitropism?
 - (a) Statoliths within columella cells of root cap sediment in the direction of gravity, resulting in the generation of a signal that causes asymmetric growth.
 - (b) Auxin influx and efflux carriers facilitate creation of a differential auxin gradient between the upper and lower side of gravi-stimulated roots. This causes differential growth responses in the gravi-responding tissue of the elongation zone, leading to root curvature.
 - (c) Curvature in geo-stimulated root is due the lateral redistribution of an inhibitor formed in the root cap.
 - (d) Proplastids in root cap containing carotenoids and protochlorophyll respond to gravity.



Answer (a, b, c)

- **Sol.** (a) Statoliths within columella cells of root cap sediment in the direction of gravity, resulting in the generation of a signal that causes asymmetric growth.
 - (b) Auxin influx and efflux carriers facilitate creation of a differential auxin gradient between the upper and lower side of gravi-stimulated roots. This causes differential growth responses in the gravi-responding tissue of the elongation zone, leading to root curvature.
 - (c) Curvature in geo-stimulated roots is due the lateral redistribution of an inhibitor formed in the root cap. All of these statements best explain the root gravitropism.
- 52. Photosynthesis is the process in which the phosphorylation of ADP to generate ATP occurs with the help of sunlight energy. The process is known as photo-phosphorylation. Only two sources of energy are accessible to living organisms: sunlight and reduction-oxidation (redox) reactions.

Following are the requirements of cyclic and noncyclic phosphorylations occurring in green plants. Choose the correct option(s) related to cyclic photo-phosphorylation:

(a) Photo system II is not involved

(b) Only ATP molecules are generated but no NADH

(c) Water is required

(d) P 680 is the active reaction centre

Answer (a, b)

Sol. In cyclic photophosphorylation, only Photosystem-I is involved, only ATP molecules are generated but not NADPH, water is not required, P_{700} is known to be the active reaction centre of cyclic photophosphorylation.

- 53. Crane A and crane B take 1 minute and 2 minute respectively to lift a car of mass 2 ton (2000 kg) upward through a vertical height h = 3 meter. If the efficiencies of the engines (defined as the ratio of work output to fuel energy input) of both the cranes are equal, your inference is that
 - (a) the power supplied by crane B is 1000 kW
 - (b) the crane A and the crane B consume equal amount of fuel
 - (c) the power supplied by crane A is more than the power supplied by crane B
 - (d) the crane A consumes more fuel in lifting the car than the crane B

Answer (b, c)

Sol. Efficiency
$$(\eta) = \frac{\text{Work output } (W)}{\text{Fuel energy input } (E)}$$

According to question.

$$P_{A} = \frac{W_{A}}{t_{A}}$$

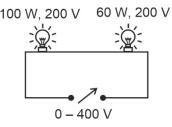
And
$$P_B = \frac{W_B}{t_B}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_A > P_B$$

$$[:: W_A = W_B \text{ and } t_B > t_A]$$



54. Two tungsten filament bulbs with rating 100 watt, 200 volt and 60 watt, 200 volt are connected in series with a variable supply of 0–400 V range, as shown. The supply voltage is gradually increased from 0 to 400 V. Choose the correct statement(s).



- (a) When supply voltage is 200 volt, 60 W bulb glows brighter
- (b) When supply voltage is 200 volt, total power dissipated in both the bulbs is greater than 37.5 W
- (c) When the supply voltage is 400 V, the 100 W bulb gets fused
- (d) When supply voltage becomes 400 V, none of the bulbs glow

Answer (a, d)

Sol.
$$R_1 = \frac{(200)^2}{100} = 400 \ \Omega$$

$$R_2 = \frac{(200)^2}{60} = 666.67 \ \Omega$$

For, $V_S = 200 \text{ V}$: Same current is flowing

Bulb with higher resistance glows brighter.

∴ (a) is correct

$$P_{\text{total}} = \left(\frac{200}{400 + 666.67}\right)^2 (400 + 666.67)$$
$$= \frac{(200)^2}{1066.67} = 37.5 \text{ W}$$

For,
$$V_S = 400 \text{ V}$$

$$I = \frac{400}{1066.67} = 0.375 \text{ A}$$

$$V_1 = IR_1 = 150 \text{ V}$$

$$V_2 = IR_2 = 250 \text{ V}$$

- ⇒ 60 W bulb gets fused. As, a result no bulb glows.
- 55. A solid sphere of radius R = 10 cm floats in water with 60% of its volume submerged. In an oil, this sphere floats with 80% of its volume submerged. If the density of water is 1000 kg/m³. The correct statement(s) is/are that
 - (a) the density of the material of sphere is 600 kg/m³
 - (b) the density of the oil is 750 kg/m³
 - (c) the weight of the sphere in air is close to 24.64 N
 - (d) the loss in weight of the sphere when floating in oil is close to 30.82 N

Answer (a, b, c)



Sol.
$$\sigma Vg = \rho_{w} (0.6 \ v)g$$

$$\sigma$$
 = 600 kg/m³

$$\sigma Vg = \rho_{oil} (0.8 \ v)g$$

$$\rho_{\text{oil}} = \frac{600}{0.8} = 750 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

Weight =
$$\sigma Vg$$

$$= 600 \times \frac{4}{3} \pi (10 \times 10^{-2})^3 \times 9.8$$

$$= 24.6 N$$

- 56. Select the correct statement(s) pertaining to Bohr model of an atom.
 - (a) An electron near the nucleus is attracted more by the nucleus; thereby has lower potential energy
 - (b) An electron continuously radiates energy as long as it revolves in a discrete orbit
 - (c) The model could not explain the spectra of multi-electron atoms
 - (d) This is the first atomic model based on quantization of energy

Answer (a, c, d)

- **Sol.** Electrons are believed to be revolving around the nucleus in discrete orbitals where they do not radiate energy. Absorption or emission of energy takes place when an electron jumps from one energy level to another, depending upon their respective energies.
- 57. The correct order(s) of first ionization energy for the following pairs is/are:
 - (a) Ag < Au
 - (b) Pd < Pt
 - (c) Pb > Sn
 - (d) Sb > Bi

Answer (a, b, c, d)

- **Sol.** (a) First I.E of Ag < First I.E of Au due to more Z_{eff} in Au because 14 e⁻ of Au are filled in f-orbital
 - (b) Pt has higher first I.E. due to lanthanide contraction, so first I.E of Pd < first I.E of Pt
 - (c) First I.E of Pb > First I.E of Sn due to lanthanide contraction
 - (d) First I.E of Sb > First I.E of Bi (Regular trend)
- 58. Every solvent undergoes self-ionization (autodissociation) and gives cations and anions. The substances which give solvent **cations** when dissolved in that particular solvent (or) increase the concentration of solvent cations are called acids. Similarly substances which give solvent **anions** when dissolved in that particular solvent (or) increase the concentration of solvent anion are called bases. Autoionisation of H₂O and H₂SO₄ are as below

$$2H_2O \rightleftharpoons H_3O^+ + OH^-$$

$$2H_2SO_4 \Longrightarrow H_3SO_4^+ + HSO_4^-$$

- (a) $\mathrm{CH_{3}COOH}$ acts as a strong acid in liquid $\mathrm{NH_{3}}$ solvent
- (b) H_2SO_4 acts as strong acid in H_2O and liquid NH_3 solvent
- (c) CH₃COOH acts as base in liquid HCI
- (d) H₂O acts as base in liquid NH₃ solvent

Answer (a, b, c)

* Considering correct options are asked in question



Sol.
$$CH_3COOH + NH_3 \rightleftharpoons CH_3COO^- + NH_4^+$$

$$H_2O + H_2SO_4 \longrightarrow H_3O^+ + HSO_4^-$$

$$2NH_3 + H_2SO_4 \longrightarrow (NH_4)_2SO_4$$

$$CH_3COOH + HCI \rightleftharpoons CI^- + CH_3C(OH)_2^+$$

$$\begin{array}{c} {\rm NH_3} + {\rm H_2O} {\longrightarrow} \\ {\rm (base)} \end{array} \\ {\rm (acid)} \end{array} \\ {\rm NH_4^+} + {\rm OH^-} \\ \\ \end{array}$$

- 59. The reaction KI + $I_2 \rightarrow KI_3$ involves
 - (a) oxidation
 - (b) reduction
 - (c) complex formation
 - (d) neutralization

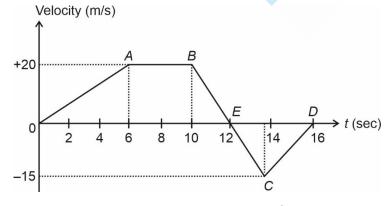
Answer (a, b, c)

Sol.
$$KI + I_2 \longrightarrow KI_3$$

In this reaction, KI_3 is formed which contains I_3^- ion.

In KI, the oxidation state of I is (-1) which changes to (0) in KI₃ whereas in I₂, the oxidation state of I is (0) which changes to (-1) in KI₃. The first process describes oxidation and the second process describes reduction.

60. A particle starts moving from origin O along x axis. The velocity-time graph of motion of particle is given below. The positive values of v refer to direction of motion along +x axis, the negative values of v refer to direction of motion along -x direction. Choose the correct statement(s).



- (a) Initial acceleration of the particle is 4 m/s²
- (b) The displacement of particle from origin is 130 m after 16 second
- (c) Average speed of the moving particle during 0 16 second is 11.88 m/s
- (d) Somewhere during the motion for 0 16 second, the retardation of the particle is 10 m/s^2

Answer (b, c, d)



Sol. (a) Initial acceleration

$$a = \frac{20 - 0}{6 - 0} = \frac{10}{3} \, \text{m/s}^2$$

(b) Displacement = Area (OABE) – Area (ECD)

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times (20)(12+4) - \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 15$$

(c) Average speed = $\frac{\text{Total distance covered}}{\text{Total time taken}}$

$$= \frac{160 + 30}{16} = 11.875 \approx 11.88 \text{ m/s}$$

(d) From point B to $E = \frac{0-20}{12-10} = -10 \text{ m/s}^2$

