

## CAT 2024 QA Slot 1 Question Paper

**Q.1:** A shop wants to sell a certain quantity (in kg) of grains. It sells half the quantity and an additional 3 kg of these grains to the first customer. Then, it sells half of the remaining quantity and an additional 3 kg of these grains to the second customer. Finally, when the shop sells half of the remaining quantity and an additional 3 kg of these grains to the third customer, there are no grains left. The initial quantity, in kg, of grains is

**Options:**

1. 42
  2. 18
  3. 36
  4. 50
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**Q.2:** The selling price of a product is fixed to ensure 40% profit. If the product had cost 40% less and had been sold for 5 rupees less, then the resulting profit would have been 50%. The original selling price, in rupees, of the product is

**Options:**

1. 10
  2. 20
  3. 14
  4. 15
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**Q.3**

If  $(a + b\sqrt{n})$  is the positive square root of  $(29 - 12\sqrt{5})$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers, and  $n$  is a natural number, then the maximum possible value of  $(a + b + n)$  is

**Options**

1. 4
  2. 22
  3. 18
  4. 6
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**Q.4:** A glass is filled with milk. Two-thirds of its content is poured out and replaced with water. If this process of pouring out two-thirds of the content and replacing with water is repeated three more times, then the final ratio of milk to water in the glass, is

**Options:**

1. 1 : 80
2. 1 : 27
3. 1 : 26
4. 1 : 81

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**Q.5:** Renu would take 15 days working 4 hours per day to complete a certain task whereas Seema would take 8 days working 5 hours per day to complete the same task. They decide to work together to complete this task. Seema agrees to work for double the number of hours per day as Renu, while Renu agrees to work for double the number of days as Seema. If Renu works 2 hours per day, then the number of days Seema will work, is

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**Q.6**

Suppose  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{100}$  are in arithmetic progression such that  $x_5 = -4$  and

$$2x_6 + 2x_9 = x_{11} + x_{13}.$$

Then,  $x_{100}$  equals

**Options** 1. 206

2. -196

3. 204

4. -194

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**Q.7**

Consider two sets  $A = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13\}$  and  $B = \{1, 8, 27\}$ . Let  $f$  be a function from  $A$  to  $B$  such that for every element  $b$  in  $B$ , there is at least one element  $a$  in  $A$  such that  $f(a) = b$ . Then, the total number of such functions  $f$  is

**Options:**

1. 537

2. 540

3. 667

4. 665

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**Q.8**

Let  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  be real numbers satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} 4(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) &= a, \\ 4(x - y - z) &= 3 + a. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $a$  equals

1. 3

2. 4

3. 1

4.  $1/3$

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**Q.9**

The sum of all real values of  $k$  for which

$$\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^k \times \left(\frac{1}{32768}\right)^{\frac{1}{8}} = \frac{1}{8} \times \left(\frac{1}{32768}\right)^{\frac{1}{k}}$$

is

**Options** 1.  $4/3$

2.  $-4/3$

3.  $2/3$

4.  $-2/3$

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**Q.10:** In September, the incomes of Kamal, Amal, and Vimal are in the ratio 8 : 6 : 5. They rent a house together, and Kamal pays 15%, Amal pays 12%, and Vimal pays 18% of their respective incomes to cover the total house rent in that month. In October, the house rent remains unchanged while their incomes increase by 10%, 12%, and 15%, respectively. In October, the percentage of their total income that will be paid as house rent, is nearest to

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**Q.11**

Let  $x^2 + mx + 9 = 0$ ,  $x^2 + nx + 17 = 0$ , and  $x^2 + (m + n)x + 35 = 0$  have a common negative root. Then, the value of  $(2m + 3n)$  is

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**Q.12**

For any natural number  $n$ , let  $a_n$  be the largest integer not exceeding  $\sqrt[4]{n}$ . Then the value of  $a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_{16}$  is

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**Q.13**

When  $10^{100}$  is divided by 7, the remainder is

**Options:**

1. 6

2. 3

3. 1

4. 4

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**Q.14**

A fruit seller has a total of 187 fruits consisting of apples, mangoes, and oranges. The number of apples and mangoes are in the ratio 5 : 2. After she sells 75 apples, 26 mangoes, and half of the oranges, the ratio of the number of unsold apples to the number of unsold oranges becomes 3 : 2. The total number of unsold fruits is

**Q.15**

Two places A and B are 45 km apart and connected by a straight road. Anil goes from A to B while Sunil goes from B to A. Starting at the same time, they cross each other in exactly 1 hour 30 minutes. If Anil reaches B exactly 1 hour 15 minutes after Sunil reaches A, the speed of Anil, in km per hour, is

**Q.16**

There are four numbers such that the average of the first two numbers is 1 more than the first number, the average of the first three numbers is 2 more than the average of the first two numbers, and the average of the first four numbers is 3 more than the average of the first three numbers. Then, the difference between the largest and the smallest numbers is

**Q.17**

ABCD is a rectangle with sides  $AB = 56$  cm and  $BC = 45$  cm, and E is the midpoint of side CD. Then, the length, in cm, of the radius of the incircle of  $\triangle ADE$  is

**Q.18**

The sum of all four-digit numbers that can be formed with the distinct non-zero digits  $a, b, c$ , and  $d$ , with each digit appearing exactly once in every number, is  $153310 + n$ , where  $n$  is a single-digit natural number. Then, the value of  $(a + b + c + d + n)$  is

**Q.19**

The surface area of a closed rectangular box, which is inscribed in a sphere, is 846 sq cm, and the sum of the lengths of all its edges is 144 cm. The volume, in cubic cm, of the sphere is

**Options:**

1.  $1125\pi\sqrt{2}$
2.  $750\pi$
3.  $750\pi\sqrt{2}$
4.  $1125\pi$

**Q.20**

In the XY-plane, the area, in sq. units, of the region defined by the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}y &\geq x + 4, \\ -4 &\leq x^2 + y^2 + 4(x - y) \leq 0\end{aligned}$$

is

**Options:**

1.  $2\pi$
  2.  $3\pi$
  3.  $\pi$
  4.  $4\pi$
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**Q.21**

If  $x$  is a positive real number such that

$$4\log_{10} x + 4\log_{100} x + 8\log_{1000} x = 13,$$

then the greatest integer not exceeding  $x$ , is

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**Q.22**

An amount of Rs 10000 is deposited in bank A for a certain number of years at a simple interest of 5% per annum. On maturity, the total amount received is deposited in bank B for another 5 years at a simple interest of 6% per annum. If the interests received from bank A and bank B are in the ratio 10 : 13, then the investment period, in years, in bank A is

**Options:**

1. 5
  2. 3
  3. 6
  4. 4
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