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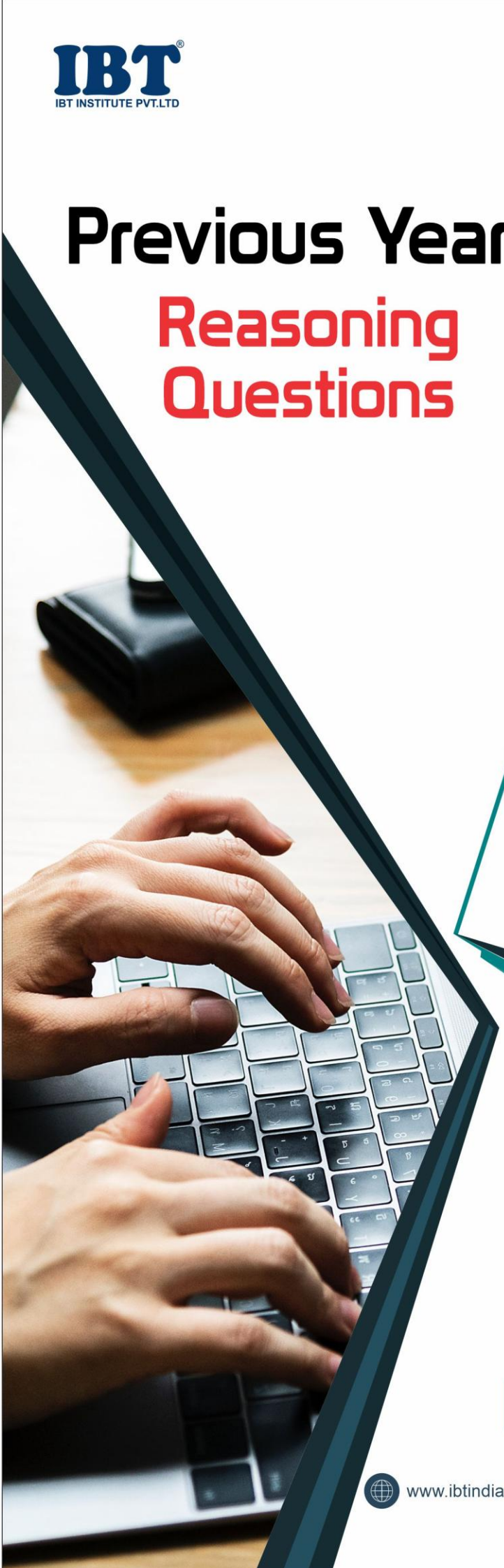

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Q1. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and hence from a group. Which the following does not belong to that group?
1) Walk
2) Cry
3) Play
4) Study
5) Alive
Ans.1. (5) Alive
Explanation:
Alive, others are action words, alive is different

Q2. How many such pairs of letters are there in the word 'VIRTUAL', each of which has as many letters between them in the word (in both forward and backward direction) as they have between them in the English alphabetical series?
1) None
2) One
3) Two
4) Three
5) More than three
Ans2. 3) Two
Explanation:
VIRTUAL = TU,VA

Q3. How many meaningful English words can be formed with the letters 'ILP' using all the letters only once in each word?
1) None
2) One
3) Two
4) Three
5) Four
Ans3. 2) One
Explanation:
ILP = Lip.

Q4. If each alternate letter in the word "FLIPPER" starting with F is changed to the next letter in the English alphabetical series and each of the remaining letters is changed to the previous letters in the English alphabetical series, then how many letters will appear more than once in the new arrangement?
1) None
2) One
3) Two
4) Three
5) Four
Ans4. 1) None
Explanation:
F L I P P E R
G K J O Q D S

Q5. Pointing to a girl, Mr. Arun said, 'She is the daughter of my mother's only child". How is the girl related to Mr. Arun?
1) Sister
2) Mother
3) Cousin
4) Daughter
5) Cannot be determined
Ans5. 4) Daughter
Explanation:
Daughter, the only child of arun means the girl is the daughter of arun.

Q6. In a certain code language, 'LISP' is coded as 'MJTQ', similarly 'PLAN' is coded as 'QMBO'. How will 'FORT' be coded in the same code language?
1) ENSQ
2) GPUS
3) ENQS
4) GPSU
5) None of these
Ans6. 4) GPSU
Explanation:
GPSU, every letter is represented by the letter after it in the new code.

Q7.'Artificial' is related to 'Natural' in the same way as 'Private' is related to ----
1) Future
2) Personal
3) Public
4) Closed
5) Confidential
Ans7. 3) Public
Explanation:

Public, artificial is the antonym of natural. Similarly private is antonym of public.

Q8. Four of the following five are alike on the basis of being divisible by a particular number and hence form a group. Which of the following does not belong to that group?
1) 21
2) 91
3) 65
4) 77
5) 35
Ans8. 3) 65
Explanation:
21=7×3; 91=7×13; 77=7×11; 35=7×5 but 65=7×9.28

Q9. In a class of 25 students, Lata's rank is 13th from the top and Parul's rank is 19th from the bottom. If Vishal's rank is exactly between Lata's and Parul's rank what is Vishal's rank from the top?
1) 10th
2) 8th
3) 9th
4) 7th
5) Cannot be determined
Ans9. 1) 10th
Explanation:
Lata's rank from the top = 13^{th}
Parul's rank from the bottom = 19^{th}
Then Vishal's rank from top = 10^{th}

Q10. What should come next in the number series given below?
1 1 2 1 2 3 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 5 1 2 3 4 5 6 1 2 3 4 5 6
1) 5
2) 2
3) 8
4) 1
5) None of these
Ans10.(5) None of these
Explanation:
1, 12, 123, 1234, 12345, 123456, 1234567

Directions (11 - 15): Study the following information to answer the given questions.
Eight friends A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H are sitting around a circle facing the centre, not necessarily in the same order. F sits fourth to the left of B. A and H are immediate neighbours of F. C sits third to the left of A. G sits third to the right of E.

Q11. What is D's position with respect to B?
1) Immediate left
2) Sixth to the right
3) Second to the left
4) Seventh to the left
5) Fifth to the right
Ans11. 1) Immediate left

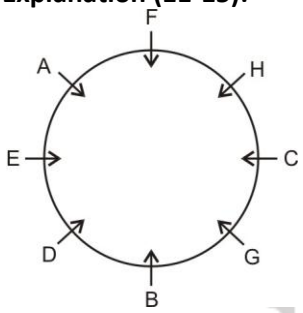
Q12. What are the immediate neighbours of G?
1) F and H
2) A and F
3) C and H
4) A and B
5) B and C
Ans12. 5) B and C

Q13. If C is related to E in a certain way and similarly F is related to B in the same way, to whom is A related to?
1) H
2) D
3) G
4) C
5) None of these
Ans13. 3) G

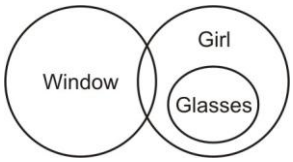
Q14. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way based on their seating positions in the above arrangement and so form a group. Which is the one that does not belong to the group?
1) FE
2) HA
3) DG
4) BE
5) CF

Ans4. 4) BE

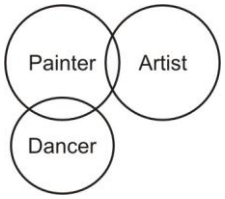
Q15. If all the eight friends are made to sit alphabetically in the clockwise direction starting from A, positions of how many will remain unchanged (excluding A)?
1) None
2) One
3) Two
4) Three
5) Four
Ans15. 1) None
Explanation (11-15):



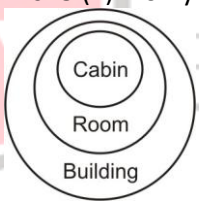
Directions (16 - 20): In each question below are two statements followed by two conclusions numbered I and II. You have to take the two given statements to be true even if they seem to be at variance from commonly known facts and then decide which of the given conclusions logically follows from the given statements disregarding commonly known facts. Give answer
(1) If only conclusion I follows
(2) If only conclusion II follows
(3) If either conclusion I or conclusion II follows.
(4) If neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows
(5) If both conclusions I and II follow
Q16. Statements: Some windows are grills.
All glasses are grills.
Conclusions: I. All grills are windows.
II. At least some grills are glasses.
Ans16. (2) If only conclusion II follows



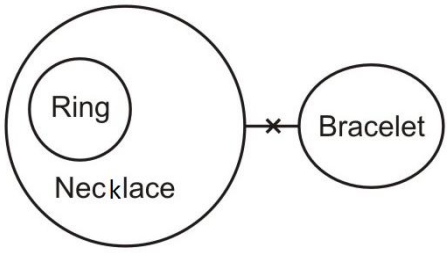
Q17. Statements: Some painters are artists.
Some dancers are painters.
Conclusions: I. All artists are dancers.
II. All painters are dancers.
Ans17. (4) If neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows



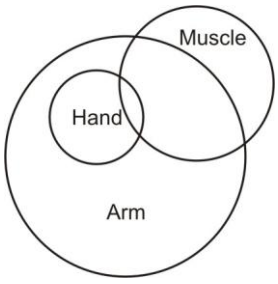
Q18. Statements: All cabins are rooms.
All rooms are buildings.
Conclusions: I. All buildings are rooms.
II. All cabins are buildings.
Ans18.(2) If only conclusion II follows



Q19. Statements: All rings are necklaces.
No necklace is a bracelet.
Conclusions: I. No ring is a bracelet.
II. All necklaces are rings.
Ans19. (1) If only conclusion I follows



Q20. Statements: All hands are arms.
Some hands are muscles.
Conclusions: I. Some muscles are arms.
II. All muscles are arms.
Ans20.(1) If only conclusion I follows



Directions (21 -25): Study the following information to answer the given questions:
Seven Friends - L, M, N, O, P, Q and R are sitting in a straight line facing North, not necessarily in the same order. M sits fifth to the right of O. P sits third to the right of L. Both L and P do not sit at the extreme ends of the line. Q and R are immediate neighbours of each other. N sits third to the left of Q.

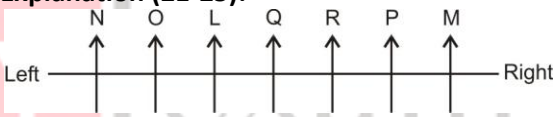
Q21. What is O's position with respect of R?
1) Second to the right
2) Third to the left
3) Second the left
4) Third to the right
5) None of these
Ans21. 2) Third to the left

Q22. Which of the following represents the friends sitting at the extreme ends of the line?
1) O, M
2) Q, O
3) N, M
4) O, N
5) None of these
Ans22. 3) N, M

Q23. If all the seven friends are made to sit in alphabetical order from left to right, the position of how many will remain unchanged?
1) Four
2) Three
3) One
4) Two
5) None
Ans23. 5) None

Q24. Who sits exactly in the middle of the row?
1) P
2) L
3) Q
4) R
5) None of these
Ans24. 3) Q

Q25. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way based on their seating positions in the above arrangement and so form a group. Which is the one that does not belong to the group?
1) MP
2) RQ
3) ON
4) LN
5) QL
Ans25. 4) LN
Explanation (21-25):



Directions (26 - 30): Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:
1. If only conclusion I follows
2. If only conclusion II follows
3. If either, conclusion I or conclusion II follows
4. If neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows
5. If both conclusions I and II follow.

Q26. Statement: A < L < T < R ≥ H > K
Conclusions: I. H > L II. K > T
Ans26. 4. If neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows
Explanation:
I. H > L → (false)
II. K > T → (false)

Q27. Statement: P = N > D ≤ G < B = J
Conclusions: I. G < P II. G < J
Ans27. 2. If only conclusion II follows

Explanation:
I. G < P → (false)
II. G < J → G < B = J (true)

Q28. Statement: F ≥ C ≤ V= Z < X = U
Conclusions: I. V < U II. Z < F
Ans28. 1. If only conclusion I follows
Explanation:
I. V < U → V= Z < X = U (true)
II. Z < F → Z=V≥C≤F (false)

Q29. Statement: Q ≥ E = I > N ≤ R ≤ S
Conclusions: I. E = S II. S ≥ N
Ans29. 2. If only conclusion II follows
Explanation:
I. E = S → E = I > N ≤ R ≤ S (false)
II. S ≥ N → S≥R≥N (true)

Q30. Statement: J ≤ V < R = M ≥ I > H
Conclusions: I. V < H II. H ≥ M
Ans30. 4. If neither conclusion I nor conclusion II follows
Explanation:
I. V < H → V < R = M ≥ I > H (false)
II. H ≥ M → (false)

Directions (31 - 35): Study the following arrangement of consonants, vowels, numbers and symbols carefully and answer the questions given below:
H @ F ! 3 U 6 % G + T * P L 8 $ ^ 9 S 2 7 & A M K + J C D 4 # 5 & E

Q31. Which of the following is ninth to the right of the twentieth from the right end of the above arrangement?
1) K
2) M
3) U
4) A
5) None of these
Ans31. 2) M
Explanation:
H @ F ! 3 U 6 % G + T * P L **8** $ ^ 9 S 2 7 & A **M** K + J C D 4 # 5 & E

Q32. How many such consonants are there in the above arrangement, each of which is immediately preceded by a symbol and also immediately followed by a symbol?
1) None
2) One
3) Two
4) Three
5) More than three
Ans32. 3) Two
Explanation:
H **@ F !** 3 U 6 % G **+ T *** P L 8 $ ^ 9 S 2 7 & A M K + J C D 4 # 5 & E

Q33. If all the symbols are dropped from the arrangement, which of the following will be the twelfth from the left end?
1) 9
2) 2
3) S
4) 7
5) None of these
Ans33. 3) S
Explanation:
H F 3 U 6 G T P L 8 9 **S** 2 7 A M K J C D 4 5 E

Q34. Four of the following five are alike m a certain way based on their position in the above arrangement and so form a group. Which is the one the does not belong to the group?
1. L$8
2. AKM
3. @!F
4. 6%G
5. JDC
Ans34. 4. 6%G
Explanation:
H @ F ! 3 U **6 % G** + T * P L **8** $ ^ 9 S 2 7 & A **M** K + J C D 4 # 5 & E

Q35.What should come in place of the question mark [?] in the following series based on the above arrangement?
F3U %+T L$^ ?
1) 927

2) 7&A
3) 7AM
4) 2&A
5) 27&

Ans35. 3. 7AM

Explanation:

H @ F ! 3 U 6 % G + T * P L 8 $ ^ 9 S 2 7 & A M K
+ J C D 4 # 5 & E

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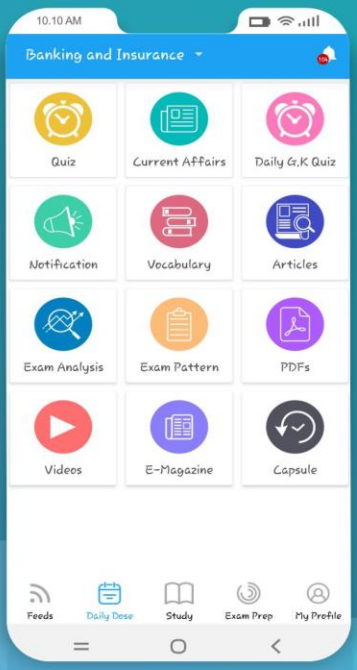

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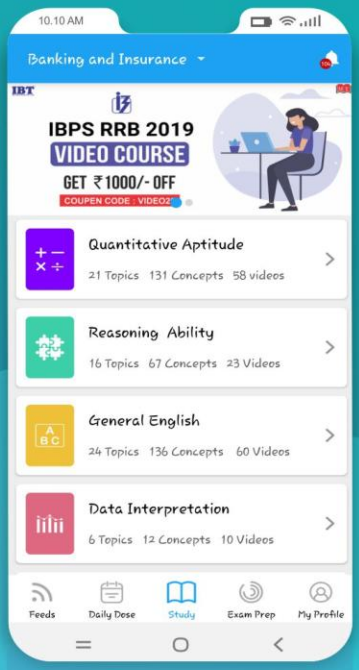

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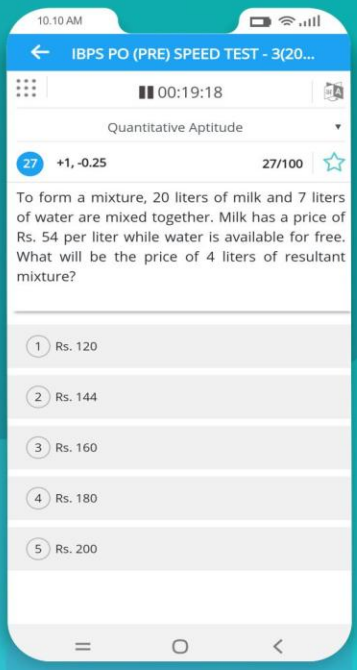

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