# Talent Search Exam. 2023

for class-X

Duration:1:30Hr Max. Marks 240

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

#### A. General:

- 1. This booklet is your Question Paper. DO NOT break seal of Booklet until the invigilator instructs to do so. Total Questions to be Attempted 60: Physics: 10, Chemistry: 10, Biology: 10, Mathematics: 20 & MAT: 10 Questions.
- 2. The Answer Sheet is provided to you separately which is a machine readable Optical Response Sheet (ORS). You have to mark your answers in the ORS by darkening bubble, as per your answer choice, by using black & blue ball point pen.
- **3.** Things NOT ALLOWED in EXAM HALL: Blank Paper, clipboard, log table, slide rule, calculator, camera, mobile and any electronic or electrical gadget. If you are carrying any of these then keep them at a place specified by invigilator at your own risk.
- 4. Do not use white-fluid or any other rubbing material on answer sheet. Before handing over the answer sheet to the invigilator, candidate should check that Roll No, Test code and Book Code have been filled and marked correctly. Immediately after the prescribed examination time is over, the Answer sheet is to be returned to the invigilator.

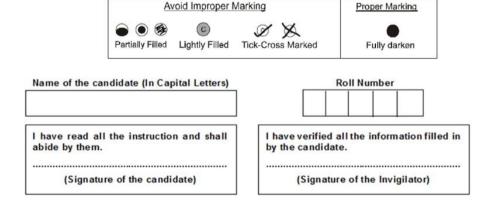
### **B. Filling the Answer Sheet:**

On Side-1 of Answer Sheet write your Name and Roll Number in the respective boxes. Do not write anything on Side-2.

#### 6. Marking Scheme:

- a. If darkened bubble is RIGHT answer: 4 Marks.
- b. If no bubble is darkened in any question: No Mark.
- c. If darkened bubble is WRONG answer: -1 Mark (Minus One Mark).
- 7. Think wisely before darkening bubble as there is negative marking for wrong answer

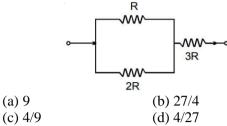
### PROCEDURE OF FILLING UP THE ANSWER IN ANSWER SHEET



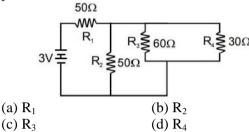
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### [Science]

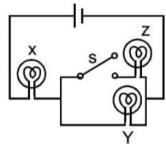
1. The ratio of powers dissipated respectively in R and 3R, as shown is



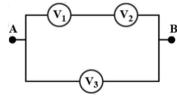
In the circuit shown, the resistances are given in ohms and the battery is assumed ideal with emf equal to 3.0 volts. The resistor that dissipates the most power is



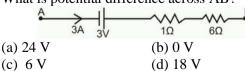
If X, Y and Z in figure are identical lamps, which of the following changes to the brightnesses of the lamps occur when switch S is closed?



- (a) X stays the same, Y decreases
- (b) X increases, Y decreases
- (c) X increases, Y stays the same
- (d) X decreases, Y increases
- Three voltmeters all having different resistances are joined as shown. When some potential difference is applied across A and B, then readings in voltmeter are  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$  and  $V_3$ .

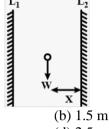


- (a)  $V_1 = V_2$
- (b)  $V_1 < V_2$
- (c)  $V_1 + V_2 = V_3$
- (d)  $V_1 + V_2 > V_3$
- What is potential difference across AB?



- A concave mirror cannot form
  - (a) virtual image of virtual object
  - (b) virtual image of real object
  - (c) real image of real object
  - (d) real image of virtual object

7. Two plane mirrors  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are parallel to each other and 3 m apart. A person standing x m from the right mirror  $L_2$  looks into this mirror and sees a series of images. The distance between the first and second image is 4m. Then the value of x is



- (a) 2 m
- (c) 1 m
- (d) 2.5 m
- 8. An endoscope is employed by a physician to view the internal parts of body organ. It is based on the principle of
  - (a) refraction
  - (b) reflection
  - (c) total internal reflection
  - (d) dispersion
- 9. A plane glass slab is placed over various coloured letters. The letter which appears to be raised the least
  - (a) violet
- (b) yellow
- (c) red
- (d) green
- 10. The refractive index of water is 4/3. The speed of light in water is
  - (a)  $1.50 \times 10^8$  m/s
- (b)  $1.78 \times 10^8$  m/s
- (c)  $2.25 \times 10^8$  m/s
- (d)  $2.67 \times 10^8$  m/s
- 11. Which is acidic in nature-
  - (a)  $SO_2$
- (b)  $SO_3$
- (c)  $CO_2$
- (d) All of the above
- 12. Sodium carbonate is a basic salt because it is a salt of
  - (a) Strong acid and strong base
  - (b) Weak acid and weak base
  - (c) Strong acid and weak base
  - (d) Weak acid and strong base
- 13. When two mole of lead nitrate is heated then:
  - (a) 4 moles of NO<sub>2</sub> gas are produced
  - (b) 1 moles of O<sub>2</sub> gas produced
  - (c) both (a) and (b)
  - (d) 2 moles of NO<sub>2</sub> gas are produced
- 14.  $aK_2Cr_2O_7 + bKCl + cH_2SO_4 \rightarrow$

 $xCrO_2Cl_2 + yKHSO_4 + ZH_2O$ . The above equation balances when

- (a) a = 2, b = 4, c = 6 and x = 2, y = 6, z = 3
- (b) a = 4, b = 2, c = 6 and x = 6, y = 2, z = 3
- (c) a = 1, b = 4, c = 2 and x = 2, y = 6, z = 3
- (d) a = 1, b = 4, c = 6 and x = 2, y = 6, z = 3
- 15. The oxidizing agent and reducting agent in the given reaction respectively are:

$$SnCl_2 + HgCl_2 \rightarrow SnCl_4 + Hg_2Cl_2$$

- (a) SnCl<sub>2</sub> and HgCl<sub>2</sub> (b) HgCl<sub>2</sub> and SnCl<sub>2</sub>
- (c) SnCl<sub>4</sub> and Hg<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (d) HgCl<sub>2</sub> and SnCl<sub>4</sub>

- 16. NH<sub>3</sub> is not a base according to:
  - (a) Bronsted Lowry theory
  - (b) Lewis theory
  - (c) Arrhenius theory
  - (d) All the theories
- 17. The Basicity of H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub> respectively is:
  - (a) 1

(b) 2

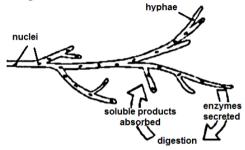
(c)3

- (d) 4
- 18. Which of the following oxides of iron would be obtained on the prolonged reaction of iron with steam?
  - (a) FeO
- (b)  $Fe_2O_3$
- (c)  $Fe_3O_4$
- (d) Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>
- 19. Which of the following metal oxide contains metal in two different valencies?
  - (a)  $Al_2O_3$
- (b)  $Fe_3O_4$
- (c) MnO<sub>2</sub>
- (d)  $PbO_2$
- 20. In stainless steel alloy, iron metal is mixed with:
  - (a) Cu and Cr
- (b) Cr and Ni
- (c) Cr and Sn
- (d) Cu and Ni
- 21. Double fertilization is
  - (a) fusion of two male gametes with egg
  - (b) fusion of one male gamete with egg and the other male gamete with the polar bodies
  - (c) both are correct
  - (d) both are incorrect
- 22. In a given food chain if frog has 100 J of energy then the energy available with plants and snake respectively will be;

Plants  $\rightarrow$  Insect  $\rightarrow$  Frog  $\rightarrow$  Snake

- (a) 1000 J and 10 J
- (b) 10000 J and 10 J
- (c) 10 J and 1000 J
- (d) 1000 J and 100 J
- 23. Plants can get along without respiratory organs because of the following except
  - (a) Each plant part takes care of its own gas exchange
  - (b) Plants do not present great demands for gas exchange
  - (c) Gas diffusion in plants occurs easily over long distances in plants
  - (d) Each living cell in a plant is located quite close to the surface of the plant
- 24. Nitrogenous wastes excreted through urine in humans is
  - (a) Trimethylamine oxide

- (b) Ammonia
- (c) Uric Acid
- (d) Urea
- 25. Waste product produced during respiration in plant:
  - (a) CO<sub>2</sub>
- (b) Water
- (c) Oxygen
- (d) (a) and (b)
- 26. Factors affecting transpiration rate are
  - (a) Wind
  - (b) Temperature
  - (c) Atmospheric humidity
  - (d) All (a), (b) & (c) are correct
- 27. Controls puberty in males by
  - (a) Luteinizing hormone (LH)
  - (b) Testosterone hormone
  - (c) Insulin
  - (d) Estrogen hormone
- 28. Identify the given image and select the correct option which indicates the mode of nutrition used by the given organism.



- (a) parasitic nutrition
- (b) Autotrophic nutrition
- (c) Saprotrophic nutrition
- (d) Symbiotic nutrition
- 29. Blood from superior vena cava flows into
  - (a) right atrium
- (b) right ventricle
- (c) left atrium
- (d) left ventricle
- 30. "Peristalsis" helps in movement of food between which 2 organs?
  - (a) From large intestine to rectum
  - (b) From Oesophagus to stomach
  - (c) From large intestine to small intestine
  - (d) From small intestine to large intestine

# [Mathematics]

31. If x, y are rational numbers such that

$$(x+y)+(x-2y)\sqrt{2}=2x-y+(x-y-1)\sqrt{5}$$
 then

- (a) x = 1, y = 1
- (b) x = 2, y = 1
- (c) x = 5, y = 1
- (d) x and y can take infinitely many values
- 32. The number of real roots of the equation

$$(x-1)^2 + (x-2)^2 + (x-3)^2 = 0$$
 is

(c) 2

- 33. Let  $x_1 = 97, x_2 = \frac{2}{x_1}, x_3 = \frac{3}{x_2}, x_4 = \frac{4}{x_3}, \dots, x_8 = \frac{8}{x_7}$  then

- $\frac{\delta}{\Lambda} x_i 60 = ?$  where  $\frac{n}{\Lambda} x_i = x_1 x_2 x_3 .... x_n$
- (a) 320
- (b) 316
- (c) 324
- (d) none of these
- 34. Find value of

$$\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}.....\infty}}}$$

35.	If the expression $x^2 - 11x + a$ and $x^2 - 14x + 2a$ must
	have a common factor and $a \neq 0$ , then the common
	factor is

(a) 
$$x-3$$

(b) 
$$x - 6$$

(c) 
$$x - 8$$

(d) none of these

36. If 
$$\alpha, \beta$$
 are roots of  $x^2 - p(x+1) - c = 0$  then

$$\frac{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + 1}{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + c} + \frac{\beta^2 + 2\beta + 1}{\beta^2 + 2\beta + c}$$
 is equal to

(a) 0

- (c) 2

(d) none of these

37. If 
$$\alpha, \beta$$
 be the roots  $x^2 + px - q = 0$  and  $\gamma, \delta$  be the

roots of 
$$x^2 + px + r = 0$$
 then  $\frac{(\alpha - \gamma)(\alpha - \delta)}{(\beta - \gamma)(\beta - \delta)} =$ 

$$(d) q + r$$

38. 
$$\sqrt{2x+7} + \sqrt{3x-18} = \sqrt{7x+1}$$
 solve for x

(c) 
$$\frac{-18}{5}$$

(d) both (b) & (c)

- 39. The first, second and middle terms of an AP are a, b, c respectively. Their sum is

(b) 
$$\frac{2c(c-a)}{b-a} + c$$
(d) 
$$\frac{2b(c-a)}{b-a}$$

(c)  $\frac{2c(b-a)}{c-a}$ 

(d) 
$$\frac{2b(c-a)}{b-a}$$

- 40. The interior angles of a polygon are in arithmetic progression. The smallest angle is 120° and common difference is 5° find number of sides of polygon.
  - (a) 9

- (b) 10
- (c) 11
- (d) 12
- 41. If (1,-6), (2,-4) and (a,b) are collinear then find the relation between a and b.
  - (a) 3a b = 8
- (b) 2a b = 8
- (c) a+b=4
- (d) none of these
- 42. If (5, 0) and (-5, 0) are the two vertices of an equilateral triangle, then find its third vertex.
  - (a)  $(0,5\sqrt{3})$
- (b)  $(0,-5\sqrt{3})$
- (c) (0,3)
- (d) both (a) & (b)
- 43. If A, B and C are the interior angles of  $\triangle ABC$  then

$$\sin\left(\frac{B+C}{2}\right) =$$

(a) 
$$\sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$$

(b) 
$$\cos\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$$

(c) 
$$\sin\left(\frac{C}{2}\right)$$

(d) none of these

- 44. If  $\sin^2 \theta + \sin \theta = 1$ , then find value of  $\cos^6 \theta + \cos^4 \theta + \cos^2 \theta$ 
  - (a)  $\sin \theta$
- (b)  $3\sin\theta$
- (c)  $2\sin\theta$
- (d) none
- 45. If  $\sin \theta + \tan \theta = P$ , then  $\sin \theta + \cos \theta =$

(a) 
$$\frac{P^2 + 2P - 1}{P^2 + 1}$$
 (b)  $\frac{P^2 - 2P + 1}{P^2 + 1}$ 

(b) 
$$\frac{P^2 - 2P + 1}{P^2 + 1}$$

(c) 
$$\frac{P^2 + 2P - 1}{P^2 - 1}$$

(c) 
$$\frac{P^2 + 2P - 1}{P^2 - 1}$$
 (d)  $\frac{P^2 - 2P - 1}{P^2 - 1}$ 

- 46. The ratio of the incomes of two persons is 4 : 3 and their expenses in 17:12. If each of them saves Rs. 12000, find their monthly incomes
  - (a) 80,000, 60,000
- (b) 70,000 and 50,000
- (c) 30,000, 40,000
- (d) none of these
- 47. The sum of a two digit number and the number obtained by reversing the order of its digit is 66 and the two digits differ by 2. Find the number
  - (a) 42
- (b) 24
- (c) 36
- (d) both (a) & (b)
- 48. Sides of a triangle are in the ratio of  $\sqrt{2}$ :1:1 find the largest angle of triangle
  - (a)  $90^{\circ}$
- (b) 120°
- (c) 80
- (d) none of these
- 49. A peacock sitting on the top of a tree observes a serpent in the ground making an angle of depression 30°. If the peacock with a speed of 300 m per minute catches the serpent in 12 seconds then the height of the tree is:
  - (a) 30m
- (b)  $30\sqrt{3}$  m
- (c)  $\frac{30}{\sqrt{3}}$  m
- (d) 15 m
- 50. ABC is a right angled triangle, right angled at B. If D and E are points on side AB such that AD = DE =

EB, then the value of  $\frac{AC^2 - EC^2}{DC^2 - BC^2}$  is

(a)  $\frac{3}{1}$ 

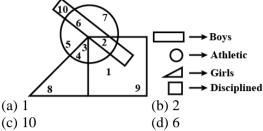
(c)  $\frac{9}{4}$ 

## [Mat]

51. Choose the letters which will replace the question mark (?)

BEGK: ADFJ:: PSVY:?

- (a) ROUK
- (b) ORUX
- (c) LOUT
- (d) LOOT
- 52. In the following diagram the boys who are athletic and are disciplined are indicated by which number?



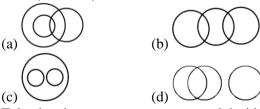
53. The following questions, a number series is given with one of the terms missing. Choose the correct alternative that will continue the same pattern and replace the question mark (?).

$$7\frac{1}{7}, 8\frac{2}{6}, 9\frac{5}{5}, 12\frac{2}{4}, 16\frac{2}{3}, ?$$

- (c) 35

- 54. If DEMOCRATIC is written as EDMORCATCI, then how CONTINUOUS will be written in the same code?
  - (a) OCTINNIOUSU
- (b) OTCNINUOUS
- (c) OCNTNIUOSU
- (d) OTNCINUOSU
- 55. Six persons are seated around a hexagonal table. Arup is seated opposite Belal, who is between Chirag and Deepak. Arup is between Ela and Farook. Ela is to the left of Deepak. Which of the following pairs is facing each other?
  - (a) Ela and Farook
- (b) Deepak and Ela
- (c) Chirag and Ela
- (d) Chirag and Deepak
- 56. Identify the diagram that best represents the relationship among the given classes.

Males, Doctors, Brothers



57. Take the given statements as true and decide which of the conclusions logically follow from the statements.

#### **Statements:**

All frogs are snakes

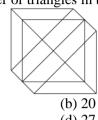
Some snakes are birds

All birds are apples

### **Conclusions:**

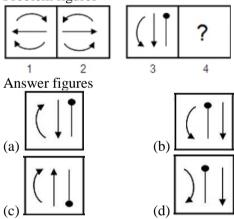
I. Some apples are frogs

- II. No apple is a frog
- III. Some snakes are apples
- IV. All birds are snakes
- (a) Either I or II; and III follows
- (b) III and IV follows
- (c) Either I or II follows
- (d) Either I or II; and IV follows
- 58. Find the number of triangles in the given figure.



- (a) 18
- (c) 24
- (d) 27
- 59. The second figure of the problem figures bears a certain relationship to the first figure. Similarly, one of the figures in the answer figures bears the same relationship to the third figure. You have to select the figure from the set of answer figures which would replace the sign of the question mark (?).

Problem figures



60. Select a figure from amongst the answer figures which will continue the same series as established by the five problem figures.

Problem figures

