

## ODD ONE OUT

In this type of questions, all the options except one are belonging to same category. We have to identify which one is different from the rest.

*There may be several kinds of relationship between given options. For example.*

1. Relationship based on meaning.
2. Functional relationship.
3. Word/number formation relationship.
4. Even, odd or prime number relationship.
5. Divisibility or non-divisibility by a certain number.
6. Repetition of certain digits/alphabets in the group.

**Example 1** Find out the odd one out.

- (a) 28                      (b) 14  
(c) 49                      (d) 64

**Solution :** (d) Except 64, all the rest number 28, 14 and 49 are divisible by 7 while 64 is not divisible by 7. Therefore 64 is different from the rest.

**Example 2** Which one is different from the rest three ?

- (a) Door                      (b) Gate  
(c) Table                      (d) Window

**Solution :** (c) All the rest are the parts of a building.

**Example 3** Find out the odd one out.

- (a) Japan                      (b) Nepal  
(c) France                      (d) China

**Solution :** (c) All the rest are the countries of Asia.

**Example 4** Which one is different from the rest three?

- (a) NMLK                      (b) RQPO  
(c) UTSR                      (d) WXUV

**Solution :** (d) In all the other options, the letters are in reverse order of alphabet.

**Example 5** Which one letter group differs from the other three?

- (a) WRONG                      (b) GREEN  
(c) WHITE                      (d) RIGHT

**Solution :** (b) In other options, no letter is repeated.

**Example 6** Three of the following are alike in a certain way and form a group. Find the odd one out.

- (a) Bird                      (b) Insect  
(c) Aeroplane                      (d) Kite

**Solution :** (b) All except the insect fly in the sky.

**Example 7** In this question, there is four words with the letters jumbled up. Three of them are alike. Find the odd one out.

- (a) CIRE                      (b) NAIR  
(c) LOUDSC                      (d) RNUTHDE

**Solution :** (a) By arranging the letters of NAIR, LOUDSC and RNUTHDE we get RAIN, CLOUDS and THUNDER respectively which are all related with one other except CIRE i.e. RICE.

# Exercise

**Direction** (Qs. 1–42) In each of the following questions, four alternatives are given, out of which three are alike in a certain way while one is different. Choose the odd one.

1. (a) Nephrology (b) Entomology  
(c) Astrology (d) Mycology
2. (a) Faraday (b) Newton  
(c) Edison (d) Beethoven
3. (a) Metre (b) Furlong  
(c) Acre (d) Mile
4. (a) Venus (b) Saturn  
(c) Earth (d) Mercury
5. (a) Jupiter (b) Saturn  
(c) Venus (d) Sun
6. (a) Grams (b) Litres  
(c) Tonnes (d) Quintals
7. (a) Flood (b) Hurricane  
(c) Explosion (d) Earthquake
8. (a) Kiwi (b) Ostrich  
(c) Eagle (d) Penguin
9. (a) Tailor (b) Carpenter  
(c) Blacksmith (d) Barber
10. (a) Ladder (b) Staircase  
(c) Bridge (d) Escalator
11. (a) Thiamine (b) Niacin  
(c) Trypsin (d) Riboflavin
12. (a) Hour (b) Day  
(c) Second (d) Time
13. (a) Tree (b) Root  
(c) Flower (d) Leaf
14. (a) Hydrogen (b) Oxygen  
(c) Iodine (d) Nitrogen
15. (a) Pineapple (b) Orange  
(c) Lemon (d) Banana
16. (a) Tortoise (b) Duck  
(c) Snake (d) Whale
17. (a) Arc (b) Diagonal  
(c) Tangent (d) Radius
18. (a) English (b) Encyclopedia  
(c) Russian (d) German
19. (a) Island (b) Coast  
(c) Harbour (d) Oasis
20. (a) Wood (b) Cork  
(c) Stone (d) Paper
21. (a) JUDGE (b) SCANT  
(c) CROWD (d) FLUSH
43. (a) Bottle : Wine (b) Cup : Tea  
(c) Pitcher : Water (d) Ball : Bat
44. (a) Ornithology : Birds  
(b) Mycology : Fungi  
(c) Biology : Botany  
(d) Phycology : Algae
45. (a) Atom : Electron (b) Train : Engine  
(c) House : Room (d) Curd : Milk
46. (a) Crime : Punishment  
(b) Judgment : Advocacy  
(c) Enterprise : Success  
(d) Exercise : Health
47. (a) Broad : Wide (b) Light : Heavy  
(c) Tiny : Small (d) Big : Large

