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(STANDARDS 8, 9 AND 10)

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**TIME: 60 MINUTES**

**NUMBER OF QUESTIONS: 20**

**Instructions:**

1. Do not open this booklet until told to do so by the invigilator.
2. This is a multiple choice test. Each question is followed by answers marked A, B, C, D and E. Only one of these is correct.
3. Scoring rules:
  - 3.1 Each correct answer is worth 5 marks.
  - 3.2 There is no penalty for an incorrect answer or any unanswered questions.
4. You must use an HB pencil. Rough paper, ruler and rubber are permitted.  
**Calculators and geometry instruments are not permitted.**
5. Diagrams are not necessarily drawn to scale.
6. Give your answers on the sheet provided.

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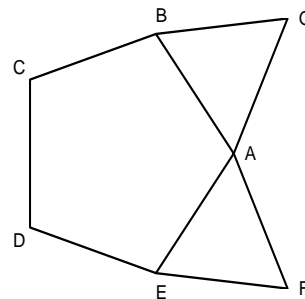
## PRACTICE EXAMPLES

1. If  $3x - 15 = 0$ , then  $x$  is equal to  
(A) 2                      (B) 3                      (C) 4                      (D) 5                      (E) 6.
  
2. The circumference of a circle with radius 2 is  
(A)  $\pi$                       (B)  $2\pi$                       (C)  $4\pi$                       (D)  $6\pi$                       (E)  $8\pi$ .
  
3. The sum of the smallest and the largest of the numbers 0,5129; 0,9; 0,89; and 0,289 is  
(A) 1,189  
(B) 0,8019  
(C) 1,428  
(D) 1,179  
(E) 1,4129.

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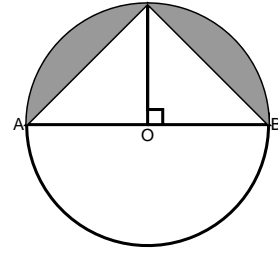
1. If 1 tonne = 1 000 kg then Aarnout the fully grown hippo weighs about
- (A) 12 kg      (B) 120 kg      (C) 1,2 tonne      (D) 120 tonne      (E) 1 200 tonne.
2. The value of  $(\frac{2001}{5})^2 - (\frac{1999}{5})^2$  is
- (A)  $\frac{1}{25}$       (B)  $\frac{4}{25}$       (C) 160      (D) 320      (E) 1600.
3. A one-litre bag of milk costs R3,00 and a two-litre bottle costs R6,60. What percentage do you pay extra if you buy one bottle instead of two bags?
- (A) 60      (B) 50      (C) 40      (D) 30      (E) 10.

4. The figure shows a regular pentagon  $ABCDE$ , and  $ABG$  and  $AEF$  are equilateral triangles. The size of angle  $GAF$  is



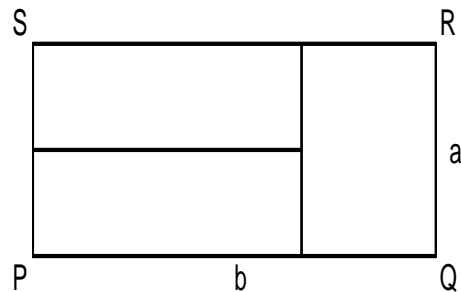
- (A)  $124^\circ$       (B)  $135^\circ$       (C)  $108^\circ$       (D)  $120^\circ$       (E)  $132^\circ$ .
5. If the following five numbers are arranged in increasing order, which number will be in the middle?
- (A) 2001, 2001      (B)  $2001 + \frac{1}{2001}$       (C)  $2001 \div \frac{1}{2001}$       (D)  $2001 \times \frac{1}{2001}$
- (E)  $2001 - \frac{1}{2001}$ .

6. The diameter  $AB$  of the circle is 12 cm. The area of the shaded region, in  $\text{cm}^2$ , is



- (A)  $18\pi - 18$       (B)  $36\pi - 18$       (C)  $36\pi - 24$       (D)  $18\pi - 36$       (E)  $36\pi - 36$ .
7. The postage rate for parcels is R4,10 for the first 100 g, and R1,40 for each additional 50 g, or part of 50 g. The postage for a parcel weighing 279 g is
- (A) R9,70      (B) R12,50      (C) R24,60      (D) R9,10      (E) R8,40.
8. When the repeating decimal  $0,45454545\cdots$  is written in simplest fractional form, the sum of the numerator and denominator is
- (A) 144      (B) 5      (C) 11      (D) 55      (E) 16.
9. A cube has sides of length 1 metre. The largest number of corners you can choose so that no two of them are one metre apart, is
- (A) 5      (B) 4      (C) 3      (D) 2      (E) 6.

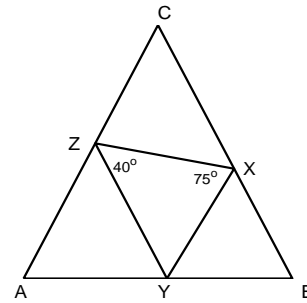
10. The length of rectangle  $PQRS$  is  $b$  and the breadth is  $a$ . The rectangle is cut into three congruent rectangles as shown. The ratio of  $b$  to  $a$  is



- (A) 2 : 1      (B) 3 : 2      (C) 4 : 3      (D) 5 : 4      (E) 6 : 5.

11. If the length of a rectangle is 20% greater than the side of a square, and the breadth is 20% less than the side of the square, then
- (A) the area of the rectangle is the same as the area of the square
  - (B) nothing can be compared unless the side of the square is given
  - (C) the area of the rectangle is greater than the area of the square
  - (D) the area of the rectangle is less than the area of the square
  - (E) the perimeter of the rectangle is greater than the perimeter of the square.

12. In the given diagram  $AY = AZ$ ,  $BY = BX$  and  $CX = CZ$ . Two angles are given as shown. The size of angle  $BCA$  is



- (A)  $50^\circ$                       (B)  $60^\circ$                       (C)  $55^\circ$                       (D)  $52, 5^\circ$                       (E)  $57, 5^\circ$ .
13. All twenty people in a business each have a direct phone line to every other person in the business. When two new people join the business how many more direct phone lines must be installed?
- (A) 20                      (B) 10                      (C) 40                      (D) 41                      (E) 60.
14. 2001 people stand in a queue at a voting station. There are at least three women between any two men. The largest possible number of men in the queue is
- (A) 500                      (B) 501                      (C) 502                      (D) 667                      (E) 668.
15. Given  $a = 2^{30}$  and  $b = 3^{20}$ , which one of the following is true?
- (A)  $a > b$                       (B)  $2a = 3b$                       (C)  $3a = 2b$                       (D)  $a < b$                       (E)  $a = b$ .

16. Which one of the following statements is not always true for three consecutive natural numbers?

- (A) at least one is even
- (B) exactly one is divisible by 3
- (C) one is divisible by 6
- (D) the product is divisible by 6
- (E) at least one is odd.

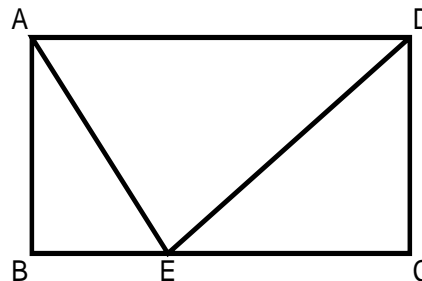
17. Gwen is walking to school at a constant speed. At 07:00 she has walked  $\frac{1}{6}$  of the distance and at 07:20 she has walked  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the distance. What fraction has she walked at 07:10?

- (A)  $\frac{7}{12}$
- (B)  $\frac{5}{6}$
- (C)  $\frac{7}{24}$
- (D)  $\frac{11}{24}$
- (E)  $\frac{13}{24}$ .

18. If  $m$  and  $n$  are positive integers and  $m + n + mn + 1 = 91$  then  $m + n$  equals

- (A) 15
- (B) 17
- (C) 18
- (D) 19
- (E) 90.

19.  $ABCD$  is a rectangle with  $AD = 5$ ,  $DE = 4$  and angle  $AED = 90^\circ$ . The length of  $BE$  is



- (A) 1,6
- (B) 1,8
- (C) 2,4
- (D) 2,0
- (E) 1,5.

20. In how many different ways can 9 oranges be divided among Nic, Sudan and Vishnu in such a way that Nic gets at least 3 oranges, Sudan and Vishnu at least 2 each, and Vishnu at most 3?

- (A) 2
- (B) 3
- (C) 4
- (D) 5
- (E) 6.