Notes on Coding-Decoding for MAH MCA CET Exam

Coding-Decoding questions test your ability to identify patterns and logic behind coded words, numbers, or symbols. These questions assess logical reasoning and pattern recognition skills.

Types of Coding-Decoding Questions

1. Letter Coding

• Words are replaced by a pattern based on shifting letters.

Example:

(If CAT is coded as DBU, how is DOG coded?

- $C \rightarrow D (+1)$, $A \rightarrow B (+1)$, $T \rightarrow U (+1)$
- Similarly, D \rightarrow E, O \rightarrow P, G \rightarrow H

Answer: EPH

2. Number Coding

• Letters are converted into numbers based on a pattern.

Example:

 $(\}$ If A = 1, B = 2, C = 3, then what is the code for DOG?

• D = 4, O = 15, G = 7

✓ Answer: 4-15-7

3. Substitution Coding

Words are replaced with unrelated words.

Example:

(F) If 'sky' is called 'water', 'water' is called 'tree', and 'tree' is called 'rock', then what do we drink?

✓ Answer: Tree (since 'water' is called 'tree')

4. Mixed Letter-Number Coding

Both letters and numbers are used in coding.

Example:

 \bigcirc If C = 3, O = 15, D = 4, E = 5, then what is CODE?

Answer: 3-15-4-5

5. Reverse Letter Coding

• Letters are replaced by their opposite letters in the alphabet (A \leftrightarrow Z, B \leftrightarrow Y, etc.).

Example:

(If HELLO is coded as SVOOL, how is WORLD coded?

✓ Answer: DLIOW

Tips to Solve Coding-Decoding Questions

- ✓ Identify letter shifts (+1, -2, etc.).
- ✓ Convert letters to numbers (A = 1, B = 2, etc.).
- ✓ Check for reverse patterns (A \rightarrow Z, B \rightarrow Y, etc.).
- ✓ Look for substitution words and their meanings.
- ✓ Practice common coding patterns to solve faster.

MCQs on Coding-Decoding

1. Letter Coding

If APPLE is coded as BOQQMF, how is MANGO coded?

- A) NBOHP
- B) NBHPQ
- C) NBNHP
- D) NBOHQ
- Answer: A) NBOHP

2. Number Coding

If A = 2, B = 4, C = 6, then what is the code for **DOG**?

- A) 4-30-14
- B) 8-28-14
- C) 6-25-12
- D) 10-26-14
- ✓ Answer: B) 8-28-14

3. Substitution Coding

If "book" is called "pen", "pen" is called "bag", "bag" is called "bottle", what do we use to write?

- A) Book
- B) Bag
- C) Pen
- D) Bottle
- Answer: B) Bag

4. Reverse Letter Coding

If **RAJ is coded as IZM**, how is **KING** coded?

- A) PRMT
- B) PZMT
- C) PRNZ
- D) PRNL
- Answer: B) PZMT

5. Mixed Coding

If A = 1, B = 3, C = 5, then what is the code for DOG?

- A) 8-30-14
- B) 9-28-12
- C) 10-26-14
- D) 12-25-16
- ✓ Answer: C) 10-26-14