NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION-2019-20, TAMILNADU MENTAL ABILITY TEST (MAT) PAPER & HINTS & SOLUTION

Directions: Questions (1 to 5)

In each question, the numbers are arranged in a sequence based on certain principle, Select the answer from the given four alternatives under each sequence.

1. 2,6,15,31,56,?

(1)87

(2)67

(3)93

(4)92

Ans.

(4)

6, 15, 31, 56, 92 +4 +9 +16 +25 +36

2. 5040,840,168,42,14?

(1) 2

(2) 1

÷3 ÷2 (3)7

(4) 4

Ans.

(3)

5040, 840, 168, 42, 14, ÷5 ÷4

Sol.

Sol.

3. 14,24,41,65,96,?

÷6

(1) 134

(2) 124

(3) 144

(4) 154

Ans. (1)

14, 24, 41, 65, 96, 134 31 38

Sol.

4. 2,3,4,4,6,12,16,12,36,?,24

(1)64

(2)256

(3)48

(4)28

Ans.

(2) 2, 3, 4, 4, 6, 12, 16, 12, 36, 256

Sol.

 $\times 4$ ×16

5.

5,1,11,6,17,36,23,?

(1)216

(2)108

(3)54

(4)59

Ans.

(1)

×6 ×6 5, 1, 11, 6, 17, 36, 23, 216 +6 +6

Sol.

Directions: (Questions number 6-10) Identify the wrong number/letters in the series.

6. 25.62.122.214.341

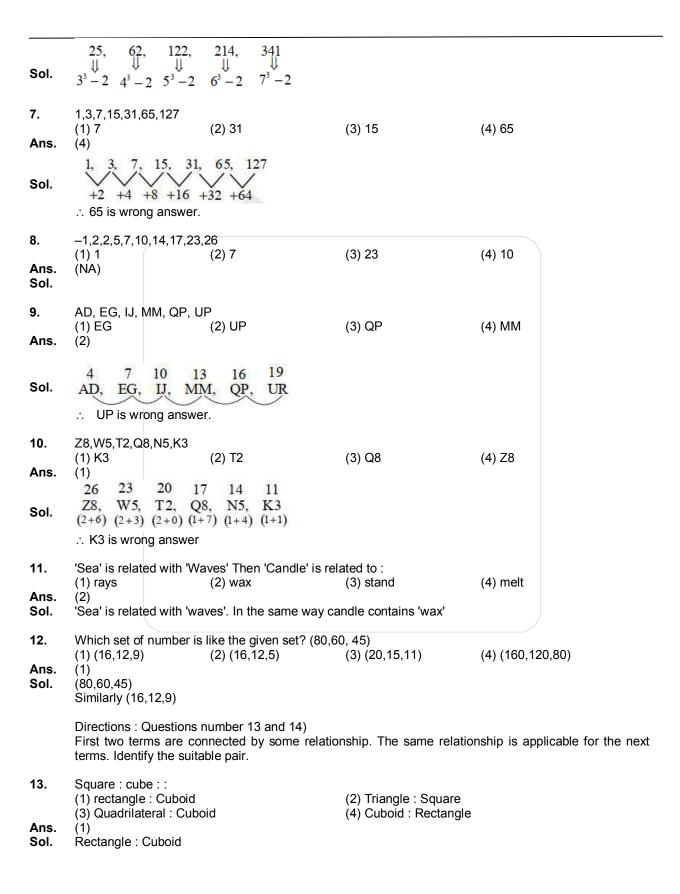
(1) 122

(2)62

(3)214

(4)341

Ans. (1)



| 14. | 82:9:: | | | |
|------|---------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 14. | (1) 5 : 26 | (2) 6 : 37 | (3) 35: 6 | (4) 26 : 5 |
| Ans. | (4) | (2) 0 . 01 | (0) 00. 0 | (1) 20 . 0 |
| | 82:9::26:5 | | | |
| Sol. | $9^2 + 1$ $5^2 + 1$ | | | |
| | | | | |

15. If 'tee see pee' means 'prepare fruit juice', 'see kee tee' means 'juice is nice' and 'lee ree mee' means 'it is tall' which word means 'nice'?

(1) ree

(2) mee

(3) kee

(4) pee

Ans. (NA)

Sol.

16. In a certain code HONEY is written as HPPHC then FORGE is written as:

(1) FPTJJ

(2) FPTJI

(3) FQTJI

(4) FPSJI

Ans. (2)

> FORGE HONEY

+0+1+2+3+4 +0+1+2+3+4Sol. HPPHC

FPTJI

17. If A = 2, T = 40 and ACT = 48 then TAKE is:

(2)58

(3)74

(4)76

Ans. (3)

Sol. $A = 1 \times 2 = 2$

 $T = 20 \times 2 = 40$

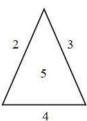
Similarly, TAKE = $(20 + 1 + 11 + 5) \times 2 = 74$

Directions: (Questions number 18 to 21)

The diagram and numbers/letters follow certain principle. Select the missing number/letter indicated.



Ans. Sol.



(1)8(NA) 13

(2) 12



(3) 11

(4)33

5 6 7 4 ? 6 18 28 19. 7 7 10 8

(1) 38 Ans. (4)

(2)40

(3)41

(4) 42

| | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | |
|---|--|--|------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | 6 | 18 | 28 | ? | |
| Sol. | 10 | 7 | 8 | 7 | |
| | 10 + 6 = 1 18 + 7 = 2 7 + x = | $6 = 4^{2}$ $25 = 5^{2}$ $7^{2} \Rightarrow x = 4$ | 2 | | |
| 20. | 5 5 | 2 59 7 | 3 | 5 48 4 | 3 6 2 ? 4 1 |
| Ans. | (1) 22 (1) | | (2) 26 | | (3) 28 (4) 30 |
| Sol. | d | a b c | | | |
| | e = b2 + (a | a + c + d) | | | |
| 21. | D B | D B B | H (F | E J | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) P (4) A + A + B 1 + 1 + 2 = | = D = 4 | | E + J = T + 10 = 20 | |
| Directions : (Questions number 22 to 24) | | | | | |
| First two terms are connected by some relationship. The same relationship is applicable for the next terms in which one is blank space. Identify the blank space. | | | | | |
| 22. Ans. | Tree : Plai (1) boy (3) | nt : : Wom | an : ? (2) ch | ild | (3) girl (4) mother |

Sol. ģirl

Roof : floor :: ? : Dark (1) Tube light 23.

(2) Bulb (3) Bright (4) Black

Ans. Sol. (3) Bright

24. 7:50::?:65 (1)9(2) 64 (3) 8 (4) 1 1

Ans. (3) $\therefore 8^2 + 1 = 65$ Sol. 72 + 1 = 50

| 25. Ans. Sol. | Drama is related to Dire (1) Story (2) Editor | ector in the same way as (2) Editor | `Magazine' is related to: (3) Reader | (4) Printer | | |
|---------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|
| 26. | The age of the father is twice the age of the elder son. Twelve years hence, the age of the father will be thrice that of the younger son. If the difference between the elder and younger son is 15, the age of the father is: | | | | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) 21 (2) Let the age of father, el Given F = 2E | (2) 42 derson and youngerson | (3) 63be F, E and Y respective (1) | (4) 84 ely, | | |
| | (F + 12) = 3(Y + 12) E - Y = 15 from (1), (2) & (3) 2E + 12 = 3(E - 15 + 12) $\therefore E = 21$ $\therefore F = 2E = 42$ | 2) | (2) | | | |
| 27. | problems in all, the nun | nber of problems incorred | ctly done is: | got right. If he attended 120 | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) 90 (1) Let the number of probl $\Rightarrow x = 3(120 - x)$ $\therefore x = 90$ | (2) 30 ems incorrectly done is a | (3) 40 K. | (4) 60 | | |
| 28. Ans. Sol. | The number of neither (1) 2 (3) Option (3) | composite nor prime nun (2) 3 | nber in the set of Natural (3) 1 | numbers is: (4) 0 | | |
| 29. | possible number of cow | s and hens are respective | vely: | rice the number of heads. The | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) 20, 4 (1) Let the number of cows 4c + 2h = 16 + 3(c + h) ∴ c − h = 16 | (2) 4, 20 s, and hens be c and h re | (3) 18, 6 espectively. | (4) 6, 18 | | |
| 30. | Which of the following s (1)The number of real r (2) The first positive rea (3) The non-negative in (4) The number of natu | numbers between 1 and a number is 0 teger starts with 1 | 2 is same as 1 and 3 | | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) There are infinite real n | umbers between 1 and 2 | 2 also between 1 and 3. | | | |
| 31. Ans. Sol. | If South becomes north (1) East (4) Hint: 135° anti clock wis | (2) West | s south-west then north- (3) North | west becomes. (4) South | | |

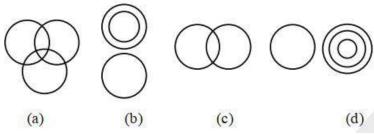
| 32. | One evening during su his left. The person face | | ng facing a pole. The shadow of the pole fell exactly to | | | |
|--------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| A | (1) South | (2) East | (3) West | (4) North | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) South | | | | | |
| 33. | The number of two digit (1) 9 | t combinations having 9 a | as at least one of the dig (3) 6 | its from the digit 0, 6, 9, 5, 4 is: (4) 8 | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (4) 90, 96, 95, 94, 99, 59, 4 | 19, 69 | | | | |
| 34. | In a row of students, a boy is 12th from the left end and 18th from the right end. The total number of students is a/an: | | | | | |
| Ans. | (1) prime number(3) even number(1) | | (2) composite number(4) can't be predicted | | | |
| Sol. | Hint : Total = Left + Rig Total =12 + 18 –1 = 29. | | | | | |
| 35. | respectively: | tower toll at the intervals | | ec, 18 sec, 21 sec and 24 sec | | |
| A | (1) 7.42 am | (2) 6.42 am | (3) 8.00 am | (4) 9.00 am | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (2) Hint: LCM (9,12,15.18, | 21 and 24) | | | | |
| 36. | difference 3,is | | airs of alternate numbers have | | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) 4 (1) By observation | (2) 2 | (3) 3 | (4) 1 | | |
| 37. | | habetical order of the wo | ords: (c) minimum | (d) maximum | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) (d), (c), (b), (a) (1) By observation | (2) (a), (c), (d), (b) | (3) (d), (c), (a), (b) | (4) (d), (a), (c), (b) | | |
| 38. | Select the combination of number so that the letters arranged accordingly will form a meaningful words: R T F I U 1 2 3 4 5 | | | | | |
| A | (1) 3,1,5,4,2 | (2)1,3,5,4,2 | (3) 3, 5, 1, 4, 2 | (4) 3, 2, 5, 4, 1 | | |
| Ans. Sol. | (1) By observation [F R U I T] | | | | | |
| 39. | (1) B | eft of seventeenth letter fr (2) Z | om the right end of the E (3) Y | English alphabet is: (4) A | | |
| Ans. Sol. | | | | | | |
| 40. | A group of letters is give that letters arranged for ROPNES 1 2 3 4 5 6 | | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Choose t | he combination of numbers, so | | |
| | (1) 3, 5, 1, 6, 2, 4 | (2) 1, 3, 5, 6, 2, 4 | (3) 3, 5, 6, 1, 2, 4 | (4) 3, 5, 2, 1, 6, 4 | | |

Ans. (1)

Sol. By observation [PERSON]

Directions: (Questions number 41 to 45)

Select from the given diagrams (a), (b), (c) or (d) the one that illustrates the relationship among given classes.



41. Birds, Tigers, Peacocks:

(1) (b)

(2)(c)

(3) (a)

(4) (d)

Ans. (1)

Sol. By observation

42. Languages, Tamil, Telugu:

(1) (a)

(2) (b)

(3)(d)

(4) none of these

Ans. (4)

Sol. By observation

43. Football fans, Cricket fans, Kabaddi fans

(1) (b) (2) (c)

(3) (a)

(4)(d)

Ans. (3)

Sol. By observation

44. Human beings, Indians, Tamilians:

(1) (a)

(2) (d)

(3)(c)

(4) (b)

Ans. (2)

Sol. By observation

45. Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Haryana:

(1) (c)

(2) (a)

(3)(d)

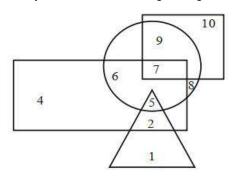
(4) (b)

Ans. (1)

Sol. By observation

Directions: (Questions number 46 to 50)

In the following figure, Rectangle, Square, Circle and Triangle represent the regions of rice, gram maize and wheat cultivation respectively. On tha basis of the given figure answer the questions.



| 46. Ans. Sol. | Which region cultivates (1) 7 (4) By observation | all the four? (2) 5 | (3) 6 | (4) None | |
|---------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|----------------|--|
| 47. Ans. Sol. | Which region cultivates (1) 6 (2) By observation | only rice? (2) 4 | (3) 5 | (4) 3 | |
| 48. Ans. Sol. | Which region cultivates (1) 5 (1) By observation | wheat and maize? (2) 2 | (3) 6 | (4) 7 | |
| 49. Ans. Sol. | Which region cultivates (1) 1, 8, 9, 10 (1) By observation | all except rice? (2) 2, 8, 9, 10 | (3) 1, 7, 8, 9 | (4) 1, 4, 7, 9 | |
| 50. Ans. Sol. | Which region cultivates (1) 9 (4) By observation | gram only? (2) 7 | (3) 8 | (4) 10 | |
| Directi | ons : (Questions numb | er 51 and 52) | | | |
| | Read the given statements and answer the questions 51 and 52 (i) A + B means A is the father of B (ii) A – B means A is the wife of B (iii) A x B means A is the brother of B (iv) A ÷ B means A is the daughter of B | | | | |
| 51. Ans. Sol. | A – B + C means: (1) A is the mother of C (3) B is the mother of C (1) A=B C So A is mether of C | | (2) C is the mother of A (4) C is the mother of B | | |
| 52. Ans. Sol. | So A is mother of C A \times B ÷ C (1) C is mother of B (3) A is mother of C (1) A \times B ÷ C A \times B → A is brother of B ÷ C → B is daughter of C is mother of father of According to options. C | of C. B is mother of B. | (2) B is mother of C (4) A is mother of B | | |
| | Direction: (Question Study the following info five persons A, B, C, D (i) A, B and C are Tall (iii) D, C and E are Urba | ormation and answer the and E. | questions (53 to 55) giv (ii) A, D and E are Educ (iv) A, B and E are Hard | | |

| 53. Ans. Sol. | (1) A (2) A → Tall, Educated, B B → Tall, Hardworkin | | ated nor hardworking? (3) D | (4) E | |
|---------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| | C → Tall, Urban D → Educated, Urban E → Educated, Urban Neither educated nor C - Tall, Urban | n, Hardworking | | | |
| 54. Ans. Sol. | (1) A (3) | (2) C ucated but is hardworking | n nor educated but is hard (3) B g. 'B' | dworking? (4) D | |
| 55. Ans. Sol. | Which of the following (1) A,B.C,E (1) Either tall of Hardwor A, B, C, E | g persons is either tall or (2) all king | hardworking? (3)A,B,D,E | (4)A.B,C,D | |
| 56. Ans. Sol. | a digit in it? (1) 6 (3) | from 1 to 100 are there e (2) 4 numbers) divisible by '6' a | (3) 5 | visible by 6 but also contain 6 as (4) 7 | |
| | Direction : (Read the passage and answer the questions 57 and 58) Five boys P, Q, R, S and T took part in a race. R finished before T but behind S. P finished before but behind T. | | | | |
| 57. Sol. | Who won the race? (1) Q In a race | (2) P | (3) R | (4) S Ans. (4) | |
| | P — Q Race won by `S'. | S → | | | |
| 58. Ans. | Who got the last place (1) Q (1) | e? (2) S | (3) P | (4) T | |

Sol. Last place got by 'Q'

Direction: (Question number 59 and 60)

Arrange the given words in a meaningful sequence and choose the most appropriate sequence from the given alternatives.

59. (a) appendix (b) contents (c) chapters (d) introduction (1) (a), (c), (b), (d) (2) (a), (b), (c), (d) (3) (d), (c), (b), (a) (4) (c). (d), (a), (b)

Ans. (2) Sol. Order is appendix, contents, Chapters, Introductions

а b С

(a) protect 60. (c) flood (b) relief (d) rain (2) (c), (a), (d), (b) (3) (a). (b), (c), (d) (4) (d), (c), (a), (b) (1) (c), (d), (a), (b)

Ans. (4) Sol.

Order is rain, flood, protect, relief d С а

If '-' means 'x', 'x' means '+ '+' means '÷' '÷'means '-' then answer the question 61 and 62.

61. $8 + 4 - 3 \times 2 \div 1 =$ (1) 8(2)7(3)22(4) 21

Ans. (2) Sol. '-' means 'x'

'x' means '+'

'+' means '÷' '+' means '-'

 $8 + 4 - 3 \times 2 \div 1 \Rightarrow$

 $8 + 4 \times 3 \times 2 - 1 \Rightarrow 2 \times 3 + 2 - 1 = 8 - 1 = 7$

62. $12 \times 8 + 2 - 4 \div 6 =$ (3)18(4) 8(1) 7(2) 16

(NA) Ans.

Sol. $12 \times 8 + 2 - 4 \div 6$ \Rightarrow 12 + 8 ÷ 2 × 4 – 6 \Rightarrow 12 + 4 × 4 – 6 \Rightarrow 12 + 16 – 6 \Rightarrow 22

63. If '-' means '+','+' means 'x '+' means '-' 'x' means '+' then which of the following is correct?

(1) $36 - 12 \times 6 \div 3 + 3 = 60$

(2) 52 ÷ 4 + 5 × 8 – 2 = 36 $(3) 42 - 8 \times 3 \div 4 + 3 = 38$ $(4) 49 - 10 + 8 \div 4 + 4 = 40$

Ans. (2)

'-' means '÷' Sol. '+' means 'x'

'÷' means '-' 'x' means '+'

option (2)"52 \div 4 + 5 × 8 – 2 = 36"

 $52 - 4 \times 5 + 8 \div 2 = 36$

52 - 20 + 4 = 36

36 = 36

64. If 8*1 = 81.9 *1 = 100 then 7 * 1 = is:

> (1)50(3)51(2)64

(4)48

Ans. (2)

 $8 \times 1 = 81$, $9 \times 1 = 100$, $7 \times 1 =$ Sol. $(8+1)^2 = 81, (9+1)^2 = 100, (7+1)^2 = 64$ 65. If 37 + 42 = 16,43 + 54 = 16,25 + 34 = 14 then 65 + 35 =(1)100

(2)91(4) 19(3)18

(4) Ans.

 \rightarrow 37 + 42 = 16 Sol.

sum of all the digits 3 + 7 + 4 + 2 = 16

 \rightarrow 43 + 54 = 16

4 + 3 + 5 + 4 = 16

 \rightarrow 25 + 34 = 14

2 + 5 + 3 + 4 = 14

 \rightarrow 65 + 35 \Rightarrow 6 + 5 + 3 + 5 = 19

Direction: (Question number 66 and 67)

Choose the best alternative as the answer.

66. If A + B > A + C and A + B > A - C then

(1) B > 0(2) A > 0

(3) C > 0

(4) None of these

Ans. (1)

A+B>A-C

Sol. (+) A+B>A-C2A + 2B > 2A

2(A + B) > 2A

A + B > A

B > 0

67. Danger always involves:

(1) fear

(2) help

(3) attack

(4) enemy

Ans. (1)

Sol. Danger always involves 'fear'

68. When the time is 4.20 the angle between the hands of the clock is:

 $(1) 0^{\circ}$

 $(2) 15^{\circ}$

 $(3) 20^{\circ}$

 $(4) 10^{\circ}$

Ans. (4)

4:20 H M Sol.

 $\theta = \left| 30H - \frac{1}{2}M \right| = \left| 30 \times 4 - \frac{11}{2} \times 20 \right| = \left| 120 - 110 \right| = 10^{\circ}$

Direction: (Question number 69 to 73)

Read the following information carefully and answer the questions given below:

- (i) There is a group of 5 persons P, Q, R, S and T.
- (ii) Among them there is an Agriculturist, a Teacher, a Lawyer, a Doctor and an Editor by profession.
- (iii) Three of them P, R and the Editor prefer meals to tiffin and two of them Q and the Lawyer prefer tiffin to meals:
- (iv) The doctor, S and P are friends to one another but two of these prefer tiffin to meals.
- (v) Agriculturist is R's Brother.

| Agriculturist | Teacher | Editor | Doctor | Lawyer |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| P | Q | R | S | T |
| Prefer | Prefer | Prefer | Prefer | Prefer |
| Meals | Meals | Meals | Tiffin | Tiffin |
| to tiffin | to tiffin | to tiffin | to meals | to meals |

69. Who is Doctor?

(1) Q

(2) R

(3) S

(4) T

Ans. (1)

Sol. 5 persons P, Q, R, S and T in the group

70. Who is Agriculturist?

(1) T

(2) S

(3) R

(4) P

Ans. (4)

Sol. Agriculturist - P

71. Which of the following groups prefer tiffin?

(1) P, R, T

(2) P,R

(3) Q,S

(4) P,S

Ans. (3)

Sol. Prefer Tiffin - Q and S

72. Who is Teacher?

(1) Q

(2) R

(3) P

(4) T

Ans. (2)

Sol. Teacher - R

73. Who is the Editor?

(1) T

(2) P

(3) Q

(4) S

Ans. (1) Sol. Editor - T

Direction: [Question number 74 and 75]

In each of the questions given below, two statements I and II are followed by the conclusions numbered 1 and 2. Read the conclusion and give the answer.

74. Statement (I) : All women are mothers

(II) : All mothers are sisters
Conclusion (1) : All women are sisters

(2) : Some women are not sisters

(1) Only conclusion (I) follows

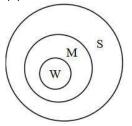
(2) Only conclusion (2) follows

(3) Either conclusion (I) or (2) follow

(4) Neither conclusion (1) nor (2) follows

Ans. (1)

Sol.



Conclusions (I) : All women are sisters

Conclusion (2) : Some women are not sisters

75. Statement (I) Some books are Tables Some Tables are pencils (II)All books are pencils Conclusion (1) Some pencils are books (2) (1) Only conclusion (I) follows (2) Only conclusion (2) follows (3) Either conclusion (1) or (2) follow (4) Neither conclusion (I) nor (2) follows Ans. (4) Books **Tables** pencils Sol. Conclusion (1) : All books are pencils Conclusion (2) : Some pencils are books Direction: (Question number 76 to 80) Out of the four figures (1), (2), (3), (4) given in each problem, three are similar in a certain way. One figure is not like other three. Select that figure. Ι 76. O Ν U (2) (3) (1) **(4)** (3) Ans. Sol. Except option '3' (N) remaining all are vowels 4 8 5 1 3 9 4 2 6204 2718 77. (1) (2)(3) **(**4) Ans. Sum of all digits is '18' except for option '3' Sol. 78. (2) (3) (1) (2)Ans. Sol. By Observation

(3)

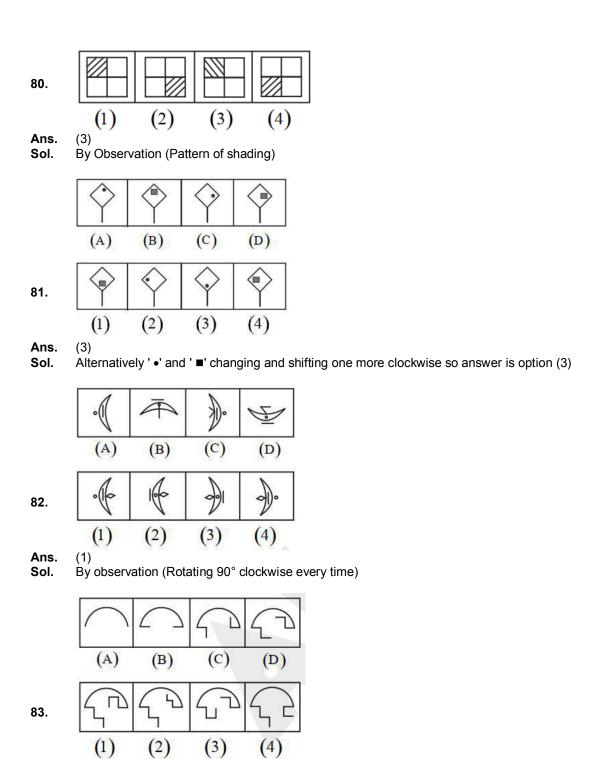
By Observation (All are symmetric partition except option `2')

(2)

(1)

79.

Ans. Sol.

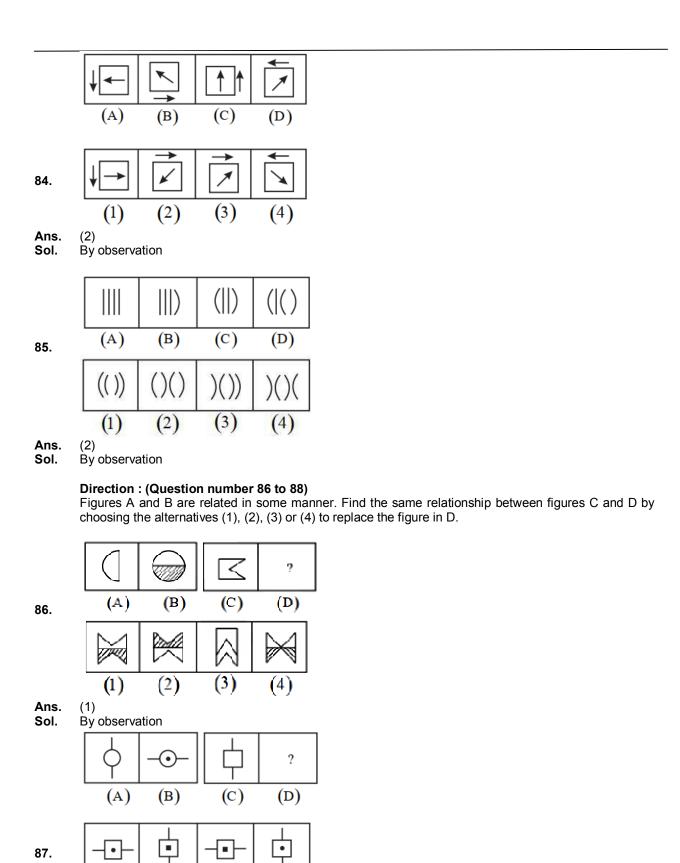


Ans.

Sol.

(1)

By observation



(3)









(A)

(B)

(C)

(D)







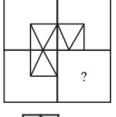


Ans.

$$\longrightarrow$$
 4 sides \rightarrow 4³ +1 = 65

Sol.
$$\bigcirc \rightarrow 5 \text{ sides } \rightarrow 5^3 + 1 = 126$$

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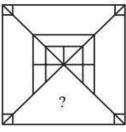




Ans. Sol.

(1) (3) By observation

90.

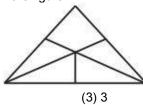




Sol.

By observation

91. Find the number of quadrilaterals in the figure ?

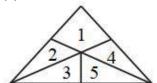


Ans.

(1) 0 (4)

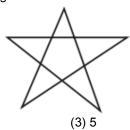


(4) 4



No. of quadrilaterals (2,3),(4,5),1,(1,2,4) = 4

92. Find the number of triangles in the figure:

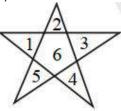


Ans.

(1) 8 s. (4)



Sol.



Individual triangles =1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Combinations (1, 6, 3), (1, 6, 4), (2, 5, 6) (2, 6, 4) (5, 6, 3)

Total = 10

93. When a box is unfolded, the figure looked like the given one. What are the faces opposite to 4 and 5 respectively?



Ans. (

- (1) 2,6 (2)
- (2) 6, 2
- (3) 1, 3
- (4) 2, 4

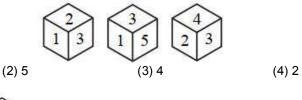
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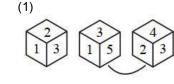
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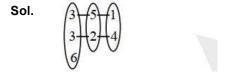
Ans.

Numbers opposite to 4 and 5 are 6 and 2

94. A die is thrown three times and its three different positions are given below. Find the number on the face opposite to 3.









- **Sol.** Water image of PENCIL:
- **Sol.** Water image of 4 5 6 7 8: 4 2 0 18
- REPORP (4) The mirror image of PROPER is:

 (1) BRORJ (2) BRORJ (3) TRORJ (4)

 Ans. (4)



Ans. (2)

Sol. By observation

99. In a hockey tournament each of 5 teams will play other team exactly once. The number of matches will be played is:

 $(1)^{5}$

(2) 4

(3)20

(4) 10

Ans. (4)

5 teams let A, B, C, D, E Sol.

A play with other four teams, B with 3 teams, C with 2 teams

$${}^5C_2 = \frac{5 \times 4}{2 \times 1} = 10$$

100. Which letter is midway between 22nd letter from the left and 21st letter from the right in English alphabets?

(1) N

(2) M

(3) L

(4) O

Ans.

(1) 22nd letter from the left end is 'V' 21st letter from the right end is 'F' Sol.

ketter, midway between $\underset{22}{\text{V}}$ and $\underset{6}{\text{F}} \left(\frac{22+6}{2} = \underset{\text{'N'}}{14} \right) is \text{ 'N'}$