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	Chemistry	10	40			
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3	Mathematics	Trigonometry II, Straight Line, Circle, Measures of Dispersion, Probability, Complex Numbers, Permutations and Combinations, Functions, Limits, Continuity
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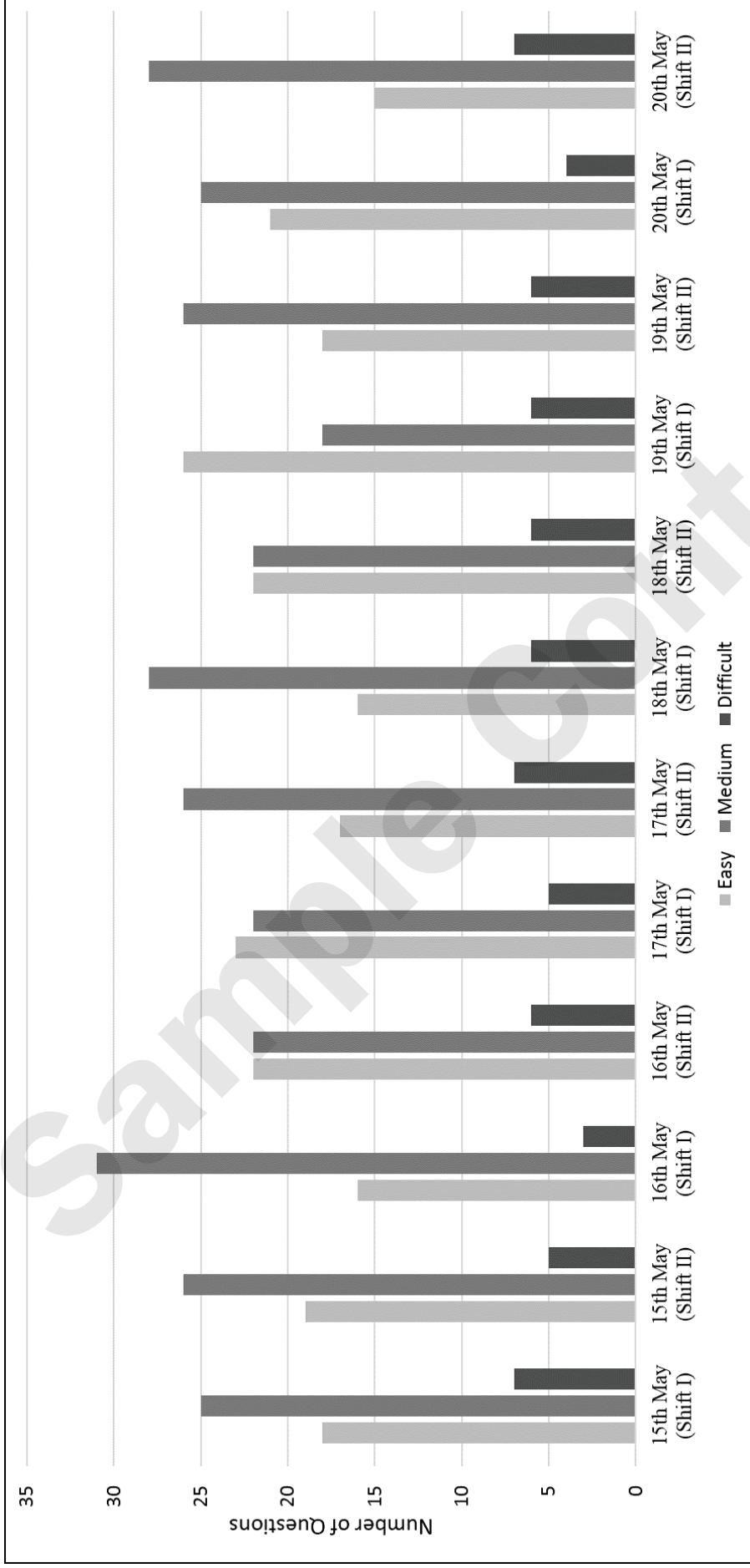
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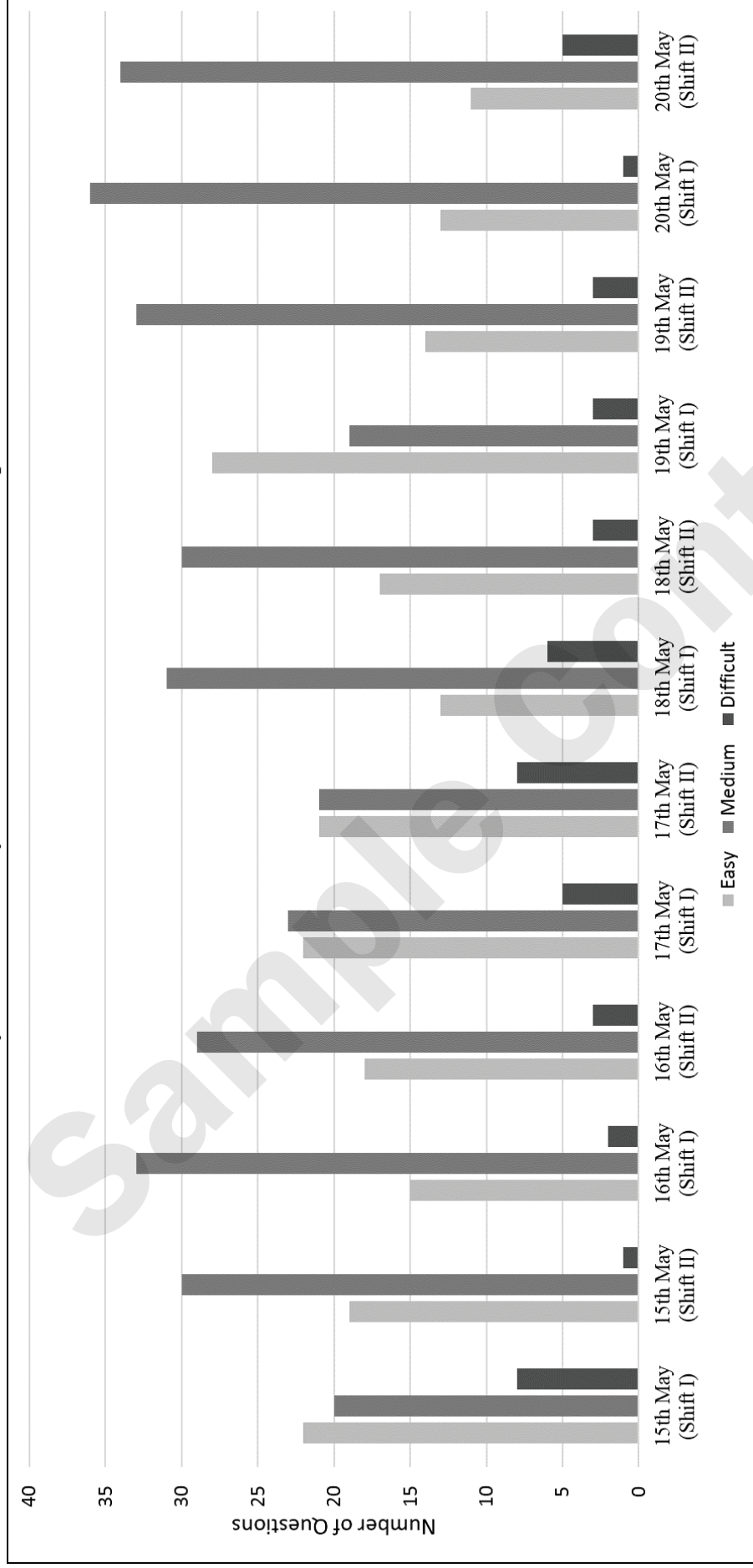
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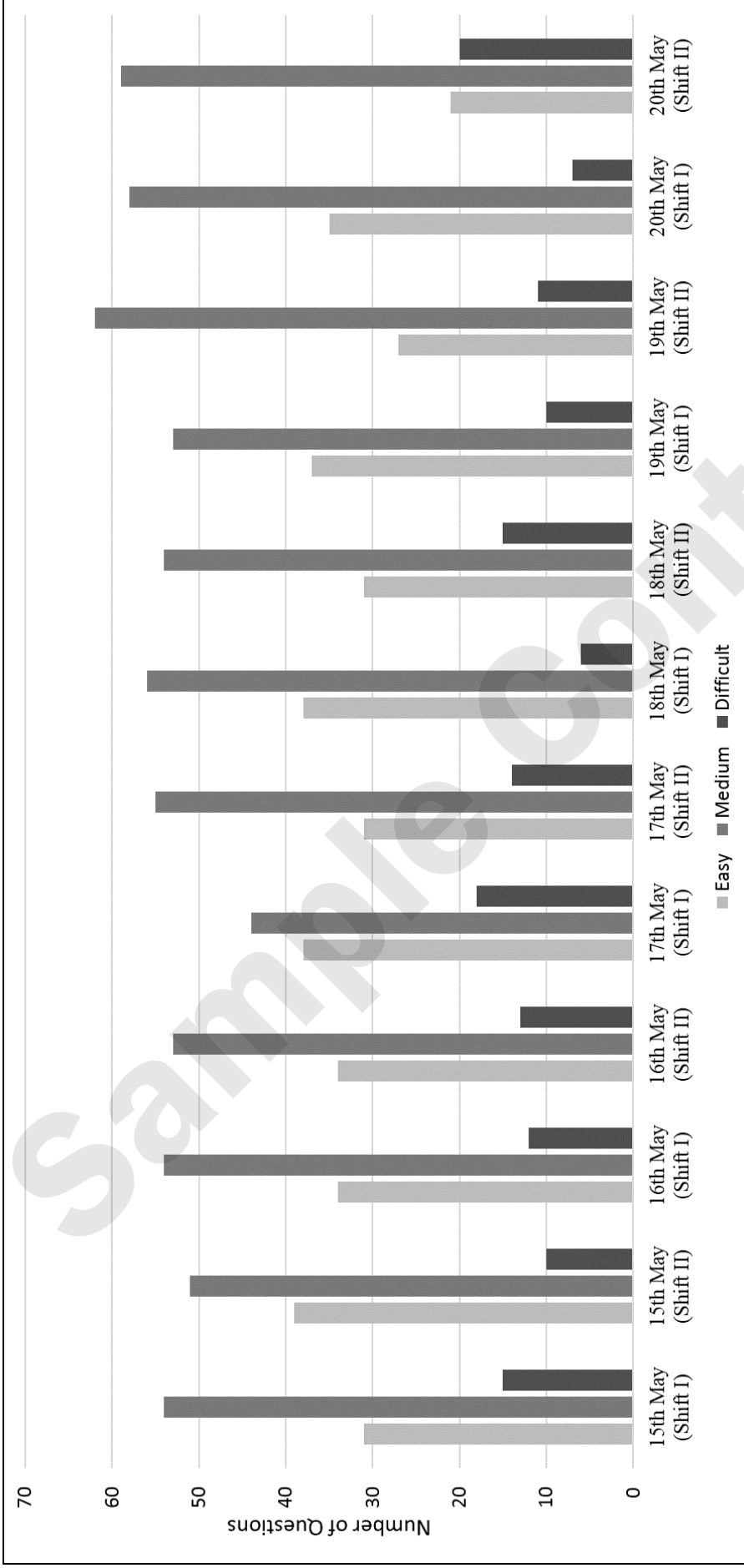
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#### Analysis

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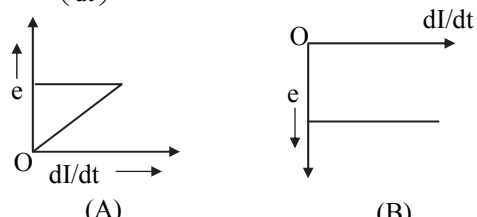
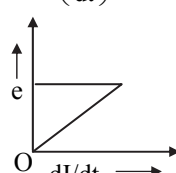
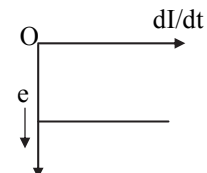
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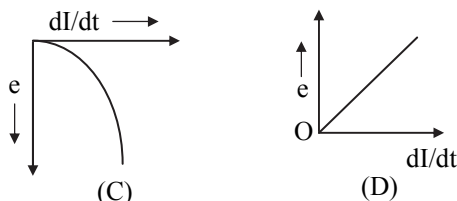
Physics and Chemistry

Time: 90 Minutes

Total Marks: 100

**PHYSICS**

- Two spheres  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  have same radii but temperatures ' $T_1$ ' and ' $T_2$ ' respectively. Their emissive power is same and emissivity is in the ratio 1 : 81. Then the ratio ' $T_1$ ' to ' $T_2$ ' is  
(A) 1 : 1 (B) 3 : 1  
(C) 9 : 1 (D) 27 : 1
- A satellite is orbiting just above the surface of the planet of density ' $\rho$ ' with periodic time ' $T$ '. The quantity  $T^2\rho$  is equal to ( $G$  = universal gravitational constant)  
(A)  $\frac{4\pi^2}{G}$  (B)  $\frac{3\pi^2}{G}$   
(C)  $\frac{3\pi}{G}$  (D)  $\frac{\pi}{G}$
- If the shape of free liquid surface is curved, then  
(A) the pressure on convex side is equal to zero.  
(B) the pressure on the convex side is equal to pressure on concave side.  
(C) the pressure on concave side is greater than that on the convex side.  
(D) the pressure on concave side is less than that on the convex side.
- A particle of mass ' $m$ ' and charge ' $-2q$ ' is moving around a very heavy particle having charge ' $q$ '. If Bohr's model is to be used then the orbital velocity of mass ' $m$ ' when it is nearest to the heavy particle is (in magnitude) ( $\epsilon_0$  = permittivity of free space,  $h$  = Planck's constant)  
(A)  $\frac{q^2}{h\epsilon_0}$  (B)  $\frac{2q^2}{h\epsilon_0}$   
(C)  $\frac{q^2}{2h\epsilon_0}$  (D)  $\frac{2q^2}{3h\epsilon_0}$
- One mole of a diatomic gas (rigid molecule) does a work  $\left|\frac{Q}{2}\right|$  when the amount of heat supplied is ' $Q$ '. In this process the molar heat capacity of the gas is  
(A)  $R$  (B)  $2R$   
(C)  $5R$  (D)  $7R$
- When a capacitor is connected in series LR circuit, the alternating current flowing in the circuit  
(A) increases. (B) decreases.  
(C) remains constant. (D) falls to zero.
- Rate of radiation by a black body is ' $R$ ' at temperature ' $T$ '. Another body has same area but emissivity is 0.1 and temperature is ' $2T$ '. Its rate of radiation is  
(A)  $R$  (B)  $(0.8)R$   
(C)  $(1.2)R$  (D)  $(1.6)R$
- Two inductor coils with inductance 5 mH and 15 mH are connected in parallel. The resultant inductance of the combination of the two coils is  
(A) 2.50 mH (B) 3.25 mH  
(C) 3.75 mH (D) 4.25 mH
- What should be the area of a water drop so that the excess pressure inside it is  $70 \text{ N/m}^2$ ? (Surface tension of water =  $7 \times 10^{-2} \text{ N/m}$ )  
(A)  $4\pi \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$  (B)  $8\pi \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$   
(C)  $16\pi \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$  (D)  $24\pi \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$
- A particle at rest starts moving with constant angular acceleration ' $\alpha$ ' in circular path. At what time the magnitude of centripetal acceleration is half the tangential acceleration?  
(A)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\alpha}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}}$  (C)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{\alpha}}$  (D)  $\frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{2}$
- End correction at open end for air column in a pipe of length ' $l$ ' is ' $e$ '. For its second overtone of a closed pipe the wavelength of the wave is  
(A)  $\frac{2(l+e)}{3}$  (B)  $\frac{3(l+e)}{4}$   
(C)  $\frac{4(l+e)}{5}$  (D)  $\frac{5(l+e)}{6}$
- The current flowing through an inductor of self inductance ' $L$ ' is continuously increasing at constant rate. The variation of induced e.m.f. ( $e$ ) versus  $\left(\frac{dI}{dt}\right)$  is shown graphically by  
  
(A)   
(B) 



- (A) A (B) B  
(C) C (D) D

13. A string of mass 'M' is under a tension 'T'. The length of the string is 'L'. A transverse wave starts from one end of the string. The time taken by the wave to reach the other end is

- (A)  $\sqrt{\frac{T}{ML}}$  (B)  $\sqrt{\frac{LT}{M}}$   
(C)  $\sqrt{\frac{M}{LT}}$  (D)  $\sqrt{\frac{ML}{T}}$

14. An electron of charge 'e' and mass 'm' is revolving which has orbital magnetic moment 'M'. Its angular momentum is given by

- (A)  $\frac{Mm}{e}$  (B)  $\frac{2Mm}{e}$   
(C)  $\frac{Me}{m}$  (D)  $\frac{m}{Me}$

15. If the charge on the parallel plate capacitor is increased by 3 C, the energy stored in it increases by 44%. The original charge on the capacitor is

- (A) 10 C (B) 15 C  
(C) 20 C (D) 25 C

16. Three point masses, each of mass 'm' are kept at the corners of an equilateral triangle of side 'L'. The system rotates about the center of the triangle without any change in the separation of masses during rotation. The period of rotation is directly proportional to ( $\cos 30^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ )

- (A)  $L^{3/2}$  (B)  $L^{-2}$  (C) L (D)  $\sqrt{L}$

17. Energy of the incident photons on the metal surface is '2W' and '5W' where 'W' is the work function for that metal. The ratio of velocities of emitted photoelectrons is

- (A) 1 : 1 (B) 1 : 2  
(C) 1 : 4 (D) 1 : 8

18. Consider a lens of the radii of curvature 'R<sub>1</sub>' and 'R<sub>2</sub>' respectively. If the lens is to act as convex lens, what should be the relation between R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub>?

- (A)  $R_1 > R_2$  (B)  $R_1 = R_2$   
(C)  $R_1 < R_2$  (D)  $R_1 = \frac{1}{R_2}$

19. A train is moving towards a stationary observer with speed 34 m/s. A train sounds a whistle of frequency 450 Hz. If the speed of sound in air is 340 m/s, the frequency heard by the observer in Hz is

- (A) 440 (B) 480  
(C) 500 (D) 540

20. A circular arc of radius 'r' carrying current 'I' subtends an angle  $\left(\frac{\pi}{32}\right)^c$  at its centre. The radius

of a metal wire is uniform. The magnetic induction at the centre of circular arc is ( $\mu_0 =$  permeability of vacuum) ( $\sin 90^\circ = 1$ )

- (A)  $\frac{\mu_0 I}{16r}$  (B)  $\frac{\mu_0 I}{32r}$   
(C)  $\frac{\mu_0 I}{64r}$  (D)  $\frac{\mu_0 I}{128r}$

21. A body is thrown from the surface of the earth with velocity 'u' m/s. The maximum height in metre above the surface of the earth upto which it will reach is

(R = radius of earth, g = acceleration due to gravity)

- (A)  $\frac{u^2 R}{2gR - u^2}$  (B)  $\frac{2u^2 R}{gR - u^2}$   
(C)  $\frac{u^2 R^2}{2gR^2 - u^2}$  (D)  $\frac{u^2 R}{gR - u^2}$

22. Out of the following which one is NOT the characteristic of LCR series resonant circuit?

- (A) It is acceptor circuit.  
(B) Current has maximum value.  
(C) Impedance is maximum.  
(D) Circuit is purely resistive.

23. The coefficient of superficial expansion is  $\frac{1}{x}$  times the coefficient of cubical expansion. The value of x is

- (A) 3 (B) 2 (C)  $\frac{3}{2}$  (D)  $\frac{2}{3}$

24. A black body radiates maximum energy at wavelength ' $\lambda$ ' and its emissive power is 'E'. Now due to change in temperature of that body, it radiates maximum energy at wavelength  $\frac{3\lambda}{4}$ .

At that temperature emissive power is

- (A)  $\frac{81}{16}$  (B)  $\frac{81}{256}$  (C)  $\frac{16}{81}$  (D)  $\frac{256}{81}$

25. A small sphere oscillates simple harmonically in a watch glass whose radius of curvature is 90 cm. The period of oscillations of the sphere is ( $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ )

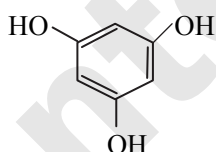
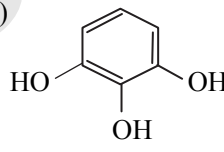
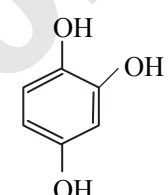
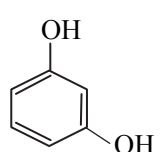
- (A)  $(0.2) \pi$  (B)  $(0.4) \pi$   
(C)  $(0.6) \pi$  (D)  $(0.8) \pi$

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1. Calculate the time required to decrease the concentration of reactant of first order reaction from 0.8 M to 0.1 M if rate constant is  $0.1155 \text{ hour}^{-1}$ .  
(A) 6 hour (B) 12 hour  
(C) 18 hour (D) 24 hour
2. Which among the following salts dissolves in water with the absorption of heat?  
(A)  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  (B)  $\text{CaCl}_2$   
(C)  $\text{Li}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$  (D)  $\text{KCl}$
3. What is the number of unpaired electrons present in  $\text{O}_2$  molecule?  
(A) 0 (B) 2  
(C) 3 (D) 1
4. Which of the following is NOT true about electrolytic cell?  
(A) It converts electrical energy into chemical energy.  
(B) The anode of an electrolytic cell acts as a positive electrode.  
(C) The cathode of an electrolytic cell acts as negative electrode.  
(D) It is used for generation of electricity.
5. Calculate the osmotic pressure of 0.2 M aqueous solution of nonelectrolyte at 300 K.  
[ $R = 0.082 \text{ atm dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ ]  
(A) 1.23 atm (B) 2.46 atm  
(C) 7.38 atm (D) 4.92 atm
6. What is the number of moles of carbon and hydrogen atoms respectively in 46 gram methoxymethane?  
(A) 2 and 6 (B) 3 and 6  
(C) 4 and 4 (D) 4 and 3
7. Calculate the molar mass of an element having density  $2.8 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$  and forms fcc unit cell.  
[ $a^3 \cdot N_A = 38.5 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ]  
(A)  $26.95 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$  (B)  $23.5 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$   
(C)  $29.2 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$  (D)  $21.6 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$
8. Which of the following alkane has strong London dispersion forces?  
(A) n-Butane (B) iso-Butane  
(C) n-Pentane (D) neo-Pentane
9. 2 moles of an ideal gas is compressed from  $5 \text{ dm}^3$  to  $2 \text{ dm}^3$  against a constant external pressure of  $5 \times 10^5 \text{ N m}^{-2}$  at 300 K. Calculate work done in the process.  
(A) 1500 J (B) -150 J  
(C) 500 J (D) -300 J
10. What is IUPAC name of ethyl methyl isopropylamine?  
(A) N-Methyl-N-isopropylethanamine  
(B) N-Ethyl-N-methylpropan-1-amine  
(C) N-Ethyl-N-methylpropan-2-amine  
(D) N-Ethyl-N-isopropylmethanamine
11. Identify substrate 'A' in the following conversion:  
$$\text{A} \xrightarrow[\text{dry ether}]{\text{CH}_3\text{MgCl}} \text{complex} \xrightarrow{\text{H}_3\text{O}^+} \text{acetone}$$
  
(A)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CHO}$  (B)  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$   
(C)  $\text{HCN}$  (D)  $\text{CH}_3\text{COCl}$
12. Which of the following is a structural formula of phloroglucinol?  
(A)  (B)   
(C)  (D) 
13. What is the rate of formation of 'C' in the following reaction?  
$$\text{A} + 2\text{B} \rightarrow 2\text{C}$$
  
(A) Same as the rate of consumption of A  
(B) Half the rate of consumption of B  
(C) Twice the rate of consumption of A  
(D) 3/2 times of the rate of consumption of B
14. What is the number of different types of unit cells present in tetragonal crystal system?  
(A) 1 (B) 2  
(C) 3 (D) 4
15. What is IUPAC name of p-Iodotoluene?  
(A) 4-Iodo-1-methylbenzene  
(B) 1-Iodo-3-methylbenzene  
(C) 1-Iodo-4-methylbenzene  
(D) 3-Iodo-1-methylbenzene
16. Which of the following is used as an inhibitor during oxidation of chloroform?  
(A) Mo (B)  $\text{K}_2\text{O}$   
(C)  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  (D)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$



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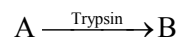


- Which one of the following is known as a living fossil?  
(A) *Seymouria* (B) *Ichthyostega*  
(C) *Coelacanth* (D) *Archaeopteryx*
- Which hormones were discovered first in plants?  
(A) Cytokinins (B) Auxins  
(C) Gibberellins (D) Ethylene
- At the onset of puberty, gonadotropin releasing hormone is secreted by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) pituitary gland (B) ovary  
(C) hypothalamus (D) corpus luteum
- Parasitism is an interaction between two organisms in which \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) both are harmed  
(B) both are benefitted  
(C) one is harmed and other is benefitted  
(D) both are neither harmed nor benefitted
- Given below are two statements with respect to speciation.  
**Statement-I:** Charles Darwin believed that mutations are the cause of speciation.  
**Statement-II:** Hugo de Vries believed that the gradual inheritable variations over a long period of time causes speciation.  
In the light of above statements, Choose the most appropriate answer from the options given below:  
(A) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct.  
(B) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are incorrect.  
(C) Statement-I is correct and Statement -II is incorrect.  
(D) Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is correct.
- In male reproductive whorl of a flower the archesporial cells are formed by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) epidermal cell of anther  
(B) hypodermal cell of anther  
(C) cells of connective  
(D) cells of tapetum
- Cerebrosides are \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) cholesterols (B) phospholipids  
(C) glycolipids (D) phytosterols
- Match the enzyme involved in Krebs cycle given in column-I with the reactions they catalyse given in column-II. Choose the correct option.

Column I		Column II	
i.	Isocitrate dehydrogenase	a.	Citrate $\longrightarrow$ Cis aconitate
ii.	Fumarase	b.	Succinate $\longrightarrow$ Fumarate
iii.	Aconitase	c.	Fumarate $\longrightarrow$ Malate
iv.	Succinate dehydrogenase	d.	Isocitrate $\longrightarrow$ Oxalosuccinic acid

- (A) i - d, ii - b, iii - a, iv - c  
(B) i - d, ii - c, iii - b, iv - a  
(C) i - d, ii - c, iii - a, iv - b  
(D) i - c, ii - b, iii - a, iv - d

- Pus is a mixture of \_\_\_\_\_.  
I – dead neutrophils  
II – dead microbes  
III – damaged tissues  
IV – reticulocytes  
V – megakaryocytes  
(A) I, II, III only (B) I and V only  
(C) II, III and V only (D) III and V only
- There are 64 codons in the dictionary of genetic code because \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) there are 64 amino acids to be coded  
(B) the genetic code is triplet  
(C) there are 64 types of tRNA with different anticodons  
(D) 20 codon specify 20 amino acids and remaining codons are meaningless
- Eight pairs of spinal nerves originate from \_\_\_\_\_ part of vertebral column.  
(A) neck (B) thorax  
(C) abdomen (D) coccyx
- Number of ATP molecules formed in glycolysis by substrate level phosphorylation is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) 2 (B) 4  
(C) 6 (D) 8
- What should be in place of A and B respectively in the following digestion process?



	A	B
(A)	Starch	Maltose
(B)	Proteins	Amino acids
(C)	Proteins	Polypeptides
(D)	Polypeptides	Dipeptides

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96. Single maize root apical meristem gives rise to more than \_\_\_\_\_ cells/hour.  
(A) 20500 (B) 19500  
(C) 18500 (D) 12500
97. Following are the changes that takes place in foetus during first trimester of gestation, EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) hands and feet are formed  
(B) CNS is fully formed  
(C) foetus is active and grows to about 30 cm.  
(D) heart beat can be heard
98. Which one of the following statements is INCORRECT with respect to their habitat?  
(A) Mango trees cannot grow naturally in Germany.  
(B) Snow leopards are not found in Kerala.
- (C) Many species of small plants growing on forest floor perform photosynthesis.  
(D) Archaeobacteria cannot grow in hot springs.
99. Generally ecological succession leads to establishment of stable climax community formed of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) grasses  
(B) phytoplankton  
(C) shrubs  
(D) trees
100. The sugar found in milk is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) maltose  
(B) sucrose  
(C) lactose  
(D) glycogen

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# Answers and Solutions

15<sup>th</sup> May (Shift – I)

## PHYSICS

1. (B) Std.12 | Ch-3 | Subtopic-3.15

Radiant energy emitted by ordinary body:

$$Q = e A \sigma T^4 t \quad \dots(i)$$

Also, emissive power

$$R = \frac{Q}{At}$$

Given that,  $r_1 = r_2$ ,  $R_1 = R_2$

$$\therefore A_1 = A_2$$

$$\therefore e_1 T_1^4 = e_2 T_2^4 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\therefore \frac{T_1^4}{T_2^4} = \frac{e_2}{e_1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{T_1^4}{T_2^4} = \frac{81}{1} \quad \dots \left( \because \frac{e_1}{e_2} = \frac{1}{81} \right)$$

$$\therefore \frac{T_1}{T_2} = \frac{3}{1}$$

2. (C) Std.11 | Ch-5 | Subtopic-5.8

Time period of a nearby satellite is given by,

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{R}{g}}$$

$$\therefore T^2 = 4\pi^2 \times \frac{R}{g}$$

$$\text{But, } g = \frac{4}{3} \pi \rho GR$$

$$\therefore T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 R}{\frac{4}{3} \pi \rho GR}$$

$$\therefore T^2 \rho = \frac{3\pi}{G}$$

3. (C) Std.12 | Ch-2 | Subtopic-2.4

4. (A) Std.12 | Ch-15 | Subtopic-15.6

Since, the particle of mass 'm' is revolving around heavy particle

$\therefore$  Centripetal force = electrostatic force of attraction

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{(q)(-2q)}{r^2}$$

$$\therefore mv^2 = \frac{-q^2}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$\therefore v = \frac{-q^2}{2\pi\epsilon_0 (mvr)}$$

According to Bohr's second postulate,

$$L = mvr = \frac{h}{2\pi}$$

$$\therefore v = \frac{-q^2}{h\epsilon_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow |v| = \frac{q^2}{h\epsilon_0}$$

5. (C) Std.12 | Ch-4 | Multifarious

First law of thermodynamics:

$$Q = \Delta U + W$$

$$\therefore Q = \Delta U + \frac{Q}{2}$$

$$\therefore \Delta U = \frac{Q}{2} \quad \dots(i)$$

For diatomic gas:

$$\Delta U = \frac{5}{2} R\Delta T \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{and } Q = C_v \Delta T \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{2} R\Delta T = \frac{C_v \Delta T}{2}$$

$\dots$ [From (i), (ii) and (iii)]

$$\therefore C_v = 5R$$

6. (A) Std.12 | Ch-13 | Subtopic-13.5

Impedance for L-R circuit,

$$Z_1 = \sqrt{R^2 + X_L^2}$$

Impedance for L-C-R circuit,

$$Z_2 = \sqrt{R^2 + (X_L - X_C)^2}$$

$$\therefore Z_2 < Z_1$$

As impedance decreases, the current increases.

7. (D) Std.12 | Ch-3 | Subtopic-3.15

Rate of radiation of a black body:

$$R = \sigma A T^4 \quad \dots(i)$$

Rate of radiation of an ordinary body:

$$R_1 = e\sigma A T_1^4$$

Now,  $e = 0.1$ ,  $T_1 = 2T$

$$\therefore R_1 = (0.1) \sigma A (2T)^4$$

$$\therefore R_1 = 1.6 \sigma A T^4$$

$$\therefore R_1 = 1.6R \quad \dots$$
[From (i)]

8. (C) Std.12 | Ch-12 | Subtopic-12.11

The effective inductance for parallel connection is

$$\frac{1}{L} = \frac{1}{L_1} + \frac{1}{L_2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{L} = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{15}$$

$$\therefore L = 3.75 \text{ mH}$$

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$$\therefore l_2 = 0.3 \text{ m}$$

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As, values for balancing lengths are different in all the options. It is sufficient to calculate balancing length in any one case (Assisting/ opposing) to reach the final correct answer.

47. (B) Std.12 | Ch-15 | Subtopic-15.5

Maximum number of spectral lines obtained on account of transition of electron present in  $n^{\text{th}}$  orbit is given by,

$$N = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

For 4<sup>th</sup> excited state,  $n = 5$

$$\therefore N = \frac{5(5-1)}{2}$$

$$\therefore N = 10$$

48. (D) Std.12 | Ch-10 | Subtopic-10.8

If charge enclosed by the two surfaces are same then flux through them, would be the same irrespective of their shape or size.

49. (C) Std.12 | Ch-8 | Multifarious

$$\sigma = \frac{Q}{A}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} \times \frac{A_2}{A_1}$$

$$\text{Also, } C = \frac{Q}{V}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{Q_1}{Q_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{C_1}{C_2} \times \frac{\pi r_2^2}{\pi r_1^2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{3^2}{4^2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2} = \frac{3}{4}$$

50. (C) Std.11 | Ch-4 | Subtopic-4.3

In the 1<sup>st</sup> case

$$W_1 = mg + a \quad \dots(i)$$

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> case

$$W_2 = mg - a \quad \dots(ii)$$

Adding equations (i) and (ii),

$$2mg = W_1 + W_2$$

$$\therefore mg = \frac{W_1 + W_2}{2}$$

$$\therefore mg = \frac{680 + 360}{2}$$

$$\therefore mg = 520 \text{ N}$$

**CHEMISTRY**

1. (C) Std.12 | Ch-6 | Subtopic-6.5

For a first order reaction,

$$k = \frac{2.303}{t} \log_{10} \frac{[A]_0}{[A]_t}$$

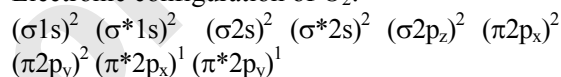
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore t &= \frac{2.303}{0.1155} \times \log_{10} \frac{0.8}{0.1} \\ &= 19.94 \times \log_{10} (8) = 19.94 \times \log_{10} (2^3) \\ &= 19.94 \times 3 \log_{10} (2) = 19.94 \times 3 \times 0.301 \\ &= 18.0 \text{ hour} \end{aligned}$$

2. (D) Std.12 | Ch-2 | Subtopic-2.4

Dissolution of  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $\text{CaCl}_2$  and  $\text{Li}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$  in water are exothermic processes while dissolution of  $\text{KCl}$  in water is an endothermic process.

3. (B) Std.11 | Ch-5 | Subtopic-5.5

Electronic configuration of  $\text{O}_2$ :



It has two unpaired electrons.

4. (D) Std.12 | Ch-5 | Subtopic-5.4

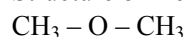
5. (D) Std.12 | Ch-2 | Subtopic-2.10

$$\pi = M \times R \times T$$

$$\therefore \pi = 0.2 \times 0.082 \times 300 = 4.92 \text{ atm}$$

6. (A) Std.11 | Ch-1 | Subtopic-1.8

Structure of methoxymethane:



Its molecular formula is  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O}$ .

Molar mass =  $46 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{No. of moles of } \text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O} &= \frac{46 \text{ g}}{46 \text{ g mol}^{-1}} \\ &= 1 \text{ mol} \end{aligned}$$

One molecule of  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O}$  contains 2 C-atoms and 6 H-atoms.

$$\therefore 1 \text{ mol } \text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O} \text{ contains } 2 \text{ mol C-atoms and } 6 \text{ mol H-atoms.}$$

7. (A) Std.12 | Ch-1 | Subtopic-1.5

For fcc unit cell,  $n = 4$ .

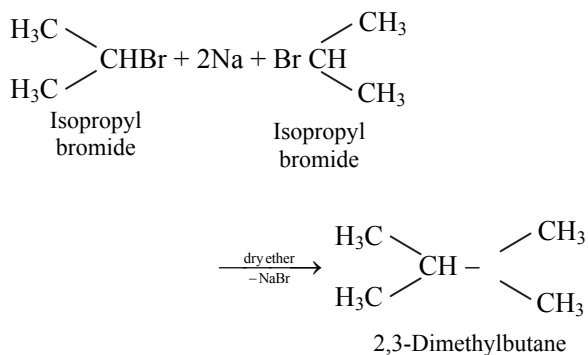
$$\text{Density } (\rho) = \frac{M n}{a^3 N_A}$$

$$2.8 = \frac{M \times 4}{38.5}$$

$$M = \frac{2.8 \times 38.5}{4} = 26.95 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$$

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But n-Hexane cannot be formed.

46. (B) Std.12 | Ch-10 | Subtopic-10.6  
 47. (B) Std.12 | Ch-7 | Subtopic-7.2  
 48. (A) Std.12 | Ch-7 | Subtopic-7.4

The ionization enthalpy decreases down the group due to increase in the atomic size.

Therefore, ionization enthalpy of Ar is more than that of Kr.

Across a period ionization enthalpy increases with increase of atomic number.

Therefore, ionization enthalpy of Se, Br and Kr is in the order:  $\text{Se} < \text{Br} < \text{Kr}$ .

Hence, the correct decreasing order of ionization enthalpy for the given elements is:

$\text{Ar} > \text{Kr} > \text{Br} > \text{Se}$

49. (A) Std.12 | Ch-9 | Subtopic-9.5  
 50. (C) Std.12 | Ch-3 | Subtopic-3.7

Potassium nitrate ( $\text{KNO}_3$ ) is a salt of strong base (KOH) and strong acid ( $\text{HNO}_3$ ). When a salt of a strong acid and a strong base is dissolved in water, it gives neutral solution i.e., the pH of the solution is equal to 7.

### BIOLOGY

1. (C) Std.12 | Ch-5 | Subtopic-5.12  
 Coelacanth is known as a living fossil because it is a species of fish that has remained relatively unchanged for millions of years. It was thought to be extinct until living specimens were discovered in 1938 in South Africa.
2. (B) Std.12 | Ch-7 | Subtopic-7.9  
 Auxins were the first plant hormones to be discovered, initially identified by Charles Darwin and his son Francis Darwin in their experiments on phototropism.
3. (C) Std.12 | Ch-2 | Subtopic-2.4  
 4. (C) Std.12 | Ch-13 | Subtopic-13.5

5. (B) Std.12 | Ch-5 | Subtopic-5.5

Darwin believed that the gradual inheritable variations over a long period of time, lead to speciation (formation of new species) while Hugo de Vries believed that mutations are the cause of speciation.

6. (B) Std.12 | Ch-1 | Subtopic-1.2  
 7. (C) Std.11 | Ch-6 | Subtopic-6.1  
 8. (C) Std.11 | Ch-13 | Subtopic-13.3

#### Thinking Hatke - Q.8

Since only (iv) has all different matches in options (A), (B), (C) and (D), identifying the correct match of (i) will help easily identify the answer. Succinate dehydrogenase catalyses conversion of succinate to fumarate and hence (iv-b) is the correct match. This match appears only in option (C) and hence the probability of any other option being correct can be eliminated.

9. (A) Std.12 | Ch-8 | Subtopic- 8.11  
 10. (B) Std.12 | Ch-4 | Subtopic- 4.5

The genetic code is triplet. Since there are four possible nucleotides (A, T, G, and C), and each codon has three bases/nucleotides, there are a total of  $4^3 = 64$  possible codons.

11. (A) Std.12 | Ch-9 | Subtopic-9.6

Region of origin from vertebral column	No. of pairs of spinal nerves
Thorax	12
Abdomen	5
Coccyx	1

12. (B) Std.12 | Ch-13 | Subtopic-13.2

In the energy payoff phase, the following steps occur to generate ATP molecules through substrate-level phosphorylation:

Step 7: 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate is converted to 3-phosphoglycerate, producing two ATP molecules.

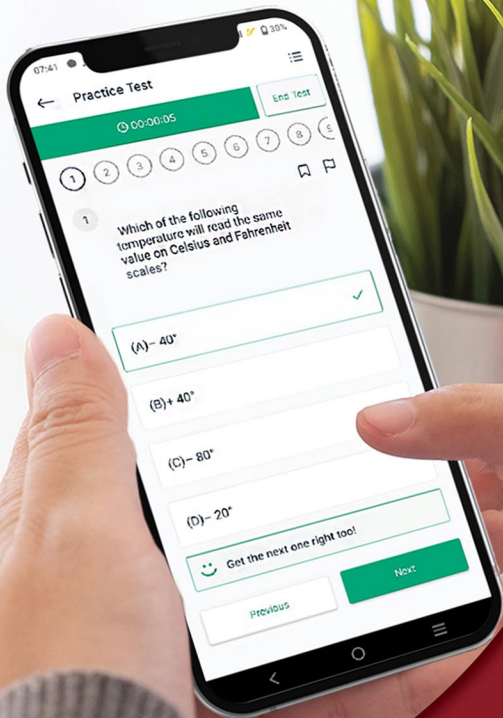
Step 10: Phosphoenolpyruvate (PEP) is converted to pyruvate, producing two more ATP molecules.

Therefore, a total of four ATP molecules are formed by substrate-level phosphorylation during glycolysis.

13. (C) Std.11 | Ch-14 | Subtopic-14.3  
 14. (C) Std.12 | Ch-12 | Subtopic-12.3  
 15. (C) Std.12 | Ch-1 | Subtopic-1.2

Dithecous anther has two anther lobes. Each lobe of anther contains two pollen sacs.





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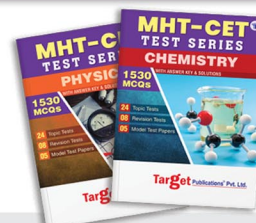
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