

LET US DO SOME PROBLEMS- XXXIX

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Mathematical Reasoning is a very important section of competitive mathematics.

Some questions are selected here to understand the standard.

Q1. Which of the following is a statement?

- (a) Open the door
- (b) Do your homework
- (c) Switch on the fan
- (d) Two plus two is four

Ans.(d)

Q2. Which of the following is a statement?

- (a) May you live long!
- (b) May God bless you!
- (c) The sun is star
- (d) Hurrah! We have won the match

Ans.(c)

Q3. Which of the following is not a statement?

- (a) Every set is a finite set
- (b) 8 is less than 6
- (c) Where are you going?
- (d) The sum of interior angles of a triangle is 180 degrees

Ans.(c)

Q4. Which of the following is an open statement?

- (a) x is natural number
- (b) Give me a glass of water
- (c) Wish you best of luck
- (d) Good morning to all

Ans.(a)

Q5. Negation of the conditional: ? If it rains, I shall go to school? Is

- (a) It rains and I shall go to school
- (b) It rains and I shall not go to school

- (c) It does not rains and I shall go to school
- (d) None of these

Ans.(b)

Q6. The conditional $(p \wedge q) / \neg p$ is

- (a) A tautology
- (b) A fallacy i.e., contradiction
- (c) Neither tautology nor fallacy
- (d) None of these

Ans.(a)

Q7. Which of the following is a contradiction?

- (a) $(p \wedge q) \wedge \neg (p \vee q)$
- (b) $p \vee (\neg p \wedge q)$
- (c) $(p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow p$
- (d) None of these

Ans.(a)

Q8. Which of the following is logically equivalent to $\neg(p \Rightarrow q)$?

- (a) $p \wedge q$
- (b) $p \wedge \neg q$
- (c) $\neg p \wedge q$
- (d) $\neg p \wedge \neg q$

Ans.(d)

Q9. If p, q, r are simple propositions with truth values T, F, T, then the truth values of $(\neg p \vee q) \wedge \neg r \Rightarrow p$ is

- (a) True
- (b) False
- (c) True if r is false
- (d) True if q is true

Ans.(a)

Q10. If $(p \wedge \neg r) \Rightarrow (q \vee r)$ is false and q and r are both false, then p is

- (a) True
- (b) False
- (c) May be true or false
- (d) Data insufficient

Ans.(a)

Q11. $(p \wedge q) \wedge (\neg p \vee q)$ is

- (a) A contradiction
- (b) A tautology
- (c) Either A or B
- (d) Neither A nor B

Ans.(a)

Q12. Which of the following is not logically equivalent to the proposition :? A real number is either rational or irrational?

- (a) If a number is neither rational nor irrational then it is not real
- (b) If a number is not a rational nor not an irrational, then it is not real
- (c) If a number is not real, then it is neither rational nor irrational
- (d) If a number is real, then it is rational or irrational

Ans.(b)

Q13. The negation of the compound proposition $p \vee (\neg p \vee q)$ is

- (a) $(p \wedge \neg q) \wedge \neg p$
- (b) $(p \wedge \neg q) \vee \neg p$
- (c) $(p \vee \neg q) \vee \neg p$
- (d) None of these

Ans.(a)

Q14. The inverse of the proposition $(p \wedge \neg q) \Rightarrow r$ is

- (a) $\neg r \Rightarrow \neg p \vee q$
- (b) $\neg p \vee q \Rightarrow \neg r$

- (c) $r \Rightarrow p \wedge \neg q$
- (d) None of these

Ans.(b)

Q15. Write the contrapositive of the inverse of $p \Rightarrow \sim q$.

Ans. $\sim q \Rightarrow p$

Q16. Which of the following is the contrapositive of if two triangles are identical, then these are similar??

- (a) If two triangles are not similar, they are not identical
- (b) If two triangles are not identical, then these are not similar
- (c) If two triangles are not identical, then these are similar
- (d) If two triangles are not similar, then these are identical

Ans. (a)

Q17. If p is true and q is false, then which of the following statements is not true?

- (a) $p \vee q$
- (b) $p \Rightarrow q$
- (c) $p \wedge (\sim q)$
- (d) $p \Rightarrow p$

Ans.(b)

Q18. Write a statement equivalent to $\sim(p \vee q) \vee (\sim p \wedge q)$.

Ans. $\sim q \wedge \sim(\sim(p \wedge q))$

Q19. Which of the following is logically equivalent to $\sim(\sim p \Rightarrow q)$?

- (a) $p \wedge q$
- (b) $p \wedge \sim q$
- (c) $\sim p \wedge q$
- (d) $\sim p \wedge \sim q$

Ans. (d)