

# 7 CHAPTER

# ALGEBRA AND SERIES EXPANSION

1. Find the value of  $67^2 - 33^2$ .  
 (a) 3200 (b) 3400  
 (c) 3146 (d) 3143  
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
2. Given that  $\log 2 = 0.3$  approx., one billion would be approx.  
 (a)  $2^9$  (b)  $2^{10}$   
 (c)  $2^{20}$  (d)  $2^{30}$   
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
3. In how many different ways can 3 identical white balls and 2 identical red balls be arranged besides each other, in a straight line?  
 (a) 6 (b) 10  
 (c) 12 (d) 120  
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
4. What is the probability of getting 3 aces if three cards are drawn from a set of 52 playing cards?  
 (a)  $52^3$  (b)  $\frac{1}{52^3}$   
 (c)  $\frac{1}{52!}$  (d)  $\frac{4 \times 3 \times 2}{52 \times 51 \times 50}$   
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
5. In a class of 40 students, 25 are sports persons and 25 are mathematicians. What is the probability that the monitor of the class is both a sports person and a mathematician?  
 (a)  $\frac{1}{40}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{25}$   
 (c)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (d)  $\frac{1}{50}$   
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
6. Sum of two numbers is 15 and sum of their reciprocals is  $\frac{15}{56}$ . The two numbers are  
 (a) 4, 11  
 (b) 5, 10  
 (c) 6, 9  
 (d) 7, 8  
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
7. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of quadratic equation  $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}$  is  
 (a) -1 (b) 1  
 (c) 0 (d) None of these  
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
8. Value of  $\sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots}}}$  is  
 (a)  $\frac{5}{2}$  (b) -2  
 (c) 3 (d) 4  
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
9. If a, b, c, d, e and f are in arithmetic progression, then  $e - c$  is equal to  
 (a)  $2(b - a)$  (b)  $c - b$   
 (c)  $2(f - d)$  (d)  $2(d - b)$   
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
10. Find the median of the following numbers :  
 14, 23, 20, 12, 11, 15, 24, 17, 9, 21, 25  
 (a) 15 (b) 20  
 (c) 17 (d) 14  
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
11. A student was asked to multiply a number by 12. By mistake he multiplied the number by 21 and got the answer 63 more than the correct answer. What is the correct answer?  
 (a) 9 (b) 8  
 (c) 7 (d) 84  
**[RRB JE 2014 GREEN SHIFT]**
12. Find the value of  $\frac{(768)^3 + (232)^3}{(768)^2 - (768 \times 232) + (232)^2}$  :  
 (a) 1000 (b) 536  
 (c) 500 (d) 268  
**[RRB JE 2014 RED SHIFT]**
13. Find the value of  $(1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 45)$  :  
 (a) 2140 (b) 2070  
 (c) 1035 (d) 1280  
**[RRB JE 2014 RED SHIFT]**

14. In an examination, a student gets 4 marks for every correct answer and loses 1 mark for every wrong answer. If he attempts in all 60 questions and secures 130 marks, then find the number of questions he attempted correctly.

- (a) 42  
(b) 48  
(c) 36  
(d) 38

[RRB JE 2014 RED SHIFT]

15. If  $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{6}{5}$ , then find the value of  $\frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 - y^2}$  :

- (a) 11 (b)  $\frac{61}{11}$   
(c)  $\frac{11}{5}$  (d) 6

[RRB JE 2014 RED SHIFT]

16. If  $\log_8 x = \frac{2}{3}$ , then the value of 'x' is :

- (a)  $\frac{16}{3}$  (b)  $\frac{4}{3}$   
(c) 12 (d) 4

[RRB JE 2014 RED SHIFT]

17. A student was asked to find answer by dividing a number by 3. But, instead of dividing it, he multiplied it by 3 and got 29.7. What was the correct answer ?

- (a) 3.3 (b) 9.3  
(c) 9.8 (d) 99

[RRB JE 2014 YELLOW SHIFT]

18. A bag contains three types of coins i.e. one rupee coins, 50 paise coins and 25 paise coins totaling 175 coins. If the total value of the coins of each kind be the same, the total amount in the bag is

- (a) Rs. 75 (b) Rs. 126  
(c) Rs. 175 (d) Rs. 300

[RRB JE 2014 YELLOW SHIFT]

19. If  $x = y + \sqrt{\frac{4}{Z}}$  then  $Z = ?$

- (a)  $4(X^2 - Y^2)$  (b)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{X^2 - Y^2}}$   
(c)  $4(X - Y)^2$  (d)  $\frac{4}{(X - Y)^2}$

[RRB JE 2014 YELLOW SHIFT]

20. The product of two positive numbers is 2500. If one is four times the other, then the sum of two numbers is

- (a) 25 (b) 125  
(c) 225 (d) 250

[RRB JE 2014 YELLOW SHIFT]

21. A is 2 years older than B who is twice as old as C. If the total of the ages of A, B, C be 27 years, then how old is B?

- (a) 9 years (b) 8 years  
(c) 10 years (d) 11 years

[RRB JE 2014 YELLOW SHIFT]

22. For given number series, select the option which shall replace ? to continue the pattern in series.

1, 4, 10, 22, 46, ?

- (a) 64 (b) 86  
(c) 94 (d) 122

[RRB JE 2014 YELLOW SHIFT]

23. The 18<sup>th</sup> term of the A.P. whose first two terms are -3 and 4 respectively is

- (a) 14 (b) 116  
(c) 122 (d) -122

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

24. The third term of a G.P. is 2. The product of its first five terms is

- (a)  $2^6$  (b)  $2^5$   
(c)  $2^4$  (d)  $2^3$

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

25. If  $(x + 1)$  is a factor of  $x^4 - ax^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1$ , then  $a$  is equal to

- (a) 4 (b) 3  
(c) -3 (d) -7

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

26. One of the factor of  $(25x^2 - 1) + (1 + 5x)^2$  is

- (a)  $10x$  (b)  $5 + x$   
(c)  $5 - x$  (d)  $5x - 1$

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

27. All values of  $k$  for which  $x^2 + kx + 9 = 0$  has real roots is

- (a)  $k > 6$  (b)  $k \geq 6$   
(c)  $6 \leq k \leq 6$  (d)  $-6 \leq k \leq 6$

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

28. The sum and product of the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$  are respectively

- (a) 3, -4 (b) 4, -3  
(c) 4, -3 (d) 4, 3

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

29. Which term of AP; 7, 14, 21, 28, ... is 77 ?

- (a) 9<sup>th</sup> (b) 10<sup>th</sup>  
(c) 11<sup>th</sup> (d) 12<sup>th</sup>

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

30. The third term of a G.P. is -3. The product of its first five terms is

- (a) 3<sup>4</sup> (b) -3<sup>4</sup>  
(c) 3<sup>5</sup> (d) -3<sup>5</sup>

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

31. If  $(x - 2)$  is a factor of  $ax^3 + 3x^2 + 4x + 4$ , then  $a$  is equal to

- (a) 3 (b) 4  
(c) -3 (d) -4

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

32. One of the factors of  $(36x^2 - 1) + (1 + 6x)^2$  is

- (a)  $6 + x$  (b)  $6 - x$   
(c)  $6x - 1$  (d)  $12x$

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

33. All values of  $k$  for which  $x^2 + kx + 16 = 0$  has real roots is

- (a)  $8 \leq k \leq -8$  (b)  $-8 \leq k \leq 8$   
(c)  $k \geq 8$  (d)  $k \geq -8$

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

34. The sum and product of the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 4x + 5 = 0$  are respectively

- (a) 5, -4 (b) 4, -5  
(c) -4, -5 (d) 4, 5

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

35. The first term of an AP is -5 and third term is 17. Its seventh term is

- (a) 31 (b) 41  
(c) 61 (d) 71

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

36. The 12<sup>th</sup> term of the G.P 1, -3, 9, -27 ..., is

- (a) 3<sup>12</sup> (b) -3<sup>12</sup>  
(c) 3<sup>11</sup> (d) -3<sup>11</sup>

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

37. If  $(x - 1)$  is a factor of  $3x^3 - 2ax^2 - 3x + 6$ , then  $a$  is equal to

- (a) 3 (b) -3  
(c) +6 (d) -6

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

38. One of the factors of  $(81x^2 - 1) + (1 + 9x)^2$  is

- (a)  $18x$  (b)  $9 + x$   
(c)  $9 - x$  (d)  $9x - 1$

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

39. All values of  $k$  for which  $x^2 - kx + 9 = 0$  has real roots is

- (a)  $-6 \leq k \leq 6$  (b)  $6 \leq k \leq -6$   
(c)  $k \geq 6$  (d)  $k \leq -6$

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

40. The sum and product of the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 8x + 4 = 0$  are respectively

- (a) -8, 4 (b) 8, -4  
(c) 8, 4 (d) -8, -4

[RRB JE 2015 26<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

41. The common difference of an AP in which  $a_{18} - a_{13} = 45$  is

- (a) -9 (b) 9  
(c) -5 (d) 5

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

42. The tenth term of the GP 3, 1,  $\frac{1}{3}$ , ... is

- (a) 3<sup>-10</sup> (b) 3<sup>-9</sup>  
(c) 3<sup>-8</sup> (d) 3<sup>9</sup>

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

43. If  $(x - 1)$  is a factor of  $x^4 + x^3 - 2x^2 + ax + 1$ , then  $a$  is equal to

- (a) 1 (b) -1  
(c) 2 (d) -2

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

44. One of the factors of  $(49x^2 - 1) + (1 + 7x)^2$  is

- (a)  $7 + x$  (b)  $7 - X$   
(c)  $14x$  (d)  $7x - 1$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

45. All values of  $k$  for which  $2x^2 - kx + 8 = 0$  has real roots is

- (a)  $-8 \leq k \leq 8$   
(b)  $8 \leq k \leq -8$   
(c)  $-2\sqrt{2} \leq k \leq 2\sqrt{2}$   
(d)  $2\sqrt{2} \leq k \leq -2\sqrt{2}$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

46. The sum and product of the roots of the equation  $-5x^2 + 2x - 10 = 0$  are respectively

- (a)  $-\frac{2}{5}, 2$  (b)  $2, -\frac{2}{5}$   
(c)  $\frac{2}{5}, 2$  (d)  $-\frac{2}{5}, -2$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

47. The first term of an AP is 1 and third term is 10. Its 21st term is
- (a) 98 (b) 62  
(c) -98 (d) -62

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

48. The third term of a G.P. is 16 and sixth term is -128. The common ratio of the G.P. is
- (a) (b) -2  
(c) 4 (d) -4

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

49. If  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $x^4 - 4x^2 + 3ax - 12$ , then  $a$  is equal to
- (a) 2 (b) -2  
(c)  $\frac{10}{3}$  (d)  $-\frac{10}{3}$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

50. One of the factor of  $(12x^2 - 1) + (1 + 11x)^2$  is
- (a)  $(11 + x)$  (b)  $(11 - x)$   
(c)  $(11x - 1)$  (d)  $22x$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

51. All values of  $k$  for which  $x^2 + kx + 25 = 0$  has real roots is
- (a)  $5 \leq k \leq -5$  (b)  $-5 \leq k \leq 5$   
(c)  $k \geq 5$  (d)  $k \geq -5$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

52. The sum and product of the roots of the equation  $x^2 - x - 4 = 0$  are respectively
- (a) 4, 1 (b) 1, 4  
(c) -4, 1 (d) 1, -4

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

53. Sum of first 20 terms of the AP -4, -2, 0, 2, ... is
- (a) 600  
(b) 340  
(c) 300  
(d) 460

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

54. The sum of infinite GP  $1, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{27}, \dots$  is
- (a)  $\frac{5}{3}$  (b)  $\frac{3}{2}$   
(c)  $\frac{4}{3}$  (d)  $\frac{3}{5}$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

55. If  $(x - 2)$  is a factor of  $x^3 + 2x^2 - ax + 4$ , then  $a$  is equal to
- (a) 8 (b) -8  
(c) -10 (d) 10

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

56. One of the factor of  $(2x + 3y)^3 - (5x - 2y)^3$  is
- (a)  $(7x + y)$  (b)  $(7x - y)$   
(c)  $(3x + 5y)$  (d)  $(5y - 3x)$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

57. The value of  $k$  for which  $x^2 + 5x - 2k = 0$  has equal roots is
- (a)  $\frac{25}{8}$  (b)  $-\frac{25}{8}$   
(c)  $\frac{5}{2}$  (d)  $-\frac{5}{2}$

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

58. The sum of squares of the roots of the equation  $x^2 + x - 2 = 0$  is
- (a) 1 (b) 2  
(c) 5 (d) 3

[RRB JE 2015 27<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

59. The sum of first 16 terms of the AP 10, 7, 4, 1, ..., is
- (a) -400 (b) -300  
(c) -200 (d) -800

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

60. The sum of infinite GP  $1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots$  is
- (a) 5 (b) 4  
(c) 3 (d) 2

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

61. If  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $ax^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ , then  $a$  is equal to
- (a) 8 (b) -8  
(c) -4 (d) 4

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

62. One of the factor of  $(3x - 4y)^3 + (4x - 3y)^3$  is
- (a)  $(y + x)$  (b)  $(7x - y)$   
(c)  $(7y - 3x)$  (d)  $(x - y)$

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

63. The value of  $k$  for which  $3x^2 - 5x + k = 0$  has equal roots is
- (a)  $\frac{25}{24}$  (b)  $\frac{25}{6}$   
(c)  $\frac{25}{5}$  (d)  $\frac{25}{18}$

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

64. The sum of squares of the roots of the equations  $x^2 - 5x + 4 = 0$  is  
 (a) 15 (b) 17  
 (c) 20 (d) 25

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

65. The sum of first 20 terms of the AP 5, 9, 13, 17, ..., is  
 (a) 850 (b) 840  
 (c) 820 (d) 860

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

66. The sum of infinite GP 5, 1,  $\frac{1}{5}$ ,  $\frac{1}{5^2}$ , ... is  
 (a)  $\frac{25}{4}$  (b)  $\frac{28}{5}$   
 (c)  $\frac{29}{4}$  (d)  $\frac{29}{5}$

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

67. If  $(x + 1)$  is a factor of  $x^4 - 2ax^3 + x^2 - 4$ , then  $a$  is equal to  
 (a) -1 (b) 2  
 (c) 1 (d) -2

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

68. One of the factors of  $(5x - 7y)^3 - (3y - 4x)^3$  is  
 (a)  $(x - 10y)$  (b)  $(x - 4y)$   
 (c)  $(9x + 4y)$  (d)  $(9x - 10y)$

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

69. The value of  $k$  for which  $3x^2 - 2x + 3k = 0$  has equal roots is  
 (a)  $\frac{1}{9}$  (b) 9  
 (c)  $\frac{1}{18}$  (d) 18

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

70. The sum of squares of the roots of the equations  $x^2 - 5x - 6 = 0$  is  
 (a) 26 (b) 30  
 (c) 35 (d) 37

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

71. The sum of first 21 terms of the AP 20, -18, -16, ..., is  
 (a) 0 (b) -4  
 (c) -8 (d) 4

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

72. The sum of infinite GP is 6. If common ratio is  $\frac{1}{3}$ , the first term is

- (a) 6 (b) 4  
 (c) 3 (d) 2

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

73. If  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $5x^3 - 3x^2 + ax + 2$ , then  $a$  is equal to  
 (a) -25 (b) -20  
 (c) 15 (d) 27

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

74. One of the factors of  $(5x - 7y)^3 - (3x - 4y)^3$  is  
 (a)  $(2x - 3y)$  (b)  $(2x - 11y)$   
 (c)  $(8x - 3y)$  (d)  $(2x + 3y)$

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

75. The value of  $k$  for which  $kx^2 + 5x - 1 = 0$ , has equal roots is  
 (a)  $\frac{5}{4}$  (b)  $-\frac{5}{4}$   
 (c)  $\frac{25}{4}$  (d)  $-\frac{25}{4}$

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

76. The sum of squares of the roots of the equations  $x^2 - 7x + 6 = 0$  is  
 (a) 37 (b) 35  
 (c) 29 (d) 27

[RRB JE 2015 28<sup>th</sup> AUG 3<sup>rd</sup> SHIFT]

77. The values of  $a$ , for which the equation  $x^2 - (3a - 1)x + 2a^2 + 2a - 11 = 0$  will have equal roots are  
 (a) 4, 5 (b) 5, 6  
 (c) 6, 9 (d) 5, 9

[RRB JE 2015 29<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

78. The quadratic equation, whose roots are reciprocal of the roots of  $3x^2 - 7x + 8 = 0$ , is  
 (a)  $8x^2 - 7x + 3 = 0$   
 (b)  $8x^2 + 7x - 3 = 0$   
 (c)  $8x^2 - 7x - 3 = 0$   
 (d)  $8x^2 + 7x + 3 = 0$

[RRB JE 2015 29<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

79. One of the factors of  $(x + 2)(x - 3)(x + 4)(x - 5) + 40$  is  
 (a)  $x^2 + x - 16$  (b)  $x^2 - x - 16$   
 (c)  $x^2 + x - 10$  (d)  $x^2 - x + 10$

[RRB JE 2015 29<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

80. Factorization of  $x^4 - 5x^3 + 14x^2 - 20x + 16$  is

- (a)  $(x^2 - 2x + 4)(x^2 - 3x + 4)$
- (b)  $(x^2 - 2x - 4)(x^2 - 3x - 4)$
- (c)  $(x^2 + 2x + 4)(x^2 - 3x + 4)$
- (d)  $(x^2 + 2x - 4)(x^2 - 3x - 4)$

[RRB JE 2015 29<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

81. If the sums of first  $n$  terms of two arithmetic progressions are in the ratio  $(2n + 1) : (n + 1)$ , then the ratio of their 10th terms is

- (a) 39 : 20
- (b) 37 : 22
- (c) 37 : 19
- (d) 21 : 11

[RRB JE 2015 29<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

82. The sum of the infinite geometric series

$$10 + 8 + 6\frac{2}{5} + \dots \dots \dots \text{ is}$$

- (a) 42
- (b) 48
- (c) 50
- (d) 52

[RRB JE 2015 29<sup>th</sup> AUG 1<sup>st</sup> SHIFT]

83. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , then the roots of the equation  $cx^2 + bx + a = 0$  are

- (a)  $-\alpha, -\beta$
- (b)  $\frac{1}{\alpha}, \frac{1}{\beta}$
- (c)  $\frac{1}{\alpha}, \alpha$
- (d)  $\frac{1}{\beta}, \alpha$

[RRB JE 2015 29<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

84. If the equation  $(n + 1)x^2 - 4(n + 2)x + 25 = 0$  has equal roots, then the values of  $n$  are

- (a)  $\frac{-3}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$
- (b) 3, -3
- (c) 3,  $\frac{-3}{4}$
- (d) -3,  $\frac{4}{3}$

[RRB JE 2015 29<sup>th</sup> AUG 2<sup>nd</sup> SHIFT]

85. One of the factors of  $(x + 1)(x + 3)(x + 5)(x + 7) - 9$  is

- (a)  $x^2 + 8x + 6$
- (b)  $x^2 + 8x - 10$
- (c)  $x^2 + 8x - 9$
- (d)  $x^2 + 8x + 8$

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86. Factorisation of  $x^4 - 9x^2 + 20$  is

- (a)  $(x - 4)(x + 1)(x^2 - 5)$
- (b)  $(x - 2)(x - 2)(x^2 + 5)$
- (c)  $(x + 4)(x + 1)(x^2 - 5)$
- (d)  $(x - 2)(x + 2)(x^2 - 5)$

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87. If  $(p + 2)$ th term of an arithmetic series is  $5p + 6$ , then the sum of its first five terms is

- (a) 44
- (b) 49
- (c) 54
- (d) 55

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88. If the sum of an infinite number of terms of a geometric series is 20, and sum of their squares is 100, then the common ratio of the original series is

- (a)  $\frac{3}{5}$
- (b)  $\frac{2}{5}$
- (c)  $\frac{3}{4}$
- (d)  $\frac{1}{4}$

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89. If the equation  $(k - 12)x^2 + 2(k - 12)x + 2 = 0$  has real and equal roots, then the sum of the possible values of  $k$  is

- (a) 12
- (b) 14
- (c) 22
- (d) 26

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90. The ratio of the sum and product of the roots of  $ax^2 - 2bx + c = 0$ , ( $a, b, c > 0$ ) is

- (a)  $2b : c$
- (b)  $2c : b$
- (c)  $2a : b$
- (d)  $2b : a$

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91. The expression  $x^4 + 2x^3 - 6x^2 - 14x - 7$  is factored as

- (a)  $(x + 1)(x + 1)(x^2 - 7)$
- (b)  $(x - 1)(x - 1)(x^2 + 7)$
- (c)  $(x - 1)(x + 1)(x^2 + 7)$
- (d)  $(x - 1)(x - 1)(x^2 - 7)$

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92. One of the factors of  $x(3x + 2)(x - 2)(3x - 4) - 21$  is

- (a)  $3x + 7$
- (b)  $x - 1$
- (c)  $3x - 7$
- (d)  $3x^2 + 4x + 3$

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93. If the sum of first  $n$  terms of an arithmetic progression is  $3n^2 + 2n$ , then its 10<sup>th</sup> term is

- (a) 45
- (b) 59
- (c) 110
- (d) 320

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## EXPLANATIONS

1.  $67^2 - 33^2 = (67 + 33)(67 - 33)$   
 $= 100 \times 34 = 3400.$
2. 1 billion =  $10^9$   
 Let  $10^9 = 2^n$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Taking log both sides we get,  
 $9 \log 10 = n \log 2$   
 $\Rightarrow 9 = n \times 0.3$   
 $\Rightarrow n = 30$
3. Required number of ways  

$$\frac{5!}{3! \times 2!} = 10.$$
4. Required probability  

$$= \frac{{}^4C_3}{{}^{52}C_3} = \frac{4 \times 3a2}{52 \times 51 \times 50}$$
5. Number of boys who are both sports person and a mathematician =  $254 + 25 - 10 = 40$   
 Hence, required probability =  $\frac{10}{40} = \frac{1}{4}.$
6.  $a + b = 15$  and  $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = \frac{15}{56}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{ab} = \frac{15}{56}$   
 $\Rightarrow (a, b) = (7, 8)$
7.  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta}$   
 given,  $\alpha + \beta = -1$  &  $\alpha\beta = 1$   
 Hence,  $\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{-1}{1} = -1.$
8.  $\sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots}}} = x$   
 squaring both sides we get,  
 $6 + x = x^2$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 3$
9.  $e - c = (e - d) + (d - c)$   
 $= 2(b - a)$
10. 14, 23, 20, 12, 11, 15, 24, 17, 9, 21, 25  
 When written in ascending order becomes:  
 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25  
 Hence, median or mid-term = 17
11. set the number be x.  
 $\Rightarrow x \times 21 = x + 12 + 63$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 7$   
 Hence, correct answer =  $12 \times 7 = 84$
12. 
$$\frac{(768)^3 + (232)^3}{(768)^2 - (768 \times 232) + (232)^2}$$
  

$$= \frac{(768 + 232)[(768)^2 - (768 \times 232) + (232)^2]}{(768)^2 - (768 \times 232) + (232)^2}$$
  
 $= 768 + 232$   
 $= 1000$
13. Required sum =  $(1 + 4S) \times 45$   
 $= 23 \times 4S - 1035$
14. set the no. of correct questions be x  
 $\Rightarrow x \times 4 - (60 - x) \times 1 = 130$   
 $\Rightarrow Sx - 60 = 130$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 38$
15.  $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{6}{5}$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 - y^2} = \frac{6^2 + 5^2}{6^2 - 5^2} = \frac{61}{11}$
16.  $\log_8 x = \frac{2}{3}$   
 $\Rightarrow x = (8)^{2/3}$   
 $\Rightarrow x = (2^3)^{2/3}$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 4$
17. Let the number be x.  
 $\Rightarrow x \times 3 = 29.7$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 9.9$   
 Hence, required answer =  $9.9 = 3.3$
18. Let the number of Rs. 1, 50 paise and 25 paise coins be x, y and z.  
 $\Rightarrow x + y + z = 175$   
 and  $x = \frac{y}{2} = \frac{z}{4} = K$  (Let's assume)  
 $\Rightarrow x = K, y = 2K$  and  $z = 4K$   
 Hence,  $K + 2K + 4K = 175$   
 $\Rightarrow K = 25$   
 and total amount =  $25 \times 3 = \text{Rs. } 75$



19.  $x = y + \sqrt{\frac{4}{2}}$   
 $\Rightarrow (x - y) = \sqrt{\frac{4}{2}}$   
 $\Rightarrow (x - y)^2 = \frac{4}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow z = \frac{4}{(x - y)^2}$
20.  $2500 = 25 \times 100$   
Hence, required sum =  $25 + 100 = 125$
21.  $A + B + C = 27$   
 $\Rightarrow 2 + 2C + 2C + C = 27$   
 $\Rightarrow C = 5$   
Hence, age of B =  $2C = 2 \times 5 = 10$  years
22.  $1 \quad 4 \quad 10 \quad 22 \quad 46 \quad P = 94$   
 $\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{+3 \times 2^0} \quad \underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{+3 \times 2^1} \quad \underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{+3 \times 2^2} \quad \underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{+3 \times 2^3} \quad \underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{+3 \times 2^4}$
23. First term of the A.P. is  $-3$  and second term is  $4$  which means common difference =  $7$ .  
Hence,  $18^{\text{th}}$  term of the A.P.  
 $= -3 + (18 - 1) \times 7 = 119 - 3 = 116$ .
24. Given that the third term of a G.P is  $2$  and we are supposed to find out the product of first five terms of this G.P for which  $2$  will be the middle term.  
Hence, required product =  $2^5$ .
25. Putting  $x = -1$  in  $x^4 - ax^3 + 2x^2 - 3x + 1$  and equating it with zero we get:  
 $1 + a + 2 + 3 + 1 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow a = -7$
26.  $(25x^2 - 1) + (1 + 5x)^2 = 25x^2 - 1 + 1 + 25x^2 + 10x$   
 $= 50x^2 + 10x = 10x(5x + 1)$   
Hence, required factor will be  $10x$ .
27. In order to get the roots as real the discriminant for the given equation i.e.  
 $k^2 - 4 \times 9 >= 0$   
 $\Rightarrow k^2 \geq 36$   
Hence,  $6 \leq k \leq 6$ .
28. Sum of the roots of the given equation will be  
 $-\frac{(-4)}{1} = 4$  and product of the root =  $\frac{3}{1} = 3$ .
29.  $7 = 2 \times 1$   
 $\Rightarrow 77 \times 7 \times 11$   
Hence,  $77$  will be  $11^{\text{th}}$  term of the A.P.
30.  $-3$  will be the middle term of the first 5 terms.  
Hence, required product  
 $= (-3) = -3^5$ .
31. Putting  $x = 2$  in  $ax^3 + 3x^2 + 4x + 4$  and equating it with zero we get,  
 $a \times 2^3 + 3 \times 2^2 + 4 \times 2 + 4 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 8a + 24 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow Q = \frac{-24}{8} = -3$ .
32.  $36x^2 - 1 + (1 + 6x)^2$   
 $= 36x^2 - 1 + 1 + 36x^2 + 2 \times 1 \times 6x$   
 $= 72x^2 + 12x$   
 $= 12x(6x + 1)$   
Hence, required factor is  $12x$ .
33. In order to have real roots,  
 $K^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 16 \geq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow K^2 \geq 64$   
 $\Rightarrow 8 \leq K \leq -8$ .
34. sum and product of the roots of  $x^2 - 4x + 5 = 0$  are  $-(4) = 4$  and  $\frac{5}{1} = 5$  respectively
35. First term of AP =  $a - 5$   
 $n^{\text{th}}$  term of AP =  $a + (n - 1)d$ , where  $d \rightarrow$  common difference  
 $3^{\text{rd}}$  term =  $a + (3 - 1)d = 17$   
 $\Rightarrow 2d = 17 - (-5) \Rightarrow d = 11$   
 $\therefore 7^{\text{th}}$  term =  $a + (7 - 1)d$   
 $= -5 + 6 \times 11 = 61$
36. For a GP  $a, ar, ar^2, \dots$  till  $n$  terms  $n^{\text{th}}$  term  
 $= ar^{n-1}$   
 $\therefore$  for  $1, -3, 9, -27, \dots$   
 $a = 1$  and  $r = -3$   
 $\therefore 12^{\text{th}}$  term =  $1 \cdot (-3)^{11} = -3^{11}$
37.  $\therefore (x - 1)$  is factor of  $3x^3 - 2ax^2 - 3x + 6 = f(x)$   
 $\therefore f(x) = (x - 1)(3x^2 - (2a - 3)x - 6)$   
 $= 3x^3 - (2a - 3)x^2 - 3x^2 - 6x + (2a - 3)x + 6$   
 $= 3x^3 - 2ax^2 - (9 - 2a)x + 6 \quad (1)$   
Comparing (1) with  $3x^3 - 2ax^2 - 3x + 6$ ,  
 $9 - 2a = 3$   
 $\Rightarrow a = 3$
38.  $(81x^2 - 1) + (1 + 9x)^2$   
 $= ((9x)^2 - 1^2) + (1 + 9x)^2$   
 $= (9x - 1)(9x + 1) + (9x + 1)^2$   
 $= (9x - 1)(9x - 1 + 9x + 1)$   
 $= 18x(9x + 1)$   
 $\therefore 18x$  is a factor

39.  $x^2 - Kx + 9 = 0$   
for real roots,  $D \geq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow K^2 - 4 \times 9 \geq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow K^2 \geq 36$   
 $\Rightarrow -6 \geq K \geq +6$
40. Comparing  $x^2 - 8x + 4 = 0$  with standard equation  $ax^2 - (a + b)x + ab = 0$  with a & b as roots,  
Sum of roots = 8  
Product of roots = 4  
Answer  $\rightarrow 8, 4$
41.  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of an AP ( $a, a_1, a_2, \dots$ ) is  $a + (n - 1)d$   
 $\therefore a_{18} - a_{13} = 45$   
 $\Rightarrow (a + (18 - 1)d) - (a + (13 - 1)d) = 45$   
 $\Rightarrow d = 9$
42.  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of a GP ( $a, ar, ar^2, \dots$ ) is  $ar^{n-1}$ .  
 $\therefore$  for 3, 1,  $\frac{1}{3}, \dots$   
10th term =  $3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{10-1} = 3^{-8}$
43. Writing  $x^4 + x^3 - 2x^2 + ax + 1$  as  $(x - 1)(x^3 + 2x^2 + K)$ , where K is a constant  
 $\Rightarrow x^4 + x^3 - 2x^2 + Kx - K$   
Comparing this equation with  $x^4 + x^3 - 2x^2 + ax + 1$  we get  $a = -1$
44.  $(49x^2 - 1) + (1 + 7x)^2$   
 $= ((7x)^2 - 1) + (1 + 7x)^2$   
 $= (7x - 1)(7x + 1) + (7x + 1)^2$   
 $= (7x + 1)(7x + 7x)$   
 $= 14x(7x + 1)$   
 $\therefore 14x$  is a factor
45. For  $2x^2 + Kx + 8 = 0$  to have real roots,  
 $D \geq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow K^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 8 \geq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow K \geq \sqrt{64}$   
 $\Rightarrow -8 \geq K \geq 8$
46.  $-5x^2 + 2x - 10 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - \frac{2}{5}x + 2 = 0$   
Comparing with standard equation  $x^2 - (a + b)x + ab = 0$

where a & b are roots.

We get sum of roots =  $\frac{2}{5}$

product of roots = 2

answer =  $\frac{2}{5}, 2$

47. 1st term =  $a + (21 - 1)d$   
3rd term =  $18 + (3 - 1)d = 10$   
 $\Rightarrow d = -4$   
 $\therefore$  Answer =  $18 + 20 \times (-4) = -62$

48.  $\frac{6^{\text{th}} \text{ term of GP}}{3^{\text{rd}} \text{ term of GP}} = \frac{ar^5}{ar^2} = r^3$

$\therefore \frac{-128}{16} = r^3 \Rightarrow r = -2$

49.  $f(x) = x^4 - 4x^2 + 3ax - 12$   
Given  $f(-2) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 2^4 - 4 \times 2^2 + 3a \times (-2) - 12 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow a = -2$

50.  $(121x^2 - 1) + (1 + 11x)^2$   
 $= ((11x)^2 - 1^2) + (1 + 11x)^2$   
 $= (11x - 1)(11x + 1) + (11x + 1)^2$   
 $= (11x + 1)22x$   
 $\therefore 22x$  will be the required factor

51.  $A/Q D \geq 0 \Rightarrow K^2 - 4 \times 25 \geq 0$   
 $\Rightarrow K^2 \geq 100$   
 $\Rightarrow -10 \geq K \geq 10$

answer is not available in the options given

52.  $x^2 - x + (-4) = 0$   
Comparing with  $x^2 - (a + b)x + ab = 0$  for roots a & b,  
answer = 1, -4

53. Sum =  $\frac{20}{2} \{2 \times -4 + (20 - 1) \times 2\} = 300$

$\therefore$  Sum A.P =  $\frac{4}{2} \{2a + (4 + 1)d\}$

54. Sum $_{\infty}$  G.P =  $\frac{a}{1 - r}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3}{2}$

55.  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - ax + 4$

Taking  $f(2) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 + 2 \times 2^2 - 2a + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 10$$

56.  $(2x + 3y)^3 - (5x - 2y)^3$

$\Rightarrow (a^3 - b^3)$  is divisible by  $a - b$

$\Rightarrow$  above expression is divisible by

$$(2x + 3y - (5x - 2y)) = (5y - 3x)$$

57. A/Q  $D = 0 \Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 5^2 - 4 \times (-2k) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{-25}{8}$$

58.  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)2\alpha\beta$

$$= (-1)2 - 2 \times (-2) = 5$$

59.  $S_n = \frac{4}{2} \{2a + (4-1)d\}$

$$= \frac{16}{2} \{2 \times 10 + (16-1) \times -3\}$$

$$= -200$$

60.  $S_{\infty} \text{G.P} = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 2$$

61.  $f(x) = ax^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$

$\because (x + 2)$  is a factor

$$\Rightarrow f(-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(-2)^2 - 5 \times (-2) + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4$$

62.  $(x - 4y)^3 + (4x - 3y)^3$

$a^3 + b^3$  is divisible by  $(a + b)$

$\Rightarrow$  The above expression is divisible by

$$(3x - 4y) + (4x - 3y)$$

$$= 7x - 7y = 7(x - y)$$

$\therefore$  it is divisible by  $(x - y)$

63.  $3x^2 - 5x + 2K = 0$

has equal roots

$$\Rightarrow D = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-5)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 2K = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \left(\frac{25}{24}\right)$$

64.  $(\alpha + \beta)^2 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2\alpha\beta$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^2\beta^2 = (\alpha\beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$$

$$= (5)^2 - 2 \times 4 = 17$$

$\therefore$  for a general quadratic  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$$\text{sum of roots} = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$\text{Product of roots} = \frac{c}{a}$$

65.  $\text{Sum}_{A.P} = \frac{n}{2} \{2a + (4-1)d\}$

$$= \frac{20}{2} \{2 \times 5 + (20-1)4\}$$

$$= 860$$

66.  $S_{\infty} \text{GP} = \frac{a}{1-r}$

$$= \frac{5}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} = \frac{5}{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{25}{4}$$

67.  $\because (x + 1)$  is a factor of

$$f(x) = x^4 - 2ax^3 + x^2 - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow f(-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-1)^4 - 2a(-1)^3 + (-1)^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 2a + 1 - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1$$

68.  $(5x - 7y)^3 - (3y - 4x)^3$

$\because a^3 - b^3$  is always divisible by  $a - b$

$\Rightarrow$  The above expression is divisible by

$$(5x - 7y) - (3y - 4x)$$

$$= (9x - 10y)$$

69.  $3x^2 - 2x + 3k = 0$  has equal roots

$$\Rightarrow D = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-2)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 3k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{9}$$

**70.** For a general Quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c$   
Sum of roots =  $-b/a$   
Product of roots =  $c/a$   
 $\Rightarrow \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$   
 $= (-5)^2 - 2 \times (-6)$   
 $= 37$

**71.** Sum =  $\frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$   
 $= \frac{21}{2}(2 \times (-20) + (21-1)2)$   
 $= 0$

**72.** sum of  
GP =  $\frac{a}{1-r} \Rightarrow 6 = \frac{a}{1-\frac{1}{3}}$

$\Rightarrow a = 4$

**73.**  $\because (x+2)$  is a factor of  
 $f(x) = 5x^3 - 3x^2 + ax + 2$   
 $\Rightarrow f(-2) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 5(-2)^3 - 3(-2)^2 + a(-2) + 2 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow -40 - 12 - 2a + 2 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow a = -25$

**74.**  $(5x - 7y)^3 - (3x - 4y)^3$   
 $\because a^3 - b^3$  is always divisible by  $a - b$   
 $\Rightarrow$  the expression is divisible by  
 $(5x - 7y) - (3x - 4y) = (2x - 3y)$

**75.**  $Kx^2 + 5x + 1 = 0$   
for equal roots,  $D = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 5^2 - K = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow K = \frac{25}{4}$

**76.** For a general Quadratic equation,  
 $ax^2 + bx + c$   
sum of roots =  $-\frac{b}{a}$   
product of roots =  $4a$   
 $\Rightarrow \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$   
 $= (7)^2 - 2 \times 6$   
 $= 37$

**77.**  $x^2 - (3a - 1)x + 2a^2 - 11 = 0$   
for equal roots  $D = 0 \Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$   
for equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow (3a - 1)^2 - 4(2a^2 + 2a - 11) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow a^2 - 14a + 45 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow a = 5, 9$

**78.**  $3x^2 - 7x + 8 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - \frac{7}{3}x + \frac{8}{3} = 0$

Comparing with  $ax^2 - (b + a)x + ab = 0$  for roots =  $a, b$

$\alpha + \beta = \frac{7}{3}, \alpha\beta = \frac{8}{3}$

$\therefore$  Equation with roots  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$  &  $\frac{1}{\beta} \rightarrow$

$x^2 - \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)x + \frac{1}{\alpha\beta} = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - \left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta}\right)x + \frac{1}{\alpha\beta} = 0$

using values of  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$ ,

$x^2 - \frac{7 \times 3}{3 \times 8}x + \frac{3}{8} = 0$

$\Rightarrow 8x^2 - 7x + 3 = 0$

**79.**

**80.**  $x^4 - 5x^3 + 14x^2 - 20x + 16$   
 $= x^4 - 3x^3 - 2x^3 + 4x^2 + 6x^2 + 4x^2 - 8x - 12x + 16$   
 $= x^4 - 3x^3 + 4x^2 - 2x^3 + 6x^2 - 8x + 4x^2 - 12x + 16$   
 $= x^2(x^2 - 3x + 4) - 2x(x^2 - 3x + 4) + 4(x^2 - 3x + 4)$   
 $= (x^2 - 2x + 4)(x^2 - 3x + 4)$

**81.** Ratio of 10<sup>th</sup> terms  $\Rightarrow \frac{a_1 + (m-1)d_1}{a_2 + (m-1)d_2}$

$= \frac{2a_1 + ((2m-1)-1)d_1}{2a_2 + ((2m-1)-1)d_2}$

$\therefore$  Ratio of 10<sup>th</sup> terms = Ratio of Sum of  
 $2m - 1$  i.e.  $2 \times 10 - 1 = 19$  terms

$\Rightarrow \frac{2n+1}{n+1} = \frac{2 \times 19 + 1}{19 + 1}$   
 $= 39 : 20$

$$82. \quad \text{Sum} = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{10}{1-\frac{8}{10}} = 50$$

$$83. \quad \alpha + \beta = \frac{b}{a} \text{ and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

Let roots of  $cx^2 + bx + a = 0$   
be p and q.

$$p + q = -\frac{b}{c} \text{ and } pq = \frac{a}{c} = \frac{1}{\alpha\beta}$$

$$p + q = \frac{-b}{\alpha\beta a} \Rightarrow p + q = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}$$

$$\text{or } p, q = \frac{1}{\alpha} \text{ and } \frac{1}{\beta}$$

$$84. \quad b^2 - 4ac = 0 \text{ or } [4(n+2)]^2 = 4(n+1) \quad (25)$$

$$4(n+2)^2 = 25n + 25$$

$$4n^2 + 16n + 16 = 25n + 25$$

$$4n^2 - 9n - 9 = 0$$

$$\text{or } n = 3, \frac{-3}{4}$$

$$85. \quad (x+1)(x+7) = (x^2 + 8x + 7) = p$$

$$\text{and } (x+3)(x+5) = x^2 + 8x + 15 = p + 8$$

$$p(p+8) - 9 = p^2 + 8p - 9 = 0$$

$$p(p+9) - 1(p+9) = 0$$

$$(p-1)(p+9) = 0$$

$$p-1 = 0 \text{ or } x^2 + 8x + 6 = 0$$

$$86. \quad \text{Check from options, we see}$$

$$x^2 = 5, x = 2 \text{ and } x = -2 \text{ all}$$

$$\text{solve } x^4 - 9x^2 + 20 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-2)(x+2)(x^2-5) = x^4 - 9x^2 + 20$$

$$87. \quad \text{Sum of first 5 terms}$$

$$= 5(-1) + 5(0) + 5(1) + 5(2) + 5(3) + (6 \times 5)$$

$$= 10 + 15 + 30 = 55.$$

$$88. \quad \frac{a}{1-r} = 20 \text{ or } \frac{a}{20} = (1-r)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{a^2}{1-r^2} = 100$$

$$a^2 = 100(1-r)(1+r)$$

$$a = 5(1+r) \text{ or } 5(1+r) = 20(1-r)$$

$$\text{or } 1+r = 4-4r \text{ or } 5r = 3 \text{ or } r = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$89. \quad b^2 - 4ac = 0 \text{ or } [2(k-12)]^2 = 4(k-12)^2$$

$$4(k-12)^2 = 4(k-12)^2$$

$$k = 14$$

$$\text{Also if } k = 12, b^2 = 4ac = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of possible values} = 14 + 12 = 26.$$

$$90. \quad \alpha + \beta = \frac{2b}{a}, \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} \text{ or } \frac{2b}{a} : \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\therefore \text{Ans} = 2b : c.$$

$$91. \quad \text{Substituting } x = -1 \text{ and } x^2 = 7, \text{ we get}$$

$$x^4 + 2x^3 - 6x^2 - 14x - 7 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x+1)(x+1)(x^2-7)$$

$$92. \quad x(3x-4) : 3x^2 - 4x \text{ and } (3x+2)(x-2) = 3x^2 - 4x - 4$$

$$3x^2 - 4 = a$$

$$a(a-4) - 21 = 0$$

$$a^2 - 4a - 21 = 0$$

$$a^2 - 7a + 3a - 21 = 0 \text{ or } a(a-7) + 3(a-7) = 0$$

$$(a+3)(a-7) = 0$$

$$(3x^2 - 4x + 3)(3x^2 - 4x - 7) = 0$$

$$\text{Taking } 3x^2 - 4x - 7 = 0, \text{ we get}$$

$$(3x^2 + 3x - 7x - 7) = 0$$

$$(3x(x+1) - 7(x+1)) = 0$$

$$(3x-7)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\text{or } 3x-7 \text{ is a factor.}$$

$$93. \quad 10\text{th term} = 3(10)^2 + 2(10) - 3(9)^2 - 2(9)$$

$$= 300 + 20 - 243 - 18$$

$$= 57 + 2 = 59.$$

$$94. \quad ar^3 = \frac{4}{49} \text{ and } r = \frac{1}{7} \text{ or } a = \frac{4}{49} \times 343 \text{ or } a = 28$$

$$\frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{28 \times 7}{6} = \frac{196}{6} = 32\frac{2}{3}$$

$$95. \quad \text{Directly substitute options and solve.}$$

$$\text{We get } a = 1 \text{ and } b = 7.$$

$$96. \quad f(2) = 32 - 8 + 10 - 8 = 26.$$

$$97. \quad a = 80, l = 275, n = 40$$

$$s = \frac{40}{2} \times (275 + 80) = 20 \times 355 = 7100.$$

$$98. \quad \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{80}{9}$$

$$a = \frac{80(1+r)}{9} = \frac{80}{9} \times \frac{9}{5} = 16.$$

**99.**  $(b-c)^3 + (c-a)^3 + (a-b)^3$   
Using  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = (x+y+z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx) + 3xyz$   
We get  
 $(b-c)^3 + (c-a)^3 + (a-b)^3 = 3(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)$   
 $= \frac{3xyz}{abc}$ .

**100.** Let GP be  $a, ar, ar^2$ .  
Given,  $a + ar + ar^2 = 14$   
 $\Rightarrow a(1 + r + r^2) = 14$  ....(i)  
Also,  $a^2 + a^2 r^2 + a^2 r^4 = 84$   
 $\Rightarrow a(1 + r + r^2) a(r^2 - r + 1) = 84$   
 $\Rightarrow 14a(r^2 - r + 1) = 84$  [using (i)]  
 $\Rightarrow a(1 - r + r^2) = 6$  ....(ii)  
Solving (1) & (ii),  
 $ar = 4$

$\therefore$  GP :- 2, 4, 8

Largest number = 8

**101.** Let the 2 numbers =  $a$  &  $b$

AM =  $\frac{a+b}{2}$  and GM =  $\sqrt{ab}$

$\therefore \sqrt{ab} = \frac{80}{100} \left( \frac{a+b}{2} \right)$

$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 - 4.25 ab = 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b^2} - 4.25 \frac{a}{b} + 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = 4$

$\therefore$  Ratio = 4 : 1

**102.** Using  $(a-b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab$

$\left( x - \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 = a^2$

$\left[ \because x - \frac{1}{x} = a \right]$

$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = a^2 + 2$  ....(i)

Using  $a^3 - b^3 = (a-b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$

$x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = \left( x - \frac{1}{x} \right) \left( x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 1 \right)$

Using (i) and given  $x - \frac{1}{x} = a$

$\Rightarrow a(a^2 + 2 + 1) = a^3 + 3a$