

**Answers to Maths Advance - Level 9+ Exam Paper**

**Q1.**

$$\begin{aligned}A + B &= (2^2 \times 3 \times 13 \times 17^2) + (2^3 \times 5 \times 13 \times 17) \\&= 2^2 \times 13 \times 17 \times ((3 \times 17) + (2 \times 5)) \\&= 2^2 \times 13 \times 17 \times (61) \\&= 2^2 \times 13 \times 17 \times 61\end{aligned}$$

**Q2.**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3^{111} - 3^{110}}{3^{109} + 3^{107}} &= \frac{3^{110}(3-1)}{3^{107}(3^2-1)} \\&= \frac{3^3 \times 2}{8} \\&= \frac{27}{4}\end{aligned}$$

Q3.

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}\right)^2 &= a + 2\sqrt{ab} + b \\ &= (a + b) + \sqrt{4ab}\end{aligned}$$

Comparing this expression to  $5 + \sqrt{24}$  gives:

$$a + b = 5$$

$$ab = 6$$

This solves to give  $(a, b) = (2, 3)$  or  $(3, 2)$

$$\text{Thus } \sqrt{5 + \sqrt{24}} = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$$

**Q4.**

George must have rolled three 1's, one 2, and one 5.

There are therefore twenty different ways in which he could have rolled the dice.

**Q5.**

First bar = 104

Second bar = 148

Third bar = 144

Fourth bar = 132

Fifth bar = 48

Scale on the y-axis is...

The large squares equate to frequency densities of 2, 4, 6 etc.

The smaller squares equate to frequency densities of 0.4, 0.8, 1.2 etc.

**Q6.**

Height of triangle:

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

$$= \frac{3}{4}a^2$$

$$h = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a$$

Apothem (  $A$  ) of hexagon:

$$A = a - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a$$

$$= \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2}a$$

Side length (  $S$  ) of hexagon:

$$s^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}s\right)^2 = \left(\frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2}a\right)^2$$

$$\frac{3}{4}s^2 = \frac{(2-\sqrt{3})^2 a^2}{4}$$

$$s^2 = \frac{(2-\sqrt{3})^2 a^2}{3}$$

Area of hexagon:

$$= 6 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{(2-\sqrt{3})^2 a^2}{3} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= (2 - \sqrt{3})^2 a^2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= (7 - 4\sqrt{3})a^2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{7}{2}\sqrt{3} - 6\right)a^2$$

**Q7.**

$$1,000 \times \left(1 + \frac{x}{100}\right)^{50} = 10,000 \times \left(1 + \frac{y}{100}\right)^{50}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{100}\right)^{50} = 10 \left(1 + \frac{y}{100}\right)^{50}$$

$$1 + \frac{x}{100} = \sqrt[50]{10} \left(1 + \frac{y}{100}\right)$$

$$\frac{x}{100} = \sqrt[50]{10} \left(1 + \frac{y}{100}\right) - 1$$

$$x = \sqrt[50]{10}(100 + y) - 100$$

**Q8.**

Cost of coffee =  $C$

Cost of sandwich =  $S$

$$3C + 2S = 14.40^* \quad (\text{multiply by 11})$$

After price increase the cost of a coffee will be  $1.1C$  and cost of sandwich =  $1.1S$

$$2.2C + 1.1S = 9.13 \quad (\text{multiply by 20})$$

$$33C + 22S = 158.40$$

$$44C + 22S = 182.60$$

$$11C = 24.20$$

$$C = 2.20$$

Sub into \* gives  $S = 3.90$

**Q9.**

$$6^x = (6^{50} + 9)^2 - (6^{50} - 9)^2$$

$$6^x = (6^{50} + 9 + 6^{50} - 9) \times (6^{50} + 9 - (6^{50} - 9))$$

$$6^x = (2 \times 6^{50}) \times 18$$

$$6^x = 36 \times 6^{50}$$

$$6^x = 6^2 \times 6^{50}$$

$$6^x = 6^{52}$$

$$x = 52$$

**Q10.**

The listing of outcomes here is extensive but is shortened significantly if you group the possible last rolls.

The possible rolls were:

$$(6, 5, 4 - 1), (6, 4, 3 - 1), (6, 3, 2 - 1), (6, 2, 1)$$

Thus the probability  $P$  is given by:

$$P = \left(\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{4}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{2}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6}\right)$$

$$= \frac{4}{36} + \frac{3}{36} + \frac{2}{36} + \frac{1}{36}$$

$$= \frac{10}{36}$$

$$= \frac{5}{18}$$

**Q11.**

Total chocolates =  $m + n$  which must be an even number.

For there to be more in the second box it must contain at least  $\frac{m+n+2}{2}$  chocolates.

So number of chocolates needed to moved is:

$$= \frac{m+n+2}{2} - \frac{2m}{2}$$

$$= \frac{n+2-m}{2}$$

**Q12.**

There are 9 such pairs, demonstrated by video solution.

Pairs are: (9, 11), (18, 22), (27, 33) etc.

**Q13.**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Diagonal of square} &= \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2} \\ &= 2\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

Applying cosine rule:

$$\begin{aligned}a^2 &= (\sqrt{2})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2 - (2 \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \cos(45)) \\ &= 2 + 2 - 4 \cos(45) \\ &= 4 - 4 \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \\ &= 4 \left( 1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)\end{aligned}$$

$$a = 2\sqrt{\frac{2-\sqrt{2}}{2}}$$



**Q14.**

Sum of radii =  $r + ar = 8$

$$r(1 + a) = 8$$

$$r = \frac{8}{1+a}$$

Sum of surface areas =  $4\pi r^2 + 4\pi(ar)^2 = 160\pi$

$$160\pi = 4\pi r^2 + 4\pi a^2 r^2$$

$$40 = r^2 + a^2 r^2$$

$$40 = r^2(1 + a^2)$$

$$r^2 = \frac{40}{1+a^2}$$

Equating the two expressions:

$$\left(\frac{8}{1+a}\right)^2 = \frac{40}{1+a^2}$$

$$\frac{64}{1+2a+a^2} = \frac{40}{1+a^2}$$

$$64(1 + a^2) = 40(1 + 2a + a^2)$$

$$0 = 40(1 + 2a + a^2) - 64(1 + a^2)$$

$$0 = 40 + 80a + 40a^2 - 64 - 64a^2$$

$$0 = -24a^2 + 80a - 24$$

$$0 = 3a^2 - 10a + 3$$

$$0 = (3a - 1)(a - 3)$$

Therefore the radius of the larger sphere is 3 times the radius of the smaller sphere.

Subbing back into earlier equations to find the radii:

$$r + 3r = 8$$

$$4r = 8$$

$$r = 2 \text{ (smaller) or } r = 6 \text{ (larger).}$$

Volume of larger sphere,  $V$ :

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi(6)^3$$

$$= 288\pi$$

**Q15.**

To calculate the number of half lives have passed since the first reading:

$$1 \div 0.00390625 = 256$$

So count rate is 256 times smaller at the second reading than at the first reading. Thus 8 half lives had passed since  $2^8 = 256$ .

$$8 \times 22 = 176 \text{ minutes}$$

$$176 = 60 + 60 + 56$$

So time of second reading was 2.56pm.

**Q16.**

Call the largest angle,  $A$ , then:

$$P(A > 90) = \frac{3}{20}$$

Click [here](#) for explanation of result.

**Q17.**

$$Area = 8\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

See video.

**Q18.**

$$a^4 = \frac{2581-b^4}{4}$$

$$4a^4 + b^4 = 2581$$

$$4a^4 + b^4 = 29 \times 89$$

$$4a^4 + b^4 = \left(a^2 + (a+b)^2\right)\left(a^2 + (a-b)^2\right)$$

So...

$$2581 = \left(a^2 + (a+b)^2\right)\left(a^2 + (a-b)^2\right)$$

$$29 \times 89 = \left(a^2 + (a+b)^2\right)\left(a^2 + (a-b)^2\right)$$

$$(25 + 64)(25 + 4) = \left(a^2 + (a+b)^2\right)\left(a^2 + (a-b)^2\right)$$

$$\left(5^2 + (5+3)^2\right)\left(5^2 + (5-3)^2\right) = \left(a^2 + (a+b)^2\right)\left(a^2 + (a-b)^2\right)$$

So...

$$a = 5, b = 3$$