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INTELLIGENCE (Reasoning)

MATHEMATICAL OPERATIONS

In this chapter, questions are based on four fundamental operations of Mathematics such as **Addition (+)**, **Subtraction (-)**, **Multiplication (x)** and **Division (÷)**. In these types of questions, the meaning of the operations is inter-changed. Students are required to apply the rule of **VBODMAS** after changing the meaning of operations in the given pattern. Some solved examples are given below :

Example 1. If, (+) means (-) and (-) means (x). Find the value of $20 + 5 - 3$:

- (a) 10 (b) 5 (c) 30 (d) 60

Solution : Given : (+) = (-) and (-) = (x)

According to the given pattern and conditions

$$20 + 5 - 3 = 25 - 5 \times 3$$

By implementing VBODMAS

$$= 25 - 15 = 10$$

Ans. (a)

Example 2. If, (+) means (x) and (x) means (÷) and (-) means (+). Find the value of $6 + 15 \times 3 - 9$.

- (a) 10 (b) 5 (c) 39 (d) 60

Solution : Given : (+) = (x), (x) = (÷) and (-) = (+)

According to the given pattern and conditions

$$6 + 15 \times 3 - 9 = 6 \times 15 \div 3 + 9$$

By implementing VBODMAS

$$= 6 \times 5 + 9 = 30 + 9 = 39$$

Ans. (c)

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Example 3. If, $(2 - 3 - 5) = 30$ and $(4 - 2 - 8) = 64$. Then find the value of $1 - 2 - 4$.

- (a) 10 (b) 5 (c) 9 (d) 8

Solution : Given : $(2 - 3 - 5) = 30$ and $(4 - 2 - 8) = 64$

According to the result the pattern follows as under :

$$(2 \times 3 \times 5) = 30 \text{ and } (4 \times 2 \times 8) = 64$$

Hence, $(1 - 2 - 4) = (1 \times 2 \times 4) = 8$

Ans. (d)

Example 4. If, $(5 \times 8 \times 7) = 587$ and $(6 \times 3 \times 9) = 639$. Then find the value of $4 \times 2 \times 6$.

- (a) 226 (b) 426 (c) 624 (d) 264

Solution : Given : $(5 \times 8 \times 7) = 587$ and $(6 \times 3 \times 9) = 639$

According to the pattern of results all signs of (x) have been removed :

$$(5 \times 8 \times 7) = 587 \text{ and } (6 \times 3 \times 9) = 639$$

OR $(587) = 587$ and $(639) = 639$

Hence, $(4 \times 2 \times 6) = (426) = 426$

Ans. (b)

Example 5. If, **A** stands for (+), **B** stands for (-), **C** stands for (x), then the find the value of **(20A5) A (5C6) B 8**.

- (a) 47 (b) 46 (c) 64 (d) 27

Solution : Given : A = (+), B = (-), C = (x)

According to the given pattern and conditions :

$$(20A5) A (5C6) B 8 = (20+5) + (5 \times 6) - 8$$

Hence, $25 + 30 - 8 = 47$

Ans. (a)

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EXERCISE FOR PRACTICE

- If $3 \times 4 = 7$ and $5 \times 8 = 13$, then $6 \times 2 = ?$
(a) 8 (b) 12 (c) 9 (d) 5
- If $4 + 6 = 24$, $5 + 3 = 15$, $8 + 4 = 32$ then $7 + 8 = ?$
(a) 65 (b) 56 (c) 15 (d) 28
- If $9 \div 3 = 6$, $8 \div 3 = 5$, $8 \div 4 = 4$ then $15 \div 3 = ?$
(a) 10 (b) 18 (c) 5 (d) 12
- If $4 - 3 = 43$, $9 - 5 = 95$, $6 - 3 = 63$ then $8 - 7 = ?$
(a) 56 (b) 15 (c) 87 (d) 1
- If $5 + 3 + 4 = 534$, $6 + 7 + 2 = 672$, $6 + 3 + 2 = 632$ then $8 + 7 + 3 = ?$
(a) 873 (b) 18 (c) 15 (d) 3
- If $4 - 5 = 20$, $8 - 4 = 32$, $5 - 3 = 15$ then $9 - 3 = ?$
(a) 15 (b) 12 (c) 27 (d) 6
- If $3 + 2 + 4 = 423$, $9 + 5 + 1 = 159$, $6 + 3 + 5 = 563$ then $8 + 7 + 9 = ?$
(a) 24 (b) 879 (c) 978 (d) 798
- If $4 + 4 = 64$, $6 + 5 = 121$, $7 + 3 = 100$ then $8 + 9 = ?$
(a) 17 (b) 289 (c) 78 (d) 89
- If $10 + 2 = 102$, $90 + 5 = 905$, $65 + 3 = 653$ then $85 + 7 = ?$
(a) 857 (b) 92 (c) 758 (d) 578
- If $2 - 1 - 4 = 412$, $5 - 3 - 4 = 435$, $6 - 3 - 8 = 836$ then $8 - 5 - 3 = ?$
(a) 16 (b) 358 (c) 653 (d) 0

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11. If, **A = plus**, **B = minus**, **C = divided by** and **D = multiplied by** then $18A15C5D2B5 = ?$

- (a) 19 (b) 18 (c) 17 (d) 15

12. If **(+)** means **divided by** **(-)** means **multiplied by** **(x)** means **minus** and **(÷)** means **plus** which of the following will be the value of the expression $15 \div 3 - 6 + 3 \times 1 = ?$

- (a) 21 (b) 17 (c) 20 (d) 19

13. If $4 + 2 + 3 = 234$, $5 + 2 + 8 + 285$ and $6 + 3 + 9 = 396$ then $8 + 9 + 2 = ?$

- (a) 928 (b) 19 (c) 892 (d) 298

14. If $18 \times 3 = 61$, $3 \times 9 = 13$ and $9 \times 6 = 32$ then $15 \times 9 = ?$

- (a) 35 (b) 53 (c) 55 (d) 135

15. If **Z** means **minus**, **Y** means **plus**, **X** means **divided by** and **W** means **multiplied by** then $20Z2W6X2Y5 = ?$

- (a) 69 (b) 70 (c) 20 (d) 19

ANSWER KEY

Q No	Ans	Q No	Ans	Q No	Ans	Q No	Ans	Q No	Ans
1	(a)	2	(b)	3	(d)	4	(c)	5	(a)
6	(c)	7	(c)	8	(b)	9	(a)	10	(b)
11	(a)	12	(c)	13	(a)	14	(b)	15	(d)

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