

# Cognizant Reasoning Questions and Answers with Explanation



## 1. Statements:

All pens are pins. No tag is a pin. All papers are pens

### Conclusions:

- I. No pin is a tag
- II. All papers are pins
- III. All pins are definitely not tag

- A. Only I follows
- B. Only II follows
- C. Only II and III follow
- D. All I, II and III follow

**Answer – D.** All I, II and III follow

### Explanation:

- I: from II => No tag is a pin => No pin is a tag
- II: All+ All = All from I and III => true
- III: From II => All pins are definitely not tag => true

## 2. Statements:

No plant is a tree. All trees are roots. Some branches are roots

### Conclusions:

- I. All roots being plants is a possibility
- II. Some roots are definitely trees
- III. At least some branches are definitely not trees

- A. Only I follow
- B. Only II follows
- C. Only II and III follow
- D. Only I and II follow

**Answer – B.** Only II follows

### Explanation:

- I: No+all => some not => Possibility not exist because of negative statement
- II: All trees are roots => Some roots are trees => true
- III: From II and III => All+some => No conclusion => false

## 3. Statements:

Some halls are classes. No class in school. All schools are colleges

### Conclusions:

- I. Some halls are not schools
- II. At least some schools are classes

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III. All colleges being the school is a possibility

- A. Only I and III follow
- B. Only II and III follow
- C. Either I or II and III follow
- D. All I, II and III follow

**Answer – A.** Only I and III follow

**Explanation:**

I: From I and II  $\Rightarrow$  Some + No  $\Rightarrow$  some not  $\Rightarrow$  true

II: No class is the school  $\Rightarrow$  False

III: All schools are colleges  $\Rightarrow$  possibility exists  $\Rightarrow$  true

4. **Choose the odd one**

- A. Marigold
- B. Grapes
- C. Rose
- D. Lotus

**Answer – B.** Grapes

**Explanation:**

Except grapes all are flowers

5. **Choose the odd one**

- A. Lion
- B. Crocodile
- C. Deer
- D. Bat

**Answer – B.** Crocodile

**Explanation:**

Except for crocodile, all are mammals

6. **Choose the odd one**

- A. Keyboard
- B. Mouse
- C. Printer
- D. Scanner

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**Answer – C. Printer**

**Explanation:**

Except for the printer, all are an input device

**Directions (Q. 7 - 9):** Below asked questions, two rows of numbers are given. The resultant number in each row is to be worked out separately based on the following rules and the questions below the rows of numbers are to be answered. The operations of numbers progress from the left to the right.

**Rules:**

- (i) If an odd number is followed by another composite odd number, they are to be added.
- (ii) If an even number is followed by an odd number they are to be added.
- (iii) If an even number is followed by a number which is the perfect square, the even number is to be subtracted from the perfect square.
- (iv) If an odd number is followed by a prime odd number, the first number is to be divided by the second number.
- (v) If an odd number is followed by an even number the second one is to be subtracted from the first number.

**7. I. 15 6 21**

**II. P 3 27**

If 'P' is the resultant of the first row, what will be the resultant of the second row?

- A. 27
- B. 60
- C. 58
- D. 82

**Answer - B. 60**

**Explanation:**

$15 - 6 = 9$  [Rule v]  $9 + 21 = 30$  [Rule i]  $P = 30$   
 $30 + 3 = 33$  [Rule ii]  $33 + 27 = 60$  [Rule i]

**8. I. 51 17 35**

**II. 14 15 R**

If 'R' is the resultant of the first row, what will be the sum of the resultants of first and second row?

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- A. 31
- B. - 3
- C. 29
- D. 3

**Answer - C. 29**

**Explanation:**

$51 / 17 = 3$  [Rule iv]  $3 + 35 = 38$  [Rule i]  $R = 38$

$14 + 15 = 29$  [Rule ii]  $29 - 38 = -9$  [Rule v] ; Sum of the resultants of first and second row =  $38 - 9 = 29$

**9. I. 12 36 15**

**II. 18 Q 10**

If 'Q' is the resultant of the first row, what will be the resultant of the second row ?

- A. 85
- B. 101
- C. 69
- D. None of the above

**Answer - D. None of the above**

**Explanation:**

$36 - 12 = 24$  [Rule iii]  $24 + 15 = 39$  [Rule ii]  $Q = 39$

$18 + 39 = 57$  [Rule ii]  $57 - 10 = 47$  [Rule v]

Therefore, Answer is none of the above.

**10. Thermometer: Temperature:: Barometer:?**

- A. Strain
- B. Force
- C. Stress
- D. Pressure

**Answer – D. Pressure**

**Explanation:**

The thermometer is used to measure Temperature similarly Barometer is used to measure Pressure

**11. Kitten: Cat:: Cub:?**

- A. Tiger

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- B. Dear
- C. Giraffe
- D. Horse

**Answer – A. Tiger**

**Explanation:**

Kitten is the young one of Cat similarly Cub is the younger one of Tiger.

**Directions(Q 12 -14)** Study the following arrangement to answer the given questions

**R 6 J # L @ 3 E D T A C \* G © U M 2 F I V \$ 4 Z 5 Y**

**12. Which of the following is the sixth to the left of the fifth to the left of “V”?**

- A. 3
- B. D
- C. T
- D. A

**Answer - C. T**

**Explanation:**

If we observe the above-given sequence sixth to the left of the fifth to the left of “V” – 11th to the left of V

**13. If all the numbers are dropped from the above arrangement, which of the following will be the seventeenth from the right end?**

- A. E
- B. I
- C. @
- D. C

**Answer - C. @**

**Explanation:**

Given Sequence R 6 J # L @ 3 E D T A C \* G © U M 2 F I V \$ 4 Z 5 Y

After removing the number from the sequence: R J # L @ E D T A C \* G © U M F I V \$ Z Y

Therefore, the seventeenth symbol from the right side is @

**14. Which of the following is the eighth to the right of the fourteenth from the left end of the above arrangement?**

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- A. \$
- B. E
- C. V
- D. 4

**Answer - A. \$**

**Explanation:**

If you carefully observe the above-given sequence then  
8th to the right of 14th from the left – 6th from the left end – \$