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Question1:-

For pipe flow, turbulent flow occurs when Reynolds number

A:-less than 4000

B:-more than 4000

C:-between 2000 and 4000

D:-less than 2000

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question2:-The time of oscillation of a floating body with increase in metacentric height will be

A:-decreases

B:-increases

C:-unaltered

D:-lower or higher depending on weight of body

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question3:-The value of the compressibility of an ideal fluid is

A:-infinity

B:-zero

C:-unity

D:-more than that of a real fluid

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question4:-Which device is popularly used for measuring difference of low pressure?

A:-Vertical Single column manometer

B:-Inclined Single column manometer

C:-U-tube Differential Manometer

D:-Inverted U-tube Differential Manometer

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question5:-Euler number is defined as the ratio of inertia force to

A:-elastic force

B:-viscous force

C:-gravity force

D:-pressure force

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question6:-Cavitation usually occurs due to the changes in

A:-Pressure

B:-Temperature

C:-Volume

D:-Heat

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question7:-The lowest temperature at which the oils gives enough vapour

A:-Fire point

B:-Cloud point

C:-Pour point

D:-Flash point

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question8:-Centrifugal pump gives maximum efficiency when its blades are

A:-Straight

B:-bent forward

C:-bent backward

D:-wave shaped

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question9:-The hydraulic efficiency of Pelton turbine will be maximum when blade velocity is equal to

A:- $V/2$

B:- $V/3$

C:- $V/6$

D:- $V/4$

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question10:-Geometric similarity between model and prototype means similarity of?

A:-disccharge

B:-motion

C:-forces

D:-linear dimensions

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question11:-For a Carnot engine, if the source temperature increases while sink temperature remains constant, the efficiency will

- A:-Decrease
- B:-Increase
- C:-Remain Constant
- D:-First increase then decrease

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question12:-The main purpose of a scavenging process in a 2-stroke diesel engine is

- A:-Cooling the engine

B:-Removing burnt gases and filling fresh air

C:-Increasing compression ratio

D:-Improving lubrication

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question13:-In a single-stage reciprocating compressor, the volumetric efficiency decreases mainly due to

A:-Clearance volume

B:-Increase in suction pressure

C:-Intercooling

D:-Higher stroke length

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question14:-In heat transfer, thermal conductivity (k) depends primarily on

A:-Temperature gradient

B:-Material properties

C:-Cross-sectional area

D:-Thickness of the wall

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question15:-In the Otto cycle, if the compression ratio is increased from 6 to 9, the theoretical efficiency change is primarily governed by

A:-Specific heat at constant pressure

B:-Ratio of specific heats (γ)

C:-Maximum cycle pressure

D:-Temperature after heat addition

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question16:-During the Morse test, the fall in brake power when one cylinder is cut off represents

A:-Brake power of that cylinder

B:-Friction power of that cylinder

C:-Indicated power of that cylinder

D:- Mechanical efficiency of that cylinder

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question17:- In a multi-stage air compressor with perfect intercooling, the optimum intermediate pressure is

A:- Arithmetic mean of inlet and outlet pressure

B:- Geometric mean of inlet and outlet pressure

C:- Harmonic mean of inlet and outlet pressure

D:- Equal to outlet pressure

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question18:- For a gas turbine working on the Brayton cycle, if the pressure ratio is increased, the thermal efficiency increases only up to a certain limit and then starts decreasing. This behavior is primarily due to:

A:- Increase in compressor work dominating turbine work

B:- Reduction in specific heat at constant pressure

C:- Decrease in turbine inlet temperature

D:- Increase in regenerator effectiveness

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question19:- In a Diesel cycle, if the cut-off ratio increases while compression ratio remains constant, the efficiency

A:- Increases

B:- Decreases

C:- Remains constant

D:- Becomes equal to Otto cycle

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question20:- The specific fuel consumption (SFC) of a diesel engine increases when

A:- When EGR started working

B:- Higher inlet boost pressure

C:- Higher CRDI rail pressure at higher loads

D:- Engine operated on ambient temperature

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question21:- When the resistance offered by a section of the rod is against an increase in length, the section is said to offer a

A:- Tensile stress

B:- Compressive stress

C:- Tensile strain

D:- Compressive strain

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question22:- A rod tapers uniformly from 30 mm to 15 mm diameter in a length of 600 mm. If the rod be subjected to an axial load of 6000N, find the extension of the rod.

Take $E = 2 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$

A:- 0.03 mm

B:- 0.04 mm

C:-_{0.05 mm}

D:-_{1.3 mm}

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question23:-_{Maximum shear stress on oblique section of a bar carrying axial load occurs on}

A:-_{Plane at 45° with the normal cross section}

B:-_{Plane at 135° with the normal cross section}

C:-_{Planes at 45° or 135° with the normal cross section}

D:-_{Plane at 90° with the normal cross section}

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question24:-_{A material has a Young's Modulus of $1.5 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$ and a Poisson's ratio of 0.25. Bulk Modulus of this material is}

A:- _{$0.75 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$}

B:- _{10^5 N/mm^2}

C:- _{$1.25 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$}

D:- _{$0.85 \times 10^5 \text{ N/mm}^2$}

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question25:-_{When a member is free to expand due to the rise of temperature, stress induced will be}

A:-_{Tensile stress}

B:-_{Compressive stress}

C:-_{Hoop stress}

D:-_{Zero stress}

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question26:-_{Bending Moment in a cantilever of length 'l' carrying a uniformly distributed load 'w' per unit run over the whole length and a concentrated load W at the free end follows}

A:-_{Linear law}

B:-_{Parabolic law}

C:-_{Cubic law}

D:-_{Triangular law}

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question27:-_{Point of contra flexure occurs in beams that experience}

A:-_{Sagging moment}

B:-_{Hogging moment}

C:-_{Both sagging and hogging moment}

D:-_{None of the above}

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question28:-_{A body of weight 100N is placed on a rough horizontal plane. Determine the coefficient of friction if a horizontal force of 80 N just causes the body to slide over the horizontal plane}

A:-_{0.6}

B:-_{0.8}

C:-_{0.7}

D:-_{0.5}

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question29:-_{Type of rivet head mainly used for ship building is}

A:-_{Snap head}

B:-_{Counter sunk head}

C:-_{Conical head}

D:-_{Pan head}

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question30:-_{Permissible load for the single V shaped butt welded joint of Tie bar 120 mm x 8 mm dimensions with the safe stress in weld 140 N/mm² is}

A:-_{90000 N}

B:-_{86000 N}

C:-_{85000 N}

D:-_{84000 N}

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question31:-_{Which of the following is the function of a bearing in a machinery?}

A:-_{Transmit power}

B:-_{Provide support and reduce friction for rotating shafts}

C:-_{Store kinetic energy}

D:-_{Maintain the speed of operation}

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question32:-_{What does the term 'μ' in bearing characteristic numbers refers to?}

A:-_{Co-efficient of friction}

B:-_{Bearing pressure}

C:-_{Dynamic viscosity of the lubricant}

D:-_{Speed of the journal}

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question33:-_{Which of the following ferrous metals has the highest percentage of carbon?}

A:-_{Wrought Iron}

B:-_{Mild Steel}

C:-_{Cast Iron}

D:-_{Alloy Steel}

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question34:-_{Flywheels are mainly used in an engine for:}

A:-_{Reducing the weight}

B:-_{Storing energy to minimize fluctuations in speed}

C:- Improving the static and dynamic balancing

D:- Reducing the moment of inertia

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question35:- In a spur gear, the velocity ratio is correctly defined as the ratio of:

A:- Pitch circle diameter to addendum

B:- Number of teeth on the follower to number of teeth on the driver

C:- Number of teeth on the driver to number of teeth on the follower

D:- Circular pitch to module

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question36:- In a simple gear train, which of the following statement is correct regarding the idler gear?

A:- It changes the gear ratio of the drive.

B:- It changes the direction of rotation of the last driven gear.

C:- It causes a loss of power and must always be avoided.

D:- The speed of the idler gear is always half of the driver gear.

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question37:- Herringbone gears are mainly used for:

A:- Changing shaft direction at angles

B:- Transmitting power between parallel shafts

C:- High-speed helical motion

D:- Thrust load support

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question38:- The primary function of a blow off cock in a boiler is to:

A:- Measure the temperature of flue gases.

B:- To ensure continuous outflow of steam.

C:- To continuously supply feed water.

D:- To remove accumulated sludge and sediments from the boiler.

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question39:- The process of tempering is primarily performed on steel to:

A:- Increase the hardness and wear resistance

B:- Improve machinability

C:- Reduce the brittleness and increase the toughness after hardening

D:- Increase the critical temperature.

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question40:- A governor is considered stable if:

A:- For every speed within its operating range, there is a definite sleeve position.

B:- The sleeve movement is too slow for the change in speed.

C:- The equilibrium speed is constant for all positions of the sleeve.

D:- The governor runs continuously up and down when in operation.

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question41:- The relationship between stroke and crank throw of an engine is

A:- Stroke is half of crank throw

B:- Stroke is twice the crank throw

C:- Stroke is four times the crank throw

D:- Stroke is equal to crank throw

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question42:- Most turbochargers have a waste gate; it helps to

A:- Cool the air-fuel mixture

B:- Allow higher engine speed

C:- Produce overboost

D:- Prevent overboost

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question43:- Which of the following is incorrect about cooling system

A:- Thermostat controls the minimum operating temperature of the engine.

B:- Water pump is driven by the crankshaft

C:- Radiator transfers heat from engine to the air

D:- The inlet of the water pump connects to the engine block

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question44:- The purpose of venturi in a carburetor is to

A:- Increase air velocity

B:- Decrease air velocity

C:- Decrease fuel flow

D:- Increase manifold vacuum

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question45:- Which of the following statement is / are correct about thermo-syphon cooling system

(i) Cooling depends only on the coolant temperature

(ii) Cooling is independent of engine speed

(iii) The rate of circulation is fast and sufficient

A:- Only (i) and (iii)

B:- Only (ii)

C:- Only (i) and (ii)

D:- All of the above (i), (ii) and (iii)

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question46:- Which of the following is not the function of flywheel?

A:- smooths out cylinder firing pulsations

B:- meshes with the starter drive gear

C:- reduces friction on the engine

D:- provides a mounting place for the clutch assembly

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question47:- In autothermic pistons, steel inserts are used at the piston pin bosses to

A:- reduce piston weight

B:- control the direction of piston expansion

C:- reduce piston expansion

D:- increase the strength of piston

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question48:- A four stroke engine is running at 1500 rpm, how many times in a minute does each valve open and close?

A:- 1500

B:- 3000

C:- 375

D:- 750

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question49:- Crankcase ventilation is provided to

A:- cool the crankcase

B:- cool the cylinder walls

C:- remove blowby gases

D:- increase crankcase dilution

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question50:- The main advantage of pintaux nozzle is

A:- better cold starting performance

B:- ability to distribute fuel

C:- good atomisation

D:- good penetration

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question51:- In a conventional control chassis, where is the engine located?

A:- Completely inside the driver's cabin

B:- Behind the rear axle

C:- In front of the driver's cabin

D:- Half inside and half outside the driver's cabin

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question52:- What is the function of an electronically controlled variable-assist power steering system?

A:- It provides increased steering assistance at low vehicle speeds

B:- It decreases steering assistance as vehicle speed increases

C:- It performs both functions A and B

D:- It performs neither function A nor B

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question53:- Which statement best describes how a stabilizer bar is connected in an independent front suspension?

A:- It is bolted between the upper control arms to reduce dive during braking.

B:- It links the lower control arms on both sides to resist body roll during cornering.

C:- It connects the steering knuckle to the subframe to improve camber control.

D:- It is mounted between the strut tops to stiffen the chassis.

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question54:- A MacPherson strut front suspension typically uses how many ball joints per side?

A:- One

B:- Two

C:- Three

D:- None

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question55:- Bump. steer happens mainly when?

A:- Steady cruising

B:- During suspension travel with incorrect tie-rod geometry

C:- Hard straight-line braking

D:- At full steering lock position only.

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question56:- The unloader valve in an air brake system is typically found

A:- Integrated into the air compressor governor.

B:- Inside the main service brake chamber.

C:- At the foot brake pedal assembly.

D:- At the bottom of reservoir tank.

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question57:- When air pressure enters the brake chamber, it pushes a diaphragm, which moves a pushrod connected to the:

A:- Brake Drum

B:- cam

C:- brake shoes

D:- Slack Adjuster

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question58:- In a typical twin-tube telescopic hydraulic shock absorber where is the reserve fluid stored?

A:- In the inner working cylinder

B:- In a separate external reservoir connected by a hose

C:- Between the inner and outer tubes

D:- In the dust shield casing

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question59:- A metering valve delays front brake application until rear brake pressure builds to overcome which component?

A:- The master cylinder

B:- The caliper pistons

C:- The return springs in the rear drums

D:- The vacuum booster

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question60:- In the recirculating ball type steering gear, the balls travel between the nut and the

A:- Gear rack

B:- Sector wheel

C:- Steering wheel shaft

D:- Worm shaft

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question61:- Which of the following clutch facing material has the highest co-efficient of friction?

A:- Leather

B:- Cork

C:- Asbestos-base material

D:- HWK 200 (non-asbestos)

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question62:- In fully centrifugal type of clutch, the springs are:

A:- Used only at low speeds to assist centrifugal force in engaging the clutch.

B:- Used along with centrifugal force at all speeds to keep the clutch engaged.

C:- Eliminated completely, so only centrifugal force provides the required engaging pressure.

D:- Used only to disengage the clutch when engine speed increases.

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question63:- In a constant mesh gearbox, the main shaft is

A:- Plain round shaft

B:- Splined shaft

C:- Hollow shaft

D:- Tapered shaft

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question64:- The driving member connected to the engine in a single stage torque converter is called the

A:- Turbine

B:- Stator

C:- Impeller

D:- Freewheel

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question65:- In front wheel drive car, which type of constant velocity(CV) joint is generally used at the wheel end of the drive shaft?

A:- Inboard plunging type joint

B:- Outboard fixed type joint

C:- Inboard universal joint

D:- Outboard sliding yoke joint

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question66:- The spherical end of the torque tube in torque tube drive fits into a cup that is fixed to the:

A:- Gearbox shaft

B:- Propeller shaft

C:- Frame or Cross member of frame

D:- Rear axle shaft

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question67:- The tapered nut used to pull a spoke tight in a wire wheel is called

A:- Collar

B:- Nipple

C:- Bush

D:- Ferrule

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question68:- Where is the third brush placed in a third-brush generator?

A:- At the same position as the main positive brush.

B:- 90° electrical ahead of the main brushes.

C:- Somewhere where the flux becomes weaker at higher speeds.

D:- Exactly midway between the poles.

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question69:- In which Bendix drive does the pinion move away from the starting motor to engage the flywheel?

A:- Inboard type

B:- Outboard type

C:- Pre-engaged type

D:- Overrunning clutch type

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question70:- If the contact breaker gap is too small:

A:- Points open for too long and spark becomes stronger.

B:- Points do not remain open long enough and engine may misfire.

C:- Coil will not get any current.

D:- Engine speed increases suddenly.

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question71:- Under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, the term "Transport Vehicle" refers to:

A:- Any vehicle used for personal travel

B:- A public service vehicle, goods carriage, educational institution bus or private service vehicle

C:- Only buses owned by the government

D:- Any vehicle driven for commercial purpose only

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question72:- The main purpose of providing superelevation on horizontal curves is to:

A:- Increase road width

B:- Improve appearance

C:- Counteract centrifugal force

D:- Prevent water stagnation

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question73:- Which of the following reduces crankcase emission?

A:- EGR

B:- PCV

C:- Catalytic converter

D:- Air filter

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question74:- Which unit is called the "brain of the fuel injection system"?

A:- Fuel injector

B:- Throttle body

C:- ECM (Engine Control Module)

D:- Fuel tank

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question75:- Which sensor informs the ECM about engine load?

A:- Oxygen sensor

B:- MAP sensor

C:- Knock sensor

D:- Coolant temperature sensor

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question76:- In an airbag system, which sensor detects sudden deceleration during a crash?

A:- Oxygen sensor

B:- Knock sensor

C:- Impact (Crash) sensor

D:- MAP sensor

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question77:- Which type of hybrid vehicle uses both engine and motor at the same time to drive wheels?

A:- Series hybrid

B:- Parallel hybrid

C:- Plug-in hybrid

D:- Mild hybrid

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question78:- Which part of ABS prevents pressure locking by releasing brake fluid during sudden braking?

A:- Master cylinder

B:- Modulator valve

C:- Disc brake

D:- Wheel cylinder

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question79:- Catalytic converter mainly converts which harmful gases?

A:- CO, HC, NOx

B:- N₂, O₂, CO₂

C:- Smoke only

D:- Steam only

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question80:- Which factor has the greatest negative impact on EV driving range?

A:- Motor efficiency

B:- Regenerative braking

C:- Aerodynamic drag

D:- Battery charger efficiency

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question81:- Under what circumstances, one person can drive a Motor vehicle on a public place without valid driving licence?

A:- Medical Emergency

B:- Flood relief Activity

C:- On Village road

D:- None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question82:-The Learner's Licence holder can drive a vehicle,

A:-Within the boundaries of the R.T.O. Office, from where, the Learner's Licence is issued

B:-Within the district of that R.T.O. Office

C:-Within the State

D:-Throughout India.

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question83:-A person has taken his Motor driving licence at the age of 51 years. The Validity of the licence is for,

A:-9 years

B:-10 years

C:-5 years

D:-3 years

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question84:-The minimum age of a person, who can drive a transport vehicle in a public place is

A:-18

B:-20

C:-22

D:-25

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question85:-Which form number is shown in a Motor driving licence?

A:-Form 5

B:-Form 6

C:-Form 7

D:-Form 8

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question86:-Which traffic sign is indicated by an Octagonal shaped one?

A:-Sharp bend

B:-Stop

C:-Turn Left

D:-Turn Right

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question87:-Choose the correct priority of the following vehicles

A:-Fire service, Ambulance, Police

B:-Ambulance, Fire Service, Police

C:-Police, Ambulance, Fireforce

D:-Police, Fire Service, Ambulance

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question88:-Speed limit of a towing vehicle is

A:-15 km/hr

B:-20 km/hr

C:-25 km/hr

D:-30 km/hr

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question89:-A traffic sign with an inverted triangle, (apex pointing downwards) means,

A:-Hill Area

B:-Stop

C:-Entry restricted

D:-Give way

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question90:-Which of the following statement is correct?

A:-A vehicle can move reverse direction in one-way

B:-A vehicle can move reverse direction in a tunnel

C:-A vehicle can move reverse direction at a sharp bend

D:-None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question91:-Section 134 dealt with

A:-Good Samaritans

B:-Giving information by owner

C:-Duties in case of accident and injury

D:-Using vehicles without registration

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question92:-Riding on running board is prohibited under

A:-Section 124

B:-Section 125

C:-Section 123

D:-Section 131

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question93:-Section 129 applies to person above the age of

A:-2 years

B:-3 years

C:-₄ years

D:-₅ years

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question94:-_{Which section in MV act make it mandatory for every child to be secured by a safety belt or a child restraint system?}

A:-_{192 A}

B:-_{193 B}

C:-_{194 B}

D:-_{195 D}

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question95:-_{Driving an un insured vehicle is punishable under which of the following section of MV act}

A:-_{Section 146}

B:-_{Section 196}

C:-_{Section 192}

D:-_{Section 194 A}

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question96:-_{Motor Cab means a motor vehicle carrying not more than}

A:-_{5 passengers}

B:-_{6 passengers}

C:-_{12 passengers}

D:-_{7 passengers}

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question97:-_{Section 112 refuses which of the following}

A:-_{Speed Limit}

B:-_{Vehicle weighing}

C:-_{Overloading}

D:-_{Fitness Certificates}

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question98:-_{Bharath Stage-VI implementation date in India is}

A:-_{01.04.2017}

B:-_{01.04.2019}

C:-_{01.04.2020}

D:-_{01.04.2021}

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question99:-_{Green tax is levied under which section of Kerala Taxation Act.}

A:-_{Section 34}

B:-_{Section 10}

C:-Section 7

D:-Section 4

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question100:-Power to seize or detain the motor vehicles is given under which section of Kerala MV act.

A:-Section 11

B:-Section 3

C:-Section 4

D:-Section 26

Correct Answer:- Option-A