

SSC Exam Questions

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(T2 2021)

Q.1 The cost price of an article is ₹ 2800. Profit as a percentage of selling price is 20 percent. What is the actual profit (in ₹)?

Let $SP = 100$. Profit $\rightarrow 20\%$ on $SP = 20$, then $CP = SP - \text{profit} = 100 - 20 = 80$
 actual profit % $\rightarrow \frac{20}{80} \times 100\% = 25\%$ (on CP)
 Actual profit = 25% of 2800 = 700

(CGL T1 2021)

Q.1 A sold a mobile phone to B at a gain of 25% and B sold it to C at a loss of 10%. If C paid ₹5,625 for it, how much did A pay (in ₹) for the phone?

CP of A = 100 SP of A = 125 = CP of B SP of B = $\frac{9}{10} \times 125 = \text{CP of C}$
 $\frac{9}{10} \times 125 \rightarrow 100$ $(1 - \frac{1}{10}) \times 125$
 $1 \rightarrow \frac{100 \times 10}{9 \times 125}$
 $5625 \rightarrow \frac{100 \times 10}{9 \times 125} \times 5625 = 5000$

(CGL T2 2022)

Q.2 The sum of the curved surface area and total surface area of a solid cylinder is 2068 cm^2 . If radius of its base is 7 cm, then what is the volume of this cylinder? (use $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$)

Curved surface area = $2\pi rh$
 Total surface area = $2\pi rh + \pi r^2 \cdot 2 = 2\pi r(r+h)$
 $2\pi rh + 2\pi r(r+h) = 2068$
 $\Rightarrow 2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh = 2068$
 $\Rightarrow 2 \cdot \frac{22}{7} \times 7(r+2h) = 2068$
 $\Rightarrow (7+2h) = \frac{2068}{44}$
 $7+2h = 47 \Rightarrow h = 20 \text{ cm}$
 Volume = $\pi r^2 h = \frac{22}{7} \times 7^2 \times 20 = 3080 \text{ cm}^3$

- 2-0+6-0 **X** 1. 2060 cm^3
 2-4+8-0 **X** 2. 2480 cm^3
 3-0+8-0 **✓** 3. 3080 cm^3
 2-7+6-0 **X** 4. 2760 cm^3

Q.3 If $\sin\theta = (9/41)$, $0^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$ then what is the value of $\cot\theta$?

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 p People b black p proper
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41 9 $\sqrt{41^2 - 9^2}$ $(40+1)^2$
 40 0 $= \sqrt{1681 - 81}$ $= 1600 + 80 + 1$
 $= \sqrt{1600}$ $= 1681$
 $= 40$

(CHSL 22)

Q.5 A can finish a piece of the work in 16 days and B can finish it in 12 days. They worked together for 4 days and then A left. B finished the remaining work. For how many total number of days did B work to finish the work completely?

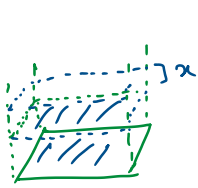
Efficient TW = LCM(16, 12, 4) = 48 units
 $e_A = 48/16 = 3$ $e_{(A+B)} = 4(3+4) = 28$ units
 $e_B = 48/12 = 4$
 remaining = $(48 - 28)u = 20u$
 B will do remaining work in $\frac{20}{4} = 5$ days
 Total days = $(4+5)d = 9$ days

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Q.6 A solid cube of side 8 cm is dropped into a rectangular container of length 16 cm, breadth 8 cm and height 15 cm which is partly filled with water. If the cube is completely submerged, then the rise of water level (in cm) is:



height = x , $l=16$, $b=8$

Volume of water displaced = $x \times 16 \times 8 \text{ cm}^3 = 8^3 \text{ cm}^3$

$\Rightarrow x \times 2 \times 8 \times 8 = 8^3$
 $\Rightarrow x = 4 \text{ cm}$

Q.7 If $(x + 6y) = 8$, and $xy = 2$, where $x > 0$, what is the value of $(x^3 + 216y^3)$?

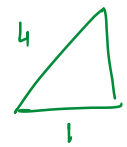
$2 + 6 \times 1 = 8$ $x=2, y=1$ $8 + 216 = 224$

Q.10 If $4\sin^2 \theta = 3(1 + \cos \theta)$, $0^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$, then what is the value of $(2\tan \theta + 4\sin \theta - \sec \theta)$?

$4s^2 = 3(1+c)$
 $4(1-c^2) = 3(1+c)$
 $4(1-c) = 3$
 $1-c = \frac{3}{4}$
 $c = \frac{1}{4}$

$(1+c) \neq 0$
 why?

$3\sqrt{15} - 4$



$\sqrt{4^2 - 1^2} = \sqrt{15}$
 $2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{15}}{1} + 4 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{15}}{4} - 4$
 $\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{15} + \sqrt{15} - 4$

Q.11 The lengths of the three sides of a right-angled triangle are $(x-1)$ cm, $(x+1)$ cm and $(x+3)$ cm, respectively. The hypotenuse of the right-angled triangle (in cm) is:

3, 4, 5 5, 12, 13 6, 8, 10 $\rightarrow x=7$ 10cm

Q.16 Find the greatest number $23a68b$, which is divisible by 3 but NOT divisible by 9.

$2+3+6+8+(a+b) \rightarrow 19+a+b$ Put $a=9 \rightarrow 28+b$ 3n & not 9n
 239685 $b = \cancel{2}, \cancel{5}, \cancel{8} \rightarrow \underline{36}$

CP $\xrightarrow{\text{profit}}$ SP
 $SP > CP \rightarrow \frac{P}{CP} \times 100\%$
 Loss $SP < CP \rightarrow \frac{L}{CP} \times 100\%$
 MP $\xrightarrow{\text{discount}}$ SP
 $\uparrow \rightarrow$ mark-up
 Tax

Q.2 When a commodity is sold for Rs. 34.80, there is a loss of 25%. What is the cost price of the commodity?

- (A) Rs. 46.40
- (B) Rs. 26.10
- (C) Rs. 43
- (D) Rs. 43.20

$SP = 34.8$ loss 25% = $\frac{1}{4}$
 $CP = 100$, $SP = 75$
 $SP = (100 - 25\%) \text{ of } CP$
 $\approx (1 - \frac{L}{100}) CP$
 $= (1 - \frac{1}{4}) CP = \frac{3}{4} CP$

$\frac{11.6}{34.8} = \frac{L}{CP}$
 $\Rightarrow CP = 46.4$

$SP = \text{---} + \text{tax}$
 retail price = $SP + \text{tax}$

Q.3 If the S.P. of an article for is $\frac{4}{3}$ times its C.P. the profit percent is.....

- (A) 33 $\frac{1}{3}\%$
- (B) 25 $\frac{1}{4}\%$
- (C) 20 $\frac{1}{2}\%$
- (D) 20 $\frac{3}{4}\%$

$SP = \frac{4}{3} CP$
 $P = \frac{4}{3} CP - CP = \frac{1}{3} CP$
 $\frac{P}{CP} = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow 33\frac{1}{3}\%$

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Q.4 By selling an article for Rs. 19.50, a dealer makes a profit of 30%. By how much should he increase his S.P. so as to make a profit of 40%? - 1st

- (A) Rs. 1.50
- (B) Rs. 1.75
- (C) Rs. 2
- (D) Rs. 3

- SP

$$1.3 CP = 19.5$$

$$CP = 15$$

$$\text{Increase} = (15 \times 1.4 - 19.5)$$

$$= (21 - 19.5) = 1.5$$

Q.5 The C.P. of 20 articles is the same as S.P. of 15 articles. The profit percent is....

- (A) 25%
- (B) 30%
- (C) 33 1/3 %
- (D) 50%

- 2nd

$$20CP = 15SP$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{CP}{SP} = \frac{15}{20}$$

$$CP = 15$$

$$SP = 20$$

$$P\% = \frac{5}{15} \times 100\%$$

Q.6 A fruit seller purchases oranges at the rate of 3 for Rs. 5 and sells them at 2 for Rs. 4. His profit is.....

- (A) 10%
- (B) 11%
- (C) 20%
- (D) 25%

- 1st

6 orange

$$CP = 10$$

$$SP = 12$$

$$\text{profit} = 20\%$$

$$CP = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$SP = 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{2 - \frac{5}{3}}{\frac{5}{3}}$$

Q.8 A man buys eggs at 2 for Rs. 1 and an equal number at 3 for Rs. 2 and sells the whole at 5 for Rs. 3. His gain or loss percent is.....

- (A) 2 2/7 %
- (B) 3 6/7 %
- (C) 3 2/7 %
- (D) 2 6/7 %

$$\begin{array}{l|l} 30 \rightarrow 15 & CP = 35 \\ 30 \rightarrow 20 & \\ \hline 60 \rightarrow 36 & SP = 36 \end{array}$$

$$\%P = \frac{100}{35} \times \frac{20}{7} = 2\frac{6}{7}\%$$

Q.9 A sells a bicycle to B at a profit of 20% and B sells it to C at a profit of 25%. If C pays Rs. 1500, what did A pay for it?

- (A) Rs. 825
- (B) Rs. 1000
- (C) Rs. 1100
- (D) Rs. 1125

$$CP A = 100$$

$$SP A = CP B = 120$$

$$SP B = CP C = 1.25 \times 120 = 150$$

$$150 : 1500$$

$$100 : ?$$

$$\underline{1000}$$

Q.10 Two mixers and a TV costs Rs. 7000, while 2 TVs and a mixer cost Rs. 9800. The values of one TV is.....

- (A) Rs. 2800
- (B) Rs. 2100
- (C) Rs. 4200
- (D) Rs. 8400

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x + 2y = 14000 \\ - \quad x + 2y = 9800 \\ \hline 3x = 4200 \end{array}$$

$$1400 + 2y = 9800$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 4200$$

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A tradesman marks his goods at 35% above its cost price and allows a discount of 17.5% for purchase in cash. What profit per cent does he make ?

- A 11.25
- B 12.125
- C 11.125
- D 11.375

$$\begin{aligned}
 CP &= 100 \\
 MP &= 135 \\
 SP &= (100 - 17.5)\% \text{ of } MP \\
 &= \frac{82.5 \times 135}{100} \\
 &= 111.375
 \end{aligned}$$

A trader sells his goods at 20% profit. Had he bought it at 10% more and sold it for Rs. 70 more, he would have earned a profit of 25%. Find the cost price of the goods.

- A Rs. 200
- B Rs. 800
- C Rs. 400
- D Rs. 600

$$\begin{aligned}
 CP &= x \\
 SP &= 1.2x \\
 \Rightarrow CP &= 1.1x \\
 SP &= 1.2x + 70
 \end{aligned}$$

A trader sold two bullocks for Rs. 8,400 each, neither losing nor gaining in total. If he sold one of the bullocks at a gain of 20%, then the other is sold at a loss of

- A 20%
- B $18\frac{2}{9}\%$
- C $14\frac{2}{7}\%$
- D 21%

$$\begin{aligned}
 SP &= 8400 \\
 CP &= 9800 \\
 \frac{1400}{9800} &= \frac{1}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 0.1x + 70 &= \frac{1.1x}{4} \\
 \Rightarrow 70 &= 0.175x \\
 \Rightarrow 10 &= 0.025x \\
 8400 &\rightarrow 16800 \\
 1.2 \times (B_1) &= 8400 \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{12}{10} B_1 &= 8400 \\
 \Rightarrow B_1 &= 7000 \\
 CP &= 16800 - 7000 \\
 &= 9800
 \end{aligned}$$

After getting two successive discounts Shalini got a shirt at Rs. 136 whose marked price is Rs. 200. If the second discount is 15% find the first discount.

- A 12.5%
- B 15%
- C 25%
- D 20%

$$\begin{aligned}
 100 - 2\% \text{ of } 200 \\
 = \frac{100 - x}{100} \times 200 \\
 = 2(100 - x) \\
 \frac{85}{100} \times 2(100 - x) = 136 \\
 100 - x = 80 \\
 x = 20
 \end{aligned}$$

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3. By selling 32 oranges for ₹ 30 a man losses 25%. How many oranges should be sold for ₹ 24, so as to gain 20% in the transaction?

- (1) 16 (2) 24 (3) 32
(4) 40 (5) None of these

$$\begin{array}{r} 3/2 - 1 \\ 1 - 2/3 \\ 24 - \end{array} \quad 2/3 \times 24 = 16$$

4. The cost price of 24 apples is same as the selling price of 18 apples. The percentage of gain is

- (1) $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ (2) $14\frac{2}{3}\%$ (3) $16\frac{2}{3}\%$
(4) $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ (5) None of these

5. A merchant bought some goods worth ₹ 6000 and sold half of them at 12% profit. At what profit per cent should he sell the remaining goods to make an overall profit of 18%?

- (1) 24 (2) 28 (3) 16
(4) 20 (5) 26

remaining = 720, on remaining CP = 3000
profit

6. The equivalent discount to consecutive discounts of 10% and 20% will be

- (1) 32% (2) 28% (3) 36%
(4) 30% (5) None of these

9. A shopkeeper sells his goods at 15% discount. The marked price of an article whose selling price is ₹ 629 is

- (1) ₹ 740 (2) ₹ 704 (3) ₹ 700
(4) ₹ 614 (5) None of these

10. A dishonest dealer professes to sell his goods at cost price but he uses a weight of 800 g for a kg weight. Find his gain per cent.

- (1) 35% (2) 56% (3) 23%
(4) 25% (5) None of these

Formula

$$\text{Gain \%} = \frac{\text{True weight} - \text{False weight}}{\text{False weight}} \times 100\%$$

11. A dishonest dealer sells articles at 10% loss on cost price but uses the weight of 16 g instead of 18 g. What is his profit to loss per cent?

- (1) $1\frac{1}{4}\%$ gain (2) $1\frac{1}{4}\%$ loss
(3) $3\frac{1}{4}\%$ loss (4) $5\frac{1}{4}\%$ gain
(5) None of these

profit = 810 - 600 = 210

$$SP \text{ of } 1 \text{ orange} = \frac{30}{32}$$

$$CP - SP = \frac{1}{4} CP$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4} CP = SP = \frac{30}{32}$$

$$\Rightarrow CP = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$SP = \frac{5}{4} \times \frac{6}{5} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$24 CP = 18 SP$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{SP}{CP} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\text{Profit} = 18\% \text{ of } 6000 = 1080$$

$$₹ 3000 @ 12\% \text{ profit}$$

$$\text{Profit} = 360$$

$$\therefore \% \text{ profit} = 24$$

$$\left[a + b - \frac{ab}{100} \right] \%$$

$$5 \frac{85}{100} \cdot MP = 629$$

$$\Rightarrow MP = 740$$

on selling 800g, he gains 200g

$$\therefore \% \text{ profit} = \frac{200}{800} \times 100\%$$

8 units 144 g - inventory, 100 per unit

$$CP = 800$$

$$SP = 9 \text{ units} \times 90 \text{ per unit} = 810$$

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12. A dishonest dealer sells his goods at 10% loss on cost price and uses 30% less weight. What is his profit or loss per cent?

(1) $28\frac{4}{7}\%$ loss

(2) $28\frac{3}{7}\%$ gain

(3) $23\frac{3}{7}\%$ loss

(4) $28\frac{4}{7}\%$ gain

(5) None of the above

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ - \\ 10 \end{array}$$

Total inventory = 70
Bought = 7 units @ 100/unit
Sale = 10 units @ 90/unit

$$CP = 7 \times 100 = 700$$

$$SP = 10 \times 90 = 900$$

$$\text{Profit \%} = \frac{200}{7} \% = 28\frac{4}{7}\% \text{ gain}$$

1. Suhas sold an item for ₹ 7500 and incurred a loss of 25%. At what price, should he have sold the item to have gained a profit of 25%?

(1) ₹ 13800

(3) ₹ 11200

(5) None of these

(2) ₹ 12500

(4) Can't be determined

$$CP = 10000$$

7. A merchant has 1000 kg of sugar, part of which he sells at 8% profit and the rest at 18% profit. He gains 14% on the whole. The quantity sold at 18% profit is

(1) 500 kg

(3) 400 kg

(5) None of these

(2) 600 kg

(4) 640 kg

$$\begin{array}{l} SP \\ 1.08x + 1.18(1000 - x) \\ = 1140 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1180 - 0.1x = 1140$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 400 \text{ kg}$$

profit

$$0.08x + 0.18(1000 - x) = 140$$

$$\Rightarrow 180 - 140 = 0.1x$$

14. If the difference between the selling prices of an article at profit of 6% and 4% is ₹ 3, then the cost price of the article should be

(1) ₹ 100

(3) ₹ 175

(5) None of these

(2) ₹ 150

(4) ₹ 200

$$SP = X$$

$$CP = 100,$$

$$SP = 106, 104$$

$$2 \rightarrow 3$$

$$1 \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}$$

$$100 \rightarrow 150$$

16. A shopkeeper purchased a chair marked at ₹ 800, at two successive discounts of 10% and 15%, respectively. He spent ₹ 28 on transportation and sold the chair for ₹ 800. His gain per cent is

(1) 40

(2) 30

(5) None of these

(3) 25

(4) 14

$$\begin{array}{l} MP = 800 \times 0.9 \times 0.85 \\ = 720 \times 0.85 \\ = 612 \end{array}$$

Adding overheads = 640

$$\text{profit} = \frac{800 - 640}{640} \times 100\%$$

18. A sells an article to B at 20% gain, B sells it to C at 10% profit and C to D at 25% gain for ₹ 330. The price at which A bought the article is

(1) ₹ 175

(2) ₹ 190

(3) ₹ 200

(4) ₹ 225

(5) None of these

$$\text{Let } CP \text{ of } A = 100, SP = 120 \rightarrow B$$

$$SP \text{ for } B = 132 \rightarrow C$$

$$SP \text{ for } C = 132 + 33 \rightarrow 165$$

$$165 - 100$$

$$330 - 200$$

Percentage

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$$40SP = 32MP \Rightarrow 5SP = 4MP \Rightarrow \frac{SP}{MP} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} SP = 4 \\ MP = 5 \\ disc = 1 \end{array} \right\} \text{discount \%} = \frac{1}{5} = 20\%$$

28. The sale price of 40 articles is equal to the total printed price of 32 articles. The rate of discount is

- (1) 5% (2) 10% (3) 12% (4) 20%
 (5) None of these

discount % = $\frac{1}{5} = 20\%$

32. Pure milk costs ₹ 169 per litre. After adding water the milkman sells the mixture ₹ 15 per litre and thereby makes a profit of 25%. In what respective ratio does he mix milk with water?

- (1) 3 : 1 (2) 4 : 3 (3) 3 : 2 (4) 5 : 3
 (5) 4 : 1

₹ 16

SP = 15 per liter
 CP = 12 per liter

M 16 + 0 = 16
 12 + 4 = 16

37. A man sells an article at a profit of 40%. If he had bought it at 40% less and sold for ₹ 5 less, he would have gained 50%. Find the cost price of the article.

- (1) ₹ 10 (2) ₹ 15 (3) ₹ 20 (4) ₹ 30
 (5) None of these

CP = $\frac{x}{2}$ SP = $1.4x$
 $1.4x - 5$
 $0.6x$

x = _____

$(1.4x - 5) - (0.6x) = 0.3x$

1. If 30% of $(B - A) = 18\%$ of $(B + A)$, then the ratio $A : B$ is equal to

- (1) 4 : 1 (2) 1 : 4
 (3) 5 : 4 (4) 5 : 9
 (5) None of these

$\frac{B+A}{B-A} = \frac{30}{18} = \frac{5}{3}$

B = 4
 A = 1

$\frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{5+B}{5-A} = \frac{8}{2} = 4$

$\frac{B+A}{B-A} = \frac{x}{y}$

$\frac{B}{A} = \frac{y}{x}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{B}{A} = \frac{x+y}{x-y}$

(by componendo & dividendo)

2. If 30% of A is added on 40% of B, the answer is 80% of B. What percentage of A is B?

- (1) 30 (2) 40
 (3) 70 (4) 75
 (5) None of these

$\frac{3}{10}A + \frac{4}{10}B = \frac{8}{10}B$

$\Rightarrow 3A + 4B = 8B \Rightarrow 3A = 4B$

$\Rightarrow \frac{A}{B} = \frac{4}{3}$

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