# 23.0 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION (446)

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#### **SECTION A**

# 1 (a) Tools/equipment for setting out corners:

- (i) site square
- (ii) builders square
- (iii) dumpy level
- (iv) theodolite

(Any 2 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 1 mark)

(b) Types of foundations:

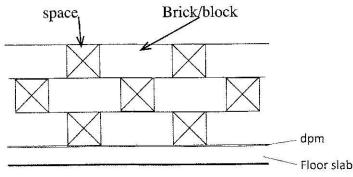
| Name of foundation               | Type of soil                     |  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Natural                          | Rock                             |  |
| Strip                            | Hard/firm soil                   |  |
| Pad                              | Hard/firm soil                   |  |
| Pile                             | Weak soil                        |  |
| Raft                             | Peat, wet clay soil              |  |
| $(Any 2 x \frac{1}{2} = 1 mark)$ | (Any 2 x $\frac{1}{2}$ = 1 mark) |  |

# 2 (a) Reasons for discouraging the use of fine aggregates:

- (i) to reduce drying shrinkage
- (ii) to check against reduced strength
- (iii) to reduce the amount of cement used

(Any 2 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 1 mark)

(b) Honey comb wall:



Spaces - ½ mark

Correct bonding - ½ mark

Labels Any  $4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2 \text{ marks}$ 

Total = 3 marks

### 3 (a) Functions of over site concrete:

- (i) provide a firm base on which to lay floor finishes
- (ii) provide a level surface
- (ii) prevent growth of vegetation
- (iv) prevent ingress of moisture from soils below
- (v) thermal insulation
- (vi) sound proofing

(Any 4 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 2 marks)

| <b>(b)</b> | <b>Damp Proof Course (DPC)</b> is used in a building to provide a barrier to the passage of moisture from an external source into the fabric of a building vertically/through the |
|------------|---|
|            | wall.   |
|            | Down Proof Mombrane (DPM) is used to prevent the passage of moisture from   |

**Damp Proof Membrane (DPM)** is used to prevent the passage of moisture from the lower part of ground to the upper surface of the floor.  $(2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks})$ 

- 4. (a) Scaffolds
  - (i) A scaffold is a temporary structure which is erected to provide access/enable the workers, materials and equipment get to heights which cannot be reached from the ground.  $(1 \times 1 = 1 \text{ mark})$
  - (ii) Independent e.g. tower, trestle Dependent e.g. putlog, cantilever

(types 2 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 1 mark)

 $(example 2 x \frac{1}{2} = 1 mark)$ 

(Total = 3 marks)

- (b) Four factors that will influence the positioning of a pit latrine on a site
  - (i) wind direction
  - (ii) slope of land
  - (iii) distance to wells
  - (iv) Security to the users

 $(4 \text{ x } \frac{1}{2} = 2 \text{ marks})$ 

- 5. (a) Two tools used for landscaping
  - (i) jembe
  - (ii) panga
  - (iii) rake
  - (iv) fork
  - (v) Mattock

(Any 2 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 1 mark)

- (b) Function of parts of a window sill
  - A Joggel for mixing window frames and water seals
  - B Slope for shedding off water
  - C Throat for dripping off water

(Naming 3 x  $\frac{1}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}$  marks) (Functions 3 x  $\frac{1}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}$  marks)

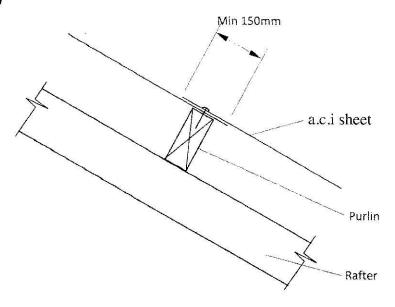
- 6. (a) (i) Items of safety wear worn on site:
  - (i) helmet
  - (ii) overall
  - (iii) overcoat/apron
  - (iv) boots
  - (v) muffles
  - (viI) goggles

(Any  $2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1 \text{ marks}$ )

- (ii) Types of inspection before work commences in a deep trench:
  - (i) collapse of the trench sides
  - (ii) cracks on the trench sides
  - (iii) timber supports to the trench sides
  - (iv) water in the trench bottom
  - (v) levelling

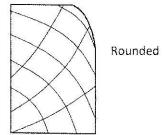
(Any  $2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks}$ )

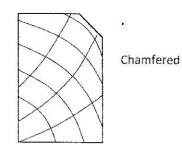
**(b)** 



Sketch = 1 mark Lap 150 min =  $\frac{1}{2}$ Nail Position =  $\frac{1}{2}$ (Total = 2 marks)

# 7. (a) SKIRTINGS - treatment to edges





Sketching = 1 mark Naming =1 mark (2 marks)

# (b) Reasons for determining rating of bulbs:

- (i) function of the room
- (ii) decoration of the room
- (iii) size of the room
- (iv) size of openings in the room.

(Any  $2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks}$ )

# 8. Procedure of laying terrazzo:

- (i) prepare the background
- (ii) lay the cement-sand screed
- (iii) lay the dividing strips
- (iv) mix, place and compact the terrazzo
- (v) grind and clean the floor finish

(3 marks)

#### 9. Functions of roof truss members:

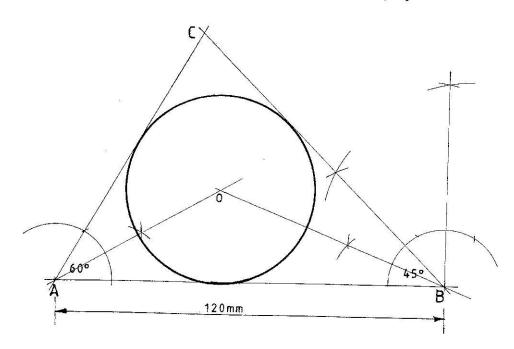
- (a) Rafters
  - (i) distribute loads from roof to load bearing walls
  - (ii) provides the pitch for the roof
  - (iii) holds other members together

(Any  $2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks}$ )

- (b) Tie beam
  - (i) tying the truss
  - (ii) fixing of brandering and ceiling
  - (iii) supporting the water cistern
  - (iv) supporting service pipes for water and electricity

for (Any  $2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks}$ )

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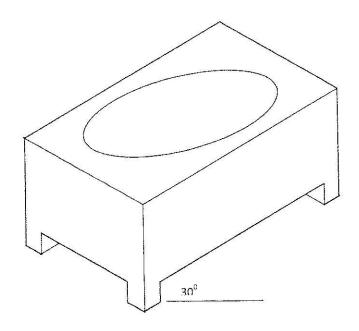


# Construction

Line AB = 
$$120 \text{ mm}$$
 =  $1/2 \text{ mk}$   
 $C \widehat{A}B = 60^{\circ}$  =  $1/2 \text{ mk}$   
 $C \widehat{B}A = 45^{\circ}$  =  $1/2 \text{ mk}$   
Point C =  $1/2 \text{ mk}$   
Bisectors at A&B = 1 mk  
Inscribed circle = 1 mk  
 $4 \text{ mks}$ 

11.

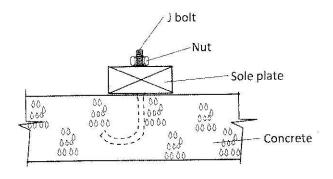
| - 6 surfaces           |                            | Any 6 x $\frac{1}{2}$ =              | 3 marks  |
|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| - Construction details |                            | A <b>P</b>                           | 2 marks  |
| - Isometric            |                            |                                      | 1 mark   |
| - Ellipse              | - major axis               | 2 offsets $(2 \times \frac{1}{2}) =$ | 1 mark   |
|                        | - minor axis               | 2 offsets $(2 \times \frac{1}{2}) =$ | 1 mark   |
|                        | - smooth curve of ellipses |                                      | 2 marks  |
| - Taper on 4 edges     |                            | $4 \times \frac{1}{2} =$             | 2 marks  |
| - Correct scale        | (1:1)                      |                                      | 1 mark   |
| - Outlines (bold)      |                            |                                      | 1 mark   |
| - Lowest point 'X'     |                            |                                      | l mark   |
|                        | TOTAL                      |                                      | 15 marks |
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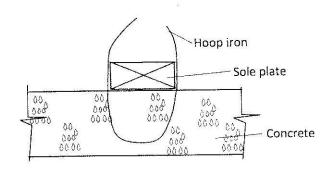
**SECTION B** 

# 12. (a) Methods of anchoring the sole plate of a timber wall frame:

(i) using J-bolt

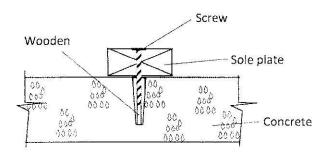


- mark the position of the sole plate
- cap the J-bolt in position during concreting
- mark the position of bolt on the sole plate and drill
- plug and fix sole plate with nuts
- (ii) using strap/hoop irons:



- hoop irons are cost in site during the concreting stage
- sole plate is positioned
- hoop irons are stretched and nailed onto the sole plate

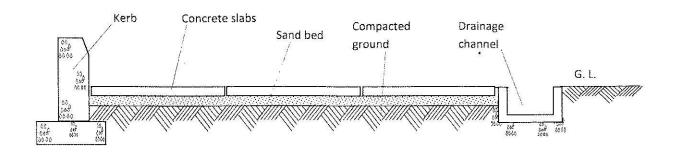
### (iii) using wooden plug:



- drill holes on the concrete bed to accommodate the wooden plugs
- drive wooden plugs into the holes
- position the sole plate and secure onto wooden plugs with nails or screws

Name = 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
  
Sketch =  $\frac{2}{2}$   
Labels =  $\frac{2}{2}$  x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 1  
Explanation =  $\frac{3}{2}$  x  $\frac{1}{2}$  =  $\frac{1}{2}$   
Any  $\frac{2}{2}$  x  $\frac{5}{2}$  = (11 marks)

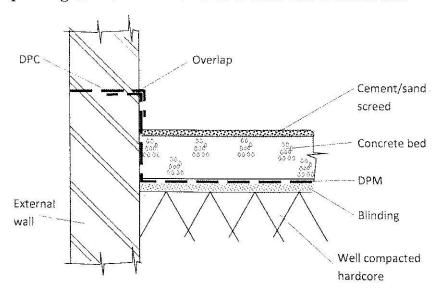
### (b) Public Footpath



- (i) compact the levelled natural ground
- (ii) lay kerbs and drainage channel
- (iii) lay and compact sand bedding to required fall
- (iv) lay paving slabs
- (v) fill joints with mortar

Sketch = 2 marks
$$Explanation = \underline{2 \text{ marks}}$$
(Accept other appropriate sketches) = 4 marks

#### 13. Damproofing details at function of floor slabs and external wall (a)



Sketch =  $2\frac{1}{2}$ Labels Any 4 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 2 Damproofing - Correct DPC position =  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

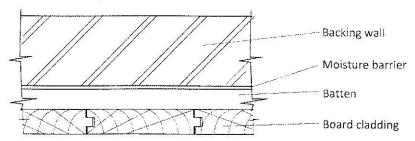
- Correct DPM position =  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

- Overlap =  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

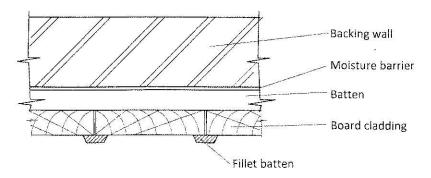
6 marks

#### **(b)** Methods of providing vertical timber cladding

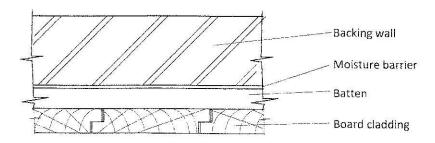
#### (i) Tongue and groove



#### Using butt joint (ii)



Using rebated joint (iii)

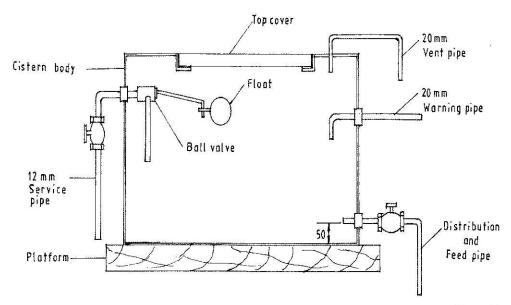


### ANY TWO METHODS SKETCHED

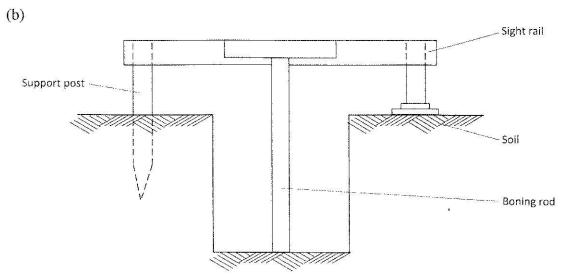
Mthod -  $2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1 \text{ mark}$ Sketch 2 x 2 = 4 marks Labels Any 4 x 2 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 4 marks

Total 9 marks

14. (a)



Sketching = 5 marks Labelling Any 8 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 4 marks 9 marks



#### Explanation

- (i) Establish level at sight rail
- (ii) Establish level at sighting rod
- (iii) Use travelling rod to establish intermediate levels

Sketching = 3 marks Labels 3 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  =  $\frac{1}{2}$ Explanation - 3 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  =  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

# 15. (a) Procedure of obtaining a representative sample of sand:

- (i) select a large sample from a given heap and pour it on a flat surface
- (ii) divide the sample into four equal parts (quarters)
- (iii) select diametrically diagonally opposite quarters and reject the test
- (iv) mix and pour the selected sample to form a cone
- (v) repeat the quartering procedure until a representative sample is obtained

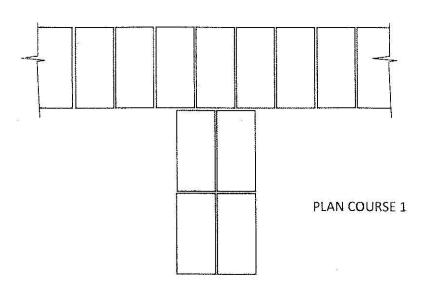
(5 marks)

### (b) Procedure of fixing trusses into position to form a roof:

- (i) mark the position of the trusses
- (ii) place the trusses in the marked positions
- (iii) fix the end trusses plumb
- (iv) brace the trusses
- (v) tie the strings for alignment in order to align the remaining trusses into position
- (vi) fix the intermediate trusses into position with appropriate braces as you maintain the plumpness

(4 marks)

(c)



correct courses bonded (3 x 2 = 6 marks

