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DOUBLE MERIT NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS

STANDARD 8 - YEAR 2021

MATHEMATICS

2ND MERIT

Time: 2 hours

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

1. You have been given this question booklet and a separate answer sheet. The question booklet contains 50 questions.
2. Do any necessary rough work in this booklet.
3. When you have chosen your answer mark it on the **ANSWER SHEET**, not in the question paper.

HOW TO USE THE ANSWER SHEET.

4. Use an ordinary pencil only.
5. Make sure that you have written on the answer sheet:-

YOUR INDEX NUMBER

YOUR NAME

NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL

6. By drawing a dark line inside the correct numbered boxes mark your full Index Number (i.e. School Code Number and the three-figure Candidate's Number) in the grid near the top of the answer sheet.
7. Do not make any mark outside the boxes.
8. Keep your answer sheet as clean as possible and **DO NOT FOLD IT**.
9. For each of the questions 1-50 four answers are given. The answers are lettered A, B, C, D. In each case only **ONE** of the four answers is correct. Choose the correct answer.
10. On the answer sheet show the correct answer by drawing a dark line inside the box in which the letter you have chosen is written.

Example

34. A cylindrical tank has a diameter of $1.4m$ and a height of $3m$. What is the volume of the tank in m^3 ?

(Take $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$)

- A. $7.36m^3$
B. $4.62m^3$
C. $18.48m^3$
D. $6.6m^3$

The correct answer is **B**.

34 [A] [B] [C] [D]

35 [A] [B] [C] [D]

36 [A] [B] [C] [D]

37 [A] [B] [C] [D]

In the set of boxes number 34, the box with letter **B** printed in it is marked.

11. Your dark line **MUST BE** within the box.
12. For each question **ONLY ONE** box is to be marked in each set of four boxes.

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- Which one of the following is three million three hundred and three thousand and twenty three in symbols?
 - 3303003
 - 3033023
 - 3303023
 - 3303203
- In the number 34203, what is the difference between the total values of digit 4 and 2?
 - 4200
 - 3980
 - 3800
 - 4000
- What is the value of 5689.9995 rounded off to the nearest thousandths?
 - 5689.0000
 - 5689.999
 - 569.000
 - 5690.000
- What is the value of $60 \times (528 \div 12) + 20 - 85$?
 - 2640
 - 3840
 - 2575
 - 3755
- What is the value of $\frac{0.24 \times 0.36}{0.09 \times 0.008}$?
 - 1.2
 - 1200
 - 12000
 - 120
- What is the product of the L.C.M and G.C.D of 12, 15 and 24?
 - 270
 - 180
 - 360
 - 120

7. Work out the value of $\left(2\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \sqrt{1\frac{7}{9}}$?

A. $3\frac{11}{12}$

B. $4\frac{11}{12}$

C. $\frac{11}{12}$

D. $\frac{1}{6}$

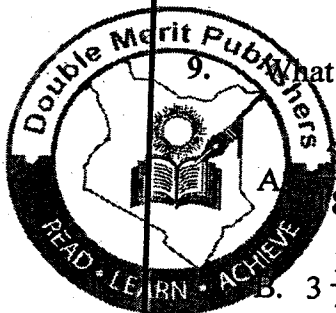
8. What is the next number in the pattern 4, 6, 9, 14, 21, _____?

A. 35

B. 32

C. 30

D. 29



9. What is the value of $\frac{2}{3} \left(2\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{5}{12} \right) + 1\frac{1}{2}$?

A. $3\frac{3}{5}$

B. $4\frac{4}{7}$

C. $5\frac{1}{10}$

10. What is the value of y in the equation

$$\frac{y}{4} + \frac{y-2}{3} = 4?$$

A. $5\frac{5}{7}$

B. 8

C. $7\frac{1}{7}$

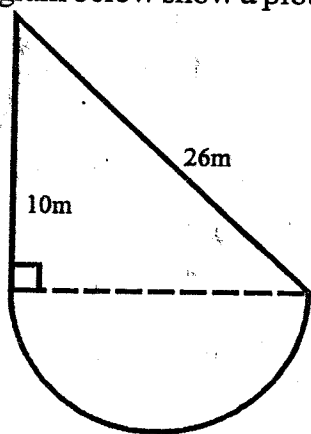
D. 6

11. In the month of May the price of a phone was increased by 20% from sh. 6000. If in the following month the price was decreased by 20%, what was the new price of the phone?
 A. sh. 6040
 B. sh. 5760
 C. sh. 6020
 D. sh. 5480

12. A train left Kisumu town for Nairobi at 7.00pm. If the train took 9 hours, at what time in 12 clock system did it arrive in Nairobi?
 A. 4.00 am
 B. 3.00 pm
 C. 4.00 pm
 D. 3.00 am

13. A trader had 4.2 tonnes of tea leaves. He packed half of it into 250g packets, a third of the remainder into 500g packets and the rest into 1kg packets. How many packets did he obtain altogether?
 A. 11200
 B. 9800
 C. 12400
 D. 10500

14. The diagram below show a plot of land.



What is the area of the plot in *Ares*?

(Take $\pi = 3.14$)

- A. 0.034608
 B. 346.08
 C. 4.6608
 D. 3.4608

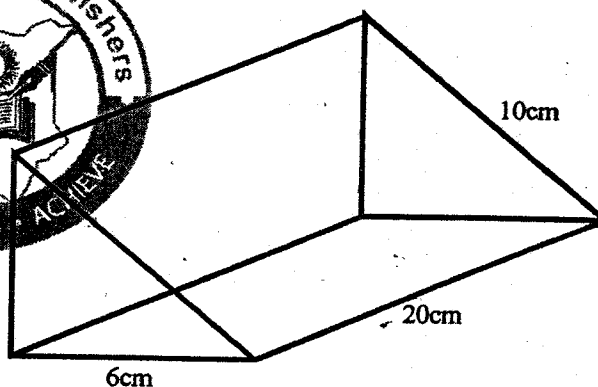
15. A lorry was packed with 150 cartons of salt. Each carton had 120 packets each weighing 500g. If each empty carton weighed 0.5kg, what was the total mass of load in tonnes?
 A. 9.075t
 B. 90.75t
 C. 9075t
 D. 0.9075t

16. A cylindrical water tank whose height is 0.4m and a diameter of 1.4m is half full of water. How many litres of water was in the tank?

(Take $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$)

- A. 88l
 B. 308l
 C. 616l
 D. 176l

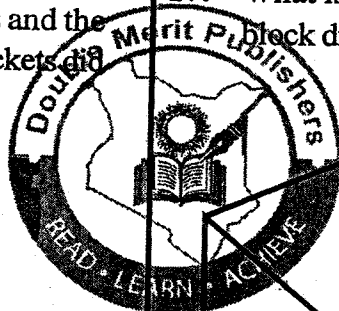
17. What is the total surface area of the wooden block drawn below.



- A. 528cm²
 B. 420cm²
 C. 328cm²
 D. 600cm²

18. The cash price of a sofa set is sh. 40000. A lady bought the sofa set in hire purchase price by paying a deposit of 60% of cash price and eight equal monthly instalment of sh. 3500. How much more than the cash price did she pay?

- A. sh. 24000
 B. sh. 52000
 C. sh. 28000
 D. sh. 12000



19. Draw triangle XYZ in which $XY = 7.5\text{cm}$, $YZ = 6\text{cm}$ and angle $XYZ = 65^\circ$. Construct a circle that touches the sides of the triangle.

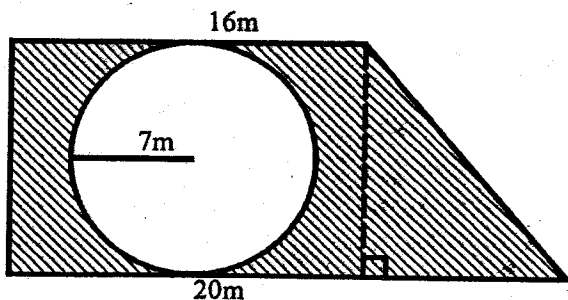
Measure the size of the radius?

- A. 2.0cm
- B. 4.6cm
- C. 2.2cm
- D. 4.0cm

20. A lady earns a commission on sales above sh. 100000. In a certain month she earned sh. 3600 after selling goods worth sh. 800000. What was the percentage commission earned?

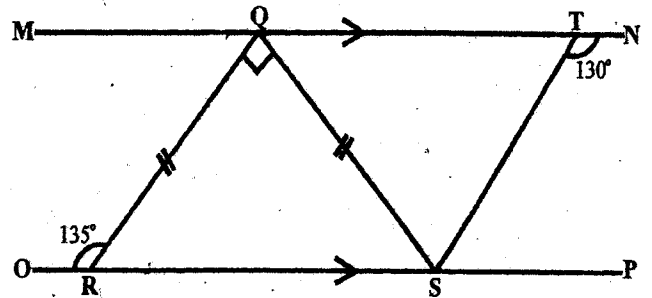
- A. $5\frac{4}{7}\%$
- B. 4%
- C. $4\frac{1}{2}$
- D. 36%

21. What is the area of the shaded part in the figure drawn below? (Take $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$)



- A. 154m^2
- B. 252m^2
- C. 208m^2
- D. 98m^2

22. In the figure shown below, MN is parallel to OP . Line $QR = QS$. Angle $ORQ = 135^\circ$ and angle $STN = 130^\circ$.



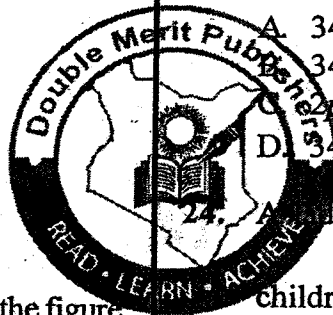
What is the size of angle QST ?

- A. 50°
- B. 85°
- C. 95°
- D. 45°

23. What is the value of

$$\frac{4}{7}(28p + 42q) + \frac{3}{4}(24p - 12q)$$

- A. $34p - 15q$
- B. $34p + 33q$
- C. $34p + 15q$
- D. $34p + 15q$



24. A lady shared a piece of land to her three children. She gave $\frac{1}{3}$ of the land to her first

born, $\frac{2}{5}$ of the remainder to second born and

the rest to last born. If the last born got 2.4 hectares of the land, how many hectares of land did she have in total?

- A. 9
- B. 6
- C. 4
- D. 3.6

25. In a right-angled triangle the length of the two shorter sides measures 24cm and 7cm respectively. What is the length of the longest side of the triangle?

- A. 31cm
- B. 35cm
- C. 25cm
- D. 45cm

26. What is the value of $\frac{2Q^2 - S + R}{R - S}$, given that $Q = 4$, $R = 5$ and $S = 3$?
- A. 37
B. 17
C. 9
D. 12

27. The table below shows inland postal charges for sending letters.

Letter weighs	Charges	
	shs.	Cts.
Not over 20g	21	00
Over 20g upto 50g	25	00
Over 50g upto 100g	28	00
Over 100g upto 250g	42	00
Over 250g upto 500g	70	00
Over 500g upto 1kg	135	00
Over 1kg upto 2kg	190	00

A man sent two letters weighing 147g and 1.25kg. How much money did he pay at the post office?

- A. sh. 240
B. sh. 232
C. sh. 322
D. sh. 274
28. The mean mass of ten packets is 6.2kg. Eight of the packets weighs 8kg, 4kg, 5kg, 9kg, 7kg, 4kg, 6kg and 3kg. If the remaining two packets are such that one is greater than the other by 4kg, what is the median mass of the ten packets?
- A. 4kg
B. 10kg
C. 6kg
D. 12kg
29. On a map of scale 1:10000 a triangular plot of land measures 7cm by 4cm by 5cm. What is the actual distance round the plot in kilometres?
- A. 0.16km
B. 160km
C. 16km
D. 1.6km

30. A wheel covered a distance of 5.28km after making 2000 revolutions. What is the radius of the wheel in metres?
- A. 0.42m
B. 0.21m
C. 84m
D. 0.84m

31. Wayne brought the following items from a shop

1½ litres of milk for sh. 90

3kg maize flour @ sh. 45

1.5litres of cooking oil @ sh. 110

2 bar soaps @ sh. 32

2 kg packet of sugar for sh. 160

If he paid using one thousand shilling note, how much balance did he receive?

- A. sh. 620
B. sh. 220
C. sh. 386
D. sh. 614

A motorist covered 3km in every 2 minutes. How many kilometres will the motorist cover from 0818hrs to 0908hrs?

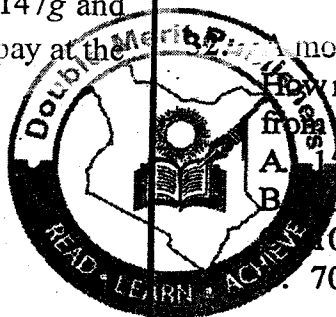
- A. 150km
B. 5km
C. 100km
D. 70km

33. A plot of land is in the shape of a quarter circle of diameter 28m. The plot was fenced by electing posts 2m apart. How many posts were used in total?

- A. 11
B. 39
C. 25
D. 26

34. If 15 men can do a piece of work in 24 hours, how many more men are required to complete the same work in 10 hours working at the same rate?

- A. 21
B. 36
C. 12
D. 60



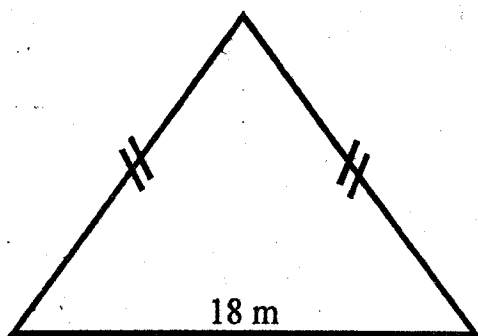
35. Using a pair of compass and a ruler construct triangle QRS such that $QR = 5\text{cm}$, $QS = 6.5\text{cm}$ and angle $QRS = 75^\circ$. Bisect angle QSR and let the angle bisector meet line QR at P . Measure the size of angle QSP ?
- A. 44°
 B. 63°
 C. 24°
 D. 95°

36. The table below shows distance in kilometres from Ngong to Kenyatta hospital.

Ngong			
10	Junction		
15	8	Prestige	
20	13	5	Kenyatta Hosp.

John drove from Ngong to Prestige via Junction. How many kilometres did he cover in total?

- A. 15km
 B. 18km
 C. 21km
 D. 25km
37. The perimeter of the isosceles triangle drawn below is 48m and its base length is 18m .



What is the area of the triangle in square metres?

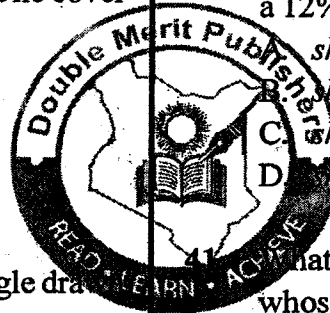
- A. 54m^2
 B. 435m^2
 C. 108m^2
 D. 135m^2

38. Twenty four- 5dl packets of milk were poured into a 50 litres container. How many more such packets of milk were needed to fill the container?
- A. 76
 B. 38
 C. 120
 D. 100

39. In the year 2020 8th February was Saturday. What day was 1st June the same year?
- A. Thursday
 B. Sunday
 C. Monday
 D. Friday

40. Samuel paid sh. 2700 for a trouser after 10% discount was allowed. How much would he have paid for the trouser had he been allowed a 12% discount?

- A. sh. 3200
 B. sh. 2640
 C. sh. 2600
 D. sh. 3000



41. What is the capacity of a cylindrical tank whose volume is 2.4m^3 ?

- A. 2400l
 B. 24000l
 C. 240l
 D. 0.0024l

42. John started his journey at 6.00pm and arrived his destination at 6.00 a.m after covering a distance of 800km . What was his average speed for the journey in kilometres per hour?

- A. $74\frac{2}{3}\text{ km/hr}$
 B. 133km/hr
 C. 66km/hr
 D. $66\frac{2}{3}\text{ km/hr}$

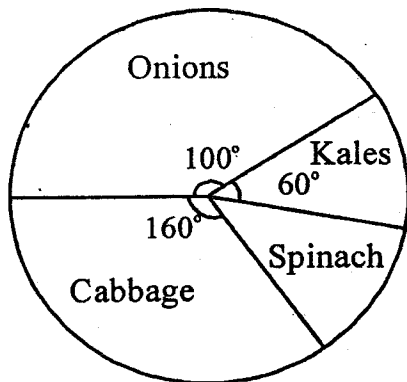
43. An open cylinder container has a diameter of 42cm and a height of 15cm . What is the total surface area of the container?

- A. 3366cm^2
- B. 1980cm^2
- C. 1386cm^2
- D. 4752cm^2

44. A trader made a profit of *sh.* 16000 in the month of May. In the following month his profit increased to *sh.* 20000. What was the percentage increase in the profit?

- A. 25%
- B. 20%
- C. 30%
- D. $16\frac{2}{3}\%$

45. The pie chart below shows how a lady used her piece of land on farming.



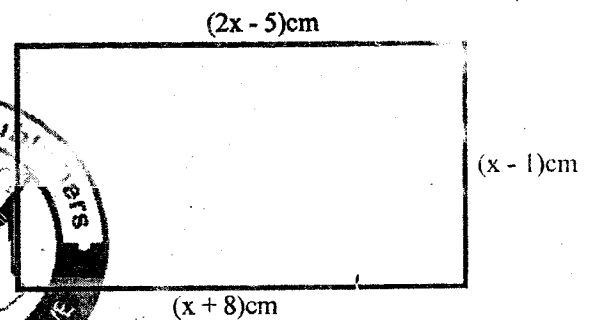
If she used 50 *hectares* on spinach, how many *hectares* of land was under onion plantation?

- A. 200
- B. 125
- C. 75
- D. 100

46. What is the value of $2\frac{1}{4}\%$ written as a fraction to its simplest form possible?

- A. $\frac{9}{4}$
- B. $\frac{9}{400}$
- C. $\frac{3}{200}$
- D. $\frac{9}{40}$

47. What is the area of the figure drawn below in *square centimetres*?

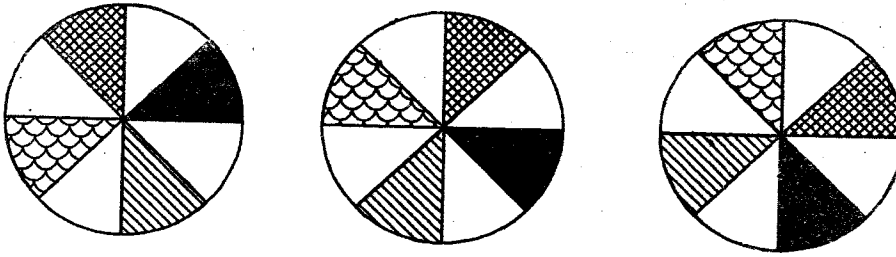


- A. 168cm^2
- B. 66cm^2
- C. 252cm^2
- D. 156cm^2

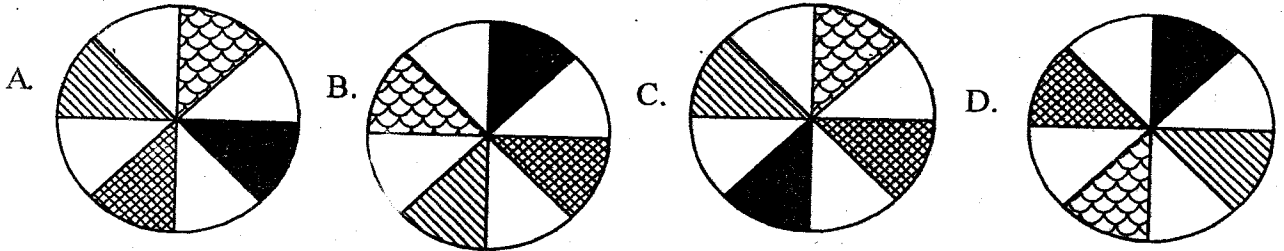
48. The height of two boys are in the ratio of 2:3. If the height of the shorter boy is 108cm , what is the difference in their heights?

- A. 270cm
- B. 64cm
- C. 162cm
- D. 54cm

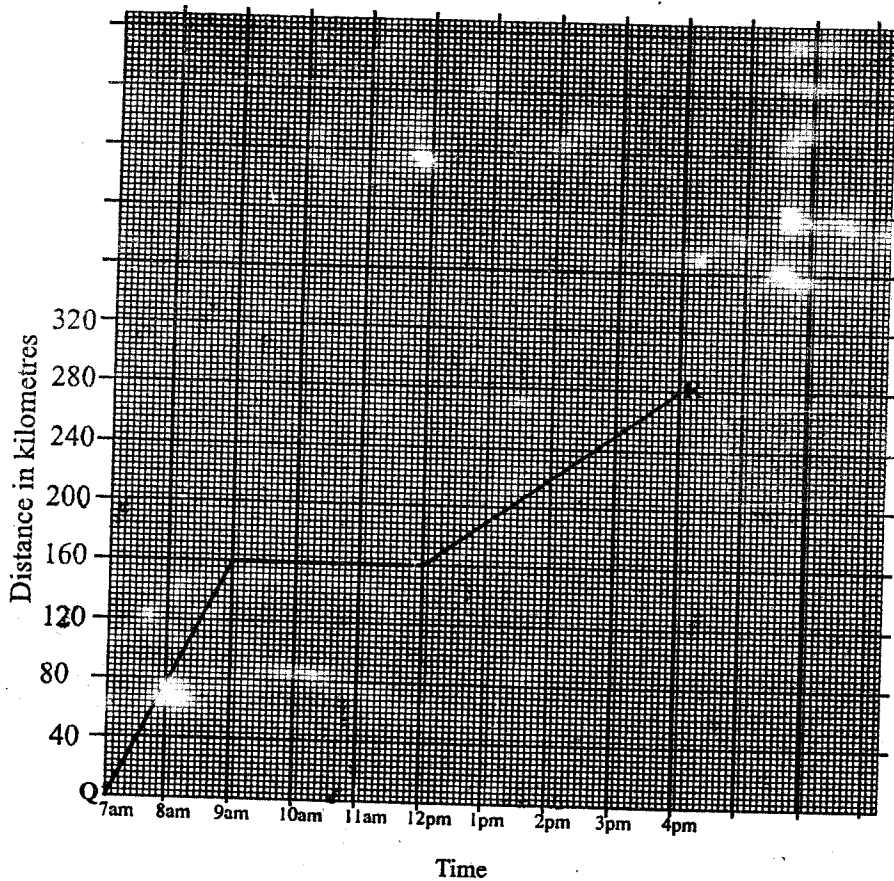
49. Study the pattern drawn below.



Which of the following pattern is the next?



50. The line graph below represents a motorist's journey from town Q to R.



After covering a certain distance the motorist had a stop over. How long did he take for the stop over?

A. $1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs

B. 2hrs

C. 3hrs

D. $2\frac{1}{2}$ hrs