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## Time and work Questions for CDS, CLAT and SSC Exams.

Time and work Quiz 4
Directions: Study the following Questions carefully and choose the right answer:

1. A, B and C can complete a piece of work in 12, 24 and 36 days respectively. In how many days will they together complete the same work?
A. $5 \frac{6}{11}$ days
B. 4 days
C. $6 \frac{6}{11}$ days
D. 6 days
2. $A$ is twice as good a workman as $B$ and together they finish a piece of work in 14 days. The number of days taken by $A$ alone to finish the work is
A. 11 days
B. 21 days
C. 28 days
D. 42 days
3. ' $A$ ' can complete a piece of work in 12 days ' $A$ ' and ' $B$ ' together can complete the same piece of work in 8 days. In how many days can ' $B$ ' alone complete the same piece of work?
A. 15 days
B. 18 days
C. 24 days
D. 28 days
4. $A$ is thrice as good a work man as $B$ and takes 60 days less than $B$ for doing a job. The time in which they can do it together is:
A. 15 days
B. 60 days
C. $22 \frac{1}{2}$ days
D. 28 days
5. A can do a piece of work in 20 days and $B$ can do the same piece of work in 30 days. Find in how many days both can do the work?
A. 28
B. 20
C. 34
D. 12
6. A, B and C can do a piece of work in 24,30 and 40 days respectively. They began the work together but C left 4 days before completion of the work. In how many days was the work done?
A. 14
B. 11
C. 12
D. 13
7. A can do a piece of work in 4 days and B can complete the same work in 12 days. What is the number of days required to do the same work together?
A. 2 days
B. 3 days
C. 4 days
D. 5 days
8. $A$ and $B$ can do a piece of work in 15 days. $B$ and $C$ can the same work in 10 days and $A$ and C can do the same in 12 days. Time taken by A, B and C together to do the job is
A. 8 days
B. 9 days
C. 4 days
D. 5 days
9. A's $\mathbf{2}$ days work is equal to B's $\mathbf{3}$ days work. If A can complete the work in 8 days then to complete the work $B$ will take:
A. 14 days
B. 12 days
C. 15 days
D. 16 days
10. $X$ completes a job in 2 days and $Y$ completes it in 3 days and $Z$ takes 4 days to complete it. If they work together and get Rs. 3900 for the job, then how much amount does Y get?
A. Rs. 1800
B. Rs. 1200
C. Rs. 900
D. Rs. 800

## Correct Answers:

| $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ |
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## Explanations:

1. To solve this question, we can apply a short trick approach;

If $A, B$ and $C$ can do a work in $x, y$ and $z$ days respectively then all of them working together can finish the work in

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\left(\frac{x y z}{x y+y z+z x}\right) \text { days }
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Given:

Time taken by $\mathrm{A}=\mathrm{x}=12$ days.
Time taken by $\mathrm{B}=\mathrm{y}=24$ days.
Time taken by $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{z}=36$ days.
By the short trick approach:
$\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}$ and C can do the work in
$=\frac{12 \times 24 \times 36}{12 \times 24+24 \times 36+36 \times 12}$

After taking 24 as a common term we get,
$=\frac{12 \times 36}{12+36+18}$

After taking 6 as a common term we get,
$=\frac{2 \times 36}{2+6+3}=\frac{72}{11}=6 \frac{6}{11}$

Hence, option C is correct.
2. To solve this question, we can apply a short trick approach;

A is $n$ times as good a workman as B. If together, they finish the work in $x$ days, then $A$ and $B$ separately can do the same work in
$\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) x$ days and in $(n+1) x$ days respectively.
By the short trick approach:
A finish the work in
$\left(\frac{2+1}{2}\right) \times 14=21$ days
Hence, option B is correct.
3. To solve this question, we can apply a short trick approach;

If $A$ and $B$ together can do a piece of work in $x$ day and $A$ alone can do it in $y$ days, then $B$ alone can do the work in
$\frac{x y}{y-x}$ days.
Given:
Time taken by $A$ and $B$ together to finish a piece of work $=x=8$ days.
Time taken by A alone to finish the same piece of work $=y=12$ days.
By the short trick approach:
$B$ alone can do the whole work in
$\frac{8 \times 12}{12-8}=\frac{96}{4}=24$ days
Hence, option C is correct.
4. To solve this question, we can apply a short trick approach;

If $A$ is ' $n$ ' times as fast (or slow) as $B$, and is therefore able to finish a work in ' $D$ ' days less (or more) than $B$, then the time in which they can do it working together is given by
$\left(\frac{\mathrm{Dn}}{\mathrm{n}^{2}-1}\right)$ days
Given:
A takes 60 days less then $B=D=60$ days
$A$ is 3 times as fast as $B=n=3$
By the short trick approach:
Reqd. Ans. $=\frac{60 \times 3}{3^{2}-1}=\frac{60 \times 3}{8}=\frac{45}{2}$
$=22 \frac{1}{2}$ days
Hence, option C is correct.
5. To solve this question, we can apply a short trick approach;

If $A$ can do a piece of work in $x$ days and $B$ can do it in $y$ days then $A$ and $B$ working together will do the same work in
$\left(\frac{x y}{x+y}\right)$ days.
Given:
A's time $=x=20$ days, B's time $=y=30$ days
By the short trick approach:
A $+B$ can do the work in
$\frac{20 \times 30}{20+30}$ days
$=\frac{600}{50}=12$ days.
Hence, option D is correct.
6. Let's take $x$ as the total number of days taken by $A, B$ and $C$ together. Therefore, as per the question the equation will be,
$\frac{x}{24}+\frac{x}{30}+\frac{(x-4)}{40}=1$
$=\frac{5 x+4 x+3 x-15}{120}=1$
$=\frac{12 x-12}{120}=1 \Rightarrow \frac{12(x-1)}{120}=1$
$\Rightarrow x-1=10 \Rightarrow x=11$.
Hence, option B is correct.
7. To solve this question, we can apply a short trick approach :

Reqd. no. of days $=\left(\frac{x y}{x+y}\right)$ days
$x=$ the time taken by $A$ to do the work $=4$ days
$y=$ the time taken by $B$ to do the work $=12$ days
By the short trick approach, we get
Reqd. no. of days $=\left(\frac{4 \times 12}{4+12}\right)=\frac{48}{16}=3$ days.

Hence, option B is correct.
8. To solve this question we can apply a short trick approach
$A, B \& C$ done the job
$=\frac{2 x y z}{x y+y z+z x}$
Where,
x is the work done by A and B together $=15$ days
$y$ is the work done by $B$ and $C$ together $=10$ days
$z$ is the work done by $C$ and $A$ together $=12$ days
By the short trick approach, we get
A, B \& C done the job
$=\frac{2 \times 15 \times 10 \times 12}{15 \times 10+10 \times 12+12 \times 15}$
$=\frac{2 \times 15 \times 10 \times 12}{150+120+180}$
$=\frac{2 \times 15 \times 10 \times 12}{450}=8$ days.
Hence, option A is correct.
9. $\operatorname{Men}=m ;$ Boys = b.

From the given information,
$(2 m+4 b) \times 10 \equiv(4 m+5 b) \times 6$
$\Rightarrow 20 \mathrm{~m}+40 \mathrm{~b} \equiv 24 \mathrm{~m}+30 \mathrm{~b}$
$\Rightarrow 4 \mathrm{~m} \equiv 10 \mathrm{~b}$
$\Rightarrow 2 \mathrm{~m} \equiv 5 \mathrm{~b}$
$\therefore 5 b=2 \times 40$
$\Rightarrow 1 \mathrm{~b}=\frac{2 \times 40}{5}=16$
$\therefore$ Required ratio $=40: 16=5: 2$
Hence, option B is correct.
10. To solve this question, we can apply a short trick approach;

If $A$ and $B$ can do a piece of work in $x$ days, $B$ and $C$ in $y$ days, $C$ and $A$ in $z$ days, then ( $A+B+C$ ) working together will do the same work in
$\left[\frac{2 x y z}{x y+y z+z x}\right]$ days
Given:
$A$ and $B$ together finish a piece work $=x=20$ days
$B$ and $C$ together finish a piece work $=y=10$ days
C and $A$ together finish a piece work $=z=12$ days
By the short trick approach:
$\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}$ and C can do the work in
$=\frac{2 \times 20 \times 10 \times 12}{20 \times 10+10 \times 12+12 \times 20}$ days

After taking 40 as a common term we get,
$=\frac{10 \times 12}{5+3+6}$ days $=\frac{120}{14}=8 \frac{4}{7}$ days

Hence, option C is correct.


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