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MATHEMATICS (Geometry).

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The total number of questions answered should not exceed six.

Mathematical Tables may be obtained from the Superintendent.

Candidates should state the text-book used in order to indicate the sequence followed.

1. Define a "*parallelogram*" and prove that the opposite sides of a parallelogram are equal.

ABCD is a parallelogram in which the diagonal AC bisects the angle BAD. Prove that ABCD is equilateral.

[30 marks.]

2. Prove that the sum of two opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral is equal to two right angles.

State and prove the converse theorem.

[30 marks.]

3. Prove that parallelograms on the same base and of equal altitudes are equal in area.

ABCD is a quadrilateral whose diagonals are AC, BD. The parallels to BD drawn through A and C meet the parallels to AC drawn through B and D at P, Q, R, S respectively: prove that  $PQRS = 2ABCD$ .

[30 marks.]

4. Show, with proof, how to inscribe a circle in a triangle.

The angles A, B, C of a triangle ABC are in the ratio 2 : 3 : 4 and the inscribed circle touches BC, CA, AB at P, Q, R respectively. Calculate the number of degrees in each of the angles of the triangle PQR.

[30 marks.]

5. Draw geometrical diagrams to illustrate the identities :

$$(i) a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b),$$

$$(ii) (a-b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

when  $a$  and  $b$  are positive numbers and  $a > b$ .

[The diagrams should be marked clearly and a very brief description given showing how they illustrate the identities.]

[30 marks.]

6. AC is a diagonal of a square ABCD. On the side of AC remote from D an equilateral triangle ACE is described. Through B lines are drawn parallel to EA, EC and meeting AD, DC at G, F respectively. Prove that the triangle BGF is equilateral.

[30 marks.]

7. Two chords of a circle, PQ, RS intersect at X: prove that  $PX \cdot XQ = RX \cdot XS$ .

Hence using a large scaled diagram drawn accurately on squared paper evaluate  $(2.3 \times 1.9) \div 1.6$ .

[35 marks.]

8. From a point O outside a circle two lines are drawn, one intersecting the circle at A, B and the other touching it at T: prove that  $OT^2 = OA \cdot OB$ .

Show how to describe another circle which shall pass through A and B and touch another line OX passing through O.

[35 marks.]

9. ABCD is a rectangular sheet of paper in which  $BC = 4$  ins. P is a point on CD such that  $CP = 3$  ins. The paper is folded so that the corner B coincides with P: calculate the length of the crease.

[35 marks.]

10. Prove the relation  $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B}$ , where ABC is any triangle.

From a point P on top of a cliff  $x$  feet above sea-level two fishing boats, A, B are seen in a line with the foot of the cliff. The angles of depression of A and B are  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  respectively ( $\alpha > \beta$ ). Find in simplest form in terms of  $x$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  expressions for (i) the distance of A from the foot of the cliff; (ii) the distance between A and B.

Simplify the results when  $x = 750$ ,  $\alpha = 21^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 14^\circ 40'$ .

[35 marks.]