# MCQs of Engineering Geology

## Question No. 01

# Asbestos has got a ...... Structure ?

- a. Foliated
- b. Fibrous
- c. Granular
- d. Bladed

# Question No. 02

## Dolomite is a Limestone containing carbonate of magnesia up to?

- a. 15%
- b. 20%
- c. 25%
- d. 45%

#### Question No. 03

# Syenite & Andesite (silica 70-80%) are examples of:?

- a. Acidic igneous rocks
- b. Intermediate igneous rocks
- c. Basic igneous rocks
- d. Ultra-basic igneous rocks

The color of the statuary marble used for the Sculptor's work is?

- a. Red
- b. Blue
- c. White
- d. Green

#### Question No. 05

#### All volcanic rocks are amply suitable for use as crushed stone because they are: ?

- a. Hard & tough
- b. Having high cementing property
- c. Resistant to Abrasion
- d. All the above

#### Question No. 06

#### Rocks resulting from the accumulation of plant & animal remains are known as:?

- a. Chemical deposits
- b. Fragmental rocks
- c. Organogenous rocks
- d. none of the above

## Quartzite is a:?

- a. Metamorphic rock
- b. Argtillaceous rock
- c. Calcareous rock
- d. Silicious rock

#### Question No. 08

# The rock used for the construction of the "Gateway of India" (in Mumbai) is: ?

- a. Light-coloured variety of trap rocks
- b. Granite of South India
- c. Charnockite of South India
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 09

#### Troposphere is the lowermost atmospheric zone whose upper boundary lies at about: ?

- a. 115 km above the earth's surface
- b. 9 km and 18 km above the surface at the poles and equator respectively
- c. 700 km above the earth's surface
- d. None of the above

# The specific gravity of Quartz (SiO?) lies between: ?

- a. 2.30-2.60
- b. 2.60-2.64
- c. 3.60-4.00
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 11

# Granite, Basalt, & Trap is:?

a. Stratified rocks

#### b. Unstratified rocks

- c. Foliated rocks
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 12

# Kaolin is chemically classified as:?

- a. Metamorphic rock
- b. Argillaceous rock
- c. Calcareous rock
- d. Silicious rock

## Upper boundary of the troposphere is known as: ?

#### a. Tropopause

- b. Tropoclause
- c. Tropotop
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 14

#### Rocks formed by gradual deposition, are known as: ?

#### a. Sedimentary rocks

- b. Igneous rocks
- c. Metamorphic rocks
- d. None of these

#### Question No. 15

# The principal setback(s) of "Continental Drift Theory" lies in the fact that it is incapable of accounting for the: ?

- a. Presence of adequate force necessary for the process of drifting
- b. Exact reason for the commencement of the drift just after the Palaeozoic period

#### c. All the above

d. None of the above

# Kyanite has got a ..... structure. ?

a. Columnar

## b. Fibrous

- c. Mammillary
- d. Reniform

#### Question No. 17

# Schist may result from the metamorphic transformation of: ?

- a. Sandstone
- b. Shale
- c. Conglomerate
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 18

# Peridotite is an example of: ?

- a. Acidic igneous rocks
- b. Metamorphic rocks
- c. Basic igneous rocks
- d. Ultra-basic igneous rocks

# Rocks resulting from the deterioration of massive magmatic or sedimentary rocks are known as ?

a. Chemical deposits

#### b. Fragmental rocks

- c. Organogenous rocks
- d. None of the above

## Question No. 20

Limestone & Marble - on the basis of their chemical characteristics - may be classified as:?

#### a. Calcarious rocks

- b. Argillaceous rocks
- c. Silicious rocks
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 21

# Which of the following is true in relation to apparent &, true dip ?

a. Apparent dip> true dip

#### b. Apparent dip

- c. Apparent dip> true dip
- d. True dip

#### Which of the following statement is correct in the context of Gondwana system:?

a. Middle Gondwana deposits are completely devoid of coal seams

b. Lower Gondwana deposits contain the most important coal-bearing strata in the Indian stratigraphy.

c. Upper Gondwana deposits contain a few coal seams

#### d. All the above

# Question No. 23

Rocks for their use as road material should possess sufficient cementing value. Very coarse grained igneous rocks such as Pegmatite possess ...... cementing property. ?

- a. Exceptional
- b. Excellent
- c. Good
- d. Very poor

#### Question No. 24

#### Which of the following statements is true in the context of "seismology":?

- a. It is an off-shoot of geophysics
- b. It deals with the study of earthquakes in all their aspects

#### c. All the above

d. None of the above

# The examples of sedimentary rocks resulting from the precipitation of salts in drying water basins are:?

- a. Dolomite, gypsum, & magnesite
- b. Breccia, & sandstone
- c. Limestone, shale, & chalk
- d. All the above

# Question No. 26

#### The specific gravity of Garnet lies between:?

- a. 2.60-3.50
- b. 3.50-4.30
- c. 4.30-5.20
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 27

Small rock sediments lying in the path of abrading winds become faceted and polished in one or more directions. Such wind-carved fragments in the deserts are called:?

- a. Ventifacts
- b. Driekenters
- c. All the above
- d. None of the above

Solidified or semi-solidified clots of lava which get thrown out along with other materials at the time of volcanic eruptions are known as:?

a. Lapilli

- b. Volcanic bombs
- c. Pyroclasts
- d. Magma

# Question No. 29

#### Slate results from the metamorphic transformation of ?

- a. Limestone
- b. Sandstone
- c. Mudstone
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 30

# When the induced pressure is due to the depth factor, the process of metamorphism is defined as the:?

- a. Contact metamorphism
- b. Metasomatism
- c. Load metamorphism
- d. None of the above

## lonosphere is the: ?

- a. Solid part of the earth
- b. Lowermost atmospheric zone

## c. Uppermost atmospheric zone

d. None of the above

#### Question No. 32

# The idea of the wandering continents was first pictured by Wagner (1912) in his:

- a. Convection current hypothesis
- b. Planetesimal Hypothesis

#### c. Continental drift theory

d. None of the above

#### Question No. 33

A mineral may sometimes show a definite and characteristic arrangement in its outer appearance or physical shape which is expressed by the form "structure". Gypsum, as such, has got a ...... structure. ?

a. Bladed

#### b. Fibrous

- c. Reniform
- d. Granular

The maximum angle of slope of a bed (or layer of rock) with the horizontal is known as: ?

- a. Dip
- b. Strike
- c. Bedding
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 35

# The most suitable road material out of the following would be: ?

a. Coarse-grained igneous rocks

#### b. Volcanic rocks

- c. Plutonic rocks
- d. Hypabyssal rocks

#### Question No. 36

#### Sedimentary rocks resulting from the accumulation of plant & animal remains are:

- a. Gypsum & magnesite
- b. Sand & gravel
- c. Limestone, chalk, & shale
- d. All the above

## Petrology confines itself to the study of the: ?

- a. Petroleum products
- b. Formation of various groups of rocks & their compositions
- c. Features of the surface of the earth

#### d. None of the above

#### Question No. 38

# A great majority of folds are modifications of the simple types known as anticlines and synclines. An anticline is a fold in which: ?

- a. The strata is up arched (i.e. it becomes convex upwards)
- b. The older rocks usually occupy a position in the interior (or core of the curvature)

#### c. All the above

d. None of the above

#### Question No. 39

#### Specific gravity of Dolomite is about: ?

- a. 1.95
- b. 2.85
- c. 3.20
- d. None of the above

#### Pegmatite is a: ?

#### a. Intrusive igneous

- b. Extrusive Igneous rock
- c. Sedimentary rock
- d. Metamorphic rock

#### Question No. 41

In India, the Archaeans and the associated Dharwarian rocks cover a nearly ...... area of the peninsula. ?

- a. 10%
- b. 30%
- c. 66%
- d. 95%

#### Question No. 42

Solid materials (or pyroclasts) of different sizes are thrown out by 'volcanoes at the time of their eruptions. Pyroclasts consist of:?

# a. Volcanic blocks, lapilli, & volcanic dust

- b. Volcanic dust & lapilli
- c. Lapilli
- d. None of the above

#### Rocks formed from molten magma are known as:?

a. Sedimentary rocks

# b. Igneous rocks

- c. Metamorphic rocks
- d. None of these

#### Question No. 44

#### Stones used for rubble masonry must be:?

- a. Soft
- b. Hard
- c. High
- d. Heavy

#### Question No. 45

# Hardness & specific gr. of Pyrite lies between:?

# a. 6 - 6.50 & 4.90 - 5.20 respectively

- b. 6 6.50 & 3.90 4.20 respectively
- c. 6 6.50 & 2.90 3.20 respectively
- d. None of the above

#### Dunes are: ?

a. Wind-deposits made up primarily of sand-grade particles

#### b. Aeolian deposits

#### c. All the above

d. None of the above

#### Question No. 47

# Which of the following instruments may be used for the determination of the sp. gr. of minerals in geological laboratories: ?

- a. Walker's Steel Yard Balance
- b. The beam balance
- c. Jolly's spring balance

#### d. All the above

#### Question No. 48

When pure Limestone simply recrystallizes during the process of metamorphism without any new mineral formation, the resulting rock is: ?

- a. Dolomite
- b. Anorthite
- c. Marble
- d. None of the above

# Lithosphere consists of: ?

- a. Atmosphere & crust
- b. Crust, mantle, & core
- c. All the above
- d. None of the above

#### Question No. 50

# Shingle is: ?

# a. Decomposed Laterite

- b. Obtained by crushing Granite
- c. Water-bound pebbles
- d. Air-weathered rock