

Cognizant Placement Papers 2026

27 MCQs with answer key · Free download

[Exam pattern](#)

Communication and aptitude-style items plus Technical Assessment themes: Coding, SQL, Web, and Cloud MCQs for a language cluster. Practice set — not an official Cognizant paper.

Questions

[Quantitative Ability](#)

Q1. Profit 20% on 500. SP:

- A) 600
- B) 520
- C) 550
- D) 700

Q2. A 10d B 15d together:

- A) 5
- B) 6 days
- C) 12
- D) 25

Q3. 60 km/h for 2.5 h:

- A) 120
- B) 100
- C) 150 km
- D) 180

Q4. SI 1000 @10% 2y:

- A) 100
- B) 300
- C) 220
- D) 200

Q5. Rise 25% fall 20% net:

- A) 0%
- B) 5%
- C) 45%
- D) -5%

[Logical Reasoning](#)

Q6. Series 5,10,20,40,?

- A) 60
- B) 80
- C) 70
- D) 100

Q7. Odd one 3,5,7,9,11:

- A) 3
- B) 5
- C) 9
- D) 11

Verbal Ability

Q8. Antonym Abundant:

- A) Plentiful
- B) Sufficient
- C) Copious
- D) Scarce

Communication

Q9. Versant round evaluates:

- A) Spoken English fluency/listening/grammar
- B) Only hard DSA
- C) Only cloud certs
- D) Only puzzles

Game / Cognitive

Q10. Gamified aptitude rewards:

- A) Skipping games
- B) Higher levels via fast accurate play
- C) Rage clicking only
- D) Ignoring aptitude

Coding Cluster

Q11. Cluster choice matters because:

- A) Switch mid-test freely
- B) UI theme only
- C) Coding language locked to cluster
- D) No coding after

Q12. Character frequency in string:

- A) Dijkstra
- B) Segment tree mandatory
- C) Quickselect
- D) Count array / HashMap

Q13. String matching/contains:

- A) Sliding window or library contains/KMP
- B) Bubble only
- C) Prim
- D) Heap sort letters

Q14. Second largest element:

- A) Always a[1]
- B) One-pass two maxima
- C) Claim $O(1)$ sort
- D) Ignore carefully wrong

Q15. Palindrome number:

- A) HashMap mandatory
- B) Dijkstra
- C) Reverse digits or two-pointer on digits
- D) BFS

SQL

Q16. Employees above dept average salary:

- A) DELETE emp
- B) WHERE AVG illegally
- C) Random
- D) Compare to AVG via subquery/window

Q17. INNER JOIN returns:

- A) Matching rows both sides
- B) All left always
- C) Cartesian only
- D) No matches

Q18. GROUP BY with filter on aggregate uses:

- A) WHERE only
- B) HAVING
- C) ORDER only
- D) DISTINCT only

Web Task

Q19. Web scenario typically edits:

- A) Rewrite JVM
- B) Configure BGP
- C) HTML/CSS/JS to match requirements
- D) Train LLMs

Q20. CSS flexbox helps:

- A) Compile TS
- B) Index SQL
- C) Encrypt disks
- D) Responsive layout

Q21. JS onclick runs:

- A) Logic on user click events
- B) Compile Java
- C) Start MySQL
- D) Configure DNS

Cloud MCQ

Q22. PaaS provides:

- A) Building power only
- B) Managed runtime/platform
- C) Only finished SaaS always
- D) Cables only

Q23. Autoscaling reacts to:

- A) Weekly meetings only
- B) DNS jokes
- C) Load metrics by adding/removing instances
- D) CSS

OOPs

Q24. OOP pillars include:

- A) Compilation Linking Loading Paging
- B) HTML CSS JS SQL
- C) Only recursion
- D) Encapsulation, Inheritance, Polymorphism, Abstraction

Q25. Overloading is:

- A) Same name different parameter lists
- B) Same signature runtime only
- C) Only inheritance
- D) Deleting methods

Programming

Q26. static in Java roughly:

- A) Faster GPU objects
- B) Class-level shared member
- C) Disables GC
- D) Means private

Q27. try/catch handles:

- A) Faster loops always
- B) DNS
- C) Exceptions gracefully
- D) CSS animations

Answer Key & Explanations

Quantitative Ability

Q1. A

Quant.

Q2. B

Work.

Q3. C

Distance.

Q4. D

SI.

Q5. A

Net.

Logical Reasoning

Q6. B

Double.

Q7. C

Composite.

Verbal Ability

Q8. D

Verbal.

Communication

Q9. A

GenC round 1.

Game / Cognitive

Q10. B

Game section.

Coding Cluster

Q11. C

Java/Python/C#.

Q12. D

GenC coding

Q13. A

GenC coding.

Q14. B

Arrays.

Q15. C

Coding.

SQL

Q16. D

SQL.

Q17. A

SQL.

Q18. B

SQL.

Web Task

Q19. C
GenC web.

Q20. D
CSS.

Q21. A
JS.

Cloud MCQ

Q22. B
Cloud MCQs.

Q23. C
Cloud.

OOPs

Q24. D
Interview.

Q25. A
Java.

Programming

Q26. B
Language.

Q27. C
Exceptions.