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Quantitative, Logical, and Verbal aptitude plus Programming/Technical MCQs common in banking and fintech campus papers. Practice set — not an official HSBC paper.

Questions

[Quantitative Ability](#)

Q1. A finishes work in 13 days, B in 14 days. Days together?

- A) 6.74
- B) 13.5
- C) 13
- D) 7.74

Q2. Marked 40% above cost with 25% discount. Profit %? [HSBC]

- A) 15%
- B) 40%
- C) 25%
- D) 5.0%

Q3. SI on ₹18000 at 9% p.a. for 2 years? [HSBC]

- A) ₹720
- B) ₹2880
- C) ₹1440
- D) ₹1640

Q4. A 150 m train crosses a pole in 8 s. Speed in km/h?

- A) 59
- B) 67.5
- C) 18
- D) 74

Q5. Average of 9 numbers is 40. If 35 is removed, new average?

- A) 40.62
- B) 40
- C) 5
- D) 37.5

Q6. A number rises by 30% then falls by 30%. Net % change? [HSBC]

- A) 0%
- B) 30%
- C) -60%
- D) -9.0%

Q7. Ratio 2:5, sum 490. Smaller part? [HSBC]

- A) 245
- B) 20
- C) 140
- D) 350

Q8. HCF of 20 and 24? [HSBC]

- A) 8
- B) 4
- C) 120
- D) 20

Logical Reasoning

Q9. Series: 4, 7, 11, 16, 22, ? [HSBC]

- A) 29
- B) 31
- C) 26
- D) 44

Q10. Series: 3, 9, 27, 81, ? [HSBC]

- A) 84
- B) 324
- C) 30
- D) 243

Q11. If SUN !' TVO (shift +1), then FAN !' ? [HSBC]

- A) NAF
- B) fan
- C) GBO
- D) HCP

Q12. P is taller than Q, R taller than P, S shorter than Q. Tallest among P,Q,R,S? [HSBC]

- A) S
- B) R
- C) P
- D) Q

Q13. All servers are machines. Some machines are tools. Conclusion: Some servers are tools? [HSBC]

- A) Does not follow
- B) Follows
- C) Either follows
- D) Data insufficient only

Q14. Odd one out: 3, 5, 7, 11, 9 [HSBC]

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

Verbal Ability

Q15. Synonym of 'ancient': [HSBC]

- A) new
- B) fresh
- C) old
- D) modern

Q16. Antonym of 'accept': [HSBC]

- A) permit
- B) reject
- C) approve
- D) allow

Q17. Fill: Neither of the options ____ correct. [HSBC]

- A) is
- B) are
- C) were
- D) have

Programming Logic

Q18. Pseudo: $s=0$; for $i=1$ to 5 { $s=s+i$ }. Final s ? [HSBC]

- A) 5
- B) 25
- C) 16
- D) 15

Q19. Best DS to check balanced parentheses in an expression? [HSBC]

- A) Heap
- B) Hash only
- C) Stack
- D) Queue

Q20. Binary search on a sorted array of size n is: [HSBC]

- A) $O(1)$
- B) $O(\log n)$
- C) $O(n)$
- D) $O(n \log n)$

Q21. BFS traversal typically uses: [HSBC]

- A) Queue
- B) Stack only
- C) Priority queue always
- D) Only recursion

Q22. Recursive $\text{fib}(n)$: $\text{fib}(0)=0$, $\text{fib}(1)=1$. $\text{fib}(8) = ?$ [HSBC]

- A) 34
- B) 8
- C) 22
- D) 21

Q23. HashMap average-case get is: [HSBC]

- A) $O(n \log n)$
- B) $O(n^2)$
- C) $O(1)$
- D) $O(n)$

Q24. Detect cycle in a linked list efficiently with: [HSBC]

- A) Dijkstra
- B) Floyd tortoise-hare
- C) Binary search
- D) Counting sort

Q25. Pseudo: $x=5$; print $x++$; then print x . First printed value? [HSBC]

- A) 5
- B) 6
- C) 4
- D) 10

Technical MCQ

Q26. TCP provides: [HSBC]

- A) No handshake ever
- B) Only broadcast
- C) Always faster than UDP
- D) Reliable ordered delivery

Q27. OOP polymorphism means: [HSBC]

- A) Only inheritance
- B) Only compilation
- C) Same interface, different behavior
- D) Only private fields

Answer Key & Explanations

Quantitative Ability

Q1. A

$1/13 + 1/14$!' 6.74 days.

Q2. D

$SP/CP = 1.0500$!' 5.0%.

Q3. C

$SI = PRT/100 = 1440$.

Q4. B

$150/8 \text{ m/s} \times 18/5 = 67.5 \text{ km/h}$.

Q5. A

New sum = 325; divide by 8.

Q6. D

$(1+x)(1-x)-1 = -x^2$!' -9.0%.

Q7. C

Smaller = $2/7 \times 490 = 140$.

Q8. B

$HCF(20, 24) = 4$.

Logical Reasoning

Q9. A

Differences increase; next = 29.

Q10. D

Multiply by 3 each step.

Q11. C

Each letter +1.

Q12. B

$R > P > Q > S$.

Q13. A

No forced overlap.

Q14. D

9 is not prime.

Verbal Ability

Q15. C

old "H ancient.

Q16. B

Opposite of accept is reject.

Q17. A

Correct: is.

Programming Logic

Q18. D

$1 + \dots + 5 = 15$.

Q19. C

LIFO matching.

Q20. B

Halve each step.

Q21. A

Level-order with queue.

Q22. D

fib(8)=21.

Q23. C

Amortized constant.

Q24. B

Two pointers.

Q25. A

Post-increment prints old value.

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Q26. D

Reliable stream.

Q27. C

Polymorphism.

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