

# MHT CET 2026 Mathematics Answer Key PDF

## Mathematics

1. Option (c)  $\frac{\pi}{4}$

Explanation: Applying King's property of definite integrals,  $\int_0^a f(x)dx = \int_0^a f(a-x)dx$ , the integrand's numerator converts to  $\cos x$ . Adding the original and transformed integrals yields  $2I = \int_0^{\pi/2} 1 dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \implies I = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

2. Option (b)  $\sqrt{86}$

Explanation: Calculating the cross product yields  $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$ , whose exact magnitude is  $\sqrt{75} = 5\sqrt{3}$ . Due to a minor typo in the memory-based options,  $\sqrt{86}$  is the closest listed choice.

3. Option (a) True

Explanation: The statement is of the form  $p \rightarrow q$ , where  $p$  is "2 is even" (True) and  $q$  is "5 is prime" (True). Under the truth table for conditional implications, a  $T \rightarrow T$  statement is evaluated as True.

4. Option (a)  $y = e^{-x}(x + C)$

Explanation: This is a linear differential equation with integrating factor I.F. =  $e^{\int 1 dx} = e^x$ . The general solution satisfies  $y \cdot e^x = \int e^{-x} \cdot e^x dx + C = x + C$ , which simplifies to  $y = e^{-x}(x + C)$ .

5. Option (a)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}$

Explanation: The perpendicular distance from a point  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  to a plane is given by  $d = \frac{|ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 - d|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$ . Substituting  $(1, 2, 3)$  and the plane's coefficients yields  $d = \frac{|2+6-3-7|}{\sqrt{14}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}$ .

## Physics

6. Option (b)  $\frac{1}{4}MR^2$

Explanation: The moment of inertia of a uniform circular disc of mass  $M$  and radius  $R$  about a central perpendicular axis is  $\frac{1}{2}MR^2$ . Applying the perpendicular axis theorem, the moment of inertia about any diameter is half of this value,  $\frac{1}{4}MR^2$ .

7. Option (c)  $9R$

Explanation: When a wire is stretched to three times its original length, its cross-sectional area is reduced to one-third to keep the volume constant. Since  $R = \rho \frac{L}{A}$ , tripling  $L$  and dividing  $A$  by 3 increases the resistance by  $3^2 = 9$  times.

8. Option (a)  $4.97 \times 10^{-19}$  J

Explanation: The energy of a single photon is calculated using the relation  $E = \frac{hc}{\lambda}$ . Substituting the given values  $h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34}$  Js,  $c = 3 \times 10^8$  m/s, and  $\lambda = 4 \times 10^{-7}$  m yields  $E \approx 4.97 \times 10^{-19}$  J.

9. Option (b) 8000 N

Explanation: The centripetal force required to keep a car of mass  $m$  moving at velocity  $v$  along a curve of radius  $r$  is given by  $F_c = \frac{mv^2}{r}$ . Substituting  $m = 1000$  kg,  $v = 20$  m/s, and  $r = 50$  m yields  $F_c = 8000$  N.

10. Option (a) 300 J

Explanation: According to the first law of thermodynamics, the change in internal energy is given by  $\Delta U = Q - W$ . Since 500 J of heat is added ( $Q = +500$ ) and 200 J of work is done by the system ( $W = +200$ ), we have  $\Delta U = 300$  J.

## Chemistry

11. Option (c) +7

Explanation: In potassium permanganate ( $\text{KMnO}_4$ ), potassium has an oxidation number of +1 and oxygen is -2. Setting the sum of the oxidation states equal to zero, we get  $1 + x + 4(-2) = 0$ , which yields the oxidation state of manganese as +7.

12. Option (b) Ethene

Explanation: Heating ethyl alcohol with concentrated sulfuric acid at an elevated temperature of 443 K ( $170^\circ\text{C}$ ) results in acidic dehydration, which removes a molecule of water to produce ethene as the primary product.

13. Option (a)  $\text{CHCl}_3$  and  $\text{NaOH}$

Explanation: The Reimer-Tiemann reaction is a classic synthetic method used to convert phenol to salicylaldehyde. This ortho-formylation reaction is carried out by treating phenol with chloroform ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ ) in an alkaline medium of sodium hydroxide ( $\text{NaOH}$ ).

14. Option (a) 11

Explanation: For a 0.001 M solution of the strong base  $\text{NaOH}$ , the hydroxide ion concentration is  $[\text{OH}^-] = 10^{-3}$  M, which gives a pOH of 3. Since  $\text{pH} + \text{pOH} = 14$  at 298 K, the pH of the solution is 11.

15. Option (b) Schottky defect

Explanation: Sodium chloride ( $\text{NaCl}$ ) crystals typically exhibit Schottky defects, which arise when stoichiometric, equal numbers of cations ( $\text{Na}^+$ ) and anions ( $\text{Cl}^-$ ) are missing from their respective lattice sites.