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TRIGONOMETRY QUIZ 12

Directions: Read the following questions carefully and choose the right answer.

(1). If $\frac{2 \sin \theta - \cos \theta}{\cos \theta + \sin \theta} = 1$, then the value of $\cot \theta$ is

- A. $1/2$ B. $1/3$ C. 3 D. 2

(2). If $\cot \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) = \sqrt{3}$, then the value of $\cos \theta$ is

- A. 0 B. $1/\sqrt{2}$ C. $1/2$ D. 1

(3). If $\tan 4\theta + \tan 2\theta = 1$, then the value of $\cos 4\theta + \cos 2\theta$ is

- A. 8 B. 10 C. 1 D. 2

(4). The value of $\sin (45^\circ + \theta) - \cos (45^\circ - \theta)$ is

- A. 1 B. 0 C. $2 \cos \theta$ D. $2 \sin \theta$

(5). If $\cot A + \operatorname{cosec} A = 2$ and A is an acute angle, then the value of $\cos A$ is

- A. $4/5$ B. 1 C. $1/2$ D. $1/\sqrt{3}$

(6). If $\tan (x + y) \tan (x - y) = 1$, then the value of $\tan x$ is

- A. $\sqrt{3}$ B. 1 C. $1/2$ D. $1/\sqrt{3}$

(7). Minimum value of $12 \cos^2 \alpha + 3 \sec^2 \alpha$ is

- A. 14 B. 10 C. 11 D. 12

(8). $1 - \frac{\sin^2 A}{1 + \cos A} + \frac{1 + \cos A}{\sin A} - \frac{\sin A}{1 - \cos A} = ?$

- A. $\cos A$ B. 0 C. 1 D. $\sin A$

(9). If $\tan \theta - \cot \theta = a$ and $\cos \theta - \sin \theta = b$, then the value of $(a^2 + 4)(b^2 - 1)$ is

- A. 4 B. 1 C. 2 D. 3

(10). If $\sec \theta + \tan \theta = \sqrt{3}$, then the positive value of $\sin \theta$ is

- A. 0 B. $\frac{1}{2}$ C. $\frac{3}{2}$ D. 1



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Correct answers:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A	C	C	B	A	B	D	A	A	B

Explanations:

1.

Dividing numerator and denominator by $\sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{2 \sin \theta - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}}{\frac{\cos \theta + \sin \theta}{\sin \theta}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 - \cot \theta}{1 + \cot \theta} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 - \cot \theta = 1 + \cot \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot \theta = 1/2$$

Hence, option A is correct.

2.

$$\cot \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \sqrt{3}$$

$$[\because \cot \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta \right) = \tan \theta]$$

$$\therefore \theta = 60^\circ$$

Hence, $\cos 60^\circ = 1/2$.

Hence, option C is correct.

3.

$$\tan^4\theta + \tan^2\theta = 1$$

$$\tan^2\theta (\tan^2\theta + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2\theta \cdot \sec^2\theta = 1 \{ \because \sec^2\theta = 1 + \tan^2\theta \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2\theta}{\cos^4\theta} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \cos^2\theta = \cos^4\theta \{ \because \sin^2\theta = 1 - \cos^2\theta \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^4\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$$

Hence, option C is correct.

4.

$$\sin(45^\circ + \theta) - \cos(45^\circ - \theta)$$

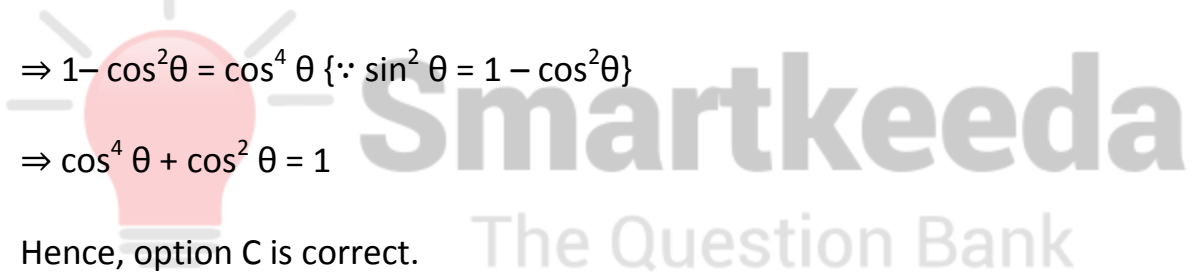
$$= \sin\{90^\circ - (45^\circ - \theta)\} - \cos(45^\circ - \theta)$$

$$= \cos(45^\circ - \theta) - \cos(45^\circ - \theta)$$

$$\{ \because \sin(90 - A) = \cos A \}$$

$$= 0$$

Hence, option B is correct.



5.

Here, $\cot A + \operatorname{cosec} A = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\cos A}{\sin A} + \frac{1}{\sin A} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos A + 1 = 3\sin A$$

Squaring both sides.

$$\Rightarrow (\cos A + 1)^2 = 9\sin^2 A$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos^2 A + 2\cos A + 1 = 9(1 - \cos^2 A)$$

$$\Rightarrow 10\cos^2 A + 2\cos A - 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\cos^2 A + \cos A - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (5\cos A - 4)(\cos A + 1) = 0$$

(\because A is an acute angle)

$$\therefore \cos A = \frac{4}{5}$$

Hence, option A is correct.

6.

Here, $\tan(x + y) \tan(x - y) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(x + y) = \frac{1}{\tan(x - y)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan(x + y)$$



$$= \cot(x - y) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x + y\right)$$

$$\{ \because \tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot\theta \}$$

$$\therefore x + y = \pi/2 - x + y \Rightarrow x = \pi/4$$

$$\therefore \tan x = \tan\frac{\pi}{4} = 1$$

Hence, option B is correct.

7.

$$\text{Let } A = 12\cos^2\alpha + 3\sec^2\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 3(4\cos^2\alpha + \sec^2\alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 3[(2\cos\alpha - \sec\alpha)^2 + 4]$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 3(2\cos\alpha - \sec\alpha)^2 + 12$$

For minimum value of A, $2\cos\alpha - \sec\alpha = 0$

$$2\cos\alpha = \sec\alpha$$

Hence, the minimum value of the expression = 12.

Hence, option D is correct.

8.

$$1 - \frac{\sin^2 A}{1 + \cos A} + \frac{1 + \cos A}{\sin A} - \frac{\sin A}{1 - \cos A}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1 - \cos^2 A}{1 + \cos A} + \frac{1 - \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A}{\sin A (1 - \cos A)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos A (1 + \cos A)}{1 + \cos A}$$

$$= \cos A$$

Hence, option A is correct.

9.

Here, $\tan \theta - \cot \theta = a$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2 \theta + \cot^2 \theta - 2 \tan \theta \cot \theta = a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} = a^2 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin^4 \theta + \cos^4 \theta = (a^2 + 2) \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta = (a^2 + 2) \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\therefore a^2 + 4 = \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta}$$

.... (i)

Similarly,

$$\cos \theta - \sin \theta = b$$

$$(\cos \theta - \sin \theta)^2 = b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 1 = -2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow (b - 1)^2 = 4 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta$$

....(ii)

Solving (i) and (ii), we get

$$(a + 4)^2 (b - 1)^2 = 4$$

Hence, option A is correct.

10.

$$\sec \theta + \tan \theta = \sqrt{3}$$

....(i)

$$\Rightarrow \sec \theta - \tan \theta = 1/\sqrt{3}$$

$$\{\because \sec^2 \theta = \tan^2 \theta = 1\}$$

....(ii)

By adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore \sin \theta = \sin 30^\circ = 1/2$$

Hence, option B is correct.





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