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Trigonometry Questions for CGL Tier 2, CGL Tier 1 and SSC 10+2 Exams

TRIGONOMETRY QUIZ 9

Direction: Study the following questions carefully and choose the right answer:

1. For any real values of θ , $\sqrt{\frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\sec \theta + 1}} = ?$

- A. $\cot \theta - \operatorname{cosec} \theta$ B. $\sec \theta - \tan \theta$
C. $\operatorname{cosec} \theta - \cot \theta$ D. $\tan \theta - \sec \theta$

2. In a ΔABC , $\angle B = \frac{\pi}{3}$, $\angle C = \frac{\pi}{4}$ and D divides BC internally in the ratio 1 : 3 then $\frac{\sin \angle BAD}{\sin \angle CAD}$ is equal to

- A. $1/\sqrt{2}$ B. $1/\sqrt{3}$
C. $1/\sqrt{6}$ D. $\sqrt{6}$

3. If $\sin 3A = \cos (A - 26^\circ)$, where $3A$ is an acute angle then the value of A is

- A. 29° B. 26°
C. 23° D. 28°

4. Value of $\sec^2 \theta - \frac{\sin^2 \theta - 2 \sin^4 \theta}{2 \cos^4 \theta - \cos^2 \theta}$ is

- A. 1 B. 2
C. -1 D. 0

5. If $x = a(\sin \Theta + \cos \Theta)$, $y = b(\sin \Theta - \cos \Theta)$ then the value of $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2}$ is

6. If $\sin 5\Theta = \cos 20^\circ$ ($0^\circ < \Theta < 90^\circ$) then the value of Θ is

- A. 4° B. 22°
C. 10° D. 14°

7. If $\sec \alpha = \frac{5}{4}$, then $\frac{\tan \alpha}{1 + \tan^2 \alpha}$ is equal to

- A. 9/25 B. 12/25
C. $\frac{3}{4}$ D. 1/25

8. If $\tan\Theta - \cot\Theta = 0$, and Θ is a positive acute angle, then the value of

$$\tan(\Theta + 15^\circ)/\tan(\Theta - 15^\circ)$$

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

9. $\frac{\sin^8 \theta - \cos^8 \theta}{\cos 2\theta} (1 + \cos^2 2\theta)$ is equal to -

10. $\sqrt{3} \operatorname{cosec} 20^\circ - \sec 20^\circ = ?$

A. $\frac{\sin 20^\circ}{\sin 40^\circ}$

B. 4

C. 2

D. $\frac{4 \sin 20^\circ}{\sin 40^\circ}$



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Correct answers:

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

Explanations:

1.

$$\sqrt{\frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\sec \theta + 1}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\sec \theta + 1}} \times \sqrt{\frac{\sec \theta - 1}{\sec \theta - 1}}$$

[Rationalising the numerator and the denominator]

$$= \sqrt{\frac{(\sec \theta - 1)^2}{\sec^2 \theta - 1}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{(\sec \theta - 1)^2}{\tan^2 \theta}}$$

$[\because \sec^2 \theta - 1 = \tan^2 \theta]$

$$= \frac{\sec^2 \theta - 1}{\tan \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\sec \theta}{\tan \theta} - \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

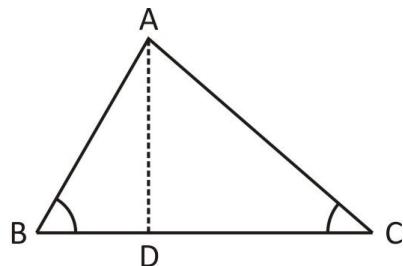
$$= \frac{1}{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}} = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

$$\left[\because \frac{1}{\sin \theta} = \operatorname{cosec} \theta \text{ and } \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = \cot \theta \right]$$

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Hence, option C is correct.

2.



Given that $\angle B = \frac{\pi}{3}$ and $\angle C = \frac{\pi}{4}$

and $\frac{BD}{CD} = \frac{1}{3}$

In $\triangle ABD$,

$$\frac{BD}{\sin \angle BAD} = \frac{AD}{\sin \angle ABD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BD}{\sin \angle BAD} = \frac{AD}{\sin \pi/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BD}{\sin \angle BAD} = \frac{AD}{\sqrt{3}/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \angle BAD = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times \frac{BD}{AD} \quad \dots(i)$$

In $\triangle ACD$,

$$\frac{CD}{\sin \angle CAD} = \frac{AD}{\sin \angle ACD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{CD}{\sin \angle CAD} = \frac{AD}{\sin \pi/4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{CD}{\sin \angle CAD} = \frac{AD}{1/\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \angle CAD = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{CD}{AD} \quad \dots \text{(ii)}$$

Equation (i) \div (ii),

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sin \angle BAD}{\sin \angle CAD} &= \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{BD}{AD}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{CD}{AD}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{BD}{CD} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{1}{3} \quad [\because \frac{BD}{CD} = \frac{1}{3}] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, option C is correct.

3.

$$\sin 3A = \cos (A - 26^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos (90^\circ - 3A) = \cos (A - 26^\circ)$$

$$[\because \cos (90^\circ - \Theta) = \sin \Theta]$$

$$\Rightarrow 90^\circ - 3A = A - 26^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 4A = 116^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 29^\circ$$

Hence, option A is correct.

4.

$$\sec^2 \Theta - \frac{\sin^2 \Theta - 2 \sin^4 \Theta}{2 \cos^4 \Theta - \cos^2 \Theta}$$

$$= \sec^2 \Theta - \frac{\sin^2 \Theta (1 - 2 \sin^2 \Theta)}{\cos^2 \Theta (2 \cos^2 \Theta - 1)}$$

$$= \sec^2 \Theta - \frac{\sin^2 \Theta \cos 2\Theta}{\cos^2 \Theta \cos 2\Theta}$$

$$[\because \cos 2\Theta = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \Theta = 2 \cos^2 \Theta - 1]$$

$$= \sec^2 \Theta - \frac{\sin^2 \Theta}{\cos^2 \Theta}$$

$$= \sec^2 \Theta - \tan^2 \Theta$$

$$[\because \frac{\sin \Theta}{\cos \Theta} = \tan \Theta]$$

$$= 1$$

$$[\because \sec^2 \Theta - \tan^2 \Theta = 1]$$

Hence, option A is correct.

5.

Given that $x = a(\sin \Theta + \cos \Theta)$ and $y = b(\sin \Theta - \cos \Theta)$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{a^2 (\sin \Theta + \cos \Theta)^2}{a^2} + \frac{b^2 (\sin \Theta - \cos \Theta)^2}{b^2} \\
&= (\sin \Theta + \cos \Theta)^2 + (\sin \Theta - \cos \Theta)^2 \\
&= \sin^2 \Theta + \cos^2 \Theta + 2 \sin \Theta \cos \Theta + \sin^2 \Theta + \cos^2 \Theta - 2 \sin \Theta \cos \Theta \\
&= 2(\sin^2 \Theta + \cos^2 \Theta) \\
&= 2 \times 1 \\
&[:: \sin^2 \Theta + \cos^2 \Theta = 1] \\
&= 2
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, option C is correct.

6.

$$\sin 5\theta = \cos 20^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 5\theta = \sin (90^\circ - 20^\circ)$$

$$[\because \sin (90^\circ - \theta) = \cos \theta]$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin 5\theta = \sin 70^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\theta = 70^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 14^\circ$$

Hence, option D is correct.

7.

$$\sec \alpha = \frac{5}{4}$$

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$$\therefore \tan \alpha = \sqrt{\sec^2 \alpha - 1}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{25}{16} - 1} = \sqrt{\frac{25 - 16}{16}} = \sqrt{\frac{9}{16}} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{\tan \alpha}{1 + \tan^2 \alpha} = \frac{3/4}{1 + 3/4^2} = \frac{3/4}{1 + 9/16}$$

$$= \frac{3/4}{25/16} = \frac{12}{25}$$

Hence, option B is correct.

8.

$$\tan \theta - \cot \theta = 0$$

Therefore, $\tan \theta = \cot \theta$

We know that the value of $\tan \theta$ and $\cot \theta$ is equal for θ to be equal to 45° .

Clearly, the given expression will become like:

$$\frac{\tan 60^\circ}{\tan 30^\circ} = \frac{3}{1/3} = \frac{3}{1} \times \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

Hence, option C is correct.

9.

$$\frac{\sin^8 \theta - \cos^8 \theta}{\cos 2\theta (1 + \cos^2 2\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{(\sin^4 \theta + \cos^4 \theta)(\sin^4 \theta - \cos^4 \theta)}{\cos 2\theta (1 + \cos^2 2\theta)}$$

$$= \frac{(\sin^4 \Theta + \cos^4 \Theta)(\sin^2 \Theta + \cos^2 \Theta)(\sin^2 \Theta - \cos^2 \Theta)}{\cos 2\Theta(1 + \cos^2 2\Theta)}$$

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

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

$$= - \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\sin^2 2\Theta}{2}\right)}{1 + \cos^2 2\Theta} = - \frac{(2 - \sin^2 2\Theta)}{2(1 + \cos^2 2\Theta)}$$

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

Hence, option B is correct.

10.

$$\sqrt{3} \operatorname{cosec} 20^\circ - \sec 20^\circ = ?$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sin 20^\circ} - \frac{1}{\cos 20^\circ}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3} \cos 20^\circ - \sin 20^\circ}{\sin 20^\circ \cdot \cos 20^\circ}$$

$$= \frac{2\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos 20^\circ - \frac{1}{2} \sin 20^\circ\right)}{\sin 20^\circ \cdot \cos 20^\circ}$$

$$= \frac{2(\sin 60^\circ \cdot \cos 20^\circ - \cos 60^\circ \cdot \sin 20^\circ)}{\sin 20^\circ \cdot \cos 20^\circ}$$

$$= 2(\underline{\sin (60^\circ - 20^\circ)})$$

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$$\begin{aligned}& \sin 20^\circ \cdot \cos 20^\circ \\&= \frac{2 \times 2 \sin 40^\circ}{2 \sin 20^\circ \cdot \cos 20^\circ} \\&= \frac{4 \sin 40^\circ}{\sin 40^\circ} = 4 \quad [2 \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta = \sin 2\theta]\end{aligned}$$

Hence, option B is correct.





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