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Answer **all** the **ten** questions :

(10×1=10)

1. If $A \setminus B = \phi$ then $A \cup B = ?$
2. Let $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Is $f_1 = \{(2, 3), (1, 4), (2, 1), (3, 2), (4, 4)\}$ a function from V into V .
3. Let $W = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $R = \{(1, 1), (1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 1), (4, 4)\}$. Is R reflexive ?
4. Give an example of a partial ordering relation on the set of positive integers.
5. When does a constant function become One-to-One ?
6. If $B_i = [i, i + 1], i \in \mathbb{Z}$, the set of integers, find $\cup (B_i : i \in \mathbb{Z})$.
7. Find x and y given $(2x, x + y) = (6, 2)$.
8. Define the term "Proposition".
9. If $Q(x, y)$ denote the statement $x = y + 3$ what is the truth value of $Q(1, 2)$?
10. When do you say that two sets A and B are equipotent ?

Answer **any 10** short answer questions out of 14 :

(10×3=30)

11. Suppose $A = \{a, b\}$ and $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$. Find the number of functions from A into B .
12. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = x^2 + 2x$. Find $f \circ f(x)$.

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13. Consider the function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = x^2$. Find $f^{-1}(\{x : x \leq 0\})$.
14. Give an example of a function from \mathbb{N} to \mathbb{N} that is :
- One-to-One but not Onto
 - Onto but not One-to-One.
15. Let f be a function from set A to set B and let S and T be sub-sets of A . Show that $f(S \cup T) = f(S) \cup f(T)$.
16. If f and $f \circ g$ are One-to-One does it follow that g is One-to-One ? Justify your answer.
17. Suppose A is a non-empty set and f is a function that has A as its domain. Let R be the relation on A consisting of all ordered pairs (x, y) where $f(x) = f(y)$. Show that R is an equivalence relation.
18. Show that the propositions $p \vee (q \wedge r)$ and $(p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$ are logically equivalent.
19. What is the truth value of $\exists x P(x)$ where $P(x)$ is the statement " $x^2 > 10$ " and the universe of discourse consists of positive integers not exceeding 4 ?
20. Explain "Valid Argument". Give an example.
21. Prove that $(A \times B) \cap (A \times C) = A \times (B \cap C)$.
22. Form a rational cubic equation whose two roots are 2 and $3 + i$.
23. Prove that a sub-set of a denumerable set is finite or denumerable.
24. If $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are the roots of $x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$ find the value of $\sum \alpha^2$.

Answer **any 6** short answer questions out of 9 :

(6×5=30)

25. Let A be a set of non-zero integers and let \equiv be a relation on $A \times A$ defined as follows :
- (a, b) \equiv (c, d) whenever $ad = bc$.
- Prove that \equiv is an equivalence relation.

26. Prove that a countable union of finite sets is countable.
27. Prove that $(0, 1] \approx [0, 1]$.
28. Show that $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (p \vee q)$ is a tautology.
29. Solve the equation $x^4 - 10x^3 - 120x^2 + 320x + 1024 = 0$ given that the roots are real and they are in G.P.
30. If α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, prove that $(\alpha + \beta)(\beta + \gamma)(\alpha + \gamma) = r - pq$.
31. Solve $x^4 + 3x^3 - 3x - 1 = 0$.
32. Show that the statement every "positive integer is the sum of the squares of three integers is false".
33. i) Express the definition of a limit using quantifiers.
ii) Translate the statement "The sum of two positive integers is positive" in to a logical expression.

Answer **any one** essay question out of 2 :

(1×10=10)

34. i) Solve the equation $x^4 + 2x^3 - x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$
ii) Solve $x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0$.
35. Show that :
- $(\neg P \wedge (\neg Q \wedge R)) \vee (Q \wedge R) \vee (P \wedge R) \equiv R$
 - $((P \vee Q) \wedge \neg(\neg P \wedge (\neg Q \vee \neg R))) \vee (\neg P \wedge \neg Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge \neg R)$ is a tautology.