

S.2 PHYSICS | REVISION QUESTIONS

TOPIC: Pressure

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1. What is 730 mm Hg in Nm^{-2} ?

A. $\frac{13600 \times 1000 \times 10}{730}$

C. $\frac{13600 \times 730}{1000 \times 10}$

B. $\frac{13600 \times 730 \times 10}{1000}$

D. $\frac{13600 \times 10}{1000 \times 730}$

2. In a hydraulic machine

- A. an object displaces its own weight of fluid.
- B. the pressure transmitted in a fluid is the same in all directions.
- C. the volume of fluid compressed is proportional to the applied force
- D. an object experiences an upthrust equal to the weight of fluid displaced.

3. A rectangular block of metal weighs 3 N and measures $(2 \times 3 \times 4) \text{ cm}^3$. Who is the greatest pressure it can exert on a horizontal surface?

A. $5.0 \times 10^3 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$

C. $2.5 \times 10^3 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$

B. $3.75 \times 10^3 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$

D. $7.5 \times 10^{-1} \text{ Nm}^{-2}$

4. In a liquid, pressure is

- A. transmitted in a specific direction.
- B. transmitted in all directions.
- C. decreased with depth.
- D. decreased with density.

5. A solid, Q, sinks deeper in liquid, N, than in liquid, M because the

- A. upthrust on the solid is greater in liquid N than in M.
- B. density of liquid M is greater than that of N.
- C. density of liquid N is greater than that of M.
- D. surface tension of liquid N is less than that of M.

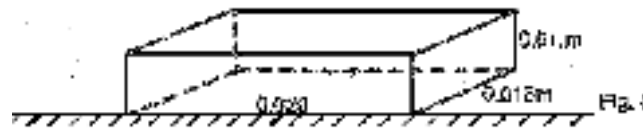
6. Which one of the following statements is false? The pressure in a liquid

- A. at any one point in a liquid would not change even when more liquid is added.
- B. at anyone point depends only on the depth and density.
- C. at anyone point acts equally in all directions.
- D. increases with depth.

7. Pressure in a liquid is independent of the;

- A. density of the liquid.
- B. depth below the surface of the liquid.
- C. pressure exerted on the surface of the liquid above.
- D. cross sectional area and the shape of the vessel containing the liquid.

8. A box is placed on top of a table as shown in Figure 5, with the dimensions indicated.



If its mass is 40 kg, find the pressure it exerts on the table.

A.	$\frac{40}{0.020 \times 0.015}$	C.	$\frac{40 \times 10}{0.020 \times 0.015}$
B.	$\frac{40}{0.015 \times 0.010}$	D.	$\frac{40 \times 10}{0.020 \times 0.010}$

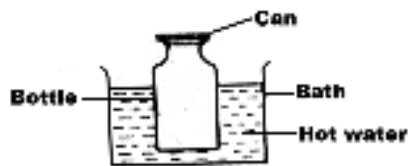
9. A rectangular block of dimension 4 cm × 2 cm × 1 cm exerts a maximum pressure of 200 N m⁻² when resting on a table. Calculate the mass of the block.

- A. 4 g.
- B. 16 g.
- C. 40 g.
- D. 400 g.

10. A tight bottle top becomes easier to unscrew when hot water flows over it because the

- A.** cap expands more than the glass.
- B.** glass in the neck of the bottle contracts.
- C.** hot water acts like oil between the glass and bottle.
- D.** increased pressure of the air in the bottle causes the cap to expand.

11. An empty bottle is immersed in a hot bath and then closed with a coin as shown below.



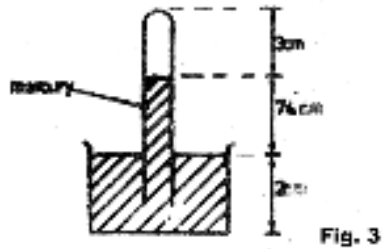
The bottle is then immersed in a cold water bath and turned upside down. The coin

- A.** does not fall off because the pressure inside the bottle is greater than that outside the bottle.
- B.** does not fall off because the pressure outside the bottle is greater than that inside the bottle.
- C.** will fall off because the pressure inside the bottle is equal to that outside the bottle.
- D.** will fall off because the pressure inside the bottle is greater than that outside the bottle.

12. Calculate the increase in pressure which a diver experiences when he descends in sea water of density $1.2 \times 10^3 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$.

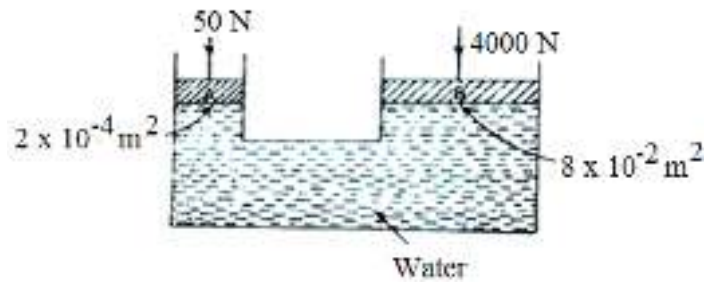
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| 1. $3.0 \times 10^2 \text{ N m}^{-2}$. | 3. $3.6 \times 10^4 \text{ N m}^{-2}$. |
| 2. $1.2 \times 10^4 \text{ N m}^{-2}$. | 4. $3.6 \times 10^5 \text{ N m}^{-2}$. |

13. The diagram in figure 3 shows a mercury barometer.



14. In a hydraulic press, the area of the piston on which the effort is applied is made smaller in order to
- A. facilitate the movement of the piston downwards.
 - B. transmit a force as large as possible to the load.
 - C. transmit pressure equally throughout the liquid.
 - D. obtain a pressure as large as possible.
15. A force of 50 N moves an object through a distance of 200 m in 40 s. Find the power expended.
- A. 100 W
 - B. 160 W
 - C. 200 W
 - D. 250 W
16. A cork held under water rises to the surface when released because the upthrust on it is
- A. greater than the weight.
 - B. less than the weight.
 - C. equal to the weight.
 - D. equal to the weight of water displaced.

17. Forces of 50N and 400N are applied to pistons A and B respectively as shown below.



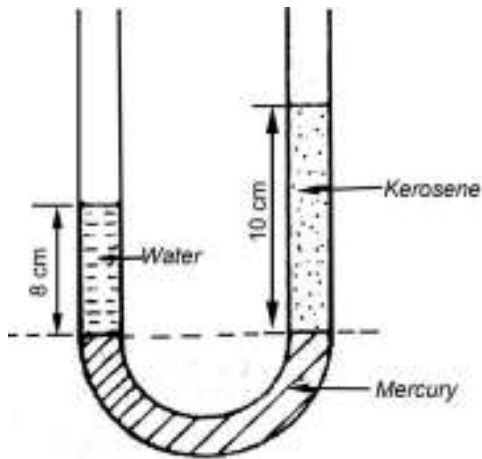
The areas of cross-section of A and B are $2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$ and $8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2$ respectively. Which of the following is not true?

- A. Both pistons A and B remain at the same level
- B. The upthrust on piston B is equal to 20000N
- C. The pressure exerted on the water by piston B is $5 \times 10^4 \text{ Nm}^{-2}$
- D. Piston B is going to move upwards

18. A mass of 2.4 kg rests on the floor. If the area of contact with the floor is 6 cm^2 , what pressure does the mass exert on the floor?

- A. 0.4 N m^{-2}
- B. 4.0 N m^{-2}
- C. $4.0 \times 10^3 \text{ N m}^{-2}$
- D. $4.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N m}^{-2}$

19. An open U-tube contains columns of water and kerosene over mercury as shown in figure 1.



20. A hippopotamus can easily walk on mud without sinking while a goat will sink because

- A. a hippopotamus has more weight than a goat
- B. the centre of gravity of a hippopotamus is lower than that of a goat
- C. a hippopotamus exerts more pressure on the ground than a goat
- D. a hippopotamus exerts less pressure on the ground than a goat

21. The following are factors affecting pressure in fluids except;

- A. depth below the surface of the fluid.
- B. density of the liquid.
- C. pressure exerted on the liquid surface.
- D. surface area of the liquid.

22. When the handle, H, of the force pump shown in figure 6 is moved upwards, the valves at

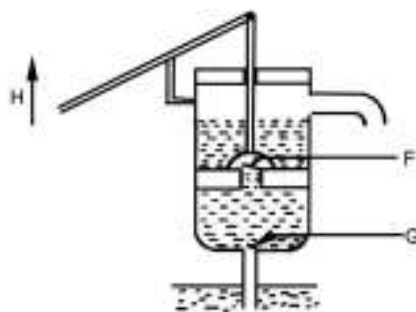


Fig. 6

- A. F and G will both close.
 - B. F and G will both open
 - C. F will close and G will open.
 - D. F will open and G will close.
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23.

20cm

If the piston in Figure above is moved down by 8cm, what is the new pressure?

- A. (100-8)Pa
- B. 100Pa
- C. $(\frac{100 \times 20}{12})$ Pa
- D. $(\frac{12 \times 100}{20})$ Pa

24. A boy of mass 40kg balances evenly on two stilts each having an area of 8cm² in contact with the ground. The pressure exerted by one stilt is;

- A. 50 Ncm⁻²
- B. 40 Ncm⁻²
- C. 25 Ncm⁻²
- D. 5 Ncm⁻²

25. A hot air balloon rises in air because;

- A. weight of balloon equals to weight of displaced air.
- B. weight of balloon is less than weight of displaced air.
- C. weight of balloon is greater than weight of displaced air.
- D. weight of balloon is zero.

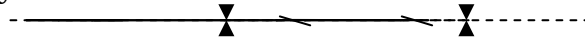
26. A school nurse applies a force of 30N to a syringe .Given that the cross sectional area of the tip of the needle is 1.0 x 10⁻⁷m². Calculate the pressure produced at the tip of the needle.

- A. 3.0 x 10⁷ Pa
- B. 3.0 x 10⁸ Pa
- C. 4.0 x 10⁷ Pa
- D. 2.5 x 10⁸ Pa

27. Which of the following statements is NOT true about pressure in liquids?

- A. It increases with depth
- B. It is lowest at the surface
- C. It is the same throughout the liquid
- D. It acts equally in all directions.

27.



In the figure 3 above, a fixed mass of dry gas is trapped in bulb M. Determine the total pressure of the gas in M, given that the atmospheric pressure is 760mm of mercury.

- A) 114cm Hg
- B) 106cm Hg
- C) 30cm Hg
- D) 46cm Hg

28. In the crushing can experiment, the can collapses because

- A. It is weakened by the hot water
- B. Pressure outside is greater than pressure inside
- C. Pressure inside is greater than pressure outside
- D. Pressure inside is atmospheric.

29. An air craft is able to experience a lift in air because,

- (i) It can adjust the shape of the wings to create less pressure above the wings.
- (ii) It can adjust the shape of the wings to create less pressure below the wings.
- (iii) It can adjust the shape of its wings to reduce its apparent weight in air.

- A. (i) only B. (ii) only C. (i) and (iii) only D. (ii) and (iii) only

ESSAY

1. (a) State Archimedes principle. (1 mark)
- (b) A body weighs 100N in air, appears to weigh 50N in a liquid and 70N in water.
What is the density of the liquid. (3 marks)

2. (a) State two factors affecting pressure of a liquid. (1 mark)
- (b) (i) Name the instrument used to measure atmospheric pressure. (1 mark)

- (ii) The value of atmospheric pressure of a certain place was recorded as 76 cmHg. Express this value in S.I units.
(density of mercury = $1.36 \times 10^4 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$) (2 marks)

3. (a) Explain each of the following observations:

- (i) An inflated bicycle tube may burst when left in a hot piece.
(ii) Large water reservoirs are much wider at the base than at the top.

- (b) Figure 3 shows the structure of a force pump.

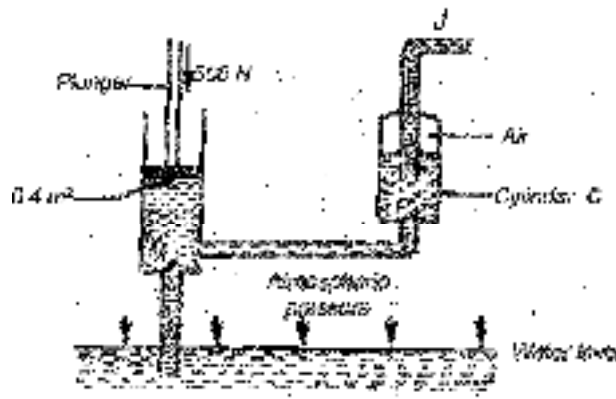


Fig. 3

- (i) Describe the action of the pump.
(ii) If a downward force of 500 N is exerted on the plunger whose surface area is 0.4 m^2 , calculate the pressure which forces water into cylinder.

4. The difference between the atmospheric pressure at the top and bottom of a mountain is $1 \times 10^4 \text{ N ms}^{-2}$. If the density of air is 1.25 kg^{-3} , calculate the height of the mountain.
5. In figure one, piston A has diameter of 14 cm while B has diameter 280 cm. If a force of 77N is exerted on piston A, calculate the force exerted by piston B.

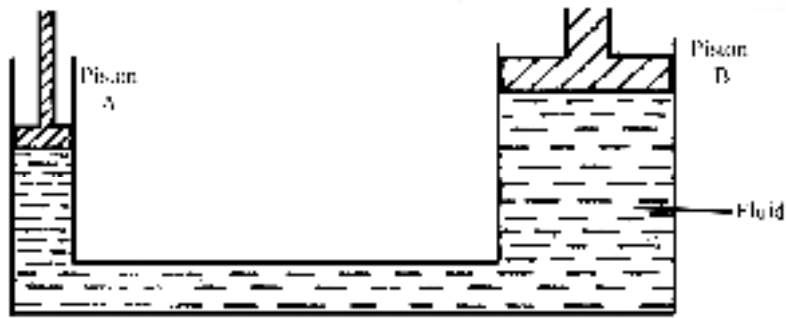


Fig. 1