## APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING

## TRADE ENTRANCE EXAM Study Guide



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## What is a trade entrance exam?

If you are taking an apprenticeship program in Alberta, you must meet the educational requirements for your trade before you can start your technical training.
If you cannot prove you meet the educational requirements for your trade, you can write a trade entrance exam. Passing this exam will prove that you have the basic educational requirements for technical training in your trade. If you pass a trade entrance exam with a mark of $70 \%$ or higher, you are eligible to attend technical training.
Trade entrance exams are given by Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training and can be written at any Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Office (see page $34 \& 35$ for locations).

## What's the exam like?

There are five different trade entrance exams one for each of the five different clusters of trades. Each cluster includes trades and occupations that have similar skill and knowledge requirements.

For example, the Construction Craft Labourer occupation and the Hairstylist trade are both in Cluster 1. These two careers are very different, but require a similar knowledge of English, mathematics and science in their first year of technical training. (see page 6 for a list of the trades and occupations in each cluster).

The trade entrance exam for each cluster includes questions that test for educational requirements for the trades and occupations in that cluster. The exams are made up of 100 multiple-choice questions that cover the areas of English/reading comprehension, mathematics and science.

Depending on which cluster the trade is in, there will be a set number of questions from each of these areas as shown in the chart below.

| Cluster | English/Reading <br> Comprehension | Mathematics | Science | Total <br> Questions |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 10 | 30 | 60 | 100 |
| 2 | 22 | 50 | 28 | 100 |
| 3 | 29 | 36 | 35 | 100 |
| 4 | 22 | 33 | 45 | 100 |
| 5 | 17 | 48 | 35 | 100 |
| Average | 20 | 40 | 40 |  |

You have 3 hours to complete your exam. A mark of $70 \%$ or greater is required to pass the trade entrance exam.

## How can this Study Guide help me prepare?

Many people who write a trade entrance exam have been out of school for several years. This Guide will give you an idea of the kind of questions that will be on the exam so you can see what areas you may need to address ahead of time. If you find you need some help, the following organizations may offer upgrading courses or pre-employment programs that can help you prepare to write the entrance exam.

- Bow Valley College
- Fairview College
- Grande Prairie Regional College
- MacEwan University
- Keyano College
- Lakeland College
- Lethbridge Community College
- Medicine Hat College
- Mount Royal College
- Norquest College
- Northern Lakes College
- Olds College
- Portage College
- Red Deer College
- Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT)
- Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT)

Your local school or school board may also be able to provide help in preparing for the exam.

This Guide can also help you refresh and improve your study and exam writing skills. Use it to practice before your exam. Contact Apprenticeship and Industry Training tollfree at 1-800-248-4823 for information.

## What is in this Study Guide?

This trade Entrance Exam Study Guide includes:

- sample questions like those on any of the five trade entrance exams,
- an answer key for the questions included in the Study Guide,
- study and exam writing tips,
- copies of the formula and metric conversion charts used with the trade entrance exams,
- a sample diagram booklet that includes some typical diagrams used for the trade entrance exams, and
- a list of the trades and occupations included in each cluster.


## How do I use this Study Guide?

This Study Guide can help you become more comfortable with writing exams and the kinds of questions included in each of the five trade entrance exams. There are 70 sample questions included in the Guide. Each one covers knowledge needed in at least one of the five clusters. The clusters a question covers are noted below it in the guide.

Here's how you can use these questions to get ready for your exam.

1. Read each question in the Study Guide carefully to get an idea of the kind of questions, the level of difficulty and the knowledge you will be tested on. This will help you focus your studying in areas needing the most work.
2. Exam writing takes planning to ensure you have enough time to answer all the questions on the exam to the best of your ability and within the time allowed. These sample questions can help you determine how much time it will take you to complete individual questions when writing the exam. Practise reading over and recognizing the questions that will take more or less time to answer.
3. Look at the diagrams and formulas that are used in the questions. Ensure you can interpret what is shown in the diagrams. Often, the questions that relate to diagrams require some interpretation and reasoning.
4. You may also want to study the formulas and conversion charts to make sure you know how to use them. You will be given the formula sheets and conversion charts to use during your exam.

## ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS ARRAY

ENTRANCE 1 77/01/12/10
Barber
Construction Craft Labourer
Hairstylist

ENTRANCE 2 77/02/12/10
Baker
Boilermaker
Bricklayer
Cabinetmaker
Carpenter
Concrete Finisher
Cook
Crane and Hoisting Equipment Operator
Floorcovering Installer
Glazier
Insulator
Ironworker
Lather - Interior Systems Mechanic
Locksmith
Metal Fabricator (Fitter)
Painter and Decorator
Parts Technician
Roofer
Sheet Metal Worker
Welder

ENTRANCE 3 77/03/12/10
Agricultural Equipment Technician
Auto Body Technician
Automotive Service Technician
Heavy Equipment Technician
Landscape Horticulturist
Motorcycle Mechanic
Outdoor Power Equipment Technician
Recreation Vehicle Service Technician
Transport Refrigeration Technician
Water Well Driller

## ENTRANCE 4 77/04/12/10

Elevator Constructor
Gas Utility Operator
Gasfitter
Machinist
Millwright
Plumber
Sprinkler Systems Installer
Steamfitter - Pipefitter

ENTRANCE 5 77/05/12/10
Appliance Service Technician
Communication Technician
Electrical Motor Systems Technician
Electrician
Instrument Technician
Powerline Technician
Power System Electrician
Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic

NOTE: A pass mark earned on Entrance Exam 5 = deemed to have also passed Entrance Exams 4, 3, 2 and 1.
A pass mark earned on Entrance Exam 4 = deemed to have also passed Entrance Exams 3, 2 and 1.
A pass mark earned on Entrance Exam 3 = deemed to have also passed Entrance Exam 1 (due to the significant differential in math/science content, a pass mark on Entrance Exam 3 does NOT allow a pass mark on Entrance Exam 2).

A pass mark earned on Entrance Exam 2 = deemed to have also passed Entrance Exam 1.
Alberta entrance exams are also used for entrance into apprenticeship programs in the Yukon, Northwest and Nunavut territories. Applicants to an Alberta apprenticeship program who have successfully completed an Alberta entrance exam in any of these jurisdictions have met the minimum entrance requirements of the relevant trade in Alberta.

## Examination Instructions

THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE INCLUDED IN THE EXAM BOOKLET.
You should have in front of you:
(1) a test booklet;
(2) a green calculation sheet
(3) an answer sheet (be sure you have filled in the required information); and
(4) an eraser and an HB pencil.

## IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ALL OF THE ABOVE MATERIALS, PLEASE INFORM THE TEST ADMINISTRATOR.

This examination is composed of 100 multiple-choice questions, each with four answer choices; ALL examinees are to complete all 100 questions.

You may use any of the formulas provided on page 5 of this examination.
Read each question carefully and choose the ONE best answer. Record your answer on the answer sheet in the space that corresponds to the question number. Completely fill in the space having the same letter as the answer you have chosen. Use only an HB pencil. Be sure to erase cleanly any answer you wish to change.

Sample Question: 1. What is the capital of Canada?
A. Vancouver
B. Yellowknife
C. Ottawa
D. St. John's

The correct answer to this question is C. You would indicate that on the answer sheet as follows:


Try to answer all questions. In general, if you have some knowledge about a question, it is better to try to answer it. You will NOT be penalized for guessing.

In the test questions, he is used as a generic term to denote any person, male or female.
You will have three hours to complete the test. Once the test has begun, you should continue from page to page, in sequence, throughout the test booklet.

If you have any questions, please ask them now before beginning the test.
DO NOT GO ON UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.

## Mathematical Formulas (These formulas are included in the exam booklet)

You may make use of the following formulas when answering certain questions in this examination.

$$
\pi=3.14
$$

> Circumference of a circle $=\pi \mathrm{D}$
> Area of a rectangle $=$ Length $\times$ Width
> Area of a circle $=\pi \mathrm{r}^{2}$
> Area of a triangle $=\underline{\text { Altitude } \times \text { base }}$
> 2
> Volume of a cylinder $=\pi \mathrm{r}^{2} \mathrm{~h}$
> Volume of a cube $=$ Length $\times$ Width $\times$ Height

## METRIC CONVERSIONS

## Distance

| Imperial |  | Metric |  | Metric |  | Imperial |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 inch | = | 2.540 | centimeters | 1 centimeter | = | 0.3937 inch |
| 1 foot | = | 0.3048 | meter | 1 meter | = | 3.281 feet |
| 1 yard | = | 0.9144 | meter | 1 meter | = | 1.094 yards |
| 1 rod | = | 5.029 | meters | 1 meter | = | 0.20 rods |
| 1 mile |  | 1.609 | kilometers | 1 kilometer |  | 0.6214 mile |

## Capacity

| Imperial |  |  | U.S. |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 pint | $=$ | 0.568 | liters | 1 pint (U.S.) | $=$ | 0.473 |
| liter |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 gallon | $=$ | 4.546 | liters | 1 quart (U.S.) | $=$ | 0.946 |
| liter |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 bushel | $=$ | 36.369 | liters | 1 gallon (U.S.) | $=$ | 3.785 |
| 1 fluid oz. | $=28.41$ | ml | 1 barrel oil | $=$ | 158.99 | liters |
| 1 quart | $=$ | 1.137 | liters | 1 cup-8 fl. ounces $=$ | 227.00 | ml |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Metric |  |  | 1 tablespoon | $=$ | 14.21 | ml |
| 1 liter | $=$ | 1.76 | pints | 1 teaspoon | $=$ | 4.74 |
| 1 ml |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 liter | $=$ | 0.220 | gallon |  |  |  |
| 1 liter | $=$ | .88 | quart |  |  |  |

## Weight

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Imperial
1 ounce (troy) = 31.103 grams
1 ounce (avoir) = 28.350 grams
1 pound (troy) = 373.242 grams
1 pound (avoir) = 453.592 grams
1 ton (short) 1 tonne
    (2000 lb) = 0.907 tonne*
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| Metric |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 gram | $=$ | 0.032 ounce (troy) |
| 1 gram | $=$ | 0.035 ounce (avoir) |
| 1 kilogram | $=$ | 2.679 pounds (troy) |
| 1 kilogram | $=$ | 2.205 pounds (avoir) |
|  | $=1.102$ ton (short) |  |
| 1 tonne | $=1000$ kilograms |  |

## Trade Entrance Exam Study Guide

Use this study guide to get a sense for how much time is required to answer questions of the type included in the guide. An important skill in writing multiple choice exams is ensuring you have enough time to get through all questions on the exam. The time allotted to write the Entrance Exam is 3 hours and each exam includes 100 questions. Therefore, you have an average of approximately $11 / 2$ minutes per question to complete the exam within the time allowed. Note the cluster that includes the trade you have chosen to enter (page 6) and pay special attention to the questions that are identified for that cluster.

NOTE: The answer key for all the following questions in this study guide can be found at the end of the study guide (page 33)

## SECTION ONE:

## MATHEMATICS

## Studying for the mathematics section of the trade entrance exam.

Each Entrance Exam includes a section for mathematics questions. The questions are designed to challenge the exam writer's ability to perform basic calculations, manipulate basic equations, and use formulas. The types of questions asked and the difficulty will vary with the exam for each cluster.

1. $11 \times 6+7 \times 4=$
A. 94
B. 101
C. 292
D. 572

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
2. Which is the smallest number?
A. 0.01001
B. 0.00998
C. 0.00385
D. 0.00297

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 5.
3. $-23.7+88-56+407.9=$
A. 202.9
B. 287.6
C. 416.2
D. $\quad 463.6$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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4. $\quad 7 \mathrm{ft} .4$ in. +10 ft .9 in. $=$
A. $\quad 183 \mathrm{in}$.
B. 197 in .
C. 203 in .
D. 217 in .

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
5. A mother wants to divide $\$ 680.00$ among her children according to the ratio 2:4:6. The shares would be
A. $\$ 113.33, \$ 226.67, \$ 340.00$
B. $\$ 118.33, \$ 220.67, \$ 340.00$
C. $\$ 120.00, \$ 220.00, \$ 340.00$
D. $\$ 136.00, \$ 204.00, \$ 340.00$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
6. If 5 liters of paint cover 20 square meters, how many liters are required to cover 400 square meters?
A. 40 liters
B. 52 liters
C. 80 liters
D. 100 liters

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
7. $3 / 8+3 / 4=$
A. $\quad 9 / 32$
B. $\quad 1 / 2$
C. $\quad 1^{1 / 8}$
D. $\quad 1^{1 / 4}$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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8. A piece of sheet metal is $281 / 2$ inches wide. A piece $135 / 16$ inches is cut off. How wide will the remaining piece of sheet metal be?
A. $\quad 14^{\frac{1}{1} / 4}$ inches.
B. $15^{3 / 16}$ inches.
C. $15^{13 / 16}$ inches.
D. $16 \frac{1}{1} 4$ inches.

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 5.
9. When 2.49 is multiplied by 0.17 , the result rounded to 2 decimal places is
A. $\quad 0.04$
B. $\quad 0.42$
C. 4.23
D. 42.33

This question is applicable to Cluster 1.
10. Subtract 64.85 from 209.11
A. 44.260
B. 144.260
C. 202.625
D. 273.960

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
11. Express $3 / 8$ as a decimal number.
A. $\quad 0.240$
B. 0.267
C. 0.375
D. 2.667

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4.

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12. What is $8^{2}$ ?
A. $\quad 10$
B. 16
C. 64
D. 82

This question is applicable to Cluster 1.
13. The area of a circle 200 mm in diameter is approximately how many times greater than the area of a circle 40 mm in diameter?
A. 5
B. $\quad 10$
C. 20
D. 25

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4.
14. The area of a circle with a diameter of 240 mm is
A. $\quad 75.36 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
B. $\quad 150.72 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
C. $\quad 452.16 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
D. $\quad 1,808.64 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2.
15. A corner grocery store sold 14 boxes of oranges. Each box contained 5 pounds of oranges. If the profit per box was $\$ 1.85$, what was the total profit?
A. $\$ 129.50$
B. $\$ 37.84$
C. $\$ 25.90$
D. $\$ 12.95$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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16. Barry has a job painting new houses. One week he worked the following hours:

| Monday | 7.5 hours |
| :--- | ---: |
| Tuesday | 10.0 hours |
| Wednesday | 6.0 hours |
| Thursday | 12.0 hours |
| Friday | 14.5 hours |
| Saturday | 10.0 hours |

What was the average number of hours Barry worked per day?
A. $\quad 9.5$
B. $\quad 10.0$
C. 10.5
D. 11.0

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
17. How many cubic meters of cement are required to cover a walkway 7 m long, 0.95 m wide, and 10 cm deep?
A. $\quad 66.500 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$
B. $\quad 6.650 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$
C. $\quad 0.737 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$
D. $\quad 0.665 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
18. A rectangular school yard 280 meters by 245 meters is to be fenced. How many meters of fencing will be required to fence it completely?
A. $\quad 525 \mathrm{~m}$
B. $\quad 705 \mathrm{~m}$
C. $\quad 770 \mathrm{~m}$
D. $\quad 1050 \mathrm{~m}$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4.
19. A parking lot charges $\$ 1.50$ for the first hour of parking and 55 cents for each additional half hour. How much would it cost to park a car from 12:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.?

| A. | $\$ 4.65$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| B. | $\$ 6.05$ |
| C. | $\$ 6.45$ |
| D. | $\$ 11.28$ |

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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20. If a contractor pays an average wage of $\$ 20.00$ per hour and wants to make a $15 \%$ mark-up on the cost of labour, what will the contractor charge as an average labour cost on contracts?
A. $\quad \$ 20.30$
B. $\quad \$ 21.50$
C. $\quad \$ 23.00$
D. $\$ 26.00$

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
21. What is the circumference of a circle with a diameter of 50 mm ?
A. $\quad 78.5 \mathrm{~mm}$
B. $\quad 157.0 \mathrm{~mm}$
C. $\quad 78.5 \mathrm{~cm}$
D. $\quad 157.0 \mathrm{~cm}$

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
22. $5 / 8$ divided by $1 / 2$ equals
A. $\quad 1 \frac{1}{4} 4$
B. $3 / 8$
C. $\quad 1 / 4$
D. $3 / 16$

This question is applicable to Cluster 1.
23. If $3(y+3 y)=12$, solve for $y$.
A. 2.0
B. $\quad 1.5$
C. $\quad 1.0$
D. 0.0

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 5.

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24. If $4(2 x+3 x)=30$, solve for $x$.
A. $\quad 1.50$
B. $\quad 1.75$
C. $\quad 2.00$
D. $\quad 2.50$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 5.
25. What is the simple interest of $\$ 1500.00$ for 4 months at $63 / 4 \%$ annual interest?
A. $\$ 222.22$
B. $\$ 101.25$
C. $\quad \$ 50.63$
D. $\quad \$ 33.75$

This question is applicable to Cluster 1.
26. Which polynomial expression would have a value of -2 when $x=-2$ ?
A. $\quad 2 x^{2}+2 x-2$
B. $\quad 3 x^{2}-4 x+1$
C. $\quad x^{2}+3 x+2$
D. $\quad-x^{2}-4 x-6$

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 5.
27. Five rental cars require four new tires each. The price for one new tire is $\$ 84.00$. What would be the total cost including $7 \%$ tax for new tires for all five cars?
A. $\quad \$ 2856.00$
B. $\$ 1797.60$
C. $\$ 1680.00$
D. $\$ 1570.09$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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28. What is the radius of a circle with a diameter of 240 mm ?
A. $\quad 76.43 \mathrm{~mm}$
B. $\quad 480.00 \mathrm{~mm}$
C. $\quad 12.00 \mathrm{~mm}$
D. $\quad 120.00 \mathrm{~mm}$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
29. A journeyperson earns $\$ 23.45$ per hour. A new apprentice earns $60 \%$ of the journeyperson rate and has $27 \%$ deductions. What would the apprentice's net weekly earnings be for a 40 hour week?
A. $\quad \$ 273.90$
B. $\$ 379.89$
C. $\$ 410.84$
D. $\quad \$ 562.80$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
30. Refer to Diagram 011. If $x=12.5 \mathrm{~cm}$, what is the area of the rectangle?
A. $\quad 22.73 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
B. $\quad 30.25 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
C. $\quad 68.75 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
D. $\quad 87.50 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3.

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## SECTION TWO: ENGLISH \& READING COMPREHENSION

## Studying for the English/Reading Comprehension section of the trade entrance exam.

Clusters 1 through 5 include a section on reading comprehension. Cluster 1 also includes questions on English grammar. The English questions are designed to challenge the exam writer's ability to read, apply the rules of good grammar, and interpret written materials. The reading comprehension questions require the exam writer to read different types of information, recall details of the passage or material, and make inferences based on your interpretation of what you have just read.

# CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS AND ANSWER QUESTIONS 31 TO 34 

## Multiple Choice Exam Writing Strategies

## Watch Your Time

For every exam it is important to calculate the amount of time you can spend on each section or question according to the number of marks it is worth. (Do the easy questions or sections first - this is helpful for calming nerves and establishing your concentration.) If your exam is all multiple choice, you may want to note where you should be after one hour and after two hours to ensure you aren't falling too far behind. It is important to work at a fairly quick pace; multiple choice exams are notorious for being long.

## Process the Question

Careless mistakes are often made when students rush through the "stem" of the question, missing important information. Read the question carefully, noting key terms. Watch for negative or positive phrasing, or qualifying words like "always" or "never" which can drastically change the meaning of a statement. If you don't understand the stem, ask the exam supervisor for clarification.
Before you look at the list of possible responses, try to recall the answer on your own. Then look at the alternatives to see which one best matches your answer. As you read through the possible responses, make a mental note of the ones you know are wrong. This will mean less reading time if you have to come back to the question later. If none of the selections seems close, re-read the question and try to determine what you missed. If you still can't get it, go on. Something in another question may trigger your memory so you can recall the answer later.
31. What is recommended as a method for establishing your concentration?
A. Work at a fairly quick pace.
B. Look for qualifying words like "never" and "always".
C. Do the easy questions or sections first.
D. Read the question carefully, underlining key terms.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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32. What is a recommended strategy for ensuring you have enough time to complete the exam?
A. Read each question quickly trying to get a sense of what is being asked for.
B. Estimate how far you should progress through the exam for each hour and mark on your notepaper.
C. Ask the exam supervisor to give you a reminder when each hour has passed.
D. As you read through the possible responses, mark off the ones you know are wrong.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
33. How should you work through a question that appears to have more than one correct answer?
A. Ask for assistance from someone around you.
B. Guess since it's only one question.
C. If you are not sure always choose option "D".
D. Start by eliminating the answers you know are wrong.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
34. Why is it important to read through the "stem" carefully when answering the question?
A. There may be words like "always" and "never" that drastically change the meaning of the statement.
B. It may be possible to answer the question on your own before looking at the list of possible responses.
C. You may be able to trigger something in your memory that will help with an earlier question you were not able to answer.
D. You will get a better sense of how long it is going to take to write the exam and be able to judge more accurately if you still have enough time.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
35. Which sentence uses correct grammar?
A. Our printers don't work too good.
B. Brewing coffee results in bitterness using more water.
C. Apprenticeship involves a combination of work experience and formal training.
D. Tests used to measure your knowledge take long to write.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1.

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36. Which of the following groups of words is not a complete thought?
A. Building a large house takes time.
B. When you have a chance to travel to a tropical location.
C. Given enough information, you should be able to answer the question.
D. Take a sweater along, it may be chilly.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1.
37. Choose the correct spelling.
A. Adressed
B. Adresed
C. Addresed
D. Addressed

This question is applicable to Cluster 1.

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## SECTION THREE:

## SCIENCE

## Studying for the Science section of the trade entrance exam.

Each Entrance Exam includes a section for Science questions. The questions are designed to challenge the exam writer's ability to recall basic information, manipulate basic equations, and interpret basic scientific relationships. The types of questions asked and the difficulty will vary with the exam for each cluster.
38. What does 6.4 liters of water equal in imperial gallons?
A. $\quad 1.408$ gal.
B. $\quad 3.635$ gal.
C. $\quad 5.628$ gal.
D. $\quad 5.632$ gal.

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
39. Convert 11.4 km to miles and express to two decimal places.
A. $\quad 5.70 \mathrm{mi}$.
B. $\quad 7.08 \mathrm{mi}$.
C. $\quad 9.79 \mathrm{mi}$.
D. $\quad 18.34 \mathrm{mi}$.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
40. How many tablespoons are there in 49.74 ml ?
A. $\quad 3.50$ tbsp.
B. $\quad 10.49 \mathrm{tbsp}$.
C. $\quad 35.00 \mathrm{tbsp}$.
D. 706.81 tbsp.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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41. When a gas is heated it
A. expands.
B. contracts.
C. condenses.
D. solidifies.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
42. Water at sea level heated to $100^{\circ}$ Celsius would be
A. expanding.
B. just beginning to change to a solid.
C. starting to boil.
D. contracting.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
43. An object floats in water because the weight of water displaced is
A. more than the object's weight.
B. less than the object's weight.
C. equal to the object's weight.
D. not related to the object's weight.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
44. The cooling effect of alcohol on the skin is the result of
A. sublimation of liquids.
B. condensation of liquids.
C. evaporation of liquids.
D. contraction of liquids.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
45. Which of the following could be used to express density?
A. Grams per centimeter.
B. Grams per square centimeter.
C. Grams per cubic centimeter.
D. Grams per kilometer.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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46. The pressure gauge on a bottle containing a gas would show a lower reading if the gas in the bottle was
A. to expand.
B. cooled.
C. heated.
D. a constant temperature.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
47. Which state is matter in if it has a definite shape and a definite volume?
A. solid.
B. liquid.
C. gas.
D. fluid.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
48. The reason ice floats on water is because it
A. is a solid.
B. contains more air.
C. has less heat energy than water.
D. is less dense than water.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
49. Compared to an elevation of 1,000 meters, the air pressure at sea level is generally
A. lower.
B. higher.
C. the same.
D. lower in the summer.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
50. Assuming equal volumes, the expansion of solids is usually
A. greater than liquids.
B. the same as liquids.
C. greater than gases
D. less than liquids.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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51. Which of the following is true?
A. A liquid has no mass, shape, or volume.
B. A liquid will expand to fit the container it is in.
C. Liquids can not be easily compressed.
D. A liquid has mass but no shape or volume.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
52. The ability to do work is known as
A. power.
B. energy.
C. force.
D. effort.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
53. A parallel circuit is one in which
A. two batteries are included in the circuit.
B. current can flow through only one path.
C. current can flow through more than one path.
D. light bulbs must not be used.

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
54. A series circuit includes several lamps. When the light bulb from one lamp is removed the other lights will
A. stay lit.
B. stay lit and get brighter.
C. stay lit and get dimmer.
D. no longer be lit.

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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55. Refer to diagram 003. To ensure safe climbing practice, the base of a straight ladder should be one meter out for every four meters of height to the point of support. If $h=8 \mathrm{~m}$, what is the value of $d$ ?
A. 2 m
B. 2.5 m
C. 3.2 m
D. 4 m

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
56. When trying to move a 150 kg rock using a 3 meter pry bar you can make the task easier by placing a smaller rock under the pry bar
A. 1.0 meter from the large rock.
B. 1.5 meters from the large rock.
C. 2.0 meters from the large rock.
D. 2.5 meters from the large rock.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
57. Given the relationship $E$ (voltage) $=I$ (current) $\times R$ (resistance), what is the current in a circuit with $E=6$ volts and $R=15$ ohms?
A. $\quad 0.04 \mathrm{amps}$
B. $\quad 0.40 \mathrm{amps}$
C. $\quad 4.00 \mathrm{amps}$
D. 40.00 amps

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
58. A liter of water has a mass of
A. 1 kg
B. 1 km
C. 1 ksec
D. 1 kW

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4.

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59. A fulcrum is used to support a
A. wedge.
B. ramp.
C. drawer.
D. lever.

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
60. Which of the following does not affect the amount of heat a body will store?
A. Density.
B. Altitude.
C. Mass.
D. Both (a) and (c).

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
61. If friction can cause heat to be released, letting a cord slide quickly through your hands will cause
A. your hands to feel cool.
B. your hands to become wet.
C. your hands to feel warmer.
D. your hands to feel stiff.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
62. What causes a coasting vehicle in motion to eventually come to a stop?
A. Friction.
B. Expansion.
C. Contraction.
D. Potential Energy.

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
63. The chemical combination of two or more elements is known as a/an
A. isotope.
B. ion.
C. compound.
D. catalyst.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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64. The molecular composition of water is
A. 2 hydrogen atoms +2 oxygen atoms.
B. 1 hydrogen atom +1 oxygen atom.
C. 2 hydrogen atoms +1 oxygen atom.
D. 2 oxygen atoms +1 Hydrogen atom.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1, Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
65. If a gas in a closed space is compressed, it will
A. decrease in temperature.
B. increase in temperature.
C. solidify.
D. move more slowly.

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
66. The reason inventors have not been able to invent a machine that is $100 \%$ efficient is because of
A. gravity.
B. inertia.
C. technology.
D. friction.

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
67. How much work is done in 1 minute by a machine operating at $300 \mathrm{ft} . \mathrm{lb} . / \mathrm{sec}$
A. $\quad 300 \mathrm{ft} \mathrm{lb}$
B. $\quad 1,800 \mathrm{ft} \mathrm{lb}$
C. $\quad 18,000 \mathrm{ft} \mathrm{lb}$
D. $\quad 180,000 \mathrm{ft} \mathrm{lb}$

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.
68. The volume of a cube which is 5 meters per side is
A. 5 cubic meters.
B. 25 cubic meters.
C. 75 cubic meters.
D. 125 cubic meters.

This question is applicable to Cluster 2, Cluster 3, Cluster 4, Cluster 5.

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69. Refer to Diagram 020. Four pumps are shown in the diagram. Arrows show the direction the piston is being moved. Choose the only pump that will pump water.
A.
B.
C.
D.

This question is applicable to Cluster 3, Cluster 4.
70. Refer to Diagram 014. Which diagram shows what happens when heat is applied to a bi-metal strip consisting of stainless steel on the top and brass on the bottom? (Brass has the higher expansion rate.)
A.
B.
C.
D.

This question is applicable to Cluster 1.

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Diagram 003


Diagram 005


Diagram 006


Diagram 007


Diagram 009


Diagram 012


Diagram 008


Diagram 010


Diagram 011


Diagram 013


Diagram 014


Diagram 015


Diagram 016

| ANGLES | SINE | COSINE | TANGENT |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 30 | 0.5 | 0.866 | 0.577 |
| 45 | 0.707 | 0.707 | 1 |
| 60 | 0.866 | 0.5 | 1.732 |
| 90 | 1.0 | 0 | --- |
| Diagram $\mathbf{0 1 7}$ |  |  |  |



Diagram 018


Diagram 019


Diagram 020

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| 1. | A |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2. | D |
| 3. | C |
| 4 | D |
| 5 | A |
| 6. | D |
| 7. | C |
| 8. | B |
| 9. | B |
| 10. | B |
| 11. | C |
| 12. | C |
| 13. | D |
| 14. | C |
| 15. | C |
| 16. | B |
| 17. | D |
| 18. | D |
| 19. | C |
| 20. | C |
| 21. | B |
| 22. | A |
| 23. | C |
| 24. | A |
| 25. | D |
| 26. | D |
| 27. | B |
| 28. | D |
| 29. | C |
| 30. | C |
| 31. | C |
| 32. | B |
| 33. | D |
| 34. | A |
| 35. | C |
|  |  |


| 36. | B |
| :--- | :--- |
| 37. | D |
| 38. | A |
| 39. | B |
| 40. | A |
| 41. | A |
| 42. | C |
| 43. | C |
| 44. | C |
| 45. | C |
| 46. | B |
| 47. | A |
| 48. | D |
| 49. | B |
| 50. | D |
| 51. | C |
| 52. | B |
| 53. | C |
| 54. | D |
| 55. | A |
| 56. | A |
| 57. | B |
| 58. | A |
| 59. | D |
| 60. | B |
| 61. | C |
| 62 | A |
| 63 | C |
| 64 | C |
| 65. | B |
| 66. | D |
| 67. | C |
| 68. | D |
| 69. | D |
| 70. | C |
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