



SpeedLabs

MATHS

ICSE 8th

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1. Which of the following collections of objects are sets?

(i) All the months in a year

Ans. YES. It is a well-defined collection of distinct objects. There are 12 months in a year. So, it is a definite set of elements.

$A = \{\text{January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December}\}$

(ii) All the planets in our solar system

Ans. YES. It is a well-defined collection of distinct objects.

$A = \{\text{Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune}\}$

2. Describe the following sets in roster form

(i) $B = \{x \mid x \in W, x \leq 6\}$

Ans. $B = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

(ii) $C = \{x \mid x \text{ is a factor of } 32\}$

Ans. $C = \{1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32\}$

3. Describe the following sets in set builder form

(i) $A = \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$

Ans. $A = \{x \mid x \in N, 4 < x < 13\}$ or $A = \{x \mid x \in N, 5 \leq x \leq 12\}$

(ii) $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 16, 24, 48\}$

Ans. $B = \{x \mid x \text{ is a factor of } 48\}$

4. Which of the following are empty sets?

(i) $A = \{x \mid x \in N, x + 5 = 5\}$

Ans. Empty Set

Note: Natural Number $N = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$. Since $x + 5 = 5$ is given, it means, $x = 0$. But 0 does not belong to N and hence the set is empty or null.

(ii) $B = \{x \mid x \in N, 2x + 3 = 6\}$

Ans. Empty Set

Note: Natural Number $N = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$. Since $2x + 3 = 6$ is given, it means, $x = 1.5$. But 1.5 does not belong to N and hence the set is empty or null.

Which of the following collections of objects are sets?

5. Rewrite the following statements using the set notations:

(i) p is an element of A

Ans. $p \in A$

(ii) q does not belong to set B

Ans. $q \notin B$

6. Separate finite and infinite sets from the following:

(i) Set of leaves on a tree

Ans. Finite. This is because in this case, the process of counting the leaves would surely come to an end.

(ii) $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{N}, x > 1000\}$

Ans. Infinite. This is because there is no end to the numbers since $x > 1000$.

7. Let $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$, $B = \{b, c, e\}$ and $C = \{a, b, e\}$. Find:

Ans. 1. $A \cup B = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$

2. $B \cup C = \{a, b, c, e\}$

3. $A \cup C = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$

4. $A \cap B = \{b, c\}$

5. $B \cap C = \{b, e\}$

6. $A \cap C = \{a, b\}$

Note:

The union of sets A and B , denoted by $A \cup B$, is the set of all those elements, each one of which is either in A or in B or in both A and B

If there is a set $A = \{2, 3\}$ and $B = \{a, b\}$, then $A \cup B = \{2, 3, a, b\}$

So if $A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$ then

$x \in A \cup B$ which means $x \in A$ or $x \in B$

And if $x \notin A \cup B$ which means $x \notin A$ or $x \notin B$

The intersection of sets A and B is denoted by $A \cap B$, and is a set of all elements that are common in sets A and B .

If $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $B = \{2, 4, 5\}$, then $A \cap B = \{2\}$ as 2 is the only common element.

Thus $A \cap B = \{x: x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$

then $x \in A \cap B$ i.e. $x \in A$ and $x \in B$

And if $x \notin A \cap B$ i.e. $x \notin A$ and $x \notin B$

8. Let $A = \{1, 4, 7, 8\}$ and $B = \{4, 6, 8, 9\}$. Find i) $A - B$ and ii) $B - A$

Ans. $A - B = \{1, 4, 7, 8\} - \{4, 6, 8, 9\} = \{1, 7\}$

$B - A = \{4, 6, 8, 9\} - \{1, 4, 7, 8\} = \{6, 9\}$

Note:

For any two sets A and B , the difference $A - B$ is a set of all those elements of A which are not in B .

i.e. if $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and $B = \{4, 5, 6\}$

Then $A - B = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $B - A = \{6\}$

Therefore, $A - B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B\}$, then

$x \in A - B$ then $x \in A$ but $x \notin B$

9. Let $\xi = \{13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21\}$, $A = \{13, 17, 19\}$ and $B = \{14, 16, 18, 20\}$. Find i) A' and ii) B'

Ans. $A' = \{14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21\}$

$B' = \{13, 15, 17, 19, 21\}$

Note:

Let x be the universal set and let $A \subseteq x$. Then the complement of A , denoted by A' is the set of all those elements of x which are not in A .

i.e. let $\xi = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ and $A = \{2, 3, 4\}$, then $A' = \{1, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$

Thus $A' = \{x \mid x \in \xi \text{ and } x \notin A\}$ clearly $x \in A'$ and $x \notin A$

Please note

$\phi' = \xi$ and $\phi = \phi'$

$A \cup A' = \xi$ and $A \cap A' = \phi$

10. Let $\xi = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}, -4 \leq x \leq 4\}$, $A = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{W}, x < 4\}$ and $B = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{N}, 2 < x \leq 4\}$. Find i) A' and ii) B'

Ans. Note: First find out the elements of the three given sets.

$\xi = \{-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ and $B = \{3, 4\}$

$A' = \{-4, -3, -2, -1, 4\}$

$B' = \{-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$

11. Let $A = \{b, c, d, e\}$ and $B = \{d, e, f, g\}$ be the two sub sets of the universal set $\xi = \{b, c, d, e, f, g\}$. Then verify the following:

(i) $(A \cup B)' = (A' \cap B')$

Ans. LHS: $A \cup B = \{b, c, d, e\} \cup \{d, e, f, g\} = \{b, c, d, e, f, g\}$

Therefore, $(A \cup B)' = \phi$

RHS: $A' = \{f, g\}$ and $B' = \{b, c\}$

Therefore, $A' \cap B' = \phi$

Therefore, LHS = RHS. Hence proved.

(ii) $(A \cap B)' = (A' \cup B')$

Ans. $x = \{b, c, d, e, f, g\}$

LHS: $A \cap B = \{b, c, d, e\} \cap \{d, e, f, g\} = \{d, e\}$

Therefore, $(A \cap B)' = \{b, c, f, g\}$

RHS: $A' = \{f, g\}$ and $B' = \{b, c\}$

Therefore, $A' \cup B' = \{b, c, f, g\}$

Therefore, LHS = RHS. Hence proved.

12. Let $x = \{x : x \in \mathbb{N}, x < 50\}$, $A = \{x : x^2 \in x\}$, $B = \{x : x = n^2, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ and $C = \{x : x \text{ is a factor of } 36\}$. List all the elements of set A, B, and C. Also state whether each of the following statement is true or false.

Ans. $\xi = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots, 49\}$. Basically x is values from 1 to 49. Therefore:

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}.$$

$$B = \{1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49\}$$

$$C = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 36\}. \text{ All factors of } 36 \text{ but within } 1 \leq x \leq 49$$

(i) $A \subseteq B$

Ans. False

(ii) $A = B$

Ans. False

(iii) $A \leftrightarrow B$

Ans. True since $n(A) = 7$ while $n(B) = 7$

(iv) $B \leftrightarrow C$

Ans. False since $n(B) = 7$ while $n(C) = 9$

(v) $n(A) < n(C)$

Ans. True since $n(A) = 7$ while $n(C) = 9$

13. Let $A = \{\text{all triangles}\}$, $B = \{\text{all isosceles triangles}\}$ and $C = \{\text{all equilateral triangles}\}$. State, giving reasons, whether the following statements are true or false

(i) $B \subset C \subset A$

Ans. False

Note: All isosceles triangles are not equilateral triangles.

(ii) $C \subset B \subset A$

Ans. True

Note: All equilateral triangles are isosceles triangles and all isosceles triangles are triangles

14. Which of the following statements are correct?

(i) $a \subset \{a, b, c\}$

Ans. False

Note: a is an element of the set $\{a, b, c\}$. Hence it should be $a \in \{a, b, c\}$

(ii) $\{a\} \subset \{a, b, c\}$

Ans. Correct

Note: $\{a\}$ is subset of the set $\{a, b, c\}$. Hence it should be $\{a\} \subset \{a, b, c\}$

(iii) $\varphi \in \{a, b, c\}$

Ans. False

Note: φ is not an element of $\{a, b, c\}$. It should be $\varphi \subset \{a, b, c\}$

15. Find all possible subsets of each of the following sets:

(i) $A = \{4, 9\}$

Ans. $\varnothing, \{4\}, \{9\}, \{4, 9\}$

Note: Number of elements = 2. Total subsets = $2^2 = 4$

(ii) $B = \{2, 3, 8\}$

Ans. $\varnothing, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{8\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 8\}, \{3, 8\}, \{2, 3, 8\}$

Note: Number of elements = 3. Total subsets = $2^3 = 8$