

# PRACTICE EXAM 9: EQAO GRADE 3 MATH SIMULATION (40 QUESTIONS)

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## STAGE 1 — Questions 1–10

1. An aquarium had 463 fish in its main tank. The staff added 285 more fish from a new shipment. How many fish are in the main tank now?

- A. 178
- B. 748
- C. 648
- D. 758

2. What is the value of the digit 9 in the number 195?

- A. 90
- B. 9
- C. 900
- D. 9,000

3. Round the number 638 to the nearest hundred.

- A. 700
- B. 630
- C. 640
- D. 600

4. A candy store had 800 lollipops. The store sold 437 lollipops during a weekend sale. How many lollipops are left?

- A. 1,237

- B. 437
- C. 363
- D. 473

5. A pizza is cut into 8 equal slices. Tomas ate 5 slices. What fraction of the pizza did Tomas eat?

- A.  $\frac{5}{8}$
- B.  $\frac{8}{5}$
- C.  $\frac{3}{8}$
- D.  $\frac{5}{3}$

6. Lily buys a hot chocolate for \$2.65 and a cookie for \$1.45. She pays with a \$5 bill. How much change should Lily receive?

- A. \$1.10
- B. \$4.10
- C. \$1.45
- D. \$0.90

7. Skip count by 4s starting from 12. What is the fifth number you say?

- A. 24
- B. 28
- C. 32
- D. 20

8. Which expression has the same value as  $5 \times 7$ ?

- A.  $5 + 7$
- B.  $7 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 7$
- C. 57
- D.  $5 \times 5 + 2$

9. A bakery makes 36 muffins and packages them into boxes of 6. How many boxes does the bakery make?

- A. 6 boxes
- B. 30 boxes
- C. 42 boxes
- D. 36 boxes

10. Which fraction is equivalent to  $\frac{1}{2}$ ?

- A.  $\frac{1}{4}$
- B.  $\frac{2}{3}$
- C.  $\frac{5}{10}$
- D.  $\frac{1}{10}$

**STAGE 2 — Questions 11–20**

11. Compare the two numbers. Which symbol makes the statement true?

$$905 \text{ \_\_\_ } 950$$

- A.  $>$
- B.  $=$
- C.
- D.  $\neq$  and  $>$

12. Yusuf has 3 toonies, 2 loonies, 1 quarter, and 4 nickels. How much money does Yusuf have in total?

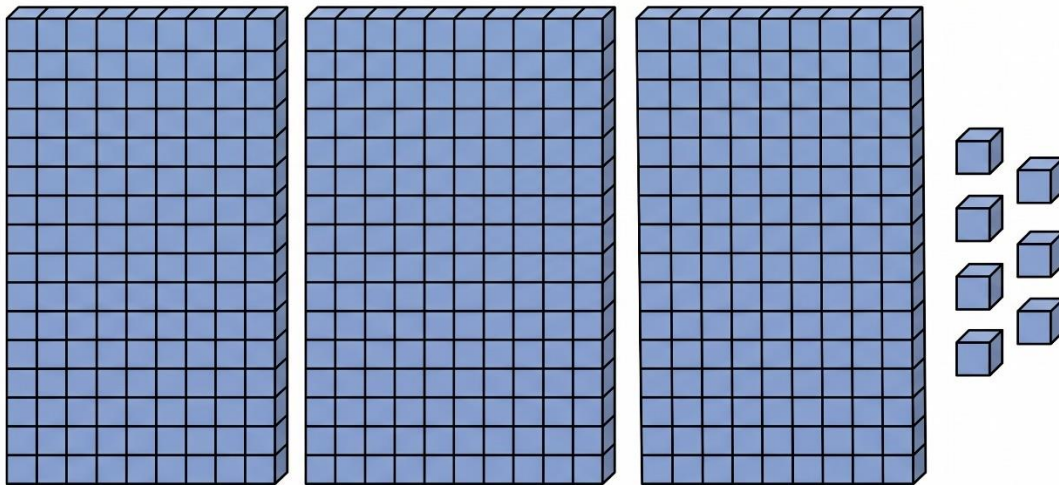
- A. \$8.20
- B. \$8.45
- C. \$8.65
- D. \$9.45

13. What is  $100 \div 10$ ?

- A. 90
- B. 1,000
- C. 110
- D. 10

14. What number is shown by the base-ten blocks below?

**Figure PQ-1**



- A. 307
- B. 370
- C. 730
- D. 37

15. Find the missing number in this pattern: 90, 81, \_\_\_\_, 63, 54, 45.

- A. 70
- B. 72
- C. 75
- D. 78

16. What is the rule for this pattern: 5, 10, 20, 40, 80 ?

- A. Start at 5 and add 5 each time
- B. Start at 5 and add 10 each time
- C. Start at 5 and double each time
- D. Start at 5 and subtract 5 each time

17. Solve for  $n$  in the equation:  $n - 14 = 36$ .

- A. 22
- B. 36
- C. 14
- D. 50

18. A robot starts at 30. It follows this code:

REPEAT 5 TIMES: Add 4.

What is the final value?

- A. 50
- B. 34
- C. 20
- D. 60

19. Which equation is TRUE?

- A.  $6 + 6 = 6 \times 6$
- B.  $18 \div 3 = 18 - 3$
- C.  $7 \times 3 = 14 + 7$
- D.  $25 - 10 = 5 \times 5$

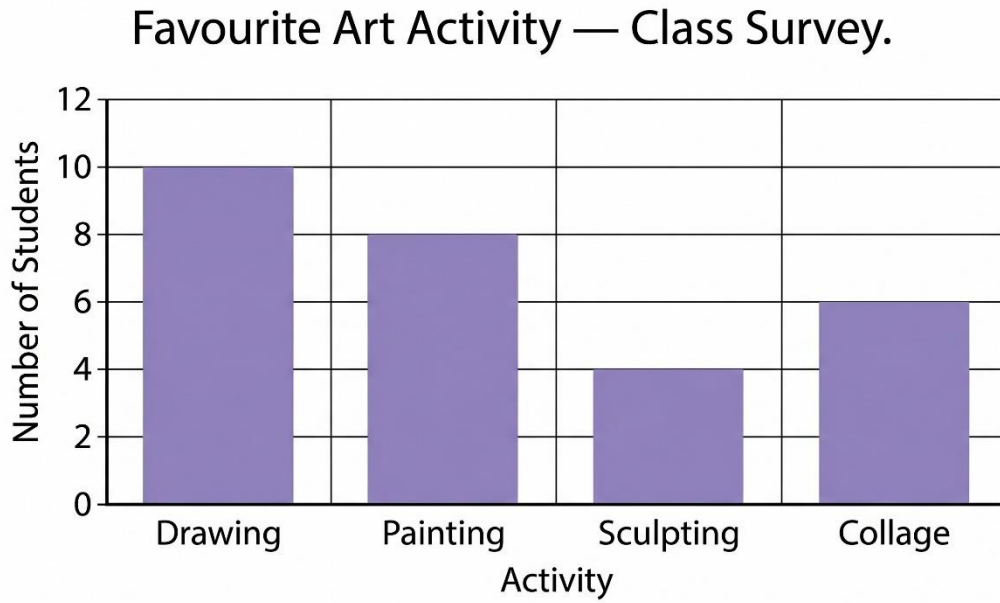
20. A swimming pool needs 600 litres of water to fill. So far, 425 litres have been added. How many more litres are needed to fill the pool?

- A. 1,025 litres

- B. 175 litres
- C. 275 litres
- D. 75 litres

**STAGE 3 — Questions 21–30**

21. Look at the bar graph below. How many students chose drawing as their favourite art activity?



- A. 8 students
- B. 6 students
- C. 4 students
- D. 10 students

22. Look at the pictograph below. Each medal icon stands for 2 medals won. How many medals did the gymnastics team win at Meet #3?

## Medals Won at Gymnastics Meets



- A. 14 medals
- B. 7 medals
- C. 10 medals
- D. 18 medals

23. Find the mean of this data set: 14, 10, 8, 12, 6.

- A. 12
- B. 8
- C. 10
- D. 14

24. Find the mode of this data set: 4, 9, 4, 12, 9, 4, 7, 4.

- A. 9
- B. 4
- C. 7
- D. 12

25. A spinner has 4 equal sections — all 4 sections are blue. Landing on a colour other than blue is:

- A. Likely
- B. Certain
- C. Equally likely
- D. Impossible

26. Look at the frequency table below. How many students were surveyed in total?

### Favourite Colour — Class Survey

<b>Colour</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>
Blue	9
Red	11
Green	7
Yellow	4
Purple	6

- A. 37 students
- B. 40 students
- C. 30 students
- D. 35 students

27. A bag contains 8 black marbles and 12 white marbles. Drawing a white marble is:

- A. Unlikely
- B. Equally likely to drawing black
- C. Likely
- D. Certain

28. Look at the bar graph in Figure PQ-2 again. How many students chose either drawing or painting as their favourite art activity?

- A. 10 students
- B. 14 students
- C. 22 students
- D. 18 students

29. The table below shows the daily high temperature (in °C) for one week in May. Which day had the highest temperature?

**Daily High Temperature — Week of May 12.**

<b>Day,</b>	<b>Temperature (°C)</b>
Monday	18
Tuesday	21
Wednesday	24
Thursday	19
Friday	23

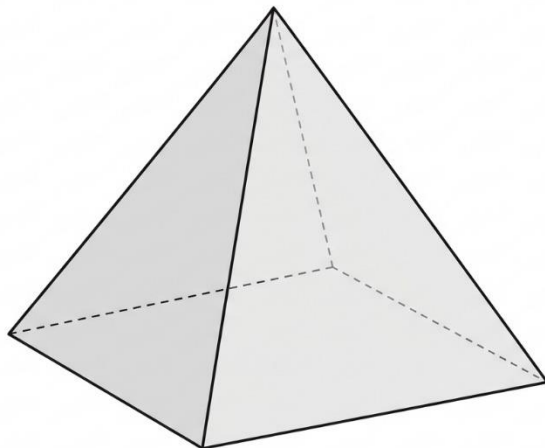
- A. Tuesday
- B. Wednesday
- C. Friday
- D. Monday

30. A meteorologist predicts a 50% chance of rain tomorrow. Rain tomorrow is:

- A. Equally likely as no rain
- B. Certain
- C. Unlikely
- D. Impossible

**STAGE 4 — Questions 31–40**

31. Look at the 3D shape below. How many edges does it have?



- A. 5 edges
- B. 8 edges
- C. 12 edges
- D. 6 edges

32. Which 3D shape has 6 faces, all of which are rectangles, but not all the same size?

- A. Cube
- B. Triangular prism
- C. Square pyramid
- D. Rectangular prism

33. A rectangle has a length of 15 cm and a width of 8 cm. What is its perimeter?

- A. 46 cm
- B. 23 cm
- C. 120 cm
- D. 30 cm

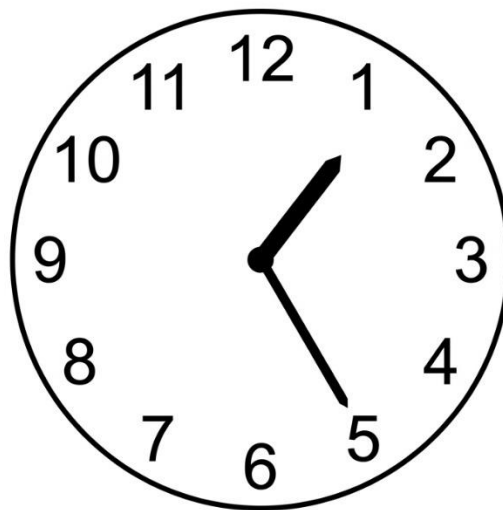
34. A character is facing east. The character makes one quarter-turn to the left, then a half-turn. Which direction is the character facing now?

- A. East
- B. North
- C. South
- D. West

35. Which unit is best for measuring the capacity of a bathtub?

- A. Millilitres
- B. Litres
- C. Grams
- D. Kilometres

36. Look at the analog clock below. What time is shown?

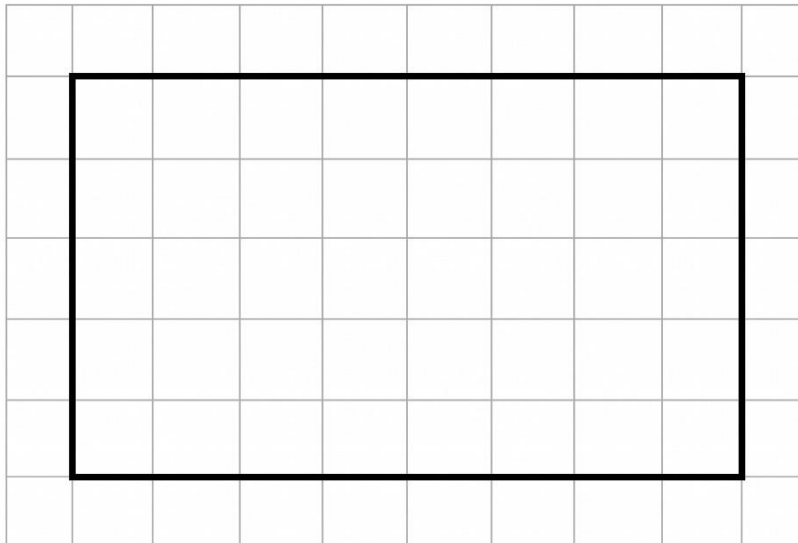


- A. 5:05
- B. 1:30
- C. 2:25
- D. 1:25

37. A piano lesson starts at 3:45 PM and ends at 4:30 PM. How long is the piano lesson?

- A. 45 minutes
- B. 1 hour 15 minutes
- C. 30 minutes
- D. 1 hour

38. Look at the rectangle drawn on the grid below. What is its area?



- A. 13 square centimetres
- B. 26 square centimetres
- C. 40 square centimetres
- D. 45 square centimetres

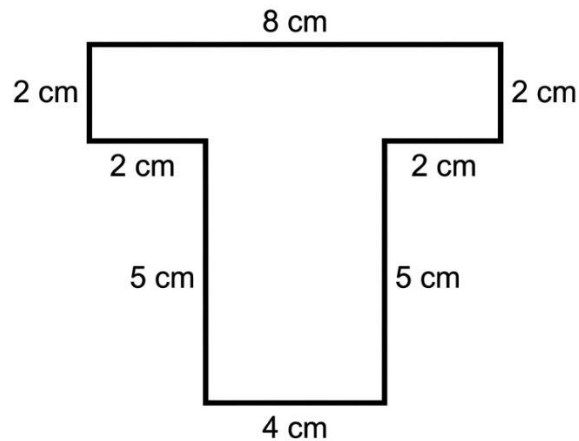
39. A garden hose can fill a 5-litre bucket in one minute. How many millilitres is 5 litres?

- A. 50 mL
- B. 500 mL
- C. 50,000 mL

D. 5,000 mL

40. Look at the irregular shape below. What is its perimeter?

Figure PQ-9: Clean educational illustration



- A. 24 cm
- B. 30 cm
- C. 26 cm
- D. 36 cm

## Practice Exam 9: Answer Key and Explanations

**1. B — 748.** Add using the standard algorithm:  $463 + 285 = 748$ . Ones:  $3 + 5 = 8$ . Tens:  $6 + 8 = 14$  (write 4, carry 1). Hundreds:  $1 + 4 + 2 = 7$ . Estimation check:  $460 + 290 = 750$ , close to 748. This tests addition with regrouping in the tens place (curriculum expectation B2.5).

**2. A — 90.** The digit 9 sits in the tens place of the number 195. Its value is  $9 \times 10 = 90$ . Always distinguish between the digit (9) and the digit's value (90) — same digit, different amount depending on position. This is a core place-value concept from Chapter 1.2.

**3. D — 600.** To round 638 to the nearest hundred, look at the digit in the tens place: 3. Since 3 is less than 5, round down. The number 638 rounds down to 600. The midpoint between 600 and 700 is 650, and 638 is before that midpoint — confirming the rounding decision (Chapter 1.5).

**4. C — 363.** Subtract using the standard algorithm:  $800 - 437 = 363$ . Ones:  $0 < 7$ , regroup. Tens is also 0, so first regroup from hundreds. 8 becomes 7 hundreds, 0 becomes 10 tens, then 10 tens becomes 9 tens

and ones becomes 10. Now:  $10 - 7 = 3$ ,  $9 - 3 = 6$ ,  $7 - 4 = 3$ . Regrouping across zeros is critical (Chapter 3.3).

**5. A —  $\frac{5}{8}$ .** The pizza has 8 equal slices (denominator = 8) and Tomas ate 5 of them (numerator = 5). The fraction representing what he ate is  $\frac{5}{8}$ . Always identify the total parts (denominator) and the counted parts (numerator) carefully (Chapter 2.1).

**6. D — \$0.90.** First find the total cost:  $\$2.65 + \$1.45 = \$4.10$ . Then find the change:  $\$5.00 - \$4.10 = \$0.90$  (90 cents). Multi-item transactions always require adding the prices first, then subtracting from the payment (Chapter 5.4). Estimation check:  $\$5 - \$4 = \$1$ , close to  $\$0.90$ .

**7. C — 32.** Skip count by 4s starting from 12: 12 is the start, then 16 (1st), 20 (2nd), 24 (3rd), 28 (4th), 32 (5th). The fifth number said after 12 is 32. The starting number is not counted; only the numbers that follow (Chapter 1.6).

**8. B —  $7 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 7$ .** Multiplication  $5 \times 7$  means "five groups of seven," which equals  $7 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 7 = 35$ . The repeated-addition form is the exact equivalent of multiplication. The other options ( $5 + 7 = 12$ ; 57 as a number;  $5 \times 5 + 2 = 27$ ) all produce different values (Chapter 4.1).

**9. A — 6 boxes.** Divide the total muffins by the box size:  $36 \div 6 = 6$  boxes. This is grouping division — separating 36 muffins into boxes of 6 produces 6 boxes. The related multiplication:  $6 \times 6 = 36$  confirms the answer (Chapter 4.4).

**10. C —  $\frac{5}{10}$ .** The halves-and-tenths relationship:  $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{10}$ . Splitting one half into 5 smaller equal pieces produces tenths, and 5 of those tenths equal one half. Verify:  $5 \div 10 = 0.5 = \frac{1}{2}$ . The other options ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{2}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{10}$ ) all represent different amounts (Chapter 2.3).

**11. C —  $<$ .** Compare 905 and 950 starting from the hundreds place:  $9 = 9$  (tied). Move to the tens place:  $0 < 5$ , so 905 is less than 950. The "less than" symbol ( $<$ ) opens toward the larger number on the right. Always compare place by place starting from the leftmost (Chapter 1.4).

**12. B — \$8.45.** Add Yusuf's money: 3 toonies =  $\$6.00$ ; 2 loonies =  $\$2.00$ ; 1 quarter =  $\$0.25$ ; 4 nickels =  $\$0.20$ . Total:  $\$6.00 + \$2.00 + \$0.25 + \$0.20 = \$8.45$ . Sort coins from largest to smallest denomination before adding to reduce counting errors (Chapter 5.2).

**13. D — 10.** Division  $100 \div 10$  asks "10 times what equals 100?" From the 10 times table:  $10 \times 10 = 100$ , so  $100 \div 10 = 10$ . The 10 times table shortcut works in reverse for division — removing a trailing zero from the dividend gives the quotient (Chapter 4.2).

**14. A — 307.** Count the base-ten blocks: 3 hundred-flats = 300; 0 ten-rods = 0; 7 unit-cubes = 7. Total:  $300 + 0 + 7 = 307$ . The zero in the tens place is essential — it acts as a placeholder showing there are no tens. Without it, the number would incorrectly read as 37 (Chapter 1.2).

**15. B — 72.** The pattern decreases by 9 each step: 90, 81, 72, 63, 54, 45. To verify:  $81 - 72 = 9$ ,  $72 - 63 = 9$ , all consistent. The missing term between 81 and 63 is  $81 - 9 = 72$ . This is a shrinking pattern with constant negative growth (Chapter 6.2).

**16. C — Start at 5 and double each time.** The pattern values are 5, 10, 20, 40, 80 — each term is twice the previous ( $5 \times 2 = 10$ ,  $10 \times 2 = 20$ , etc.). This is a multiplicative pattern, not an additive one. The differences grow (5, 10, 20, 40), so the rule is "double" rather than "add a fixed amount" (Chapter 6.3).

**17. D — 50.** Solve  $n - 14 = 36$  using the inverse operation:  $n = 36 + 14 = 50$ . Check by substituting:  $50 - 14 = 36$  ✓. The inverse of subtraction is addition. Always verify the answer by plugging it back into the original equation (Chapter 7.4).

**18. A — 50.** Trace the code: the loop adds 4 five times. Step 1:  $30 + 4 = 34$ . Step 2:  $34 + 4 = 38$ . Step 3:  $38 + 4 = 42$ . Step 4:  $42 + 4 = 46$ . Step 5:  $46 + 4 = 50$ . Or compute directly:  $5 \times 4 = 20$  added to 30 gives 50 (Chapter 8.2).

**19. C —  $7 \times 3 = 14 + 7$ .** Compute both sides:  $7 \times 3 = 21$  and  $14 + 7 = 21$ . Both sides equal 21, so the equation is TRUE. The other options are false:  $6 + 6 = 12 \neq 36$ ;  $18 \div 3 = 6 \neq 15$ ;  $25 - 10 = 15 \neq 25$ . The equals sign requires both sides to have the same value (Chapter 7.2).

**20. B — 175 litres.** Subtract the litres already added from the total:  $600 - 425 = 175$  litres. Ones:  $0 < 5$ , regroup.  $10 - 5 = 5$ . Tens:  $9 - 2 = 7$ . Hundreds:  $5 - 4 = 1$ . The pool needs 175 more litres of water. Estimation check:  $600 - 425 \approx 175$  ✓ (Chapter 3.3).

**21. D — 10 students.** Read the bar graph: the bar above "Drawing" reaches the value 10 on the y-axis scale. Always trace from the top of the bar horizontally to the y-axis to read precise values rather than estimating by eye (Chapter 9.5).

**22. A — 14 medals.** Read the pictograph: Meet #3 has 7 medal icons. The key states each icon = 2 medals, so multiply:  $7 \times 2 = 14$  medals. Many-to-one correspondence means each picture represents more than one item — always check the key (Chapter 9.4).

**23. C — 10.** Add all values:  $14 + 10 + 8 + 12 + 6 = 50$ . Divide by the number of values:  $50 \div 5 = 10$ . The mean is 10, representing the typical value in the data set. Always count the number of values carefully before dividing the sum (Chapter 10.1).

**24. B — 4.** Count how many times each value appears: 4 appears 4 times; 9 appears 2 times; 12 and 7 each appear once. The value that appears most often is 4. The mode is the most frequent value, not the largest — careful counting determines the mode (Chapter 10.2).

**25. D — Impossible.** The spinner has 4 equal sections, and all 4 are blue. There are no other colours on the spinner, so landing on a non-blue colour cannot happen — it is impossible. "Impossible" describes events with zero chance of occurring (Chapter 10.4).

**26. A — 37 students.** Add the frequencies for all four sports:  $13 + 8 + 11 + 5 = 37$  students. The total represents every student surveyed. Always verify by adding all rows in the frequency column carefully (Chapter 9.3).

**27. C — Likely.** The bag contains 12 white marbles out of 20 total (8 black + 12 white). More than half the marbles are white, so drawing white is likely (probable but not certain). The other options don't fit:

"certain" would require all white; "impossible" would require zero white; "equally likely" would require 10 of each (Chapter 10.4).

**28. D — 18 students.** Read the bar graph: Drawing = 10 students, Painting = 8 students. Add:  $10 + 8 = 18$  students. The phrase "either ... or" in this context means the total of both categories combined. This is a Level-2 graph-reading task from Chapter 10.3.

**29. B — Wednesday.** Read the temperature column values: Monday = 18, Tuesday = 21, Wednesday = 24, Thursday = 19, Friday = 23. The highest value is 24, which is Wednesday. The day with the warmest temperature is the one with the largest reading (Chapter 9.3).

**30. A — Equally likely as no rain.** A 50% chance means rain has the same probability as no rain — both outcomes have an equal chance of occurring. On the Grade 3 probability spectrum, 50% is described as "equally likely." The other options describe different probability levels (Chapter 10.4).

**31. B — 8 edges.** A square pyramid has 8 edges total: 4 around the square base + 4 edges that rise from each base corner to the apex. From the Chapter 11.2 reference table: square pyramid = 5 faces, 8 edges, 5 vertices.

**32. D — Rectangular prism.** A rectangular prism has 6 rectangular faces — typically 3 pairs of identical rectangles (front-back, top-bottom, left-right) of three different sizes. A cube also has 6 faces but they are all squares of the same size. A triangular prism has triangular and rectangular faces (Chapter 11.1).

**33. A — 46 cm.** Perimeter of a rectangle =  $2 \times (\text{length} + \text{width}) = 2 \times (15 + 8) = 2 \times 23 = 46$  cm. Or add all four sides:  $15 + 8 + 15 + 8 = 46$  cm. The shortcut formula is faster than adding all sides individually (Chapter 13.2).

**34. C — South.** A quarter-turn left from east goes to north (east → north counter-clockwise). Then a half-turn from north reverses to south. Final direction: south. Two-step turn sequences require tracking the facing direction after each individual turn (Chapter 12.3).

**35. B — Litres.** A bathtub holds roughly 150–200 litres of water — firmly in the litre range. Millilitres would produce unwieldy numbers (150,000 mL); grams measure mass, not capacity; kilometres measure long distances. Only litres is appropriate for the capacity of a bathtub (Chapter 13.4).

**36. D — 1:25.** The hour hand sits between the 1 and the 2, closer to the 1 — so the hour is 1 (the smaller of the two numbers it sits between). The minute hand points to the 5, which equals 25 minutes past the hour ( $5 \times 5 = 25$ ). The time is 1:25 (Chapter 14.1).

**37. A — 45 minutes.** From 3:45 PM to 4:00 PM is 15 minutes. From 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM is 30 minutes. Total elapsed time:  $15 + 30 = 45$  minutes. Break elapsed-time calculations into the portion before the hour boundary plus the portion after (Chapter 14.3).

**38. C — 40 square centimetres.** The rectangle is 8 cm wide and 5 cm tall. Area = length  $\times$  width =  $8 \times 5 = 40$  square centimetres. Or count the unit squares: 8 columns  $\times$  5 rows = 40 squares. Area is measured in square units (cm<sup>2</sup>) — the small "2" must be included (Chapter 14.5).

**39. D — 5,000 mL.** The relationship: 1 litre = 1,000 millilitres. So 5 litres =  $5 \times 1,000 = 5,000$  mL. The other options (50, 500, 50,000) represent different amounts. Always apply the conversion factor 1,000 when moving between litres and millilitres (Chapter 13.4).

**40. B — 30 cm.** Add all eight side lengths of the T-shape:  $8 + 2 + 2 + 5 + 4 + 5 + 2 + 2 = 30$  cm. Perimeter is the total distance around the outside of a shape, found by adding every side. For irregular shapes, no shortcut formula applies — always add side by side (Chapter 13.2).