

Chapter 3 - Force and Pressure

A. Objective Questions

1. Write true or false for each statement

(a) The S.I. unit of force is kgf.

Solution: False.

(b) A force always produces both the linear and turning motions.

Solution: False.

(c) Moment of force = force \times perpendicular distance of force - from the pivoted point.

Solution: True.

(d) Less force is needed when applied at a farther distance from the pivoted point.

Solution: True.

(e) For a given thrust, pressure is more on a surface of large area.

Solution: False.

(f) The pressure on a surface increases with an increase in the thrust on the surface.

Solution: True.

(g) A man exerts same pressure on the ground whether he is standing or he is lying.

Solution: False.

(h) It is easier to hammer a blunt nail into a piece of wood than a sharply pointed nail.

Solution: False.

(i) The S.I. unit of pressure is pascal.

Solution: True.

(j) Water in a lake exerts pressure only at its bottom.

Solution: False.

(k) A liquid exerts pressure in all directions.

Solution: True.

(l) Gases exert pressure in all directions.

Solution: True.

(m) The atmospheric pressure is nearly 10^5 Pa.

Solution: True.

(n) Higher we go, greater is the air pressure.

Solution: False.

2. Fill in the blanks

(a) $1 \text{ kgf} = \underline{10 \text{ N}}$ (nearly)

(b) Moment of force = force \times distance of force from the point of turning

(c) In a door, handle is provided farthest from the hinges.

- (d) The unit of thrust is newton.
- (e) Thrust is the normal force acting on a surface.
- (f) Pressure is the thrust acting on a surface of unit area.
- (g) The unit of pressure is pascal
- (h) Pressure is reduced if area of surface increases.
- (i) Pressure in a liquid increases with the depth.
- (j) The atmospheric pressure on earth surface is nearly 10^5 Pa.

3. Match the following:

Column A

- (a) Camel
- (b) Truck
- (c) Knife
- (d) High building
- (e) Thrust
- (f) Moment of force
- (g) Atmospheric pressure

Column B

- (i) broad and deep foundation
- (ii) broad feet
- (iii) six or eight tyres
- (iv) sharp cutting edge
- (v) atm
- (vi) N
- (vii) N m

Solution:

Column A

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Column B

- (ii) broad feet
- (iii) six or eight tyres
- (iv) sharp cutting edge
- (i) broad and deep foundation
- (vi) N
- (vii) N m

(g) Atmospheric pressure (v) atm

4. Select the correct alternative:

(a) SI. unit of moment of force is

1. N
2. N cm
3. kgfm
4. N m

Solution: 4. N m

(b) To obtain a given moment of force for turning a body, the force needed can be decreased by

1. applying the force at the pivoted point
2. applying the force very close to the pivoted point
3. applying the force farthest from the pivoted point
4. none of the above

Solution: 3. applying the force farthest from the pivoted point

(c) The unit of thrust is

1. kgf
2. kg
3. g
4. ms^{-1}

Solution: 1. kgf

(d) The unit of pressure is

1. $N \times m$
2. kgf
3. Nm^{-2}
4. $kgf\ m^2$

Solution: 3. Nm^{-2}

(e) The pressure and thrust are related as

1. Pressure = Thrust
2. Pressure = Thrust x Area
3. Pressure = Thrust/Area
4. Pressure = Area/Thrust

Solution: 3. Pressure = Thrust/Area

(f) A body weighing 5 kgf, placed on a surface of area $0.1\ m^2$ exerts a thrust on the surface equal to

1. 50 kgf
2. 5 kgf
3. $50\ kgf\ m^{-2}$
4. $5\ kgf\ m^{-2}$

Solution: 3. $50\ kgf\ m^{-2}$

(g) The feet of lizards act like

1. moving pads
2. drilling pads
3. suction pads
4. none of the above

Solution: 3. suction pads

(h) Pressure exerted by a liquid is due to its

1. weight
2. mass
3. volume
4. area

Solution: 1. weight

(i) Pressure inside a liquid increases with:

1. increase in depth
2. decrease in depth
3. decrease in density
4. none of the above

Solution: 1. increase in depth

(j) The atmospheric pressure at sea level is nearly

1. 10 Pa
2. 100,000 Pa
3. 100 Pa
4. 10,000 Pa

Solution: 2. 100,000 Pa

(k) Nose bleeding may occur at a high altitude because

1. the atmospheric pressure decreases

2. the oxygen content of atmosphere decreases
3. the atmospheric pressure increases
4. there are strong air currents at the high altitude

Solution: 1. the atmospheric pressure decreases

