## TINY DROPS QUESTION TYPES

Dear reader,

- This is a vital book for you if you regularly use "Tiny Drops" GK and Quiz books, and also take part in the associated quiz competitions.
- In this book, we shall explain the reason behind the single letter given in front of the question number in most of the Tiny Drops books.
- You will come to know the logical and cognitive significance of twisting the questions and asking them in multiple formats.
- Simple quiz questions are asked in various formats in Tiny Drops books. These formats are meant for either testing the varied levels of cognisance of students or for giving clues that lead to the correct answer.
- ⇒ When students get used to the different formats of questions asked in these books, their lateral thinking ability grows in a steady, solid and permanent manner.
- As per the new education policy, emphasis has to be given on making students understand and analyze a situation thoroughly, and make them arrive at conclusions using logical reasoning & situational awareness rather than just mug up before taking exams.
- ⇒ Keeping that in mind, we have formulated more than 15 different types in which we ask our questions.
- ⇒ While a few of them are totally new for those who are not used to Tiny Drops books, the remaining are quite common.
- The most common one is the "g" type question with a simple one or two word answer. This first quiz (below) is based on such questions.

#### A General Quiz ("g" type questions)

- g 1 In which month of 2024 did Delhi go through a drinking water crisis?
- g 2 Who became the first Italian tennis star (male) to be ranked world no.1?
- g 3 Payal Kapadia won India's first ever Grand Prix award in the 77th edition of which film festival, in 2024?
- g 4 Which is the Lightest wood?

- g 5 Which is called Herring Pond?
- g 6 Which is called the Dog Star?
- g 7 Which is the Longest seaweed?
- g 8 Which is the largest Stadium?
- g 9 Which is called the Empire City?
- g 10 Which is the tallest Gymnosperm?
- g 11 Which is called the Pearl of the Orient?
- g 12 Which is called the Energy Currency of the cell?

## QUESTION TYPE "A" ANAGRAMS

- ⇒ Anagram (noun) is a word, phrase, or name formed by rearranging the letters of another, such as **CATS**, formed from **ACTS**.
- ⇒ The word anagram has its origin in the late 16th century, from Greek ana, meaning 'back or anew' + gramma, meaning 'letter'.
- ⇒ In all "a" type questions, an anagram word (or words) is compulsorily given in the question.
- ⇒ So, even if the student doesn't know the answer, it is possible to reorder letters in the given words and logically arrive at the answer!
- ⇒ In some questions, just the word to be anagrammed is given.
- ⇒ Example: Find an anagram for "BATS." Answer: TABS or STAB.
- However, most of the anagram type questions typically include a clue also, in addition to the word/words to be anagrammed.
- ⇒ Example: Reorder "PURE" to get a S.American country. The answer is PERU.

Let us now dwell into the world of anagram type questions...

Ans	wers of the General Quiz:	6	Alpha Canis Majoris
1	May	7	Macrocystis pyrifera
2	Janik Sinner	8	Rungrado May Day Stadium
3	Cannes festival	9	New York
4	Jointvetch	10	Giant Sequoia
	(Aeschynomene hispida)	11	Penang
5	Atlantic Ocean	12	ATP

## **Anagrams Quiz**

- a 1 Reorder "OILMAN" to get Italy's woman president, as of 2024. (Pic 1)
- a 2 Reorder "OUTBRAG RSS" to get the city which is the World Book Capital of 2024.
- a 3 Reorder "DNA AWAY" to get a constituency where Rahul Gandhi won in 2024.
- a 4 Reorder 'TWINER' to get a special type of Olympics.
- a 5 Reorder 'ENY' to get the currency of an Eastern country & name it. (Pic 2 map)
- a 6 Reorder 'EASTER' to get the Indian nun who got sainthood in Sep, 2016.
- a 7 Reorder 'SOC MAPS' and get the device used for finding directions.
- a 8 Reorder 'NORAG' into a noble gas.
- a 9 Reorder 'TINNIE' to get a part of the pollen grain.
- a 10 Reorder 'ASU' to get the Land of Magnificient Achievements.
- a 11 Reorder 'LIBYO GOA' to get the study of non-living things.
- a 12 Reorder "NEESI" to get the river of Paris. (Pic 3)
- a 13 Reorder 'LOCAL RR' to get the author of "Alice in Wonderland".
- a 14 Reorder 'BANISH TRAP' to get India's top scorer vs Pak in T20I WC 2024.
- a 15 Reorder 'H LOKI' to get the top run scorer of IPL 2024.



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3



## QUESTION TYPE "C" CHOOSE THE BEST

- ⇒ In Tiny Drops books, Choose the Best Answer (or "c" type) questions are often accompanied by 5 choices, as against the normally used 4 choices.
- ⇒ The use of an extra choice leads to more thinking on the part of the student before ticking the correct answer.
- ⇒ Well, all of you have come across Choose the Best answer type questions (often called MCQs [Multiple Choice Questions]). Have you ever thought why so much importance is given to these questions?
- These questions are so important that entire question papers given in some entrance and competitive exams (including NEET, JEE, UPSE Prelims etc.) are full of these questions only.
- These questions test the knowledge of a student primarily. But beyond that, they also test the ability of a student to choose (from his or her known/unknown variables), and thereby eliminate wrong options. Having the ability to do this is highly essential for a successful life, whether it be in business, scientific exploration or personal life.
- ⇒ While answering a "c" type question, in case you do not know the answer, don't just blindly tick some option. Read the given options deeply and try to eliminate one or two wrong ones. Then your probability of arriving at the correct answer increases sharply

Answers of the Anagrams Quiz: 8 Argon Maloni (Georgia) Intine, the inner layer 9 2 Strasbourg (France) 10 USA Wayanad (Kerala) 3 11 Abiology Winter (Olympics) 12 Seine Yen, Japan 13 Carroll, Lewis 5 6 Teresa, Mother 14 Rishab Pant (41) 7 15 Kohli, Virat Compass

## Pictures based on this Quiz

c 1 Who swore in the Indian PM in June 2024: Ramnath Kovind; DY Chandrachud; Droupadi Murmu; Kailash Satyarthi; Jagdeep Dhankar?

**Choose the Best Quiz** 

- c 2 What is Rajiv Kumar's high post, 2024: CEO; CVC; Dy. PM; CEC; C & AG?
- c 3 Which sitting member won the Pondicherry MP election in 2024: Narayanasamy; Rangasamy (Pic 1); Vaithilingam; Dhandapani; Siva?
- Old name of Air India: Tata; Birla; Rane; Bata; Shukla (Airlines)?
- c 5 Who played for 'CSK' in IPL-2024: Narine; Russell; Kohli, Rahane; Gayle?
- c 6 Which is the largest steel producer: UK; USA; India; China; Japan?
- Study of what is termed as c 7 myrmecology: murines; bees; myceines; hornbills (Pic 2); ants?
- c 8 What is the atomic number of Neon: 8; 9; 10; 11; 12?
- c 9 What is the main food of echidna (Pic 3): grass; leaves; blood; ants; fish?
- c 10 What is India's rank in world energy consumption: 3rd; 4th; 5th; 6th; 7th?
- c 11 What did Sakshi Malik win the 2016 Olympics: Diploma; Gold; Silver; Bronze; None?
- c 12 Name the host of the 2024 NATO summit: Italy; Belgium; France; Poland; USA.
- c 13 Which is the African island: Fiji; Cuba; Madagascar; Haiti; Bahamas?
- c 14 Which one is not needed for breathing: Mouth; Nose; Windpipe; Heart; Lung?
- c 15 Olympic venue of 1996: Chicago; Seattle; Atlanta; Miami; Phoenix.



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3



## QUESTION TYPE "D" DATES/TIME

- ⇒ Our decision making ability stays sharp and fine tuned when we align ourselves properly with date & time.
- ⇒ In date/time type questions, the answer is always related to one aspect of time or the other, as follows. The answer of a "d" type question may be...
  - ⇒ A particular time (Like 10.15 AM and so on).
  - ⇒ A date (with or without the month) or dates.
  - ⇒ A day of the week (Sunday to Saturday) or a group of days
  - ⇒ A month (January to December) or a group of months.
  - ⇒ A year or a group of years.
  - ⇒ A decade or a group of decades.
  - ⇒ A century or a group of centuries.
  - ⇒ A millennium or a group of millennia.
- ⇒ Have you noticed that we tend to get a bit rusty during long vacations, especially when we forget to keep track of what day it is?
- The separation of "d" type questions from "g" type is to ensure that we pay special and separate attention to time/date, an invaluable part of day-to-day cognsiance and keenness for detail.
- All of us have surely dealt with questions with time or date as answer but not felt the need to separate them from the rest.

Answers of the Choose		7	Ants
the Best Quiz:		8	10
1	Droupadi Murmu, the President	9	Ants
2	CEC (Chief Election Commissioner)	10	4th (behind China; US; Russia)
3	Vaithilingam	11	Bronze
4	Tata Airlines	12	USA
5	Ajinkya Rahane	13	Madagascar
6	China	14	Heart
		15	Atlanta

### **Dates/Time Quiz**

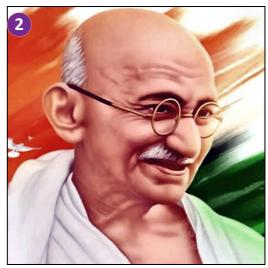
- d 1 On which date was the World Day

  Against Child Labour, 2024, observed

  (Pic 1)?
- d 2 On which date did the last phase of Indian General Elections 2024 happen?
- d 3 On which date did Cyclone Remal make landfall?
- d 4 When was the Russo-Japenese war fought?
- d 5 In which year was M.K Gandhi (Pic 2) born?
- d 6 When is the International Tiger Day?
- d 7 When is the World Hello Day?
- d 8 When is the World AIDS Day observed?
- d 9 When is the World Fashion day?
- d 10 When is Canada Day celebrated?
- d 11 In which year was Wimbledon (Pic 3) started?
- d 12 Which date is called as Autumn Equinox?
- d 13 In which year was the CITES adopted?
- d 14 When is the International Youth Day?
- d 15 When is the World No Tobacco Day?



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3

# QUESTION TYPE "E" EITHER OF TWO

- ⇒ This or That would have been an appropriate name for "Either of Two" type questions, but unfortunately "t" was taken up already by the true or false type.
- ⇒ The first thought that comes to one's mind is- why a separate type named "e" when we already have "c?"
- The answer to the above thought is quite straightforward- in a "c" type question, there is a need to eliminate more choices, most often 3 or 4 of them.
- However, in "e" type questions, the decision to eliminate has to be quicker & more precise, due to a drastic reduction in the number of choices. It's more or less like a 'life or death' type of situation.
- The correct answer, shown as one of the two choices in the question itself, enhances the probability of hitting the right answer to 50%, which encourages the students to take this type of questions.
- ⇒ Ideally suited for students of lower classes, but we see to it that even senior students get these questions, albeit with a lesser frequency.
- Frequently attending this type questions comes in handy in real life situations wherein split second decisions need to be taken.

Ansv	vers of the Date/Time Quiz:	8	First of December
1	12th of Jun.	9	21st of August
2	1st of Jun.	10	1st of July
3	27th of May, 2024	11	1877
4	1905 AD	12	22nd of September
5	1869 AD	13	1973 AD
6	29th of July	14	12th of August
7	21st of November	15	31st of May

### **Either of Two Quiz**

- e 1 Which party lost power in Odisha in 2024: BJP or BJD (Pic 1, logo)?
- e 2 Which ex US president was convicted on 34 counts in 2024: Obama or Trump?
- e 3 Nickel 63 is found to be feasible for what type of battery, as per a new research in 2024: Solar or Nuclear?
- e 4 Who was Babar's son: Jahangir or Humayun?
- e 5 Who had more children: Kunthi or Gandhari?
- e 6 Is the word 'Happiness' a "noun or adjective"?
- e 7 Yayi Boni was the president of: Pakistan or Benin?
- e 8 Which is the faster runner: Tiger (Pic 2) or Cheetah (Pic 3)?
- e 9 Who is Bruce Wayne: Ironman or Batman?
- e 10 Which is the largest desert: Arabian or Sahara?
- e 11 Nitish Kumar is the CM of: Rajasthan or Bihar?
- e 12 Hexa is a car by which company: Tata or Toyota?
- e 13 Trianon lies in which country: Germany or France?
- e 14 Who is older a person born in: 16 BC or 32 BC?
- e 15 Is the North pole found in Arctic or Antarctic?



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3



# QUESTION TYPE "FILL UP THE BLANKS

- ⇒ At the outset, fill up the blanks or "f" type questions may appear to be naive and innocuous.
- ⇒ They can be weaponised by the hands of the right quiz master.
- ⇒ The right person can use this type to induce either a wrong answer or a right answer from the student.
- For example, in the question "The famous fast bowler in the Indian cricket team of the 2010s was \_\_\_\_ Sharma," the wrong answer induced is Rohit (a batsman). That is because he is more popular than Ishant, the correct answer.
- Another example: In the question "Among Congress PMs, \_\_\_\_ Singh was the last to have 2 continuous terms in office," the correct answer "Manmohan" is easily induced because the second name Singh is provided. If that clue (Singh) was not provided, most of the answers would have read Nehru, Indira or Rajiv.
- From the above two examples, it is evident that the fill up the blanks type question becomes a tool in the hands of the quiz master to induce answers from the students.
- ⇒ If students give wrong answers once or twice due to the "twisted" type of question, their defence mechanism kicks in and makes them more alert during while attending similar questions later.

Ansv	wers of the Either of Two Quiz:	8	Cheetah
1	BJD	9	Batman
2	Donald Trump	10	Sahara desert
3	Nuclear battery	11	Bihar
4	Humayun	12	Tata
5	Gandhari	13	France
6	Noun	1 4	The one born in 16 BC
7	Benin	15	Arctic

## Fill up the Blanks Quiz

- f 1 MP election (voting) did not take place in \_\_\_\_ in 2024 because all candidates, except one, withdrew their candidatures.
- f 2 Surat \_\_\_\_ Bourse (Pic 1) became the largest office building in the world in 2024, overtaking Pentagon.
- f 3 In Arunachal Pradesh, \_\_\_ returned to power in the state assembly following the 2024 elections.
- f 4 Abdul Kalam (Pic 2)was the \_\_\_\_ Man of India before becoming President.
- f 5 Among all countries lying in Asia, \_\_\_\_ is the largest.
- f 6 A driverless or a \_\_\_ car is correctly called as an autonomous car.
- f 7 The theme of UN's International Day for Biological Diversity 2017 was \_\_\_\_ and Sustainable Tourism.
- f 8 Theme of the 2024 National Technology Day: Technology for \_\_\_\_ and sustainable growth.
- f 9 February 2 is observed as \_\_\_\_\_day (environment related)?
- f 10 The plant Victoria regia is a \_\_ that lives in ponds & lakes.
- f 11 Michael Phelps (Pic 3) won golds in \_\_\_\_ different Olympics.
- f 12 Washington D.C is called by the nickname "City of \_\_\_\_ Distances."
- f 13 In 2024, \_\_\_\_ the president of Iran, died in a helicopter crash.
- f 14 Rafael Nadal, a 9 time champion, withdrew from the \_\_\_\_ Open 2016 tournament because of injury.
- f 15 Among nations, \_\_\_ is the widest in the world (East to West).



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3

# QUESTION TYPE "NUMERICAL ANSWERS

- ⇒ Similar to date & time, numeracy is a skill that helps our decision making ability stays sharp and fine tuned.
- ⇒ In numerical type questions, the answer is always a number, just a simple number, a decimal, a fraction, a percentage, an ordinal number or even a Roman number.
- However, the numberical type questions will not have dates, years, centuries or millenniums as answers (even though they happen to be numbers). This is because questions with such answers are accommodated in the "d" type.
- ⇒ One more thing- though the answers are numbers or numerical values, the "n" type questions do not include calculations or problem type questions.
- ⇒ In other words, "n" type questions are simple questions with mere numerical answers. Eg: How many make a dozen? Ans: 12
- ⇒ The separation of "n" type questions from "g" type is to ensure that we pay special and separate attention to numerics, an invaluable part of day-to-day cognisance and keenness for detail.
- ⇒ We may have 1000s of languages, but it is the numerics (Indo-Arabic numerals), which are understood right across all those languages. That's why they are treated as a separate type.

Answers of the Fill up the Blanks Quiz:

1	Surat (Gujarat)	8	Inclusive
2	Diamond	9	World Wetlands Day
3	BJP	10	Hydrophyte
4	Missile	11	4 (2004 to 2016)
5	Russia	12	Magnificient
6	Self driving	13	Ebrahim Raisi
7	From schools to startups:	14	French
	Igniting Young Minds to Innovate	15	Russia

### **Numericals Quiz**

- n 1 In how many phases were the Indian General Elections 2024 held (Pic 1)?
- n 2 How many sixers were hit (total) in IPL 2024, a record?
- How many runs did Virat Kohli score in n 3 IPL 2024?
- n 4 Rome is said to be the city of how many hills?
- n 5 How many umpires are there on a cricket field?
- n 6 How many horns does the British minotaur dung beetle have?
- n 7 How many states are there in India?
- n 8 How many species of sponges exist?
- n 9 How many Indian (Pic 2, map) high courts were renamed in 2016?
- n 10 Among the provinces where elections were held in May 2024, how many were states?
- n 11 How many Indians captained teams in IPL-2024?
- n 12 How many times has RCB reached IPL finals (till 2024)?
- n 13 What was the maximum amount of money allowed to be carried on a person during election times without proper documents?
- n 14 How many bones are there in the human backbone (Pic 3)?
- n 15 How many times has India won the Olympic hockey gold medal?



Pic 1



Pic 2





# QUESTION TYPE "O" ODD ONE OUT

- ⇒ Odd one out type questions, denoted by the letter "o" in Tiny Drops books, are quite common in both quizzes as well as textbooks.
- ⇒ We can say that "o" type questions are a special extension of the "c" type or choose the best answer type questions.
- ⇒ The main difference in the composition of an "o" type question is that there is usually no question at all, except the words "pick the odd one out."
- However, a condition may accompany a few of these questions. For example, "pick the odd one one out, with respect to Olympics" and so on. We often use a year or month as the specific condition, especially while dealing with current affairs related odd one outs.
- Odd out out type questions lead to the awakening of extra analytical skill sets of the students. This is because, in a choose the best answer type question, simple elimination is enough but not so in odd one outs.
- ⇒ In odd one out questions, the elimination process has to be done by grouping all the other terms except the correct answer.
- For example, among the names Fiji, Riga, Peru, Cuba & Iran, Riga is the odd one out because the others can be brought under the group "countries."

Answers of the Numerical Ans. Quiz:

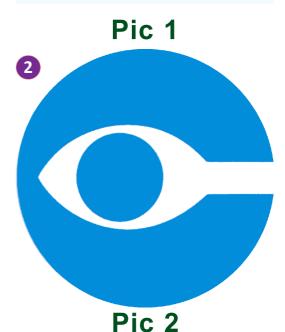
1	7 phases	9	3 (Bombay, Madras
	1260 sixers		& Calcutta)
	741 runs	10	4
		11	Six
	City of 7 Hills	12	Three
5	Two		Rs.50,000
6	Three		•
7	29 states		33 bones
8	~ 5000	15	8 times

#### **Odd One Out Quiz**

- o 1 Pick the odd one out (2024): CWC; Paralympics; T20 WC; Olympics (Pic 1, logo); African Games.
- o 2 Pick the odd one out: CB Naidu; YSJ Reddy; Pawan Kalyan; KC Rao; KVN Rao.
- o 3 Pick the odd one out: CVC (Pic 2, logo); CAG; CNG; CEC; CBI.
- o 4 Odd one out: Land of Emu; Land of Kangaroo; Land Down Under; Land of the Setting Sun; Flat (Low) Continent.
- o 5 Odd one out: Rio de Janeiro; Sydney; Beijing; Pretoria; Los Angeles.
- Odd one out: Vijay Goel; M.J.Akbar;
   A.R.Meghwal; C.R.Chaudhary;
   P.P.Choudhary.
- o 7 Odd one out: Istanbul; Tel Aviv; New York; Djibouti; Mumbai.
- o 8 Pick the odd one out (IPL-2024): Starc; Narine; S.Yadav; Shreyas; Russell.
- o 9 Odd one out: Leander Paes; Saina Nehwal; Rohan Bopanna; Saketh Myneni; Sania Mirza.
- o 10 Pick the odd one out (IPL-2017): Raina; Dhoni; Bhuvaneshwar; Warner; Narine.
- o 11 Odd one out (Olympics): 1916; 1920; 1940; 1944; 1998.
- o 12 Odd one out: Soccer; Golf (Pic 3); Ludo; Polo; Cycling.
- o 13 Odd one out: Thunderbird; Scania; Ducati; Neoplan; Skoda.
- o 14 Odd one out: Bollywood; India's Manchester; Movie capital of India; Kollywood; Trade Capital of India.
- o 15 Odd one out: PMK, DMK, BJP, MDMK, DMDK.









Pic 3

# QUESTION TYPE "Q" QUICK-ALPHA

- ⇒ Quick-Alpha is a unique type of quiz questions, very frequently asked in Tiny Drops GK books and its associated quiz contests.
- ⇒ Quick-Alpha is a truncation for "Quick-Alphabet," shown as "q."
- ⇒ First letter of the answer is always given in "double quotes" after the question word, 'What.' No other question word is used.
- ⇒ Example: What "N" is the southernmost municipal corporation in India? Answer: Nagercoil. "N" is the first letter of the answer.
- Thus, these questions give simple insights into the answers for students. In many cases, students can answer them even if they do not know the correct answers till then! This boosts their confidence.
- For example, take this question: What "O" is the state of the Jagannath temple? Answer: Odisha. If the student knows Indian states; names, the answer is an obvious guess, being the only "O" state!
- ⇒ In rare cases, these questions can be used to bring out "specific" answers. Eg: 3 questions can be like 'What "J" or "N" or "P" was India's first PM? Depending on the letter, the answer can either be Jawaharlal Nehru or Nehru or Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru!
- Also, "q" type helps a quiz master manufacture questions out of thin air. Example: What "G" is a VIBGYOR colour? If the letter is not given, the question can have seven different answers. But due to the letter, the answer can now be "GREEN" only & nothing else.

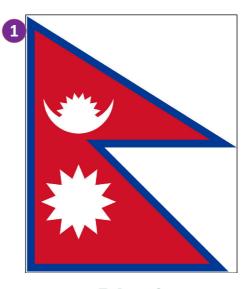
Answers of the Odd one out Quiz:

- 1 CWC (O- 2024)
- 2 KC Rao (O- Andhra)
- 3 CNG (O- Govt. related)
- 4 Land of the Setting Sun (Europe; Oth Australia)
- 5 Pretoria (others Olympic venues)
- 6 M.J.Akbar (all were union ministers; Akbar is from MP; others Rajasthan)

- Djibouti (oth- not capitals)
- 8 S. Yadav MI; (othes KKR)
- 9 Saina Nehwal (others tennis)
- 10 Dhoni (others got IPL awards)
- 11 1920 (No Olympics in the others)
- 12 Ludo (board game; others outdoor)
- 13 Thunderbird (owned by Enfield; others
- are owned by Volkswagen)
- 14 Kollywood (Chennai; oth- Mumbai)
- 15 INC (others are regional parties)

## **Quick Alpha Quiz**

- q 1 What "L" won the Monaco Formula 1 race in May'24?
- q 2 What "F" was a Mad Max series movie released in May'24?
- q 3 What "K" is an Indian territory claimed by Nepal (Pic 1, flag) as its own?
- q 4 What "K" hosted the 26th session of the governing council of UN-Habitat?
- q 5 What "P" is a payment service that sued music streaming service Pandora over logo similarities?
- q 6 What "E" constituted the National Contact Reason to address voter queries?
- q 7 What "D" is the former name of India's longest bridge (Pic 2)?
- q 8 What "P" is the award for IPL's highest wicket taker?
- q 9 What "R" from Google was appointed as the Chairman of IAMAI?
- q 10 What "J" of India won MoM against Pakistan at New York in T20 WC?
- q 11 What "B" is a present MP of Delhi & daughter of Sushma Swaraj?
- q 12 What "N" is the smallest nation to ratify the International Solar Alliance?
- q 13 What "E" is a new Malware that is said to be stronger than WannaCry?
- q 14 What "O" from Egypt became the first amputee to swim across the gulf in Red Sea?
- q 15 What "M" was the man of the match in the IPL finals 2024 (Pic 3, trophy)?



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3



## QUESTION TYPE "R"

## **REBUSES (REASONING)**

- Rebuses are pictorial reasoning type questions. Rebus is a puzzle where one has to decode pictures, letters, numbers & positions into syllables or full words, combine them together to get the answer.
- ⇒ One of the oldest puzzle types, rebuses are estimated to be over 5500 years old and evolved independently in several civilizations. The earliest evidence of rebus was got in Egypt (~3400 BCE!)
- Tiny Drops takes pride in its own rebuses, having created thousands of them, mostly in house. Our rebuses often give "Eureka!" moments to students who find out the answers on their own!
- ⇒ The following factors have to be kept in mind while attempting our rebus puzzles:
  - Correct word for a given picture. It often helps if one chooses the smallest word. Eg: Ass, instead of Donkey. In names also. Eg. Jo, insted of Biden; Tom, instead of Cruise, and so on.
  - → No. of times a picture or letter is given. Eg. **TTTT**= Fort (4 T)!
  - In some cases, the prefix for the number. Eg. Bi or Di for 2.
  - Colour of LETTERS. If a letter is not black, use the colour also. Eg: Answer of "M" is Bloom (Blue M!)
  - If (-) minus or (+) plus is given, do it like maths. Eg: A picture of a BOY, Y & + Mega Byte. Answer: Bomb (MB is abbr.)

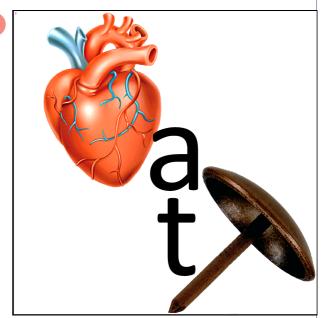
    Just work it out like: BOY Y + Mega Byte= Bomb! Voila!
  - Use of adjectives of position. "IN" and "ON" are very commonly used. Eg: (S₁ has the answer SING (S -in- G).
  - For higher classes, Chemistry, Physics or Maths symbols can play a role. Eg: SnSn = Tintin (Sn is the symbol of Tin).

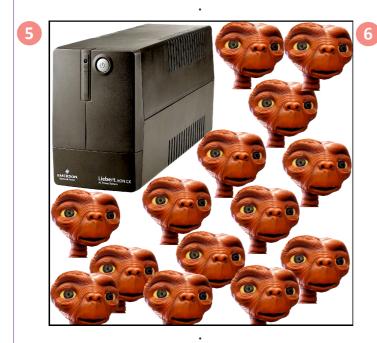
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1	Leclerc	9	Rajan Anandan
2	Furiosa	10	Jasprit Bumrah
3	Kalapani	11	Bhansuri Swaraj
4	Kenya	12	Nauru
5	PayPal	13	EternalRocks
6	Election Commision of India	14	Omar Hegazy
7	Dhola - Sadiya Bridge	15	Mitchell Starc (KKR)

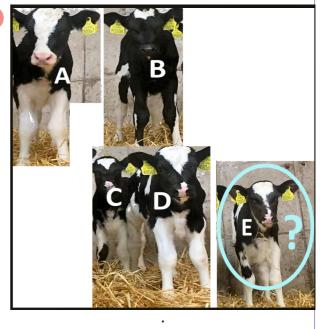














## QUESTION TYPE "T"

### TRUE OR FALSE

- ⇒ We are well versed with this type of questions. However, it pays better to understand this type of questions fully.
- ⇒ True or False type questions are denoted by the letter "t" in our Tiny Drops quiz books.
- All these questions end with a full stop, followed by the two letters T/F and a question mark. T/F denotes True or False.
- Thus, it can be seen that true or false questions are actually mere statements and not questions by themselves, which may either be correct or wrong.
- Though only two answers are possible, these questions make students think deeply, especially if longer. Eg. The sky is blue because the sea is blue but the sea is blue not because of the sky being blue. T/F? The answer is false, correct answer is the other way round!
- Sometimes, even shorter questions lead to confusions. Eg. Red light has the highest wavelength. T/F? Answer is false, because, red has the highest wavelength only among "visible" lights.
- Once again, we must emphasise that students begin to think deeper and look at the questions more closely after they do a few mistakes in such "obvious looking" questions, leading to better scores in the future. That is the strength of these true or false type questions.

Answers of the Rebuses Quiz:

1 Timber

Ti + Amber - A = Timber

2 Bagasse

Bag + ass (Sugarcane husk is called bagasse)

3 Career

Car + deer - d = Career

4 Heart attack

Heart + at + tack

5 Upsets

UPS + ETs = Upsets

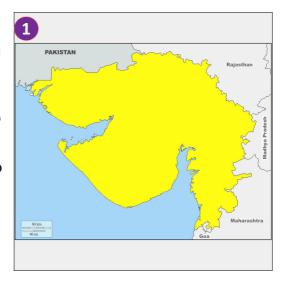
6 Coffee

Calf E is rounded in the pic,

Calf E = Coffee (pronunciation)

### True or False Quiz

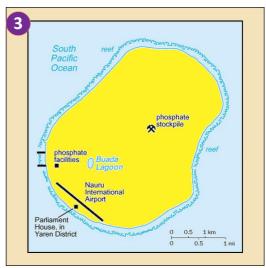
- t 1 PayTM was restricted from doing business in India entirely by the RBI in 2024. T/F?
- t 2 NEET-UG exams 2024 & their results went off without any controversies. T/F?
- t 3 Chip making industry has the fastest growth of major industries in 2024. T/F?
- t 4 Spanish mountaineer Kilan Jornet has set a record for the fastest ascent of Mount Everest in just 28 hours. T/F?
- t 5 An atheist man from Gujarat (Pic 1, map) asked the government to change his name to 'RV155677820'. T/F?
- t 6 Oommen Chandy was a CM of Kerala. T/F?
- t 7 Pranab Mukerjee inaugurated the African Developmental Bank's 52nd Annual General Meeting in 2017. T/F?
- t 8 Rajasthan's (Pic 2) government launched district level action plans to reduce infant mortality rate. T/F?
- t 9 4 foreign players are allowed per team in an IPL playing team. T/F?
- t 10 NASA and CERN jointly made the most expensive imaging satellite in the world. T/F?
- t 11 Sarbananda Sonowal was the union miniter for health before becoming the CM of Assam. T/F?
- t 12 US Presidential elections were last held in 2020. T/F?
- t 13 Muscat is in Yemen. T/F?
- t 14 Nauru (Pic 3, map), world's smallest republic, became the sixth country to ratify the International Solar Alliance Framework pact. T/F?
- t 15 A planet that lies outside our solar system is an exterior planet. T/F?



Pic 1



Pic 2

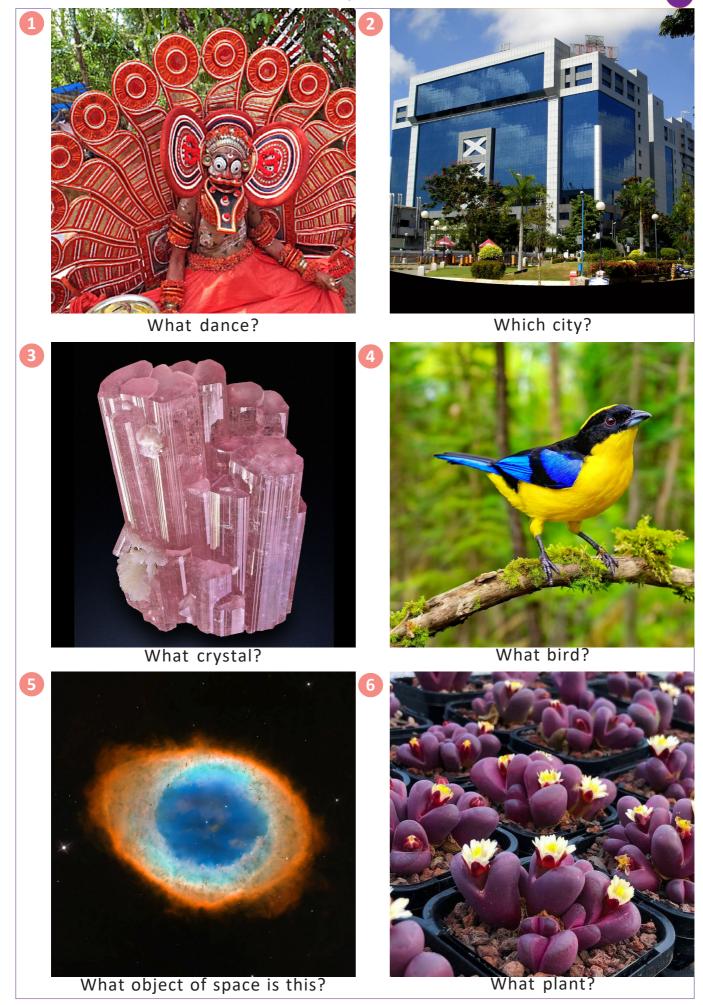


Pic 3

# QUESTION TYPE "V" VISUALS

- ⇒ Visual questions are mere pictures/photos/logos/symbols.
- ⇒ You may not be expecting a page long explanation for this type questions but that is exactly what you are going to get.
- Never underestimate the power of visual questions. They go a long way in increasing your answering speed.
- ⇒ Visual is the fastest way of perceiving not just because light travels fastest but also because the cranial nerves that connect the eyes to the brain (optic and oculometer) are among the shortest.
- ⇒ The mind always recognises a known picture irrespective of what language the question is asked in. That is a big advantage. This will be well understood by a student who uses text books in two languages!
- Again, when a picture forms in the mind, it often leads us to giving the correct answer even though the question asked may not be a visual question.
- ⇒ Let me explain the above statement. If there is a question about a particular type of animal, you will be better off answering that question if you can picture that animal in your mind.
- ⇒ So, do not take visual questions lightly, if you wish to gain speed in answering or if you wish to perceive answers in a better manner.

Ansv	vers of the True/False Quiz:	8	True
1	False (Not entirely)	9	True
2	False (Many controversies)	10	False (NASA and ISRO)
3	True	11	False (union minister for
4	False (26 hours not 28 hours)		sports, not health)
5	True	12	True
	True	13	False (It is in Oman)
6		14	True
/	False (PM Narendra Modi		False (called exoplanet)
	not President)	1 0	raise (called exoplatiet)



# QUESTION TYPE "W" WORD FINISHERS

- ⇒ Word Finishers is quite an unique question type invented independently by us for "Tiny Drops." We are proud of that.
- ⇒ This type of question is represented by the letter "w" in our books
- ⇒ We choose this question type when the answer is a longer word that ends with a shorter, but meaningful word.
- Examples can be found in the type's name itself: What 'hers' is another term for enders? Ans: Finishers. Similarly, What 'word' is a weapon? Ans: Sword
- ⇒ Thus, the smaller word that ends the answer's bigger word, is given in small letters and within single quotes.
- ⇒ Sometimes, instead of meaningful words, we use names. It can be the name of a person or a place.
- ⇒ Eg.: What 'Rome' refers to colour used in paints? Ans: Chrome.
- ⇒ Eg: What 'Usha' is a month of the Hindu calendar? Ans: Pausha
- This type of question serves as the best method of serving clues to students, especially for tougher questions.
- ⇒ In rare cases, the clue given gives almost the whole answer, except for the first letter. Eg.: What 'cross' means opposite side? Across

Answers of the Visuals Quiz:

1 TheyyamA dance form of Kerala

ChennaiThe building is Tidel Park

3 TanagerFull name: Blue WingedMountain Tanager

4 Tourmaline
Pink variant of tourmaline

5 Cat's eye

It is a nebula (star forming region in space)

6 Pink cactus

This unique cactus has yellow
and white flowers

### **Word Finishers Quiz**

- w1 What 'vices' is a sector that contributes heavily to India's tax income?
- w2 What 'lore' was the constituency of Kadhir Anand (Pic 1) in the 2024 General Elections?
- w3 What 'line' is a variant of drinking water that is said to be good for health?
- w4 What 'ted' is a Bihar political party that is led by Nitish Kumar?
- w5 What 'and' is the state to which the NHRC has issued a notice over alleged abduction recruitement of children by Maoists?
- w6 What 'branch' is a sea slug (Pic 2)?
- w7 What 'tops' does a topiarist trim?
- w8 What 'galore' was the team that finished fourth in IPL 2024?
- w9 What 'bits' are the animals that are also called lagomorphs?
- w 10 What 'aves' is the place where cabbage stores food?
- w11 What 'sling' is a young goose (Pic 3)?
- w12 What 'mine' is the winter name of weasel?
- w 13 What 'than' won the 2017 Inter
  International Engineering Fair (ISEF)
  award in the Environmental
  Engineering category?
- w 14 What 'bad' did Bhuvaneshwar Kumar play for in IPL 2024?
- w 15 What 'ice' is known as the City of Canals?



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3

## QUESTION TYPE "X"

## **EXPANSIONS**

- ⇒ To expand means to increase in size.
- ⇒ We use the letter "x" to denote questions wherein the answer is the expansion of an abbreviated or in some other way, shortened term given in the question.
- ⇒ If you are wondering why "x" instead of "e" for expansion, just try saying the word. The letter "x" comes to the mind rather than "e."
- ⇒ The simplest "x" questions are those which give abbreviations of common expansions. Eg.: Expand CM. Ans: Chief Minister.
- ⇒ In most of these questions, the subject or a relevant clue is given in order to bring out the exact answer that we need.
- ⇒ Eg. Expand IC (computer hardware). Ans: Integrated Circuit.
  - Eg. Expand IC (internet lingo.). Ans: I see
  - Eg. Expand IC (biology). Ans: Inspiratory Capacity
- Symbols (used in physics, chemistry, maths, etc.) can be given and their full form can be sought as the answer. Eg.: What does amp. mean in physics? Ans: ampere; What is Si in chemistry? Ans: Silicon
- ⇒ Short terms used in internet (and texting) are given in the question part. Eg. Expand brb in internet terms. Ans.: Be right back.
- ⇒ These questions make students enlarge a smaller item and thus lead to fuller satisfaction when they do so correctly.

Answ	vers of the Word Finisher Quiz:	8	Royal Challengers Bangalore
1	Services	9	Rabbits
2	Vellore	10	Leaves
3	Alkaline	11	Gosling
4	Janata Dal (United)	12	Ermine
5	Jharkhand	13	Prashant Ranganathan
6	Nudibranch	14	Sunrisers Hyderabad
7	Treetops	15	Venice

## **Expansions Quiz**

- x 1 Expand: NTK (party).
- x 2 Expand: CAG (post).
- x 3 Expand: NSE (business). (Pic 1)
- x 4 Expand CMI (w.r.to urbanization).
- x 5 Expand ESPL (w.r.to sports).
- x 6 Expand WEF (w.r.to UNO). (Pic 2)
- x 7 Expand RCEP (w.r.to trade).
- x 8 Expand TTFI (w.r.to sports).
- x 9 Expand TNC (w.r.to business).
- x 10 Expand NIOT (w.r.to research education). (Pic 3)
- x 11 Expand CARA (w.r.to humanity).
- x 12 Expand DCI (w.r.to shipping).
- x 13 Expand UPP (w.r.to sports).
- x 14 Expand FICCI (w.r.to trade).
- x 15 Expand FIA (w.r.to transport).



Pic 1



Pic 2





## QUESTION TYPE "Y" YES OR NO

- ⇒ These questions, at the outset, may appear to be another version of True or False, but are not actually so!
- ⇒ Yes or No type questions are denoted by "y" in our quiz books.
- ⇒ As opposed to "t", "y" type questions are pure questions and do not need a separate sentence at the end in order to bring up a question mark. The answer to a "y" type question can only be "yes" or "no."
- ⇒ Thus, it can be seen that yes or no questions have a 50% chance of bringing out the correct answer, even if the answer is not known to the student at the time of attending the question.
- ⇒ Though only two answers are possible, these questions make students think deeply, especially if shorter. Eg. Does water boil at 100°C? Answer is Yes, since °C is given. If not given, the answer would have been No.
- Most of the Yes or No questions are very short in length and dwell upon simple facts, both scientific and otherwise. In this way, they differ from true or false, where larger questions are the norm.
- ⇒ Yet again, we emphasise that students think deeper and read the questions even more carefully after making mistakes, and get better scores later. Therein lies the strength of these "y" type questions.

#### Answers of the Expansions Quiz: 10 Naam Tamizhar Katchi 2 Comptroller & Auditor General 11 3 National Stock Exchange City Momentum Index 4 12 11even Sports Private Ltd 5 13 World Economic Forum 6 14 7 Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership 15 Table Tennis Federation of India 8

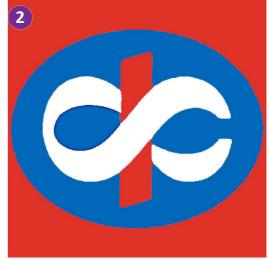
- Trade Negotiating Council
- National Institute of Ocean Technology
- Central Adoption Resource Authority
- Dredging Corporation of India
- Ultimate Ping Pong
- Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- Federation of Indian Airlines

### Yes or No Quiz

- y 1 Is Rahul Gandhi (Pic 1) the president of Congress (2024)?
- y 2 Were some activities of Kotak bank (Pic 2) restricted by RBI in 2024?
- y 3 Did Mohammed Shami (Pic 3) represent India in T20 WC 2024?
- y 4 Did a group Dutch students make the world's first bio-composite car?
- y 5 Does planting trees to reduce CO2 replace cutting emissions from fossil fuel burning?
- y 6 Was the doomsday vault flooded after surrounding soil melted?
- y 7 Do China and Japan extract 'combustible ice' from seafloor?
- y 8 Can new Nano-fibres see heart cells beat and feel bacterial forces?
- y 9 Did Kings XI Punjab win the least number of matches in IPL 2024?
- y 10 Did Nirmala Sitaraman regain her cabinet minister post in 2024?
- y 11 Did researchers develop the thinnest 2D metallic nanowire in 2017?
- y 12 Is Emma Watson the first to bag the MTV Genderless Award?
- y 13 Is IPL the costliest cricket tournament?
- y 14 Did heavy rains shape Venus's surface as it is today?
- y 15 Was any IPL match held in Chennai in 2024?



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3

# QUESTION TYPE "Z" ZIPPING (ABBREVIATING)

- ⇒ Zipping is a word which means 'to reduce or decrease in size.'
- ⇒ The word "zipping" is taken from computer parlance. In computer terms, a zip file is one which stores more contents in a smaller size.
- ⇒ We use the letter "z" to denote questions wherein the answer is the abbreviation of an expansion or in some other way, longer term or words given in the question.
- ⇒ The simplest "z" questions are those which give the full form of common abbreviations and seek their abbreviations. Eg.: Abbreviate: Chief Minister. The answer here is CM.
- ⇒ Thus, it can be seen that "z" type questions are exactly the opposite of "x" type questions!
- Unlike "x" type questions, the subject or a relevant clue is not needed in "z" type because the expansion given in the question itself carries all the relevant details needed to bring out a right abbreviation.
- ⇒ Symbols (used in physics, chemistry, maths, etc.) can be given in their full form & the short one sough as answer. Eg.: What symbol in chemistry means Sodium? Ans: Na.
- Expansions of short terms used in internet (and texting) are given in the question part. Eg. Abbreviate: see you later in texting. Ans: cul.

Ansv	wers of the Yes or No Quiz:	8	No (they can only hear)
1	No (M Kharge)	9	No (MI, not KXIP)
2	Yes	10	Yes
3	No (was unfit to play)	11	No (1D not 2D)
4	Yes	12	Yes
5	No (it cannot do so fully)	13	Yes
6	Yes	14	Yes
7	Yes	15	No

## **Zipping Quiz**

- z 1 Abbreviate: Year on Year.
- z 2 Abbreviate: Chief Marketing Officer.
- z 3 Abbreviate: Capital Account Deficit.
- z 4 Abbreviate: Desiya Murpokku Dravidar Kazhagam.
- z 5 Abbreviate: Advanced Driver Assistance System (Pic 1).
- z 6 Abbreviate: Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus.
- z 7 Abbreviate: Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (Pic 2, map).
- z 8 Abbreviate: Indian International Film Awards (Pic 3, logo).
- z 9 Abridge the expansion National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities.
- z 10 Abridge the expansion Sebi Complaints Redress System.
- z 11 Abbreviate: International Chess Federation.
- z 12 Abbreviate: Communist Party of India (Marxist).
- z 13 Abbreviate: Mental Organism

  Designed as America's King (comics).
- z 14 Which 4 letter word is a shorter name for exhibition?
- z 15 Abbreviate: Inter University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics.



Pic 1



Pic 2



Pic 3

#### L 8, 9 & 12

## QUESTION TYPE "P"

### **PERSONAL**

- ⇒ Personal, or "p" type questions are merely general questions that seek personal details of individuals like important dates, places, personal achievements, family, etc.
- ⇒ Such questions are often asked in quizzes by top quiz masters.
- ⇒ Also, some of these questions serve as inspiration for students.

#### THE PERSONAL QUIZ

- p 1 Which KKR cricketer got married soon after IPL 2024?
- p 2 Ziva, in Hebrew, means 'light of God.' Who is Ziva for cricket fans of India?
- p 3 An injury to which part of the body made N Djokovic withdraw in the midst of French Open 2024?
- p 4 The 12th of January is whose Birthday?
- p 5 Who is the youngest union cabinet minister of India, as of June 2024?
- p 6 Which famous person was born on September 17, 1950 at Vadnagar?

- p 7 For which sport did Anup Kumar Yama get the Arjuna Award in 2015?
- p 8 Who was Bhupen Hazarika, after whom India's longest bridge is named?
- p 9 Which Indian Teen developed the world's smallest satellite KalamSat?
- p 10 An Indian origin Navy captain became a U.S Space traveler. Who is that?
- p 11 Which Indian has won the most Man of the Series awards in test cricket?
- p 12 Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO's Director General, hails from which country?

### Answers of the Zipping Quiz:

- 1 YoY
- 2 CMO
- 3 CAD
- 4 DMDK
- 5 ADAS
- 6 SCUBA
- 7 USSR

- 8 IIFA
- 9 NIEPMD
- 10 SCORES
- 11 FIDE
- 12 CPI(M)
- 13 MODAAK
- 14 Expo
- 15 IUCAA
- Answers of the Personal Quiz:
- 1 Venkatesh lyer
- 2 Dhoni's daughter
- 3 Knee
- 4 Swami Vivekananda
- 5 Ram Mohan Naidu
- 6 Narendra Modi (India's PM)
- 7 Roller Skating

- 8 A noted playback singer, lyricist, musician, poet and filmmaker from Assam
- 9 Rifath Sharook
- 10 Sunita Williams
- 11 Ravichandran Ashwin
- 12 Ethiopia