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#### Example

1. Show that the locus of a point, equidistant from the endpoints of a line segment, is the perpendicular bisector of the segment

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2. Show that the locus of a point, equidistant from two intersecting lines in the plane, is a pair of lines bisecting the angles formed by the given lines.

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3. Find the equation of the locus of a point that forms a triangle of area 5 units with the points  $A(2, 3)$  and  $B(-1, 4)$ .

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### Very Short Answer Question

1. Centroid divides the median from the vertex in the ratio \_\_\_\_

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2. Any point on the perpendicular bisector of a line segment joining two point is \_\_\_\_\_ from the two points.

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3. What is the locus of a point of a plane, which is at a distance of  $p$  units from the circle of radius  $q$  units ( $p = q$ ) ?



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4. If A and B are two fixed points, then the locus of a point P, such that  $\angle APB = 90^\circ$  ? is \_\_\_\_\_



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5. The locus of the point equidistant (in a plane) from the three vertices of a triangle is \_\_\_\_



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6. The locus of the point in a plane which is equidistant from two intersecting lines is \_\_\_\_\_



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7. The line segment from the vertex of a triangle perpendicular to its opposite side is called \_\_\_\_\_



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8. The path traced out by a moving Point which moves according to some given geometrical conditions is \_\_\_\_\_



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9. Is the statement In  $\triangle ABC$  a point, equidistant from AB and AC lies on the median true?



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10. The path of a freely stone is \_\_\_\_\_



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11. The orthocentre of a right triangle is the \_\_\_\_\_



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12. Line joining the mid-point of a side of a triangle to opposite vertex is



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13. The locus of the centre of the circles (in a plane) passing through two given points is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the line segment joining the two points.



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14. The circum-centre of a right triangle always lies \_\_\_\_\_



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15. The locus of the tip of the hour hand is \_\_\_\_\_



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### Short Answer Question

1. Find the locus of the vertex of a triangle with fixed base and having constant area



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2. Find the locus of the centre of a circle passing through two fixed point A and B.



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3. Let A and B be two fixed points in a plane. Find the locus of a point P such that  $PA^2 + PB^2 = AB^2$ .



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4. Find the locus of the point P, such that  $TP : MP = 3 : 2$ , where T is (-2,3) and M is (4, -5).



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5. Find the locus of the point which is equidistant from sides AB and AD of a rhombus ABCD.



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6. In the following figure (not to scale), ABC is a right isosceles triangle, right- angle at B and  $BD \perp AC$ . If the triangle ABC is rotated about the

hypotenuse, then find the locus of the triangle ABC. Itbr gt lting  
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7. If ZQ and RU be two lines intersecting at point E, then find the locus of a point moving in the interior of  $\angle UWZ$ , such that the sum of its distance from the lines ZQ and RU is b units



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8. Find the locus of the point which is equidistant from the sides AB and AC of triangle ABC.



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**Easy Question**



1. In a square ABCD, if A and B are (5,1) and (7,1) respectively then what is the locus of the mid point of diagonal AC?



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2. If P (x,y) and Q (1,4) are the points on the circle whose centre is :C(5,7) and radius is 5 cm, then find the locus of P.



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3. If two lines intersect at P at right angle and pass through A(1,1) and B(1,0) respectively then what is the locus of P?



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4. In  $\triangle PAB$  D,E and F are the mid-points of PA, AB and BP respectively. The area of DEF is 8 sq.units. If A is (2,5) and B is (3,4), then what is the locus of P?



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5. If P is a point on the circle with AB as a diameter, where A and B are (0, 2) and (2, 4) respectively, then the locus of P is \_\_\_\_



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### Level 1

1. The locus of point equidistant from three fixed points is a single point.

The three points are\_\_\_\_\_

- A. collinear
- B. non-collinear
- C. coincidental
- D. None of these

**Answer: B**



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2. The locus of a point moving in a space which is at a constant distance from a fixed point in space is called a \_\_\_\_

- A. square
- B. sphere
- C. circle
- D. triangle

**Answer: B**



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3. The locus of the centre of the circle that touch a given circle internally is \_\_\_\_\_

- A. straight line

B. helix

C. circle

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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4. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle A = \angle B + \angle C$ , then the circum centre is at \_\_\_\_\_

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. the mid points of BC

**Answer: D**



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5. The locus of a point equidistant from the points does not exist. This implies that the three points are \_\_\_\_\_

- A. collinear
- B. non-collinear
- C. coincidental
- D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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6. The locus of a point which is equidistant from two non-intersecting lines  $l$  and  $m$  is a \_\_\_\_\_

- A. straight line parallel to the line  $l$
- B. Straight line parallel to the line  $m$
- C. Straight line parallel to the line  $l$  and  $m$  and midway between them

D. straight line that intersects both the line l and m

**Answer: C**



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7. The locus of a point which is at a constant distance  $k$  from Y-axis is

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A.  $x = \pm k$

B.  $Y = \pm k$

C.  $x = 0$

D.  $Y = 0$

**Answer: A**



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8. The locus of the centre of a wheel rolling on a straight road is a \_\_\_\_\_

- A. concentric circle
- B. straight line
- C. curve path
- D. parabola

**Answer: B**



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9. If A and B are two fixed point, then the loucs of a point P, such that

$PA^2 + PB^2 = AB^2$  is a/an \_\_\_\_\_

- A. circle with AB as the diameter
- B. right triangle with  $\angle P = 90^\circ$
- C. semi with AB as the diameter
- D. circle with AB as the diameter, excluding points A and B

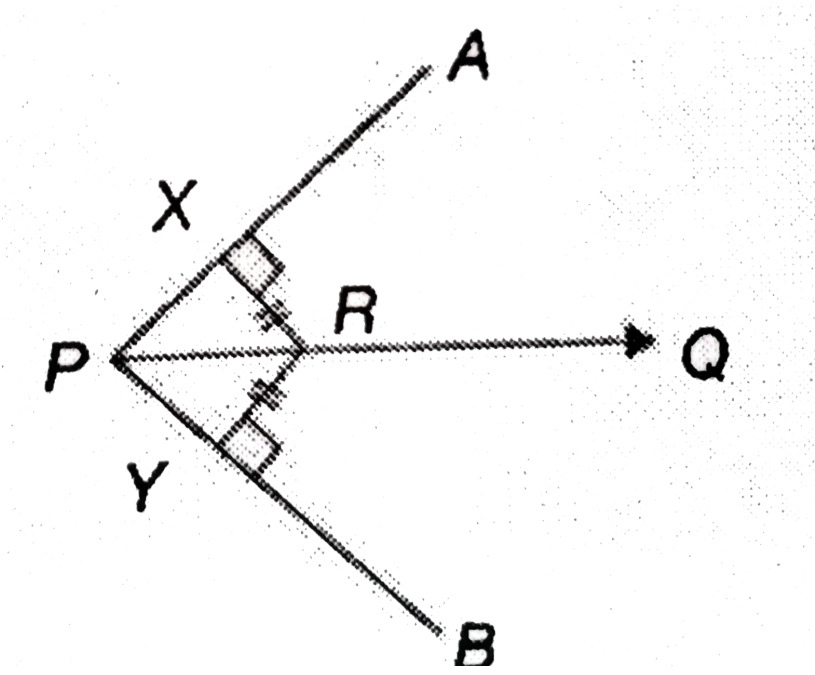
Answer: D



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10. In the figure,  $\overline{RX} \perp \overline{PA}$ ,  $\overline{RY} \perp \overline{PB}$ ,  $RX = RY$  and  $\angle APR = 70^\circ$ .

Find  $\angle APQ$



A.  $70^\circ$

B.  $140^\circ$

C.  $35^\circ$



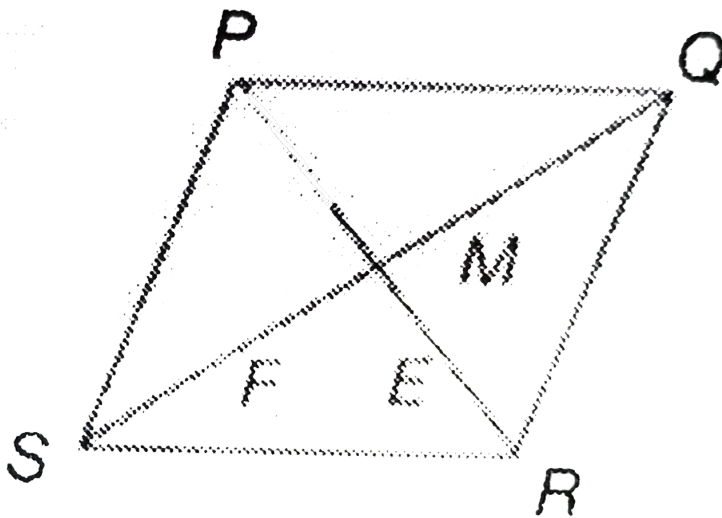
D.  $50^\circ$

Answer: C



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11. Consider a point  $M$  inside a quadrilateral PQRS. If  $M$  be the point of intersection of angle bisectors PE and QF, then \_\_\_\_



A.  $M$  is nearer to  $\overline{PS}$  than to  $\overline{QR}$

B.  $M$  is equidistant from opposite sides  $\overline{PS}$  and  $\overline{QR}$

C. M is nearer to  $\overline{QR}$  than to  $\overline{PS}$

D. M is equidistant from opposite sides  $\overline{PQ}$  and  $\overline{SR}$

**Answer: B**



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12. The locus of the point which is equidistant from the three determined by the sides of a triangle is \_\_\_\_\_

A. the in-centre

B. the ex-centre

C. the ortho-centre

D. either (a) or (b)

**Answer: D**



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13. Find the locus of any fixed point on the circumference of a certain when the coin is rolling on a straight path.

- A. Circle
- B. straight line
- C. sphere
- D. Helix

**Answer: D**



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14. The locus of a point which is equidistant from the coordinate axes can be a \_\_\_\_\_

- A. line making a non-zero intercept on X-axis
- B. line making a non-zero intercept on Y-axis
- C. line passing through the origin making an angles of  $45^\circ$  with X-axis

D. None of the above

**Answer: C**



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**15.** The locus of a point equidistant sectioning line PQ and RS, and at a distance of 10 cm from their point of intersection O is \_\_\_\_\_

A. four points lying on the angle bisectors at a distance of 5 cm from

O

B. Two points lying on the angles bisectors at a distance of 10 cm from

O

C. Four points lying on the angle bisectors at a distance of 10 cm from

O

D. Two points lying on the triangles bisectors at a distance of 5 cm

from O

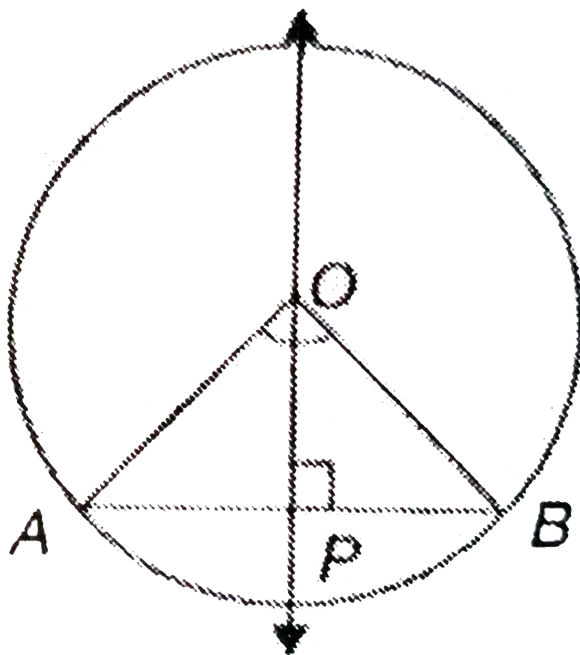
Answer: C



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Level 2

1. In the figure following,  $O$  is the centre of the circle and  $\overline{AL} \perp \overline{MN}$ . If  $\angle AOB = 90^\circ$ , then find  $\angle AOP$



A.  $60^\circ$

B.  $20^\circ$

C.  $30^\circ$

D.  $45^\circ$

**Answer: D**



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2. The solid formed when a right triangle is rotated about one of the sides containing the right angle in a \_\_\_\_\_

A. prism

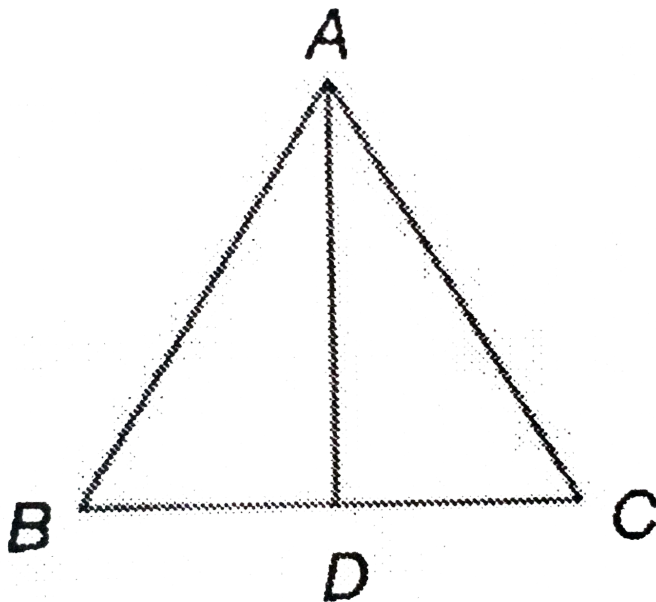
B. cylinder

C. cone

D. sphere

**Answer: C**

3. In the figure (not to scale)  $AB = AC$  and  $BD = CD$ . Find  $\angle ADB$



A.  $60^\circ$

B.  $90^\circ$

C.  $120^\circ$

D. Cannot be determined

**Answer: B**



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4. A part of the locus of a point P, which is equidistant from two intersecting lines  $ax + by + c = 0$  and  $px + qy + r = 0$

A.  $(a - p)x + (b - q)y + (c - r) = 0$

B.  $ap + bq + cr = 0$

C.  $\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}(px + qy + r) - \sqrt{p^2 + q^2}(ax + by + c) = 0$

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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5. If PAB is a triangle of area 4 sq. units and A is (2,5) and B is (3,4) then part of the locus of P is \_\_\_\_\_



A.  $x - y + 15 = 0$

B.  $x - y - 15 = 0$

C.  $x + y - 15 = 0$

D.  $x + y + 15 = 0$

**Answer: C**



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6. Given, triangle PBC and parallelogram ABCD lie between the same parallel. On the same base, BC and the area of parallelogram is 2 sq. unit. The points B and C are (2,4) and (4,4) respectively. Which of the following lines is a part of the locus of P?

A.  $y = 4$

B.  $y = 7$

C.  $y = 5$

D.  $y = 6$

**Answer: C**



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7. If PAB is a triangle in which  $\angle B = 90^\circ$  and  $A(1, 1)$  and  $B(0, 1)$  then the locus of P is \_\_\_\_\_.

A.  $y = 0$

B.  $xy = 0$

C.  $x = y$

D.  $x = 0$

**Answer: D**



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8. The locus of P whose distance from the X-axis is thrice the distance from the line  $X = 5$  is \_\_\_\_\_

A.  $x - y - 5 = 0$

B.  $3x - y - 15 = 0$

C.  $3x + y + 15 = 0$

D.  $x + y + 15 = 0$

**Answer: B**



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9. Two of the vertices of a triangle ABC and A (1,1) B(-1,3) and the area of  $\triangle ABC$  is 6 sq units. If P is the centroid of the  $\triangle ABC$ , then find the locus of P.

A.  $2x - y + 1 = 0$

B.  $2x - y - 3 = 0$

C.  $2x + y + 3 = 0$

D. Both (a) and (b)

**Answer: D**



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**10.** In a circle with radius 25 cm, what is the area of the region determined by the locus of the mid-points of chords of length 48 cm?

A.  $154cm^2$

B.  $254cm^2$

C.  $2cm^2$

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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**11.** The locus of the centre of a circle the touches the given circle externally is a \_\_\_\_\_

A. curve

B. straight line

C. circle

D. helix

**Answer: C**



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**12.** The locus of a rectangle, when the rectangle is rotated about one of its sides is a \_\_\_\_\_

A. pline

B. sphere

C. cone

D. cylinder

**Answer: D**

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13. If the ortho-centre of a triangle ABC is B then which of the following is true?

A.  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$

B.  $AC^2 > AB^2 + BC^2$

C.  $AC^2 < AB^2 + BC^2$

D. None of these

**Answer: A**

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14. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle A = \angle B + \angle C$ . The point which is equidistant from A, B and C is \_\_\_\_\_

A. mid point of AB

B. mid point of AC

C. mid - point of BC

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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15. The locus of a point which is equidistant from (0,2) and (0, 8) is \_\_\_\_\_

A.  $y = 4$

B.  $y = 5$

C.  $x = 4$

D.  $x = 5$

**Answer: B**



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1. The area of  $\triangle PQR$  is 4 sq. units Q and R are (1, 1) and (1, 0) respectively.

Which of the following lines is a part of the locus of P?

A.  $x - 6 = 0$

B.  $x - 7 = 0$

C.  $x + 8 = 0$

D.  $x + 7 = 0$

**Answer: D**



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2. What is the locus of the points  $P(x, y)$  (where  $xy > 0$ ), which is at a distance of 2 units from the origin?

A.  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$



B.  $x^2 + y^2 = 4, x > 0, y > 0$

C.  $x^2 + y^2 = 4, x < 0, y < 0$

D. None of these

**Answer: D**



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3. The locus of a point which is twice as far from each vertex of a triangle as it is from the mid-point of the opposite side is a/an/the \_\_\_\_\_

A. median

B. centroid

C. incentre

D. angle bisector

**Answer: B**



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4. The locus of a point which is collinear with the two given points is

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- A. a circle
- B. a triangle
- C. a straight line
- D. a parabola

**Answer: C**



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5. The locus of a points, which is at a distance of 8 units from  $(0, - 7)$ , is

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- A.  $x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 14y - 15 = 0$
- B.  $x^2 + y^2 = 14g - 15 = 0$

C.  $y^2 + 14g - 8 = 0$

D.  $x^2 + y^2 + 14x + 14y - 15 = 0$

**Answer: B**



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6. The area of  $\triangle ABC$  is 2 sq. units. If  $A = (, 4)$  and  $B (4,4)$  then find the locus of  $C (x,y)$

A.  $y - 6 = 0$

B.  $y - 2 = 0$

C. Both (A) and (B)

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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7. Find the locus of a point which is a constant distance of 4 units away from the point (2,4)

A.  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 8y + 4 = 0$

B.  $x^2 + 4x + 16 = 0$

C.  $y^2 - 8y + 12 = 0$

D. None of these

**Answer: A**



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8. P is the point of intersection of the diagonals of a square READ. P is equidistant from \_\_\_\_\_

A. the vertices R, E, A and D

B.  $\overline{RE}$  and  $\overline{EA}$

C.  $\overline{EA}$  and  $\overline{AD}$

D. All of these

**Answer: D**



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9. A Coin of radius 1 cm is moving along the circumference and interior of a square of side 5 cm. Find the locus of centre of the coin.

A. A square of side 6 cm

B. A square of side 4 cm

C. A square of side 3 cm

D. A square of side 2 cm

**Answer: C**



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10. ABC is a triangle in which  $AB = 40$  cm,  $BC = 41$  cm and  $AC = 9$  cm. Then ortho-centre of  $\triangle ABC$  lies \_\_\_\_\_

- A. interior of the triangle
- B. exterior of the triangle
- C. on the triangle
- D. at the mid-point of the triangle

**Answer: C**



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11. O is an interior point of a rhombus, ABCD, and O is equidistant from BC and CD. The O lies on \_\_\_\_\_

- A.  $\overline{AC}$
- B.  $\overline{BD}$
- C. Either (a) and (b)

D. Neither (a) nor (b)

**Answer: A**



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12. In a triangle ABC, D is a point on BC, such that any point on AD is equidistant from points B and C. Which of the following is necessarily true?

A.  $AB = BC$

B.  $BC = AC$

C.  $AC = AB$

D.  $AB = BC = AC$

**Answer: C**



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13. The locus of a point, equidistant from the coordinate axes is \_\_\_\_\_

A.  $x = |y|$

B.  $y = |x|$

C. Both (A) and (B)

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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14. P is an interior point of an equilateral triangle ABC. If P equidistant from AB and BC, BC and AC, then  $\angle BPC =$  \_\_\_\_\_

A.  $12^\circ$

B.  $90^\circ$

C.  $60^\circ$

D.  $150^\circ$



**Answer: A**



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**15.** The locus of a point, which is equidistant from (2,6) and (2, 8) is \_\_\_\_\_

A.  $y = 7$

B.  $x = 7$

C.  $x = 2$

D.  $y = 2$

**Answer: A**



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