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SOUND

Example

1. A wave moves a distance of 8 m in 0.05 s.

Find the velocity of the wave.



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2. A wave moves a distance of 8 m in 0.05 s.

What is the wavelength of the wave if its frequency is 200 Hz?



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3. A bat can hear sound of frequencies upto 120 kHz. Determine the wavelength of sound in air at this frequency. Take the speed of sound in air as 344 m/s



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4. Two children are at opposite ends of an iron pipe. One strikes his end of the iron pipe with a stone. Find the ratio of times taken by the sound wave in air and in iron to reach the other child. Given, velocity of sound in air is 344 ms^{-1} and that in iron is 5130 ms^{-1} .



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5. A source of wave produces 40 crests and 40 trough in 0.4 s. Find the frequency of wave.



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6. A stone is dropped into a well 44.1 m deep. The splash is heard 3.13 seconds after the stone is dropped. Find the velocity of sound in air.



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7. Using the SONAR, sound pulses are emitted at the surface of water. These pulses after being reflected from the bottom of water, are detected. If the time interval from the emission to the detection of sound pulses is 8 s, find the depth of water :(net of sound in water =1531 m/s given)



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8. A child hears an echo from a cliff 4 seconds after the sound from a powerful cracker is

produced. How far away is the cliff from the child? Velocity of sound in air at $20^{\circ}C$ is 344 m/s :



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9. How does the sound produced by the vibrating object in a medium reach your ear ?



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10. Explain how sound is produced by your school bell ?



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11. Why are sound waves called mechanical waves ?



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12. Suppose you and your friend are on the moon. Will you be able to hear any sound produced by your friend ?



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13. Which wave property determines:
Loudness.



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14. Which wave property determines: pitch.



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15. Guess, which sound has a higher pitch :
guitar or a car horn ?



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16. What are wavelength, frequency, time period and amplitude of a sound wave?



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17. How are the wavelength and frequency of a sound wave related to its speed ?



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18. Calculate the wavelength of a sound wave whose frequency is 220 Hz and speed is 40 m/s in a given medium.



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19. A person is listening to a tone of 500 Hz sitting at a distance of 450 m from the source of sound. What is the time interval between successive compressions from the source ?



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20. Distinguish between loudness and intensity of sound.



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21. In which of the three media, air, water or iron sound travel the fastest at a particular temperature ?



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22. An echo returned in 3 s. What is the distance of reflecting surface from the source ? Given that the speed of sound is $342s^{-1}$.



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23. Why are the ceilings of concert halls curved?



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24. What is the audible range of average human ear?



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25. What is the range of frequencies associated with : infrasound ?



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26. What is the range of frequencies associated with: ultrasound?



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27. A submarine emits a sonar pulse, which returns from underwater cliff in 1.02 s. If the speed of sound in salt water is 1531ms^{-1} how far away is the cliff ?



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28. What is sound and how is it produced ?



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29. Describe with the help of diagram, how compressions and rarefactions are produced in air near a source of sound ?



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30. Cite an experiment to show that sound need a material medium for its propagation?



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31. Why is sound wave called longitudinal wave?



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32. Which characteristic of the sound help you to identify your friend by this voice while sitting with others in a dark room.



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33. Flash and thunder are produced simultaneously. But thunder is heard a few seconds after the flash is seen. Why?



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34. A person has a hearing range from 20 Hz to 20 KHz. What is the typical wavelength of sound waves in air corresponding to these frequencies ? Take the speed of sound in air as 344ms^{-1} .





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35. Two children are at opposite ends of an aluminium rod. One strikes the end of the rod with a stone. Find the ratio of times taken by the sound wave in air and in aluminium to reach the second child. Velocity of sound in air and aluminium is 340ms^{-1} and 6420ms^{-1} respectively.



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36. The frequency of source of sound is 100 Hz.

How many times does it vibrate in a minute ?



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37. Does sound follow the same laws of reflection as light does ? Explain.



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38. When a sound is reflected from a distant object, an echo is produced. Let the distance between the reflecting surface and the source of sound production remains the same. Do you hear echo sound on a hotter day ?



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39. Give two practical applications of reflection of sound waves.



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40. A stone is dropped from the top of a tower 500 m high into a pond of water at the base of the tower. When is the splash heard at the top ? Given, $g = 10ms^{-2}$ and speed of sound = $340ms^{-1}$.



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41. What is reverberation ? How can it be reduced ?



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42. What is loudness of sound ? What factors does it depend on ?



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43. Explain how bats use ultrasounds to catch a prey ?



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44. How is ultrasound used for cleaning ?



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45. Explain the working and applications of SONAR.



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46. A sonar device on a submarine sends out a signal and receives an echo 5s later. Calculate

the speed of sound in water if the distance of the object from submarine is 3,625 m.



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47. Explain how defects in a metal block can be detected using ultrasound ?



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48. Explain how the human ear works.



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49. Sound is produced by vibratory motion, explain why then a vibrating pendulum does not produce sound?



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50. An explosion takes place at the bottom of a lake. What type of waves are produced inside the water?



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51. Why are the ceilings of concert halls curved?



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52. Represent graphically by two separate diagrams in each case. Two sound waves having different amplitudes and also different wavelengths.



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55. Establish the relationship between speed of sound , its wavelength and frequency. If velocity of sound in air is 340 m/sec , calculate frequency when wavelength is 0.85 m



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57. Draw a curve showing density or pressure variations with respect to distance for a disturbance produced by sound. Mark the position of compression and rarefaction on this curve. Also define wavelengths and time period using this curve :



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58. The frequency of a source is of sound 40 Hz. How many times does it vibrate in half a minute?



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59. An echo is heard after 4s. What is the distance of reflecting surface from the source, given that the speed of sound is 342ms^{-1} .



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60. A baby recognizes her mother by her voice.

Name the characteristics of sound involved.



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61. How are wavelength, speed and time period related for a sound wave?



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62. Name two devices using multiple reflections of sound.



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63. A sound wave of frequency 3kHz and a wavelength of 45 cm. How long will it take to travel 1.8 km?



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64. When a sound is reflected from a distant object, an echo is produced. Let the distance between the reflecting surface and the source of sound production remains the same. Do you hear echo sound on a hotter day ?



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65. Draw a graph showing a person with soft and loud voice.



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66. What is echo-ranging?



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67. The sound of explosion on the moon cannot be heard on earth, why?



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68. A person is listening to a tone of 500 Hz sitting at a distance of 450 m from the source of sound. What is the time interval between successive compressions from the source ?



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69. Differentiate between crest and trough.



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70. When a person uses deodorant spray, the other person standing at a distance would hear the sound of spraying first and the fragrance of spray would reach him later. Why so?



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71. Can we get echo in a small room?



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72. Give one advantage and one disadvantage of reverberation.



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73. Give three medical uses of ultrasound.



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74. Give example of multiple echoes.



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75. Explain how ultrasound is used to clean spiral tubes and electronic components.



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76. Name the physical quantity whose unit is hertz.



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77. Sound is produced by vibratory motion, explain why then a vibrating pendulum does not produce sound?



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78. Waves of special frequencies are used for cleaning hard to reach places. Name the waves.



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79. Waves of special frequencies are used for cleaning hard to reach places. What is the frequency of these waves?



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80. Which wave property determines:
Loudness.



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81. List the three characteristics of sound waves. State the factors on which each of these characteristics depends.



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82. Represent graphically two sound waves having the same amplitude but different frequencies.



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83. Seema went to an opera house. She appreciated its architecture and furnishing. The curved ceiling draperies, cushions and curtains were perfectly placed. She also saw a sound board behind the stage. She now wondered if each of these accessories were placed for the sake of aesthetics of the hall or had a scientific reason too. What is the purpose of curtains, cushions and draperies in an opera house?



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86. A student plucks a stretched string. What type of waves are produced in the string ?.



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87. For measuring the speed of the pulse through a string. The jerk gives to be string be light or strong?



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88. Sonia a student of class IX was going on a picnic by a bus. Her friend Sania took out her I-Pod and started listening songs at full volume. She went-on and on with her listening. After 30 minutes Sonia asked Sania to switch off her I-Pod. What is the range of audible frequency?



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Pod and started listening songs at full volume. She went-on and on with her listening. After 30 minutes Sonia asked Sania to switch off her I-Pod. Why did Sonia asked Sania to switch off her I-Pod.



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30 minutes Sonia asked Sania to switch off her I-Pod. What are the values shown by Sonia?



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Exercise

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2. Which wave property determines: Loudness.



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3. Which wave property determines: pitch.



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4. Which has higher pitched voice : male or female?



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5. Sound waves cannot travel through _____.



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6. Speed greater than the speed of _____
is known as supersonic speed.



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7. Temperature has no effect on speed of sound in air. (T or F)



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8. Sound is produced by a body.



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9. The frequency of a source on sound is 256 Hz. It vibrates _____ times in a second.



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10. Frequency of infrasonic waves $>$ Frequency of ultrasound waves. (T or F)



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11. Give two examples in which a vibrating object produces sound.



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12. What is supersonic speed?



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13. Define frequency.



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14. Define intensity.



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15. Define quality.



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16. Make a list of different types of musical instruments and find the part of the instrument which vibrates to produce sound.



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17. Name two sound waves inaudible to human beings. Give their range of frequencies



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18. SONAR stands for _____



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19. Can we get echo in a small room?



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20. Name the phenomenon responsible for rolling of thunder.



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21. The good directional property of ultrasound waves are used for _____.



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22. Due to the high power of ultrasound waves, it is used for breaking and cutting objects. (T or F)



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23. The multiple reflection of sound in a hall is called _____



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24. What are laws of reflection of sound ? Give three applications of reflection of sound.



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25. What is the minimum distance of the obstacle from the source of sound for hearing distinct echo ?



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26. What is reverberation ? How can it be reduced ?



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27. What is ultrasound?



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28. Give some properties of ultrasound.



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29. Write a short note on human lungs.



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30. What are applications of ultrasound ?



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31. The eardrum is a

A. coiled tube

B. bone

C. fluid

D. a stretched membrane

Answer:



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32. An object moving at a speed greater than that of sound is moving at

A. ultrasonic speed

B. sonic speed

C. supersonic speed

D. infrasonic speed

Answer:



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33. Loudness of sound is related to

A. frequency

B. speed

C. amplitude

D. none

Answer:



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34. In a wave motion transfer, which of the following takes place?

A. energy only

B. momentum only

C. both energy and momentum

D. neither energy nor momentum

Answer:



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35. In which of the following medium does sound travel faster?

A. solid

B. liquid

C. gas

D. both solid and liquid

Answer:



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36. Sound waves cannot pass through

A. solid

B. liquid

C. gas

D. vacuum

Answer:



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37. The distance between a consecutive crest and trough is x . Then wavelength of the wave is

A. $2x$

B. $\frac{x}{2}$

C. x

D. $4x$

Answer:



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38. The velocity of sound in air at room temperature

A. $332ms^{-1}$

B. $468ms^{-1}$

C. $232ms^{-1}$

D. $618ms^{-1}$

Answer:



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39. The upper limit of frequency of sound waves audible to human beings are

A. 5 Hz

B. 20 Hz

C. 20,000 Hz

D. 35,000 Hz

Answer:



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40. The wave pulse can be produced on a roped whose one end is fixed

A. By giving a single jerk to the other end

B. By giving more jerks to the other end.

C. By giving continuous jerks

D. Either (a) or (b) or (c)

Answer:



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41. Wave transfers a physical quantity 'X' from one place to another, where 'X' is

A. Mass

B. Velocity

C. Energy

D. Density

Answer:



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42. Find out which of the following statements regarding sound is false?

A. sound waves are longitudinal waves

B. sound is a form of energy

C. sound travels in form of wave

D. sound travels faster in vacuum than in
air

Answer:



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43. What is a wave or wave motion ?



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44. Define time period. How is time period related to frequency?



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45. Define amplitude of a wave.



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46. How is sound produced?



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47. Can sound travel in vacuum?



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48. What is quality of sound?



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49. What is the minimum distance of the obstacle from the source of sound for hearing

distinct echo ?



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50. What is the minimum distance between the observer and the reflecting surface to hear an echo?



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51. What is reverberation ? How can it be reduced ?



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52. What is ultrasound?



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53. Write the full form of SONAR.



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54. Name the disease that can be caused by UV rays.



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55. If 20 waves are produced per second. What is the frequency in Hertz?



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56. Give classification of waves on the basis of movement of particles.



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57. What are the important properties of a medium required for propagation of sound wave?



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58. Give two examples in which a vibrating object produces sound.



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59. What is a Stethoscope? How does it work?



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60. What is the use of a megaphone?



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61. Give some properties of ultrasound.



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62. What are the uses of ultrasonic sound?



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63. Make a list of different types of musical instruments and find the part of the

instrument which vibrates to produce sound.



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64. Define the term time-period of a wave.



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65. Give relation among the speed of sound v , wavelength λ and frequency ν .



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66. A sound wave travels at a speed of 339ms^{-1} . If its wavelength is 1.5 cm, what is the frequency of the wave ? Will it be audible ?



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67. An echo is returned in 6 seconds. What is the distance of the reflecting surface from source.



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68. 20 waves pass through a point in 2 seconds. If the distance between one crest and adjacent trough is 1.5m, calculate the frequency



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69. 20 waves pass through a point in 2 seconds. If the distance between one crest and adjacent trough is 1.5m, calculate wavelength.



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70. Sound is produced when school bell is struck with a hammer. Why?



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71. Which characteristic of the sound help you to identify your friend by this voice while sitting with others in a dark room.



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72. A body is vibrating 6000 times in one minute. If the velocity of sound in air is 360ms^{-1} . Find frequency of vibration in hertz



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73. A body is vibrating 6000 times in one minute. If the velocity of sound in air is 360ms^{-1} . Find wavelength of the wave produced.



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74. What is echo ranging? State one application of this technique.



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75. Differentiate between transverse waves and longitudinal waves.



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76. What are important characteristics of wave?

Define them.



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77. List three factors which influence water potential.



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78. How the bats make use of ultrasonic waves to catch their prey? Explain.



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83. State a condition for an echo to be heard.



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84. Bats cannot see then how do they catch their prey.



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86. How does the sound produced by the vibrating object in a medium reach your ear ?



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87. State the characteristics of wave motion.



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88. Give some uses of ultrasound.



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89. Explain the working of SONAR.



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90. Describe the human ear.



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of the cliff from the person if the speed of the sound v is taken as 346ms^{-1} ?



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94. Find the frequency of a wave whose time-period is 0.001 second?



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95. A sound wave creates oscillation in air at a place 1000 times in 100 seconds. Find the time

period and frequency.



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96. A sound wave travels at a speed of 339ms^{-1} . If its wavelength is 1.5 cm, what is the frequency of the wave ? Will it be audible ?



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97. A bat hears the echo of its squeak after 0.1 s. How far is the obstacle from the bat? Speed

of sound is 344 m/s.



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98. Note is a sound

- A. of mixture of several frequencies
- B. of mixture of two frequencies only
- C. of a single frequency
- D. always unpleasant of listen

Answer:



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99. A key of a mechanical piano is struck gently and then struck again but much harder this time. In the second case.

A. sound will be louder but pitch will not be different

B. sound will be louder and pitch will also be higher

C. sound will be louder but pitch will be lower

D. both loudness and pitch will remain unaffected

Answer:



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100. In SONAR, we use

A. ultrasonic waves

B. infrasonic waves

C. radio waves

D. audible sound waves

Answer:



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101. Sound travels in air if

A. particles of medium travel from one place to another

B. there is no moisture in the atmosphere

C. disturbance moves

D. both particles as well as disturbance

travel from one place to another

Answer:



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102. When we change feeble sound to loud we

increase its

A. frequency

B. amplitude

C. velocity

D. wavelength

Answer:



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103. Earthquake produces which kind of sound before the main shock wave begins

A. ultrasound

B. infrasound

C. audible sound

D. none of the above

Answer:



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104. Infrasound can be heard by

A. dog

B. bat

C. rhinoceros

D. human beings

Answer:



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105. Before playing the orchestra in a musical concert, a sitarist tries to adjust the tension and pluck the string suitably. By doing so, he is adjusting

A. intensity of sound only

B. amplitude of sound only

C. frequency of the sitar string with the
frequency of other musical instruments

D. loudness of sound

Answer:



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106. The total energy of a particle executing simple harmonic motion of amplitude 'A' is proportional to

A. A^2

B. A^{-2}

C. A

D. $1/A$

Answer:



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107. The frequency of a source of sound is 50 Hz. How many times does it vibrate in one minute?

A. 50

B. 300

C. 3000

D. 30000

Answer:



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109. The intensity of sound wave gets reduced by 20% on passing through a slab. The reduction in intensity on passing through two consecutive slabs is

A. 0.4

B. 0.36

C. 0.3

D. 0.5

Answer:



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110. Sound travels the fastest in

A. aluminium

B. water

C. hydrogen

D. oxygen

Answer:



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111. A person clapped his hands near a cliff and heard the echo after 5 s. What is the distance of the cliff from the person if the speed of the sound v is taken as 346ms^{-1} ?

A. 17.1 m

B. 17.2 m

C. 17.3 m

D. 34.6 m

Answer:



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112. The frequency of seconds pedulum is

A. 0.5 Hz

B. 1.0 Hz

C. 2.0 Hz

D. 1.5 Hz

Answer:



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113. A source emits sound of frequency 600 Hz inside water. The frequency heard in air will be

A. 300 Hz

B. 120 Hz

C. 600 Hz

D. 6000 Hz

Answer:



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114. Distance between a consecutive crest and trough is 5 cm. The wave length of wave is

A. 10 cm

B. 2.5 cm

C. 20 cm

D. 1.25 cm

Answer:



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115. In which part of the ear are sound waves amplified?

A. Cochlea

B. Middle ear

C. Outer ear

D. Inner ear

Answer:



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116. Which of the following help in the communication between two astronatus on the moon?

A. Light waves

B. Sound waves

C. Radio waves

D. A face-to-face talk

Answer:



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117. A marine survey ship sends a sound wave straight to the sea bed. It detects an echo 4.0

s later. What is the approximate depth of the sea?



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118. What is the least time interval required to hear a distinct echo?

A. 0.3 s

B. 0.1 s

C. 0.5 s

D. 20 s

Answer:



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119. Which of the following statements about sound waves is correct?

A. Sound waves are not affected by the medium through which it travels

B. Sound waves travel faster in air than in liquid

C. Sound waves travel faster in solid than
in air

D. Sound waves cannot travel through a
solid

Answer:



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120. The regions of compressions and rarefrations of sound wave are established because

- A. the sound wave undergoes diffraction behind obstacles
- B. the reflected sound wave at fixed end interferes with the incident wave.
- C. the longitudinal movement of air molecules produce pressure fluctuations
- D. the speed of the sound wave changes as it travels through a medium

Answer:



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121. Identify the longitudinal waves from the following.

A. Light waves

B. Radio waves

C. Ultrasonic waves

D. Surface water waves

Answer:



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122. A wave source produces 10 oscillations in 100 ms . Find the time period of the wave

A. 1 second

B. 0.01 second

C. 10 second

D. 0.1 second

Answer:



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123. What does a wave transfer?



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124. Differentiate between crest and trough.



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125. Why are cannot hear an echo in a small room?



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126. Mention the types of mechanical waves. Identify the type which can be produced in solids, liquids and gases.



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127. Draw graph for a wave representing wave disturbances and time for a sound changing from low pitch to high pitch, keeping amplitude of the sounds same.



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128. When does the ear drum of human ear vibrate?



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129. List three points which an engineer should use while designing an auditorium.



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130. A man fires a rifle in front of a cliff and hears the echo after 3 seconds. Calculate the distance of the man from the cliff if the velocity of sound in air is 340 m/s.



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131. Waves of special frequencies are used for cleaning hard to reach places. Name the waves.



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- D. audible sound waves

Answer:



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135. When we change feeble sound to loud we increase its

A. frequency

B. aplitude

C. velocity

D. wavelength

Answer:



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136. A pulse is generated at one end of the slinky of length 10 m. The pulse returns back to its point of generation in 10 seconds. The velocity of the pulse in the slinky will be

A. 4m/s

B. 3 m/s

C. 2 m/s

D. 1 m/s

Answer:



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137. A longitudinal pulse is produced in a slinky. The frequency of the pulse is 60 Hz and it travel at a speed of 30cm/s . The separation between consecutive compression is

A. 90 cm

B. 0.5 cm

C. 2 cm

D. 1.25 cm

Answer:



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