# **Chapter 3:Geometrical Optics**

# MCQs;

- 1. What is the speed of light in vacuum?
- a)  $3 \times 10^{8} \, \text{m/s}$
- b)  $3 \times 10^{10} \,\text{m/s}$
- c)  $3 \times 10^6 \text{ m/s}$
- d)  $2 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

#### **Answer**: a)

- 2. Which of the following is the primary medium for the propagation of light?
- a) Air
- b) Water
- c) Vacuum
- d) Glass

# Answer: c)

- 3. The reflection of light occurs at the interface of:
- a) Two transparent media
- b) A transparent and an opaque medium
- c) Two opaque media
- d) A surface

#### Answer: d)

- 4. The angle of incidence is:
- a) The angle between the incident ray and the normal
- b) The angle between the reflected ray and the normal
- c) The angle between the incident ray and the reflected ray
- d) The angle between the reflected ray and the surface

- 5. Which of the following laws governs reflection?
- a) Snell's Law
- b) Laws of Reflection
- c) Huygens' Principle

d) Ohm's Law

# Answer: b)

- 6. What is the focal length of a concave mirror?
- a) Positive
- b) Negative
- c) Zero
- d) Undefined

# Answer: a)

- 7. Which of the following describes a convex mirror?
- a) It converges light rays
- b) It diverges light rays
- c) It focuses light at a point
- d) It magnifies objects

### Answer: b)

- 8. What happens when light passes from a denser medium to a rarer medium?
- a) The light bends away from the normal
- b) The light bends towards the normal
- c) The light does not bend
- d) The light reflects back

#### Answer: a)

- 9. The focal length of a convex lens is:
- a) Positive
- b) Negative
- c) Zero
- d) Undefined

- 10. A real image is formed by a:
- a) Convex mirror
- b) Concave lens

- c) Convex lens
- d) Concave mirror

#### Answer: d)

- 11. The image formed by a concave lens is always:
- a) Real and inverted
- b) Virtual and upright
- c) Virtual and inverted
- d) Real and upright

#### **Answer**: b)

- 12. The image formed by a convex lens when the object is beyond 2F is:
- a) Real, inverted, and diminished
- b) Virtual, upright, and diminished
- c) Real, inverted, and magnified
- d) Virtual, upright, and magnified

#### Answer: a)

- 13. A ray parallel to the principal axis after passing through a convex lens:
- a) Passes through the focal point
- b) Diverges from the focal point
- c) Continues straight
- d) Becomes parallel to the axis

#### Answer: a)

- 14. A diverging lens is another name for:
- a) Convex lens
- b) Concave mirror
- c) Concave lens
- d) Plane mirror

#### Answer: c)

- 15. The focal length of a lens is:
- a) The distance between the lens and the object

- b) The distance between the lens and the image
- c) The distance between the lens and the focal point
- d) The distance from the object to the image

#### Answer: c)

- 16. The critical angle is:
- a) The angle at which total internal reflection occurs
- b) The angle at which the light exits the medium
- c) The angle of incidence for refraction
- d) The angle at which refraction does not occur

#### Answer: a)

- 17. In total internal reflection, the angle of incidence is greater than the:
- a) Angle of refraction
- b) Critical angle
- c) Angle of reflection
- d) Refractive index

#### Answer: b)

- 18. The magnification of a mirror is given by:
- a) Image height / Object height
- b) Object height / Image height
- c) Distance of object / Distance of image
- d) Distance of image / Distance of object

#### Answer: a)

- 19. In a convex mirror, the image formed is:
- a) Real and diminished
- b) Virtual and diminished
- c) Real and magnified
- d) Virtual and magnified

#### Answer: b)

20. The refraction of light occurs when:

- a) Light bounces back from a surface
- b) Light passes from one medium to another
- c) Light passes through a prism
- d) Light focuses at a point

# Answer: b)

- 21. The refractive index of a medium is the ratio of:
- a) Speed of light in vacuum to the speed of light in the medium
- b) Speed of light in the medium to the speed of light in air
- c) Angle of incidence to the angle of refraction
- d) Angle of refraction to the angle of incidence

# Answer: a)

- 22. The image formed by a plane mirror is:
- a) Real and upright
- b) Virtual and inverted
- c) Virtual and upright
- d) Real and inverted

# Answer: c)

23. In refraction, the light ray bends towards the normal when it passes into:

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- a) A denser medium
- b) A rarer medium
- c) A medium of equal density
- d) None of the above

#### Answer: a)

- 24. A concave lens is used in:
- a) Glasses for nearsightedness
- b) Glasses for farsightedness
- c) Magnifying glasses
- d) Rear-view mirrors

25. The power of a lens is the inverse of its focal length in meters. What is the unit of power?
a) Meter
b) Meter^-1
c) Diopter
d) Watt
Answer: c)
26. The principal focus of a concave mirror is:
a) Behind the mirror
b) In front of the mirror
c) At the center of curvature
d) At the focal point
Answer: b)
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27. The total internal reflection can only occur when the angle of incidence is:
a) Less than the critical angle
b) Equal to the critical angle
c) Greater than the critical angle
d) Zero
Answer: c)
28. A concave lens produces:
a) Real and diminished image
b) Real and magnified image
c) Virtual and diminished image
d) Virtual and magnified image
Answer: c)
29. The lens formula is:
a) 1/f = 1/v + 1/u
b) 1/f = v + u
c) f = v + u
d) 1/f = v - u
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Answer: a)

30. The image formed by a convex lens when the object is between F and 2F is:
a) Real, inverted, and magnified
b) Virtual, upright, and magnified
c) Real, upright, and diminished
d) Virtual, inverted, and diminished

# Answer: a)

- 31. The image formed by a concave lens is always:
- a) Real and inverted
- b) Virtual and upright
- c) Real and upright
- d) Virtual and inverted

#### Answer: b)

- 32. A concave mirror can form:
- a) Only virtual images
- b) Only real images
- c) Both real and virtual images
- d) No images

#### Answer: c)

- 33. The refractive index of water is approximately:
- a) 1
- b) 1.33
- c) 1.5
- d) 2

#### Answer: b)

- 34. The image formed by a concave mirror is real when the object is:
- a) Beyond the focal point
- b) At the focal point
- c) Between the mirror and the focal point
- d) At infinity

- 35. The focal length of a lens is defined as:
- a) The distance from the lens to the object
- b) The distance from the lens to the image
- c) The distance from the center of the lens to the principal focus
- d) The distance from the lens to the optical center

#### Answer: c)

- 36. If the focal length of a lens is 20 cm, what is its power?
- a) 2 D
- b) 5 D
- c) 0.5 D
- d) 1 D

#### Answer: b)

- 37. What is the effect of increasing the curvature of a lens?
- a) It increases the focal length
- b) It decreases the focal length
- c) It has no effect on the focal length
- d) It increases the magnification

#### Answer: b)

- 38. A ray of light passes through the center of curvature of a concave mirror. What happens to the ray?
- a) It gets reflected along its path
- b) It passes through the focal point
- c) It reflects at an angle of 90°
- d) It gets absorbed by the mirror

- 39. Which of the following is true for all images formed by a concave lens?
- a) Real and inverted
- b) Virtual and upright
- c) Real and upright
- d) Virtual and inverted



- 40. The power of a concave lens is:
- a) Positive
- b) Negative
- c) Zero
- d) Undefined

Answer: b)

