

# I. Rocks

- ① Briefly describe the following
  - a) Dressing of stone
  - b) Quarrying
  - c) Preservation of stone
- ② Discuss the three important type of rocks and their formation.
- ③ Name the various types of stones which are used for building works and give in brief the specifications for a good building stone.
- ④ Explain the classification of rocks in detail.
- ⑤ What is the natural bed of stone? Why it is necessary to set a along its natural bed.
- ⑥ What are the tests to which a stone should be subjected before it is selected for building purpose?
- ⑦ What are the types of explosives generally used in blasting the rocks?
- ⑧ Give the characteristics and uses of the following stones:
  - a) Granite
  - b) Marble
  - c) Sandstone
  - d) slate
- ⑨ Describe the various <sup>weathering</sup> agencies responsible for deterioration of stones.
- ⑩ Describe the process of blasting rocks. State the precautions to be exercised.

## II. Bricks

- ① What are the properties of first class bricks?
- ② What are the constituents of good bricks - earth?
- ③ Describe briefly the tests to which bricks may be put before using them for engineering purposes.
- ④ Describe the process of manufacture of clay bricks.
- ⑤ Describe the common defect in bricks.
- ⑥ Describe the how bricks are classified?
- ⑦ What is efflorescence in bricks? What are its causes and remedies?
- ⑧ What do you understand by glazing? How it is done.
- ⑨ Diff between
  - a) over burnt and under burnt-
  - b) perforated and hollow bricks.
- ⑩ What are the factors to be considered while selecting a site for the manufacture of bricks?

### III. Cement

- ① Write short notes on
  - a) Hydration of cement-
  - b) Grinding of cement
  - c) clinkering
  - d) use of gypsum in cement-
- ② What are the ingredients of portland cement? State the function and limits of each of them.
- ③ Describe with flow diagrams the dry and wet process of manufacture of cement.
- ④ Describe the setting and hardening of cement.
- ⑤ What do you mean by normal consistency? What is its significance? How is it tested?
- ⑥ Differentiate between rapid hardening and slow setting cements.
- ⑦ Write short notes on:
  - a) compressive strength test of cement-
  - b) soundness test of cement
  - c) Tensile strength test of cement
- ⑧ How is the cement classified?
- ⑨ What is the effect of grinding on cement? Describe the method of determining fineness by air permeability method.
- ⑩ What is rapid hardening cement? What is responsible for its high early strength? How does it differ from ordinary portland cement?
- ⑪ What is the purpose of adding gypsum while manufacturing cement?

## IV. Concrete

- ① What is bulking of sand? How does it affect concrete mix?
- ② Discuss curing? What is its significance?
- ③ Define water-cement ratio. How does it influence concrete strength?
- ④ Describe the procedure of preparing good quality concrete.
- ⑤ How nominal mix concrete is different from design mix concrete?
- ⑥ Write short notes on:
  - a) Segregation
  - b) Bleeding
  - c) Sulfate Attack
- ⑦ What is meant by M20 grade concrete?
- ⑧ Define creep. What are its advantages and disadvantages?
- ⑨ What is shrinkage? What factors promote shrinkage? What precautions will you take to reduce it?
- ⑩ What are the factors affecting workability of concrete?

V. [Wood & wood products] + [Asphalt-]  
+ [Pozzolana] + [Gypsum]

- ① What is seasoning of timbers and why it is done?
- ② What is the effect of paint on unseasoned timbers?
- ③ What is the difference between soft wood and hard wood?
- ④ Write short notes on the following
  - a) Defects in Timber
  - b) Plywood
  - c) Preservation of timber
  - d) Hard board
  - e) Veneers
- ⑤ Describe various defects in timber?
- ⑥ Define bitumen, asphalt and tar and how do they differ?
- ⑦ What is meant by flash point and fire point of bitumen?
- ⑧ How bitumen is tested for ductility?
- ⑨ Give the comparison of tar and asphalt in a tabular form.
- ⑩ What is pozzolana? How it is classified?
- ⑪ Write short notes on
  - a) Pei ash
  - b) Surkhi
  - c) Rice husk ash
  - d) Blast furnace slag
- ⑫ Discuss briefly the various effects of adding pozzolanas to cement concrete.