

EXERCISE 1.1

Write the correct answer in each of the following:

1. Every rational number is
- (A) a natural number
 - (B) an integer
 - (C) a real number
 - (D) a whole number

Solution:

(C) a real number

Explanation:

We know that rational and irrational numbers taken together are known as real numbers.

Therefore, every real number is either a rational number or an irrational number. Hence, every rational number is a real number.

Hence, (C) is the correct option.

2. Between two rational numbers

- (A) there is no rational number
- (B) there is exactly one rational number
- (C) there are infinitely many rational numbers
- (D) there are only rational numbers and no irrational numbers

Solution:

(C) there are infinitely many rational numbers

Explanation:

Between two rational numbers there are infinitely many rational number.

Hence, (C) is the correct option.

3. Decimal representation of a rational number cannot be

- (A) terminating
- (B) non-terminating
- (C) non-terminating repeating
- (D) non-terminating non-repeating

Solution:

(D) non-terminating non-repeating

Explanation:

The decimal representation of a rational number cannot be non-terminating and non-repeating.

Hence, (D) is the correct option

4. The product of any two irrational numbers is

- (A) always an irrational number
- (B) always a rational number
- (C) always an integer
- (D) sometimes rational, sometimes irrational

Solution:

(D) sometimes rational, sometimes irrational

Explanation:

The product of any two irrational numbers is sometimes rational and sometimes irrational.
Hence, (D) is the correct option

5. The decimal expansion of the number $\sqrt{2}$ is

- (A) a finite decimal
- (B) 1.41421
- (C) non-terminating recurring
- (D) non-terminating non-recurring

Solution:

(D) non-terminating non-recurring

Explanation:

The decimal expansion of the number $\sqrt{2} = 1.41421356237\dots$
Hence, (D) is the correct option

6. Which of the following is irrational?

- (A) $\sqrt{4}/\sqrt{9}$
- (B) $\sqrt{12}/\sqrt{3}$
- (C) $\sqrt{7}$
- (D) $\sqrt{81}$

Solution:

(C) $\sqrt{7}$

Explanation:

(A) $\sqrt{4}/\sqrt{9} = 2/3$

(B) $\sqrt{12}/\sqrt{3} = 2\sqrt{3}/\sqrt{3} = 2$

(C) $\sqrt{7} = 2.64575131106$

(D) $\sqrt{81} = 9$

Here, (C) $\sqrt{7} = 2.64575131106$, is a non terminating decimal expansion.

Hence, (C) is the correct option

7. Which of the following is irrational?

- (A) 0.14
- (B) $0.14\overline{16}$
- (C) $0.\overline{1416}$
- (D) 0.4014001400014...

Solution:

(D) 0.4014001400014...

Explanation:

A number is irrational if and only if its decimal representation is non-terminating and non-recurring.

(A) is a terminating decimal and therefore cannot be an irrational number.

(B) is a non-terminating and recurring decimal and therefore cannot be irrational.

(C) is a non-terminating and recurring decimal and therefore cannot be irrational.

(D) is a non-terminating and non-recurring decimal and therefore is an irrational number.

Hence, (D) is the correct option.

8. A rational number between $\sqrt{2}$ and $\sqrt{3}$ is

- (A) $(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3})/2$
- (B) $(\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{3})/2$
- (C) 1.5
- (D) 1.8

Solution:

(C) 1.5

Explanation:

$\sqrt{2} = 1.4142135\dots$ and $\sqrt{3} = 1.732050807\dots$

(A) $(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{3})/2 = 1.57313218497\dots$ is a non-terminating and non-recurring decimal and therefore is an irrational number.

(B) $(\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{3})/2 = 1.22474487139\dots$ is a non-terminating and non-recurring decimal and therefore is an irrational number.

(C) 1.5 is a terminating decimal and therefore is a rational number.

(D) 1.8 is a terminating decimal and therefore is a rational number.

Here both 1.5 and 1.8 are rational numbers. But, 1.8 does not lie in between $\sqrt{2} = 1.4142135\dots$ and $\sqrt{3} = 1.732050807\dots$. Whereas 1.5 lies in between $\sqrt{2} = 1.4142135\dots$ and $\sqrt{3} = 1.732050807\dots$. Hence, (C) is the correct option.

9. The value of 1.999... in the form p/q , where p and q are integers and $q \neq 0$, is

- (A) 19/10
- (B) 1999/1000
- (C) 2
- (D) 1/9

Solution:

(C) 2

Explanation:

(A) $19/10 = 1.9$

(B) $1999/1000 = 1.999$

(C) 2

(D) $1/9 = 0.111\dots$

Let $x = 1.9999\dots$ --- (1)

Multiply equation (1) with 10

$10x = 19.9999\dots$ --- (2)

Subtract equation (1) from equation(2),

We get,

$9x = 18$

$x = 18 / 9$

$x = 2$

Therefore,

$x = 1.9999\dots = 2$

Hence, (C) is the correct option.

10. $2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3}$ is equal to

- (A) $2\sqrt{6}$
- (B) 6

(C) $3\sqrt{3}$

(D) $4\sqrt{6}$

Solution:

(C) $3\sqrt{3}$

Explanation:

$2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3}$

Taking $\sqrt{3}$ common,

We get,

$$\sqrt{3}(2+1) = \sqrt{3}(3) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

Hence, (C) is the correct option.



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