4.18 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION (446)

4.18.1 Building Construction Paper 1 (446/1)

1 TOOLS

- Builders' square
- Mason's square.

 $2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1 \text{ mark}$

EQUIPMENT

- Sight square.
- Dumpy level.
- Surveyor's square.

Any 2 x $\frac{1}{2}$ = 1 mark

2. Types of foundation:

• Shallow foundation.

Are those foundation which transfer $\frac{1}{2}$ the loads to a subsoil $\frac{1}{2}$ at a point near the ground floor of a building. $\frac{1}{2}$

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ marks

Examples: - Strip foundation.

Raft foundation.

- Natural foundation.

Poled foundation.

Accept any other correct example.

Any 2 x $\frac{1}{2}$ = 1 mark

Deep foundation

These are foundations that transfer $\frac{1}{2}$ loads to a subsoil some $\frac{1}{2}$ distance below $\frac{1}{2}$ the ground floor of the building.

Any $2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$ mark

Examples: - Deep strip foundation.

- Pile foundation.

- Pad foundation.

Accept any other correct example.

Any 2 x $\frac{1}{2}$ = 1 mark

3. Reasons why clay tiles are not commonly used as roof coverings.

- Expensive in terms of maintenance.
- Expensive to purchase.
- Not easily available.
- Needs an expert to lay.
- Needs keenness to transport since they are brittle.
- Shape and colour of tiles can be obtained in iron sheets.



- **4. Four** undesirable effects of dampness in buildings.
 - Paint peeling off.
 - Humid atmosphere in rooms.
 - Efflorescence effect.
 - Effect on timber skirtings.
 - Effect of carpets.
 - Encourages wet rot.
 - Encourages fungal growth on structure.

Any 4 x $\frac{1}{2}$ = 2 marks

- **5.** (a) **Four** requirements of a drainage system.
 - Should be self cleansing.
 - Should be straight as possible between two points.
 - Pipes used should be strong enough to resist the pressures placed on them.
 - The bore should be laid true and smooth to ensure that water flows freely.
 - Gradient should be correctly set such that water velocity is maintained which ensures solid matter will be floated along the pipe.
 - Should operate without maintenance.

Any $4 \times 1 = 4$ marks

(b) Use of a goose neck bend.

It is used to relieve pressure likely to be exerted on the mains connection.

1 mark

- **6.** (a) Limitations in starting a small business in building construction are:
 - Taxes.
 - Acquisition of equipment and machines.
 - Local authority by-laws.
 - Licences (registration)
 - Starting up capital.
 - Location of business.

Any 4 x $\frac{1}{2}$ = 2 marks

- (b) Standard: The upright member of a scaffold on to which ledgers, transforms and braces are fixed.
 - Guard rail: A horizontal member above the platform which is fixed on the standards to prevent workers from falling off the scaffold.

 $2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks}$



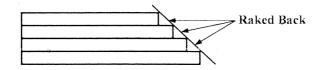
- 7. (a) Two requirements for an appropriate safety helmet to be worm in a construction site are:
 - (i) should be hard, not to break easily.
 - (ii) should have soft inner padding.
 - (iii) should have strapping.

Any $2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks}$

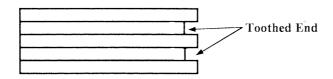
- (b) Ways through which moisture can enter a building:
 - (i) By rain penetrating the head of the wall and soaking down into the building below the roof level.
 - (ii) By rain hitting against the external wall and soaking through the fabric into the building.
 - (iii) By the ground moisture entering the building at or near the base and creeping up the wall by capillarity action and entering the building above the ground.

Any $2 \times 2 = 4$ marks

8. (a)



(b)



Sketch 2x 1 = 2 marks Labels 2 x 1 = 2 mark 4 marks

9. (a) Reconditioning of a cold chisel.

Grind the mushroomed head on the sides until flat with the stem of the chisel. Then grind the end a little to reveal a flat surface on which to hammer.

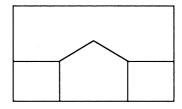
2 marks

- (b) Joint A: Weather struck pointing. It drains off rain water easily.
 - Joint B: Concave pointing. It gives a decorative beautiful finish.

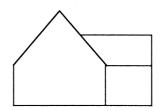
 $2 \times 1 = 2 \text{ marks}$



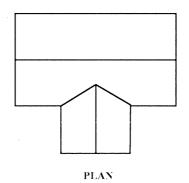
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FRONT ELEVATION

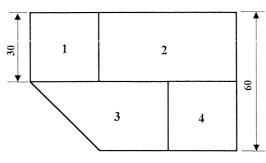


END ELEVATION

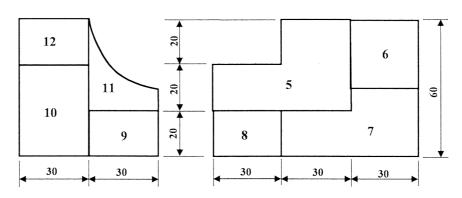


3 Views (3×1) = 3 Marks Correct 1st Angle = 1 Marks Total = 4 Marks

11.



PLAN



END ELEVATION

FRONT ELEVATION

3rd angle projection	=	1 mark
12 faces @ $\frac{1}{2}$	=	6 marks
6 dimensions @ $\frac{1}{2}$	=	3 marks
Naming the views	=	1 mark
Curve correctly drawn	=	1 mark
Lines drawn correctly	=	2 marks

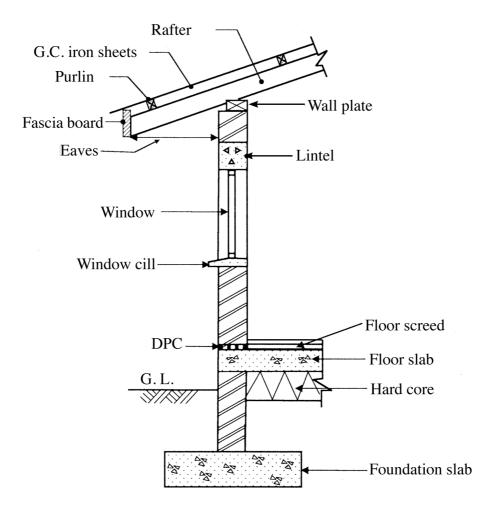
Equal spacing of views = TOTAL =

12. (a) Functional requirements of walls are;

- Safely transfer imposed loads to the foundation.
- Prevent penetration of moisture from outside.
- Retain heat within.
- Insulate against heat from outside.
- Fire resistance.
- Resistant to weather elements like wind.

Any $5 \times 1 = 5 \text{ marks}$

(b)



Sketch	=	5 marks
Labels (any $10 \times \frac{1}{2}$)	=	5 marks
(Accept other eaves d	letail)	
TOTAL	=	10 marks

13. (a) (i) Advantages of twisted bars over round bars.

- Twisted bars provides better grip due to increased surface area and also increases friction.
- Higher strength.



- (ii) 8 Y 20 01 300 B $\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$ A B C D E F
 - A Number of bars.
 - B Type of bar/shape of bar.
 - C Bar diameter.
 - D Bar mark diameter.
 - E Pitch of bars (centre to centre spacing).
 - F Position of bars (bottom)

 $6 \times 1 = 6 \text{ marks}$

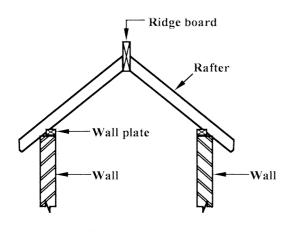
- (b) Functions of the following:
 - (i) Cold water cistern
 - Receives water from the water supply/rising main.
 - Stores water for use in other water cistern.
 - Supplies the water heater.
 - (ii) Water cylinder
 - Stores hot water for use in the house.
 - (iii) Boiler
 - Can either be manual or electrical and is used for heating water.
 - (iv) Rising mains
 - Connects the meter to the overhead storage tank and the kitchen valve.

 $4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ marks}$



14.

(a)



Collar
Rafter
Wall plate
Wall
Wall

COLLAR ROOF

Ridge board

COUPLE ROOF

Sketch: $2\times 2 = 4$ marks

Labels: any $4\times 2\times \frac{1}{2} = 4$ marks

TOTAL = 8 marks

Wall thickness

Nass concrete

Sketch of strip foundation = 3 marks

Labels: Any 2×2 = 2 marks

Projections: Any 4×½ = 2 marks

TOTAL = 7 marks

15. (a) Functions of

Blinding:

- provide a firm surface.
- prevent loss of cement grout
- provide a firm surface for laying reinforcement and dpm.

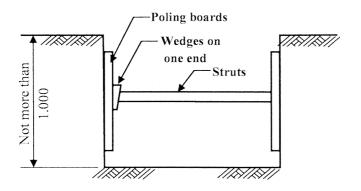
Any $2 \times 1 = 2$ marks

Hard core:

- act as backfill.
- reduces rising dampness by capillarity.
- raises the ground floor level.

Any $2 \times 1 = 2$ marks

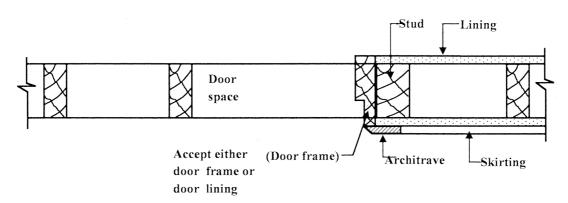
(b)



Timbering in hard soils

Sketch	=3 marks
Labels: Any $4 \times \frac{1}{2}$	= 2 marks
TOTAL	= 5 marks

(c)



Sketch = 4 marks

Labels: Any
$$4 \times \frac{1}{2}$$
 = 2 marks

TOTAL = 6 marks

