

Nigerian Navy DSSC Aptitude Test

Practice Questions and Answers

The Nigerian Navy Direct Short Service Commission (DSSC) aptitude test usually covers English, mathematics, general knowledge and maritime awareness. Use these questions to practise, then check your answers at the end.

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Section A: English Language

1. Choose the word closest in meaning to VIGILANT.

- A. Watchful
- B. Sleepy
- C. Careless
- D. Slow

2. Choose the opposite of COURAGEOUS.

- A. Bold
- B. Timid
- C. Strong
- D. Brave

3. The ship ____ the harbour before dawn.

- A. leave
- B. left
- C. leaving
- D. have left

4. Which word is correctly spelt?

- A. Maritime
- B. Maritim
- C. Marritime
- D. Maritine

5. She is good ____ swimming.

- A. in
- B. at
- C. on
- D. with

Section B: Mathematics

6. What is 12% of 850?

- A. 92
- B. 102
- C. 112
- D. 120

7. Simplify $\frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{4}$.

- A. $\frac{3}{4}$
- B. $\frac{5}{8}$
- C. $\frac{1}{2}$
- D. $\frac{6}{8}$

8. A boat travels 90 km in 2.5 hours. What is its average speed?

- A. 32 km/h
- B. 36 km/h
- C. 40 km/h
- D. 45 km/h

9. Solve: $3(x + 4) = 27$.

- A. $x = 3$
- B. $x = 5$
- C. $x = 7$
- D. $x = 9$

10. What is 2.5 multiplied by 1.2?

- A. 2.7
- B. 3.0
- C. 3.2
- D. 3.5

11. A rectangle is 15 m long and 8 m wide. What is its perimeter?

- A. 23 m
- B. 46 m
- C. 60 m
- D. 120 m

12. What comes next: 5, 11, 17, 23, ?

- A. 27
- B. 28
- C. 29
- D. 31

13. If 6 sailors can paint a deck in 10 hours, how long will 5 sailors take?

- A. 8 hours
- B. 11 hours
- C. 12 hours
- D. 15 hours

Section C: Maritime and Military Awareness

14. The Nigerian Navy was established in:

- A. 1956
- B. 1960
- C. 1963
- D. 1970

15. The motto of the Nigerian Navy is:

- A. Victory is from God alone
- B. Onward Together
- C. Per Ardua ad Astra
- D. Ready to Serve

16. Which Navy rank is equivalent to Major in the Army?

- A. Lieutenant
- B. Lieutenant Commander
- C. Commander
- D. Captain

17. The Nigerian Navy Basic Training School is located in:

- A. Lagos
- B. Calabar
- C. Onne
- D. Warri

18. The unit used to measure a ship's speed is the:

- A. Mile per hour
- B. Knot
- C. Fathom
- D. League

19. One nautical mile is approximately:

- A. 1.0 km
- B. 1.6 km
- C. 1.852 km
- D. 2.5 km

20. NIMASA stands for:

- A. Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency
- B. National Institute of Maritime Affairs and Shipping Administration
- C. Nigerian Marine and Shipping Authority
- D. National Maritime Safety Agency

21. Nigeria's coastline lies along the:

- A. Indian Ocean
- B. Gulf of Guinea
- C. Red Sea
- D. Mediterranean Sea

22. The Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Nigeria is the:

- A. Chief of Defence Staff
- B. Minister of Defence
- C. President
- D. Chief of Army Staff

23. The Nigerian Civil War took place from:

- A. 1960 to 1963
- B. 1966 to 1969
- C. 1967 to 1970
- D. 1970 to 1975

24. ECOMOG stands for:

- A. ECOWAS Monitoring Group
- B. ECOWAS Military Operations Group
- C. Economic Community Military Group
- D. ECOWAS Mobile Guard

25. The Nigerian Defence Academy is located in:

- A. Abuja
- B. Kaduna
- C. Jos
- D. Zaria

Section D: General Knowledge

26. In which year did Nigeria gain independence?

- A. 1957
- B. 1960
- C. 1963
- D. 1966

27. What is the capital of Nigeria?

- A. Lagos
- B. Kaduna
- C. Abuja
- D. Ibadan

28. How many states are there in Nigeria?

- A. 30
- B. 34
- C. 36
- D. 37

29. Nigeria became a republic in which year?

- A. 1960
- B. 1963
- C. 1966
- D. 1979

30. ECOWAS stands for:

- A. Economic Community of West African States
- B. Economic Council of West African States
- C. Economic Commission for West African Society
- D. Economic Community of Western Africa

31. The longest river in Nigeria is the:

- A. River Benue
- B. River Niger
- C. River Kaduna
- D. River Ogun

Answer Key

Section A: English Language

1. **A** (Watchful)
2. **B** (Timid)
3. **B** (left)
4. **A** (Maritime)
5. **B** (at)

Section B: Mathematics

6. **B** $(102) - 0.12 \times 850 = 102.$
7. **B** $(5/8) - 7/8 - 2/8 = 5/8.$
8. **B** (36 km/h)
9. **B** $(x = 5) - x + 4 = 9.$
10. **B** (3.0)
11. **B** $(46 \text{ m}) - 2 \times (15 + 8) = 46.$
12. **C** (29) – Add 6 each time.
13. **C** (12 hours) – $60 \text{ sailor-hours} / 5 = 12.$

Section C: Maritime and Military Awareness

14. **A** (1956)
15. **B** (Onward Together)
16. **B** (Lieutenant Commander)
17. **C** (Onne) – Onne, Rivers State.
18. **B** (Knot) – One knot is one nautical mile per hour.
19. **C** (1.852 km)
20. **A** (Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency)
21. **B** (Gulf of Guinea)
22. **C** (President)
23. **C** (1967 to 1970)
24. **A** (ECOWAS Monitoring Group)
25. **B** (Kaduna)

Section D: General Knowledge

26. **B** (1960) – Nigeria became independent on 1 October 1960.
27. **C** (Abuja) – Abuja replaced Lagos as the capital in 1991.
28. **C** (36) – Nigeria has 36 states plus the FCT.
29. **B** (1963) – Nigeria became a republic on 1 October 1963.
30. **A** (Economic Community of West African States)
31. **B** (River Niger)

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