

Rational and Irrational numbers

Solution

➤ MC Question

10. Answer is C

$$2\sqrt{5} - 5 + 2 - \sqrt{5} = \sqrt{5} - 3$$

11. Answer is D

A π is not rational

B not a recurring decimal, so it is not rational

C $\sqrt{19+20} = \sqrt{39}$, so it is irrational

D $(4\sqrt{5})^2 + 8 = 16 \times 5 + 8 = 88$, so it is rational

12. Answer is D

Let x be $2.\dot{5}$

$$10x = 25.5555\dots$$

$$10x - x = 25 - 2$$

$$9x = 23$$

$$x = \frac{23}{9}$$

Let y be $1.7\dot{5}$

$$10y = 17.\dot{5}$$

$$100y = 175.\dot{5}$$

$$100y - 10y = 175 - 17$$

$$90y = 158$$

$$y = \frac{158}{90} = \frac{79}{45}$$

$$\therefore 2.\dot{5} - 1.7\dot{5} = \frac{23}{9} - \frac{79}{45} = \frac{4}{5}$$

➤ Short Question

1. Let x be $4.\dot{3}$

$$10x = 43.\dot{3}$$

$$10x - x = 43.\dot{3} - 4.\dot{3}$$

$$9x = 39$$

$$x = \frac{39}{9} = \frac{13}{3}$$

$$\therefore 4.\dot{3} = \frac{13}{3}$$

2. (a) $2.7\dot{5}$ is a recurring decimal, so it is rational

(b) -275 is an integer, so it is rational

(c) $\frac{85}{3}$ is a fraction, so it is rational

(d) $\sqrt{63} = \sqrt{9 \times 7} = 3\sqrt{7}$, so it is irrational