## LEVEL FOUR – AVIATION SUBJECTS COMBINED ASSESSMENT STUDY GUIDE

*The exam consists of 43 multiple choice questions plus one of the two attached diagrams. Each cadet is allotted 60 minutes to complete the exam.* 

- 1. Auxiliary airfoils that move out in front of the leading edge at high angles of attack are called **slats**.
- 2. Passages built into the wing that affect the airflow in the same way as slats are called **slots**.
- 3. Wing tip modifications designed to increase lift and reduce drag include wing tip fuel tanks, winglets, and drooping the wing tips.
- 4. Wash-in increases the angle of incidence at the wing tip.
- 5. Camber is the **curvature of an airfoil.**
- 6. Divide the wing span by the average chord to calculate the aspect ratio.
- 7. Laminar airfoils are generally the thickest at **50%** of the chord, whereas conventional airfoils are thickest at **25%** of the chord, and reduce drag by maintaining the laminar flow of air throughout a **greater percentage** of the chord.
- 8. A decrease in the density of the air as the altitude of an aircraft increases can cause density errors in the ASI
- 9. The ASI is connected to both the pitot pressure source and the static pressure port. All other instruments are only connected to the static port.
- 10. VSI measures the rate of change of the static pressure and **indicates if the alitiude is increasing or decreasing**
- 11. Pitot pressure is affected by both turbulence and motion.
- 12. \*Precession is the tendency of a rotating body, when a force is applied perpendicular to its plane of rotation, to turn in the direction of its rotation 90 degrees to its axis and take up a new plane of rotation parallel to the force applied.\*
- 13. Density altitude is the pressure altitude corrected for temperature.
- 14. When flying into an area with a relatively **higher pressure**, the altimeter will read lower than the actual altitude if the altimeter setting is not corrected. (*From high to low, watch out below. From low to high, look for the sky*)
- 15. The boundary layer is the thin section of air closest to the wing
- 16. Pushing the throttle away from you (forwards movement) of the throttle opens the throttle valve, which increases the fuel/air mixture, and increases the power being produced by the engine
- 17. Properties of the engine oil are measured by the **oil pressure and oil temperature gauges.**
- 18. The distance a propeller travels forward in one revolution is known as pitch.
- 19. Thrust is maintained throughout most of the diameter of the propeller by means of the variation in airfoil sections and the angle of attack.
- 20. **Power decreases** in the engine as the <u>altitude increases</u> and the <u>air becomes less</u> <u>dense</u>
- 21. When the <u>engine is not running</u> the manifold pressure gauge will register **atmospheric pressure.**
- 22. Red, yellow, and green arcs are found on the tachometer.

- 23. **Surface friction** causes <u>lower wind speeds than would be expected from the pressure gradient.</u>
- 24. The three main **factors** that determine the weather in an **air mass** are the <u>moisture</u> <u>content</u>, the stability of the air, and the cooling process.
- 25. In stable air, stratus clouds and poor visibility are common, whereas....
- 26. In <u>unstable air, cumulus cloud and good visibility are common.</u>
- 27. A gust is a rapid and irregular change of wind speed.
- 28. An **anabatic wind** is the term for **up-slope winds** flowing from valleys to high elevations above, whereas....
- 29. **Down-slope winds** flowing from high elevations down the slopes to valleys below are known as **katabatic winds**.
- 30. Air speed errors are as follows: IAS corrected for Position → CAS corrected for Compressibility → EAS corrected for Density → TAS
- 31. Mach Speed =  $\frac{\text{airspeed}}{\text{speed of sound}}$
- 32. An air mass is a large section of the troposphere with uniform properties of temperature and moisture in the horizontal.
- 33. **Parallels of latitude** are circles on the Earth's surface that lie parallel to the equator. They are measured from 0-90 degrees north and south of the equator, in degrees, minutes, and seconds.
- 34. Meridians of longitude are **semi-great circles** that join the geographic poles of the Earth.
- 35. The advantage of a **great circle** route is that it is the **shortest distance between two points** on the surface of the Earth.
- 36. The advantage of a **rhumb line** route is that is has a **constant direction** (same heading for the entire route).
- 37. On east and west headings, deceleration causes the compass to register a turn towards the <u>south</u> (*ANDS: Accelerate/North, Decelerate/South*).
- 38. <u>Compass heading</u> is the <u>magnetic heading with the deviation</u>. West deviation is **added** while east deviation is **subtracted** (*West is Best, East is Least*)
- 39. Variation is the angle between true heading and magnetic heading.
- 40. Lines drawn on a chart joining places having the same variation are isogonic lines.
- 41. Lines joining places of zero magnetic deviation are agonic lines.
- 42. The fuel selector valve selects or shuts off different fuel tanks
- 43. A <u>cold</u> air mass is more dense and therefore <u>sinks</u>, undercutting a <u>warm</u> air mass which will <u>rise</u>

## Part B–Diagrams (7 points)

- 1. Label the following parts on the diagram below.
  - a. Left tank
  - b. Right tank
  - c. Vent
  - d. Selector valve
  - e. Primer
  - f. Strainer
  - g. Carburetor



## Part B–Matching (5 points)

- 1. Label the following parts on the propeller diagram below.
  - a. Thrust
  - b. Relative airflow
  - c. Resultant
  - d. Axis of rotation
  - e. Torque force

