

BLOOD RELATIONS

Cousin → Mother's or father's brothers or sister's son or daughter

Or

Parents' siblings' son or daughter (or) Uncle's or aunt's son or daughter.

Nephew → Brother's or sister's son.

Niece → Brother's or sister's daughter.

Uncle → Father's or mother's brother.

Aunt → Father's or mother's sister.

Father – in – law → Spouse's father (or) wife's or husband's father.

Mother – in – law → Spouse's mother (or) wife's or husband's mother.

Son – in – law → Daughter's husband.

Daughter – in – law → Son's wife.

Brother – in – law → Spouse's brother (or) Sister's husband.

Sister – in – law → Spouse's sister (or) Brother's wife.

Maternal = of or related to mother.

Paternal = of or related to father.

Siblings = brothers or sisters.

Spouse = husband or wife.

Note : Cousin is a common gender. There are no such words cousin brother and cousin sister.

Generations

Persons or relations

-2 generation

- Grand father and grand mother (maternal & paternal).

-1 generation

father-in-law, mother-in-law..

- Mother, father, uncle& aunt (maternal & paternal),

0 generation

cousin.

- I, spouse, brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law,

+1 generation

niece.

- son, daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, nephew,

+2 generation

- grand sons and grand daughters.

Important points to remember :

1) If the question is “how is A related to B”, we must know the gender of A to answer this question.

Without knowing A’s gender, we can not determine the relation from A to B.

- 2) If a person is uncle or aunt to ‘A’, A is that person’s nephew (if A is a male) or niece (if A is a female)
- 3) Cousin is a common gender.

Example : A says to B, “ you are the son of my grand father’s only son”.

Q 1) How is B related to A?

Q 2) How is A related to B?

Explanation :

A 1) B is brother to A.

My grand father’s only son = A’s father (grand father’s only son means only one son...no other son and no daughter also)

A 2) A is either brother or sister to B. A and B are siblings. B is brother to A as we know the gender of B. But we do not know the gender of A.

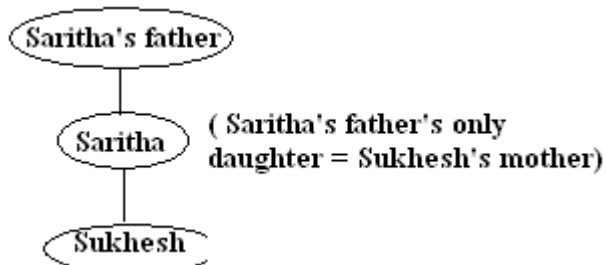
Some of the previous questions

1) The mother of Sukesh is the only daughter of Saritha’s father. How Saritha is related to Sukesh?

- a) Sister
- b) Mother
- c) Aunt
- d) Data inadequate
- e) None of these

Answer : b) Mother.

Explanation : Only daughter of Saritha’s father = Saritha only. The mother of Sukesh is Saritha. So, Saritha is mother to Sukesh.

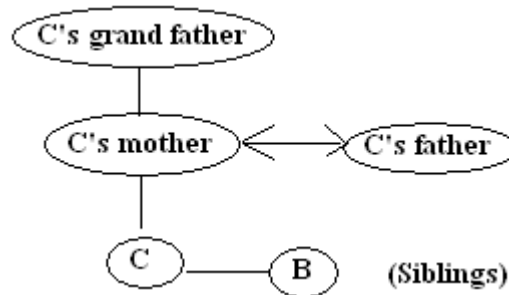


2) B is son of C's grand father's only daughter. How is C's father related to B?

- a) Grand father b) Uncle c) Father d) cant not determine
e) None of these

Answer : c) Father.

Explanation : C's grand father's only daughter means C's mother. B is son of C's mother. So, B and C are siblings. C's father is B's father too.

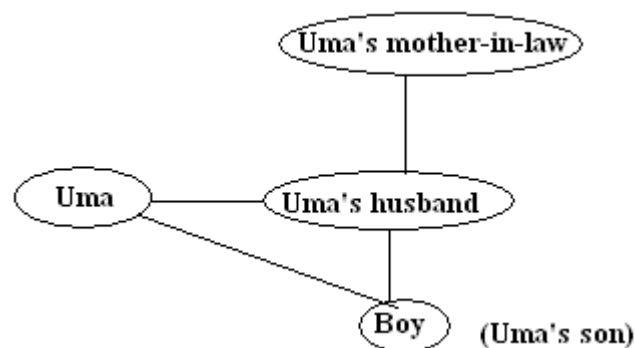


3) Pointing to a boy Uma said, "He is the son of my mother-in-law's only child". How is the boy related to Uma?

- a) son b) Grandson c) Nephew d) brother e) None of these

Answer : a) son.

Explanation : my mother-in-law's only child = Uma's mother-in-law's only child = uma's husband. The boy is the son of Uma's husband. So, Uma is mother to that boy and that boy is son to Uma.

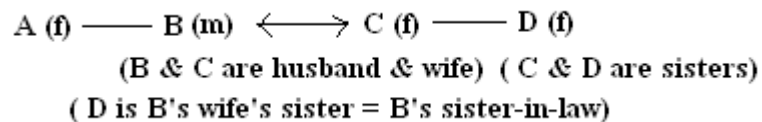


4) B is husband of C. A is sister of B. D is sister of C. How is D related to B?

- a) Son b) uncle c) Father-in-law d) Sister-in-law e) None of these

Answer : d) sister-in-law.

Explanation : B is husband and C is his wife. A is sister of B means A is sister-in-law of C (husband's sister). And D is sister of C means D is sister-in-law of B (wife's sister).



5) Pointing towards a girl, a teacher said, “She is the only daughter of the only son of the wife of the father-in-law of my wife”. How is the girl related to the teacher?

- a) Niece b) Daughter c) Sister d) Daughter-in-law
e) None of these

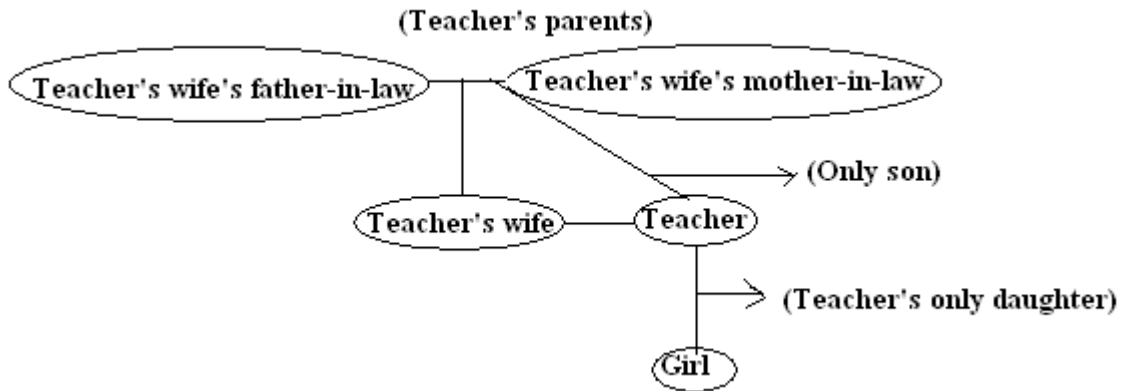
Answer : b) Daughter.

Explanation : father-in-law of my wife = father-in-law of teacher's wife = teacher's father.

Wife of the father-in-law of my wife = wife of teacher's father = teacher's mother.

Only son of teacher's mother = teacher (teacher's parents do not have any other child).

So, she is only daughter of teacher as the teacher does not have any other children.



6) Pointing towards Bhavan, Mrunalini said, “He is the son of only son of my father”. How is the mother of Bhavan related to Mrunalini?

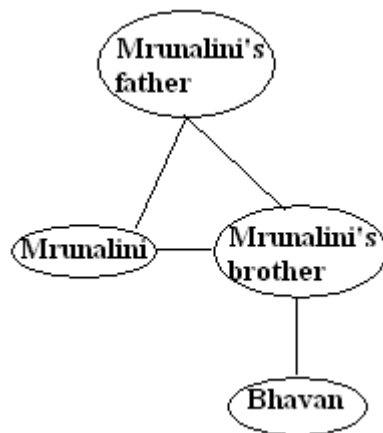
- a) Daughter
- b) Sister-in-law
- c) Sister
- d) Aunt
- e) None of these

Answer : b) Sister-in-law.

Explanation : My father → Mrunalini’s father

Only son of Mrunalini’s father → Mrunalini’s only brother

He(Bhavan) is the son of Mrunalini’s only brother → Bhavan is Mrunalini’s nephew. Mother of Bhavan is Mrunalini’s only brother’s wife → Mrunalini’s sister-in-law.



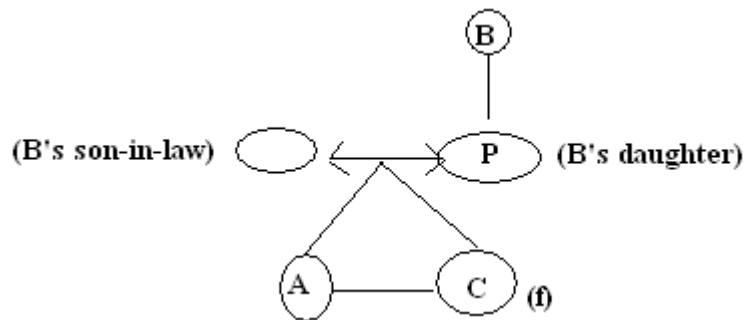
7) A’s father is B’s son-in-law. C, A’s sister, is the daughter of P. How is P related to B?

- a) Daughter
- b) Daughter-in-law
- c) Son-in-law
- d) Cannot be determined
- e) None of these

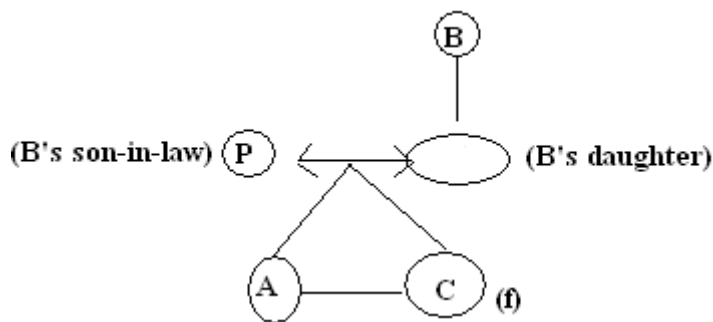
Answer ; d) Cannot be determined.

Explanation : A's father is B's son-in-law → A's mother is B's daughter.

C is daughter of P means P is either Father or Mother of A and C. And P is either son or daughter to B. So, P is either daughter or son-in-law to B.



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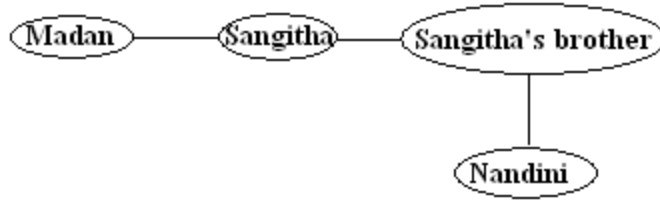


8) Nandini is the only daughter of Madan's sister Sangita's brother. How is Nandini related to Madan?

- a) Daughter b) Niece c) Cousin d) Niece or daughter
e) None of these

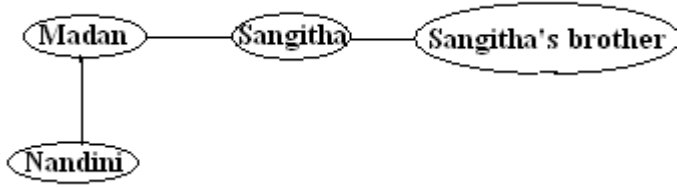
Answer : d) Niece or daughter .

Explanation : Madan's sister sangitha's brother → Either Madan or Madan's brother. So, Nandini is the daughter of Madan or Madan's brother (Niece)



(Nandini is Madan's Niece)

Or



(Nandini is Madan's daughter)

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