A set is a collection of definite well defined objects.

A set is a collection of objects which are distinct from each other.

A set is usually denoted by capital letter, i.e, A, B, S, T, G etc.

A set elements are denoted by small letter, i.e, a, b, s, t etc.

## CONSTRUCTION OF SET:

In construction of set, two methods are commonly used-

1) Roster Method (Enumeration): In this method we prepare a list of objects forming the set, writing the elements one after another between a pair of curly brackets.

For example:

$$A = \{a, b, c, d\}.$$

2) Description Method: In this method we describe the set in symbolic language.

For example:

A set of integer numbers which is divisible by 3 is written as,

 $A = \{x : x \text{ is an integer divisible by 3}\}$ 

TYPES OF SET:

1) Singleton set: If a set consisting only 1 element is known as singleton set.

For example:

$$A = \{a\}.$$

2) Finite set: If a set consisting finite number of elements is known as finite set.

For example:

$$A = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}.$$

3) Infinite set: If a set consisting infinite number of elements is known as infinite set.

For example-

The set of all natural numbers.

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots \}$$

4) Equal sets: Two sets A and B consisting of the same elements is known as equal set.

For example:

$$A = \{a, b, c, d\}$$
 and

$$B = \{a, b, c, d\}$$

5) Empty set: If a set consisting no elements is known as empty set or null set or void set.

For example:

$$A = \{ \emptyset \}$$

6) Subset: Suppose A is a given set, and any set B exist exist whose elements are also an element of A,than B is called subset of A.

For example:

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$$
 and  $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ 

Than,  $B \subseteq A$ . (read as B is the subset of A)

Now take another example;

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$$
 and  $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ 

Than,  $B \subseteq A$ . (read as B is the subset of A)

7) Proper Subset: If B is the subset of A, and  $B \neq A$ , then B is proper subset of A.

For example:

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$$
 and  $B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ 

Than,  $B \subset A$ . (read as B is the proper subset of A)

8) Power set: The set of all subset of a set A, is known as power set of A.

For example:

$$A = \{a, b, c\}$$

Than

Power set,
$$P(A) = \{ \{ \emptyset \}, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{ab\}, \{ac\}, \{ad\}, \{bc\}, \{bd\}, \{cd\}, \{abc\} \} \}$$

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17. Hasse diagram for the "less than or equal to" relation on the set  $S = \{0,1,2,3,4,5\}$