Q. 1 The ratio of boys to girls in a class is 7 to 3 . Among the options below, an acceptable value for the total number of students in the class is:
(A) 21
(B) 37
(C) 50
(D) 73


Answer:

The correct answer is $\mathrm{C}: 50$.

Because the ratio of boys to girls in the class is 7 to 3 , which means that the number of boys and girls must be a multiple of both 7 and 3 . The only option that is a multiple of both 7 and 3 is 50 .

The other options are not acceptable because they are not multiples of both 7 and 3 . Option A, 21 , is a multiple of 3 but not a multiple of 7 . Option $B, 37$, is a multiple of 7 but not a multiple of 3 . Option $\mathrm{D}, 73$, is not a multiple of either 7 or 3 .

Therefore, the only acceptable value for the total number of students in the class is 50.

