

# MEENA (PersianMMMU): Multimodal-Multilingual Educational Exams for N-level Assessment

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## Abstract

Recent advancements in large vision-language models (VLMs) have primarily focused on English, with limited attention given to other languages. To address this gap, we introduce MEENA (also known as PersianMMMU), the first dataset designed to evaluate Persian VLMs across scientific, reasoning, and human-level understanding tasks. Our dataset comprises approximately 7,500 Persian and 3,000 English questions, covering a wide range of topics such as reasoning, mathematics, physics, diagrams, charts, and Persian art and literature. Key features of MEENA include: (1) diverse subject coverage spanning various educational levels, from primary to upper secondary school, (2) rich metadata, including difficulty levels and descriptive answers, (3) original Persian data that preserves cultural nuances, (4) a bilingual structure to assess cross-linguistic performance, and (5) a series of diverse experiments assessing various capabilities, including overall performance, the model’s ability to attend to images, and its tendency to generate hallucinations. We hope this benchmark contributes to enhancing VLM capabilities beyond English.

## 1 Introduction

In recent years, vision-language models (VLMs) (Radford et al., 2021) have rapidly advanced, driving breakthroughs in multimodal tasks that integrate visual and textual understanding, such as visual question answering (Song et al., 2022), image

captioning (Dai et al., 2023), embodied agents (Ma et al., 2025) and document understanding (Luo et al., 2024). Despite their growing deployment, gaps in understanding VLMs’ limitations highlight the need for comprehensive evaluation.

Several benchmarks have been developed to assess VLMs, each addressing different evaluation aspects. MMMU (Yue et al., 2024), derived from college exams, quizzes, and textbooks, is designed to evaluate models on English-language exam questions. BLINK (Fu et al., 2025) focuses on assessing models’ performance on tasks that are intuitive for humans, such as visual similarity. Math-Vista (Lu et al., 2024) specializes in mathematical problem-solving and visual tasks, including tables and bar charts. AI2D (Kembhavi et al., 2016) facilitates question-answering based on diagrams, while MEGA-Bench (Chen et al., 2025) covers a diverse set of tasks, spanning coding, games, and scientific inquiries. Despite progress in VLM evaluation, existing benchmarks remain predominantly English-centric. Moreover, linguistic and cultural differences underscore the necessity of benchmarks that are natively developed for each language rather than adapted through translation. This creates a pressing need for VLM benchmarks in languages beyond English, including Persian.

Persian benchmarks have largely concentrated on image captioning and visual question answering. However, they lack coverage of more complex human-level reasoning, such as mathematical problem-solving, spatial reasoning, and academic or scientific exam questions. Furthermore, most existing benchmarks focus primarily on text-based tasks and LLMs, rather than offering a comprehensive evaluation of VLMs.

Existing benchmarks for VLMs often prioritize

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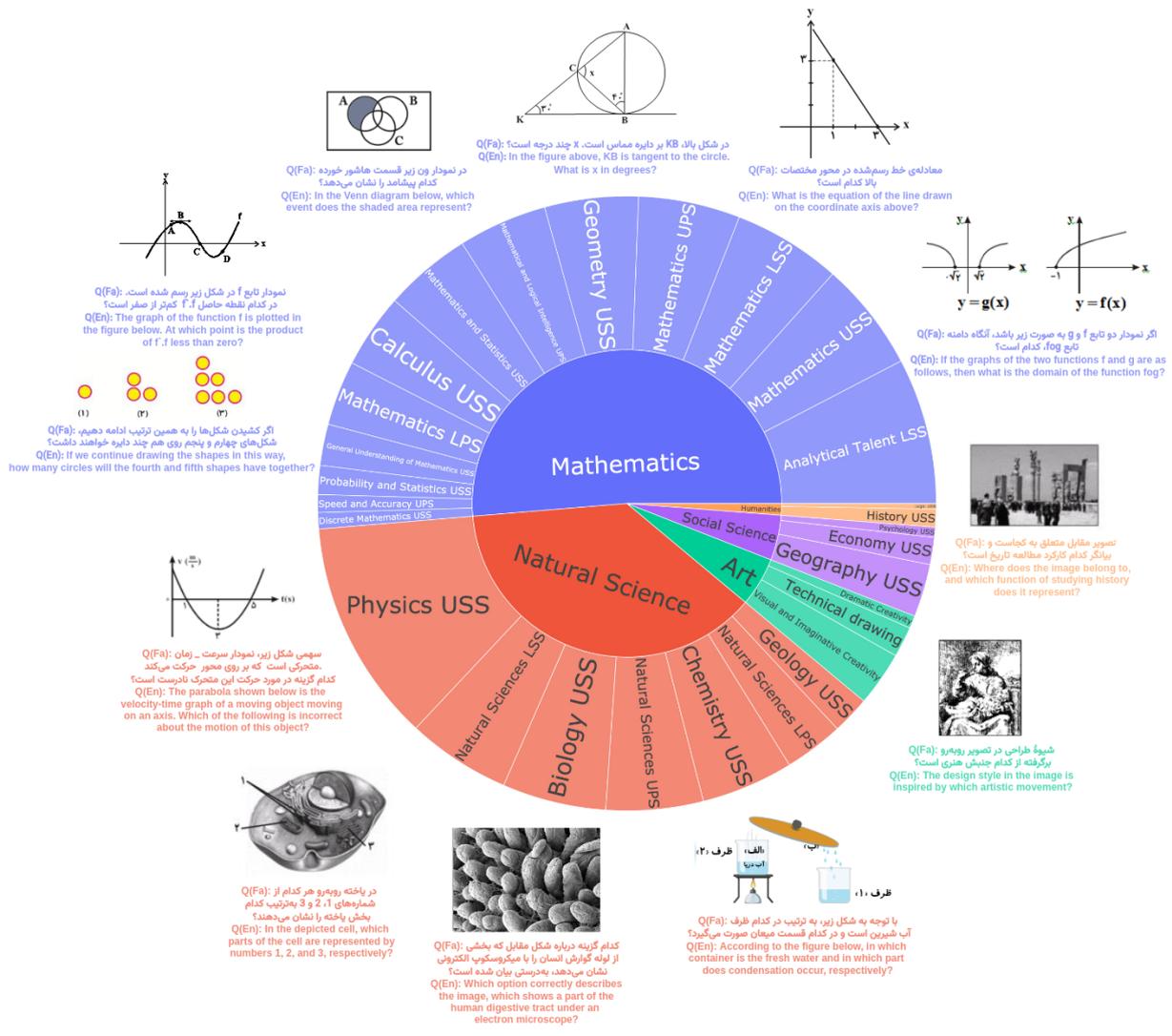


Figure 1: Overview of dataset and some sample questions from different tasks.

limited aspects, such as perception or reasoning, mainly for high-resource languages like English, overlooking the challenges posed by diverse linguistic and cultural contexts. In the case of Persian, a relatively low-resource language, these challenges are more pronounced, with available benchmarks failing to account for its unique linguistic features. Farsi et al. (2025) has several limitations, including its reliance on translations from English datasets, automated question generation, and a lack of complex, domain-specific reasoning tasks. Moreover, it does not evaluate reasoning in scientific disciplines such as mathematics or physics, which require structured logical thought. The use of translated datasets introduces cultural misalignment, which undermines the accuracy of evaluations. These limitations highlight the need for more comprehensive evaluation frameworks.

To address these gaps, we introduce **MEENA**

(**Multimodal Educational Exams for N-level Assessment**), the first dataset designed to evaluate Persian VLMs across scientific, reasoning, and human-level understanding tasks. The name MEENA (Mina) was chosen for this dataset due to its significance in Persian, where "Mina" refers to glass, and Mina-kari is a traditional art form. This aligns with the dataset's multimodal nature, which includes a subset dedicated to art-related questions. Our dataset comprises approximately 7,500 Persian and 3,000 English questions, covering a wide range of topics such as reasoning, mathematics, physics, diagrams, charts, and Persian art and literature. This benchmark spans diverse subject areas across educational levels, from primary to upper secondary school, providing a comprehensive framework to assess the capabilities of VLMs. Key contributions of our work include: (1) The first comprehensive Persian multimodal dataset for sci-

entific and art exams, addressing the limitations of previous benchmarks by incorporating scientific and domain-specific tasks. (2) Extensive experimentation covering a wide range of model evaluation scenarios, including Zero-Shot, Few-Shot, First Describe and focusing on the impact of visual input in different contexts (e.g., "Wrong Image" and "Without Image"). (3) A diverse set of questions varying in difficulty, topic, and format to test model across multiple contexts, such as reasoning, mathematics, physics, diagrams, charts, and Persian art and literature. (4) Rich metadata, including difficulty levels, descriptive answers, and human performance enabling detailed performance analysis across various dimensions. (5) Original Persian data that preserves cultural nuances, ensuring accurate evaluation in a culturally relevant context. (6) A bilingual Persian–English benchmark that enables controlled cross-lingual comparison under identical visual and task conditions, supporting future investigations of cross-linguistic and cross-cultural generalization rather than claiming full multilingual coverage. Our dataset and code are available on Hugging Face<sup>1</sup> and GitHub<sup>2</sup>, respectively.

## 2 Related Works

### 2.1 Vision Language Models

Multimodal vision-language models (VLMs) have emerged at the intersection of computer vision and natural language processing, allowing machines to interpret both visual and textual modalities (Li et al., 2025a). The limitations of large language models (LLMs) in handling single-modality data, particularly in capturing real-world information that requires multi-modal perception, have driven researchers to develop VLMs (Li et al., 2025b; Xu et al., 2024). This has led to the rise of various models, including closed-source options like GPT-5 (OpenAI, 2025), GPT-4o (Hurst et al., 2024), Gemini (Team et al., 2023), and Claude (cla), as well as open-source models such as DeepSeek-VL2 (Wu et al., 2024), InstructBLIP (Dai et al., 2023), and Qwen2.5-VL (Bai et al., 2025). VLMs are increasingly applied in generative AI systems (Abootorabi et al., 2025a), retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) systems (Abootorabi et al., 2025b), education, and healthcare (Hartsock and Rasool,

2024).

### 2.2 VLM Evaluation Benchmarks

To assess the multi-modal capabilities of VLMs, various benchmarks have been introduced. MM-Bench (Liu et al., 2025) introduces multiple-choice questions in English and Chinese that span 20 ability dimensions, such as social relations and action recognition, enabling fine-grained analysis of perception and reasoning. MTVQA (Tang et al., 2025) focuses on multilingual text-in-the-wild understanding, providing human-annotated question-answer pairs in nine languages based on images of menus, maps, slides, etc. CHIRP (Roger et al., 2025) introduces a benchmark for evaluating VLMs on long-form, open-ended responses using a hybrid evaluation model that combines scalable automated metrics with human judgment to better assess creative and complex answers that lack a single correct solution. RefChartQA (Vogel et al., 2025) is another benchmark designed to integrate chart question answering with visual grounding which requires models to localize the specific chart elements that justify their predictions. Some benchmarks focus on more foundational visual skills, like VLM2-Bench (Zhang et al., 2025) which evaluates the ability to link matching visual cues across multiple images, and SalBench (Dahou et al., 2025) which measures the detection of visually salient low-level features.

Recent multimodal exam-style benchmarks such as M3Exam (Zhang et al., 2023a) and EXAMS-V (Das et al., 2024) extend curriculum-based evaluation to multilingual and multimodal settings by sourcing questions from real educational exams across multiple countries and languages. M3Exam provides broad multilingual coverage across education levels, while EXAMS-V further emphasizes tightly integrated multimodal reasoning by embedding textual questions directly within visual exam snapshots and supporting parallel data for several language pairs. However, neither benchmark includes Persian or is designed to evaluate Persian vision–language understanding.

Despite significant advancements, current VLMs still struggle with certain categories of visual tasks, such as visual arithmetic (Huang et al., 2025) (including geometric problem-solving (Gao et al., 2025)) and spatial reasoning, which encompasses spatial relations, orientation, and navigation (Stogiannidis et al., 2025; Chen et al., 2024). To evaluate VLM performance in these areas, various bench-

<sup>1</sup><https://huggingface.co/datasets/raia-center/meena>

<sup>2</sup><https://github.com/raia-center/meena>

marks have been introduced. MMMU (Yue et al., 2024) provides a benchmark featuring multiple-choice and open-ended questions designed to assess VLMs’ perception, knowledge, and reasoning abilities. MMT-Bench (Ying et al., 2024) evaluates VLMs across 32 tasks requiring expert knowledge, visual reasoning, and localization. Additionally, Hoehing et al. (2025); Stogiannidis et al. (2025); Chen et al. (2024) present benchmarks specifically focused on assessing VLMs’ spatial reasoning capabilities.

Despite existing benchmarks for VLM evaluation, few are designed to assess performance in low-resource languages such as Persian. COCO-Flickr Farsi (Kanaani and Ayoubi, 2021) and Persian OCR dataset (Aasdi, 2020) address image captioning and optical character recognition. ParsVQA-Caps (Mobasher et al., 2022) provides a visual question answering task in which questions are generated using templates and by human annotators from images gathered from the web. However, these datasets do not include questions that evaluate VLMs on scientific knowledge or visual reasoning capabilities.

Ghahroodi et al. (2024) introduces a large-scale, culturally grounded benchmark with near 20,000 questions across 38 tasks, enabling rigorous and contamination-free evaluation of LLMs in Persian. Although it covers scientific and reasoning aspects, it lacks visual components and corresponding analysis. Farsi et al. (2025) introduces a valuable benchmark with five question sets, including visual abstract reasoning, word-image puzzles for testing visual-linguistic integration, and Iran-places for assessing knowledge of notable Iranian locations. However, it lacks coverage of key areas in scientific reasoning (Ma et al., 2024). Although it includes abstract reasoning tasks, it omits domains like mathematics and physics that require structured logic, limiting its ability to assess complex scientific problem-solving. The dataset also lacks task diversity and relies on LLM-generated questions, which may yield unreliable evaluations (Al Faraby et al., 2024). Moreover, its closed-source nature restricts broader applicability for evaluating other VLMs. A comparison of a number of Persian and English datasets is provided in Table 1.

### 3 Dataset

The MEENA benchmark offers a robust collection of data designed to evaluate vision-language

models (VLMs) with Persian language support, focusing on multiple-choice question answering. This dataset spans a wide array of disciplines and educational levels, assessing a range of cognitive skills, including reasoning, knowledge application, and comprehension. It is derived from Iran’s 12-year educational framework, which consists of 6 years of primary education—divided into lower primary (LP, years 1–3) and upper primary (UP, years 4–6)—and 6 years of secondary education, split into lower secondary (LS, years 7–9) and upper secondary (US, years 10–12).

#### 3.1 Data Compilation

The dataset primarily originates from two sources: (1) the “Pellekan Yadgiri” (Learning Ladder) platform, operated by the Kanoon Farhangi Amoozesh (Cultural Educational Institute) in Iran, which provides educational resources and standardized exercises, and (2) a curated selection of questions from online sources, including items from the Iranian national university entrance exams. The compilation process involved several steps: **(1) Extraction and Cleaning:** Parsed HTML data to extract question attributes, removed questions with tables or explanatory answers, and deduplicated entries. **(2) Image Processing:** Retained only questions with visual elements, categorized as: (i) questions with a single image, (ii) choices with a single image, or (iii) both question and choices with images. For cases with multiple images, these were merged into a single image to ensure compatibility across VLMs, as some models cannot process multiple inputs. Examples are provided in the appendix. **(3) Content Filtering:** Excluded categories with insufficient visual questions (e.g., literature). **(4) Diversity and Contribution:** Questions stem from a broad pool of educators, reducing individual bias and enhancing variety. The dataset is licensed under Creative Commons No Derivatives (CC ND). Sampling was weighted using the formula  $1/\text{weight}^{1/4}$ , where weight denotes the number of questions per category, tuned to  $1/4$  to address data imbalance while preserving diversity. Uniform sampling or fixed-size subsets were avoided to maintain fairness across categories with varying question counts. A bilingual subset of 3,067 questions (547 from online sources and 2,520 from Pellekan Yadgiri) was created by translating items with Persian text in images into English, retaining only those with pure English or non-text visuals. Detailed examples of the MEENA dataset are included in Appendix A.

Dataset	Languages	VU Tasks	Type & # Sample (Img)	Access	Metadata			
					Desc. Ans.	Diff. Lev.	Trap	# Tasks (Subtasks)
MMT-Bench	Eng.	MCQA	gen: 31.3K	Open	×	×	×	32 (162)
MMMU	Eng.	MCQA, AM	orig: 11.5K	Open	18%	✓	×	30 (183)
Farsi et al. (2025)	Per., Eng.	MCQA, AM	tran: 7.7K(1K), gen: 70K(7K), orig: 0.6K+?	Closed	×	×	×	5
ParsVQA-Caps	Per.	AM, IC	orig: 27.5K(18.5K)	Open	×	×	-	11
PICD*	Per.	IC	orig: 41K(1.5K)	Open	-	-	-	5
CFF**	Per.	OCR	tran: 124K	Open	-	-	-	1
Persian-OCR	Per.	OCR	orig: 33K	Open (7K)	-	-	-	2
MEENA (Ours)	Per., Eng.	MCQA	orig(Per.): 7.4K (tran(Eng.): 3K)	Open	✓	✓	✓	27

Table 1: A summary of various English and Persian VLM benchmarks, detailing the supported languages, vision understanding tasks, type and number of questions, accessibility, metadata (descriptive answers, difficulty levels, traps), and number of tasks (subtasks). As trapped questions are not defined for questions other than multiple choice, we marked those fields with a hyphen (-). The same is applied for descriptive answers of questions other than multiple choice and answer matching. VU: Vision Understanding, Desc. Ans.: Descriptive Answer, Diff. Lev.: Difficulty Level, # Img: Number of images, Eng: English, MCQA: Multiple Choice Question Answering, gen: Generated Questions, orig: Original Questions, tran: Translated Questions, IC: Image Captioning, OCR: Optical Character Recognition, AM: Answer Matching. In Answer Matching, the answer of question could be short-form, long-form, number, or yes/no.

\*Persian Image Captioning Dataset (Malekzadeh Lashkaryani, 2021)

\*\*COCO-Flickr Farsi (Kanaani and Ayoubi, 2021)

### 3.2 Metadata Details

The Pellekan Yadgiri subset, forming the bulk of the MEENA benchmark, includes rich metadata to support in-depth analysis:

**Educational Level:** Tags questions to LP, UP, LS, or US, aligning difficulty with expected knowledge at each stage.

**Difficulty Rating:** Assigns one of five levels—easy, moderately easy, medium, moderately hard, hard—for granular performance assessment.

**Answer Explanations:** Provides detailed reasoning for each correct answer, aiding comprehension and evaluation.

**Trap Indicators:** Flags questions with misleading “trap” choices, often rated as harder, to study reasoning pitfalls.

**Student Success Rate:** Records the percentage of students answering correctly, offering a human performance baseline.

**Subject Breakdown:** Organizes questions into precise topics (e.g., “Mathematics → Algebra → Equations”), enabling targeted analysis.

**Creation Year:** Tracks the year of question design, revealing trends in complexity over time.

This metadata enables comparisons between human and VLM performance, highlighting strengths and weaknesses in reasoning, trap avoidance, and topic-specific proficiency.

### 3.3 Statistical Overview

The dataset comprises 7,483 multiple-choice questions: 6,936 from Pellekan Yadgiri and 547 from online sources. It covers domains such as human-

ities, mathematics, sciences, and reasoning skills, with 6,936 questions linked to human performance data (Pellekan Yadgiri only) and a subset featuring trap elements. The images in dataset vary in complexity, from simple shapes used in questions for lower primary levels to detailed graphs depicting advanced geometric problems and cellular diagrams showing different organelles for higher secondary education. The images have an average resolution of 275×180 pixels, with a standard deviation of 167×98 pixels.

### 3.4 Translation Process

To extend our primarily Persian dataset into an English counterpart, we adopted a systematic translation pipeline that combines both automated methods and quality checks. Our main translation engine is **GPT-4o**, configured to handle multi-sentence and domain-specific text. Further details and evaluation results of our translation method are included in the Appendix B.

**Evaluation Methodology:** We applied an **LLM-as-a-Judge** approach, inspired by recent studies Feng et al. (2024); Gu et al. (2025); Zhu et al. (2025); Zheng et al. (2023), in which a large language model (GPT-4o in an evaluator mode) directly compares the translated text to the original Persian input. This model provides a semantic alignment score on a scale from 1 to 5, thus going beyond token matching to incorporate context-aware judgments about meaning preservation and fluency.

**Selection Criterion:** All translated samples

Methods&Datasets	Zero Shot	ICL	First Describe	Wrong Image	Without Image
<b>MEENA Persian Dataset</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.310	0.224	0.312	0.221	0.235
GPT-4o	0.413	<b>0.385</b>	0.422	0.247	<b>0.292</b>
GPT-4-Turbo	0.313	0.310	0.295	-	0.213
Gemini-2.0-flash	<b>0.435</b>	0.377	<b>0.504</b>	0.121	0.267
Gemma-3-27b-it	0.372	0.343	0.387	<b>0.290</b>	0.112
<b>MEENA English Dataset</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.368	0.312	0.361	0.275	0.279
GPT-4o	0.474	0.397	<b>0.464</b>	0.269	<b>0.401</b>
GPT-4-Turbo	0.440	0.384	0.381	<b>0.306</b>	0.304
Gemini-2.0-flash	<b>0.494</b>	<b>0.464</b>	0.459	0.178	0.311
Gemma-3-27b-it	0.426	0.412	0.446	0.261	0.128
instructblip-t5	0.226	*	0.193	0.197	*
<b>Art Persian Dataset</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.323	0.250	0.248	0.193	0.206
GPT-4o	0.354	0.239	0.374	0.171	0.182
GPT-4-Turbo	0.305	0.305	0.265	-	0.186
Gemini-2.0-flash	0.297	0.318	<b>0.387</b>	0.122	0.244
Gemma-3-27b-it	<b>0.371</b>	<b>0.334</b>	0.358	<b>0.325</b>	<b>0.393</b>
<b>Art English Dataset</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.343	0.276	0.301	0.241	0.217
GPT-4o	0.372	0.311	0.406	0.230	0.232
GPT-4-Turbo	0.336	0.374	0.334	0.197	0.294
Gemini-2.0-flash	0.376	0.372	0.329	0.151	0.159
Gemma-3-27b-it	<b>0.404</b>	<b>0.411</b>	<b>0.410</b>	<b>0.307</b>	<b>0.358</b>
instructblip-t5	0.274	*	0.266	0.274	*

Table 2: Accuracy comparison of different models across various tasks (Zero Shot, In-Context Learning, First Describe, Wrong Image, and Without Image) on the MEENA and Art datasets in both Persian and English. An asterisk (\*) in the table indicates that the model does not support the corresponding setting.

scoring **4 or higher** on the 1–5 scale were retained for the final English dataset. Samples below this threshold underwent additional review or revision to address discrepancies. This filtering ensures that only high-quality English renditions of Persian questions persist, resulting in a consistent, reliable dataset suitable for cross-lingual vision-language model evaluations.

**Human Validation and Reliability:** While automated evaluation enables scalability, LLM-based judgment is used as a filtering mechanism rather than a gold standard and is validated through both cross-model agreement analysis and targeted human evaluation. We randomly sampled 20 bilingual questions and asked a C1-level English speaker (IELTS 7.5) to rate the English translations on a 1–5 scale. The human and LLM-based evaluations show high agreement (90%, Cohen’s  $\kappa \approx 0.74$ ), indicating the reliability of the proposed translation quality control pipeline. A detailed analysis is provided in Appendix B.

### 3.5 Distinguishing Features

The MEENA benchmark excels due to:

**Broad Scope:** Encompasses diverse fields from analytical reasoning to scientific inquiry across educational stages.

**Enhanced Metadata:** Offers contextual depth for sophisticated model evaluation.

**Persian Authenticity:** Retains original Persian con-

tent with cultural relevance, avoiding translation artifacts.

## 4 Experiments

### 4.1 Experiment Overview

We analyze two languages (Persian and English) and classify each question into three different cases based on the presence of images. Specifically:

**Questions with images:** Only the question prompt contains images.

**Choices with an image:** Only the answer options (choices) contain images.

**Both inquiries and selections involving pictures:** Images are present in both the question and its multiple-choice options.

We evaluate **GPT-4o** and **GPT-4o-mini** (OpenAI, 2024), **GPT-4-Turbo** (OpenAI, 2023), **Gemini-2.0-flash** (DeepMind, 2023), **Gemma3-27B-it** (Team et al., 2025), and **InstructBLIP-T5** (Dai et al., 2023) on **Persian** and **English** data.

To determine how visual information affects the model’s performance, each of these three cases is examined independently. We further design five experimental settings (Zero-Shot, In-Context Learning, First Describe, Wrong Image, Without Image) to isolate the impact of different multimodal cues and prompting strategies. For further details about the models and the rationality behind the experiment settings, see Appendix C.

## 4.2 Experimental Design

Below, we formalize each of our five main experiment types using a uniform notation. Let  $q_*$  be the textual question (in Persian or English),  $x_*$  be the (true or substituted) image relevant to  $q_*$ ,  $c_*$  be the correct answer or label we aim to predict,  $M(\cdot)$  denote the model’s output given specified inputs. For every experiment, the same set of questions is used.

**Zero-Shot (ZS).** A minimal-guidance setup in which the model receives only the single question-image pair  $(q_*, x_*)$  with no supplemental examples:

$$\hat{c}_* = M(q_*, x_*).$$

Here,  $\hat{c}_*$  represents the model’s direct output under default settings. Concretely, each input prompt includes the text of  $q_*$  and the raw image as two distinct inputs. No additional context (such as sample Q&A pairs) is provided. Each pair is processed independently, ensuring no cross-contamination of information between different items.

**In-Context Learning (ICL).** We provide  $k$  example triplets  $\{(q_i, c_i)\}_{i=1}^k$  as demonstrations immediately before the target query  $(q_*, x_*)$ :

$$\hat{c}_* = M(\{(q_i, c_i)\}_{i=1}^k, q_*, x_*).$$

The value of  $k$  set to four and is kept consistent within each run. Additionally, the examples were chosen manually, ensuring the examples are informative and relevant to the questions topic.

**First Describe (FD).** We draw inspiration from chain-of-thought prompting approaches (Zhang et al., 2023b) that encourage models to generate intermediate reasoning steps in text form before producing a final output. Similar works on multimodal reasoning (Rose et al., 2024; Zhang et al., 2024; Zheng et al., 2024) also motivate explicit step-by-step analysis of visual content. In our adaptation, we create a form of “visual chain of thought” for each image, aiming to prevent the model from taking shortcuts (i.e., guessing an answer without fully accounting for the image).

**Experiments with Mismatched or Missing Images.** Before introducing the *Wrong Image* and *Without Image* settings, we note that prior research on multimodal grounding and visual-text alignment has explored techniques such as image substitution

or omission to diagnose model dependencies (Hemat et al., 2024; Favero et al., 2024; Villa et al., 2025; Gunjal et al., 2024; Wang et al., 2024). In our design, we follow similar practices to investigate whether the absence or irrelevance of the image affects a model’s predictive outcome. We adopt two settings that vary the presence or correctness of the accompanying image:

**Wrong Image (WI).** We replace the correct image  $x_*$  with an intentionally mismatched or irrelevant image  $\hat{x}$  that does not correspond to  $q_*$ :

$$\hat{c}_* = M(q_*, \hat{x}).$$

All other prompt elements remain unchanged. Each wrong image  $\hat{x}$  is drawn from a pool of images that are confirmed to be unrelated to the content of  $q_*$ . This ensures the mismatch is unambiguous. The input format (text+image) is kept identical to Zero-Shot, except we swap out the image.

**Without Image (WO).** We remove the image entirely:

$$\hat{c}_* = M(q_*, x_* = \emptyset).$$

In practice, the model is given only the text of  $q_*$ , and references to an image are either omitted or replaced with a placeholder (e.g., “[No Image Provided]”) depending on how the prompts are typically structured. The rest of the setup, including question style and domain, remains identical to Zero-Shot.

## 4.3 Answer Extraction

To assess model performance, it is essential to identify the option selected by the model in its generated response and use it to compute accuracy. To achieve this, we implement a two-stage framework. In the first stage, we apply regex-based pattern matching to extract explicit statements, such as “The correct answer is option 2.” When these predefined rule-based patterns match, we can confidently extract the model’s selected option. However, in approximately half of the cases, regex patterns do not yield a match. Furthermore, depending on the nature of the experiment such as scenarios where no image is provided, the model may correctly infer the absence of an image and generate a response like “An image is required to answer this question.” To handle such cases, we leverage LLM as a judge, utilizing the GPT-4o-mini model to infer the selected option when explicit patterns are absent.

Model	lvl 12	lvl 11	lvl 10	lvl 9	lvl 8	lvl 7	lvl 6	lvl 5	lvl 4	lvl 3	lvl 2
GPT-4o-mini	0.29	0.27	0.32	0.5	0.49	0.57	0.33	0.65	0.57	0.57	0.71
GPT-4o	0.38	0.37	0.48	0.64	0.61	0.68	0.63	0.75	0.77	0.72	0.87
GPT-4-Turbo	0.23	0.32	0.48	0.57	0.56	0.68	0.52	0.68	0.52	0.6	0.81
Gemini-2.0-flash	0.47	0.4	0.72	0.59	0.72	0.75	0.59	0.68	0.66	0.62	0.76
instructblip-t5	0.42	0.16	0.2	0.36	0.28	0.27	0.14	0.42	0.34	0.37	0.42

Figure 2: Heatmap of model accuracy across different levels of the **MEENA English** dataset for the **Chemistry Course/Experimental Science** in the **Zero-shot** experiment.

Model	lvl 12	lvl 11	lvl 10	lvl 9	lvl 8	lvl 7	lvl 6	lvl 5	lvl 4	lvl 3	lvl 2
GPT-4o-mini	0.45	0.23	0.41	0.44	0.29	0.35	0.46	0.33	0.31	0.42	0.36
GPT-4o	0.35	0.41	0.5	0.48	0.37	0.64	0.37	0.55	0.65	0.5	0.6
GPT-4-Turbo	0.25	0.32	0.38	0.44	0.34	0.47	0.48	0.5	0.42	0.5	0.49
Gemini-2.0-flash	0.48	0.57	0.53	0.63	0.53	0.64	0.43	0.5	0.47	0.58	0.57
instructblip-t5	0.16	0.27	0.28	0.14	0.16	0.2	0.2	0.22	0.19	0.14	0.21

Figure 3: Heatmap of model accuracy across different levels of the **MEENA English** dataset for the **Mathematics** in the **Zero-Shot** experiment.

This model also determines whether the response indicates a missing image, assesses instances where the model fails to comprehend the question, and identifies responses that indicate an incorrect image reference. All prompts used in the experiments, translations, and LLM as a judge are provided in the appendix E.

## 5 Results and discussions

**Knowledge-Based Tasks Consistently Outperform Reasoning Ones:** The evaluation presented in Figure 4(a) highlights a performance gap between knowledge-based and reasoning tasks across various models. Knowledge-based tasks consistently outperform reasoning tasks by a significant margin of +10–19% in absolute accuracy. This trend is observed for both English and Persian tasks, though Persian tasks generally exhibit lower accuracy, likely due to differences in training data distribution. These results suggest that while current vision-language models excel at factual recall, they face greater challenges with complex reasoning tasks. Moreover, the performance gap is more pronounced in Persian, indicating that reasoning tasks in this language are more difficult than in English.

**Hallucination Detection Performance with Incorrect Images:** Figure 5 compares hallucination detection rates across three vision-language models—Gemini 2.0 Flash, GPT-4, and GPT-4 Mini—on the Art and MEENA datasets in both English and Persian. To evaluate hallucination detection, we replace each query’s image with an incorrect one (Section 4.2) and consider a detection successful only if the model identifies the mismatch. Gemini 2.0 Flash consistently achieves

higher detection rates than both GPT-4 and GPT-4 Mini across datasets, with a particularly significant performance gap in Persian. The detection rate difference between Gemini 2.0 Flash and GPT-4 Mini on the MEENA dataset is over 400 detections, suggesting that Gemini 2.0 Flash is more robust at recognizing inconsistencies, especially in Persian contexts.

**No Image Errors in Image Detection Across Models:** Figure 4(b) illustrates the frequency at which different models mistakenly report the absence of an image, despite one being provided. The chart displays the percentage of ‘no image’ responses for four models, evaluated on both English and Persian inputs. GPT-4-Turbo and GPT-4o demonstrate relatively low ‘no image’ error rates across both languages, with English inputs yielding slightly fewer errors than Persian. In contrast, Gemini 2.0 Flash exhibits a markedly higher incidence of ‘no image’ responses, particularly for Persian inputs, where the error rate reaches 9.17%.

**Models Struggle with Higher-Level Questions:** Figures 2 and 3 show that as question difficulty increases in the Chemistry and Mathematics tasks of the zero-shot experiment in English, model performance generally declines. While models like GPT-4o-mini and GPT-4-Turbo experience significant drops in accuracy at higher levels, Gemini-2.0-flash maintains relatively consistent performance, particularly in the Mathematics task. In contrast, instructblip-t5 struggles across all levels, especially in the Chemistry task. Further results are provided in the appendix D. To better understand the sources of these errors, we conduct a qualitative analysis of reasoning, linguistic, and cultural failure modes in

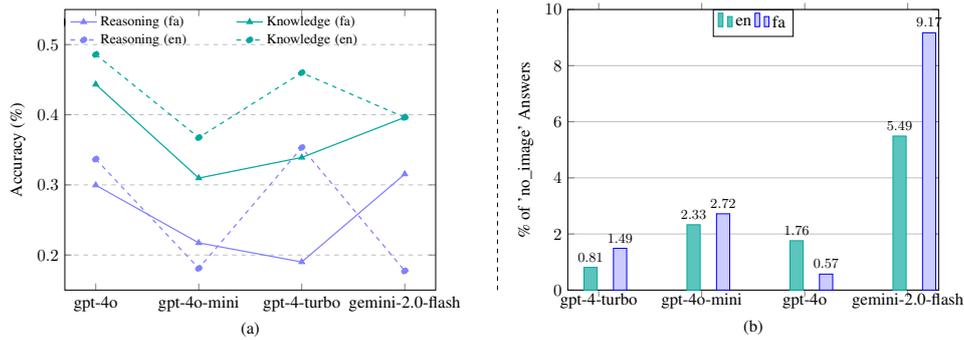


Figure 4: (a) Accuracy comparison of reasoning and knowledge-based tasks across models in English (en) and Persian (fa). Solid lines represent Persian tasks, while dashed lines indicate English tasks. (b) Comparison of 'no image' error rates for English (en) and Persian (fa) inputs. GPT-4-Turbo and GPT-4o maintain consistently low error rates in both languages, while Gemini 2.0 Flash exhibits significantly higher errors, particularly for Persian inputs.

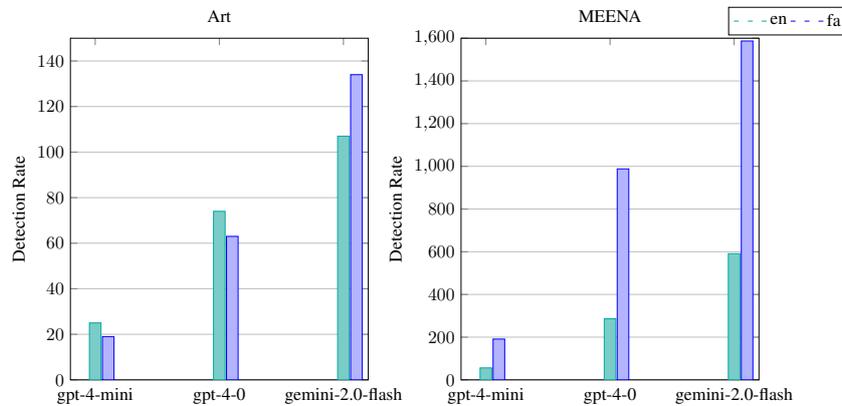


Figure 5: Hallucination detection rates across three vision-language models (GPT-4 Mini, GPT-4, and Gemini 2.0 Flash) on the Art and MEENA datasets, for both English and Persian. The bars represent detection rates for each model in both languages, with a clear performance gap observed in Persian, particularly for Gemini 2.0 Flash.

## Appendix G.

## 6 Conclusions

In this study, we present MEENA, the first benchmark designed to assess scientific reasoning, problem-solving, and human-level Persian language understanding in VLMs. MEENA comprises multiple-choice questions available in both Persian and English, enriched with extensive meta-data, including difficulty levels and descriptive answers. Furthermore, we conducted a series of experiments to analyze different model capabilities, including Zero-Shot, In-Context Learning, First Describe, Wrong Image, and Without Image scenarios. Our evaluation highlights key performance trends across vision-language models. (1) Knowledge-based tasks consistently outperform reasoning-based ones, with a more pronounced gap in Persian. (2) Gemini 2.0-flash surpasses GPT-4 and GPT-4o-Mini in detecting image mismatches, demonstrating greater reliability in mitigating hallucinations, particularly in Persian. (3) GPT-4-Turbo and GPT-4o excel in image presence detection, while Gemini 2.0-flash shows higher 'no image' error rates. (4) Models struggle with higher-level Chemistry and Mathematics questions, with performance declining as complexity increases. These findings emphasize the challenges of complex reasoning and domain-specific knowledge retrieval in both Persian and English for VLMs.

While MEENA is broad and carefully curated, we note several scope and methodology limits that contextualize our findings: (i) results pertain to multiple-choice QA rather than open-ended rationales or multi-step derivations, so they capture a specific slice of multimodal competence; (ii) the English split is produced by an automated translation + LLM-as-judge pipeline, and although dual vetting by GPT-4o and Gemini-2.5-flash with a conservative  $\geq 4.0$  filter reduces single-model bias,

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residual model-specific effects and measurement noise may persist; (iii) the budget-limited cross-model validation on 400 shared items bounds the precision of both distributional estimates and agreement coefficients; (iv) rule-based answer extraction with LLM-backed adjudication can introduce small but non-zero labeling errors; (v) items that contain Persian text inside images may couple OCR/text-reading abilities with higher-level reasoning, potentially conflating perception with inference; and (vi) ablations such as “wrong image”/“no image” primarily diagnose multimodal grounding sensitivity and should not be interpreted as standalone accuracy metrics. These constraints do not diminish our central contribution—a large, metadata-rich, Persian-grounded benchmark with bilingual coverage—but clarify the aspects of multimodal ability our results most directly measure.

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## **A Dataset Additional Information**

We provide several examples from our dataset, MEENA, showcasing the diversity and structure of the questions included. Each example contains a visual component along with corresponding questions in both Persian and English. These samples illustrate different question formats, such as multiple-choice questions, mathematical problem-solving, and pattern recognition, all integrated with images.

**Persian question:**

شکل مقابل نشان دهنده رایج ترین سلول سوختی است. چند مورد از مطالب زیر نادرست هستند؟

آ) در این سلول دو گاز به طور کنترل شده با یکدیگر وارد واکنش می شوند و در حدود ۶۰ درصد از انرژی شیمیایی تولیدی به انرژی الکتریکی تبدیل می شود.

ب) واکنش کلی انجام شده در این سلول به صورت  $2H_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(l)$  است.

پ) در این سلول جریان الکترون ها در مدار بیرونی برخلاف جریان پروتون ها در غشای مبادله کننده پروتون، از آند به کاتد است.

ت) گاز B همان گاز A است که می تواند به عنوان سوخت این سلول به طور پیوسته وارد سلول شده و اکسایش یابد.  $(C = 12, O = 16, H = 1 : g.mol^{-1})$

۱-۱  
۲-۲  
۳-۳  
۴-۴

**English question:**

The figure opposite represents the most common fuel cell. How many of the following statements are incorrect?

A) In this cell, two gases react with each other in a controlled manner, and about 60% of the generated chemical energy is converted into electrical energy.

B) The overall reaction occurring in this cell is represented as  $2H_2(g) + O_2(g) \rightarrow 2H_2O(l)$ .

C) In this cell, the flow of electrons in the external circuit is from anode to cathode, opposite to the flow of protons in the proton exchange membrane.

D) Gas B is the same as gas A, which can continuously enter the cell as fuel and be oxidized.

1) 1 2) 2 3) 3 4) 4

**Persian question:**

طرح رو به رو با موضوع مرغ و درخت، از دست یافت های سنتی کدام اقوام است؟

۱- ایل عرب - خوزستان

۲- ایل بهارلو - فارس

۳- لک - کرمانشاه

۴- ترک - همدان

**English question:**

The design featuring a chicken and a tree, shown in front, is a traditional handmade craft of which ethnic group?

1) Arab Tribe - Khuzestan

2) Baharlu Tribe - Fars

3) Lak - Kermanshah

4) Turk - Hamedan

Figure 6: Sample of MEENA questions

**Question**

مجموع انگشتان باز دست راست و انگشتان باز دست چپ شکل زیر، در کدام گزینه به صورت صحیح آمده است؟  
Which option correctly states the sum of the open fingers of the right hand and the open fingers of the left hand in the figure below?

1.

2.

3.

4.

**Question:**

از کدام شکل گسترده مکعبی با نمای روبه‌رو حاصل می‌شود؟ پشت برگه‌ها کاملاً سفید است.  
From which unfolded shape is the cube with the front view obtained? The back of the sheets is completely white.

1.

2.

3.

4.

**Question**

عدد احاطه‌گری کدام گزینه متفاوت از گزینه‌های دیگر است؟

1.

2.

3.

4.

**Question:**

غذای کدام جانور، میوه یا دانه نیست؟  
Which animal's food is not fruit or seeds?

1.

2.

3.

4.

Figure 7: Sample of MEENA questions with picture in choices

**Persian question:**

اگر خط  $g$  مطابق شکل زیر در نقطه  $A(2,3)$  بر نمودار  $f(x)$  مماس و  $f'(2) = 2$  باشد، آن‌گاه عرض از مبدأ خط  $g$  کدام است؟

-1 -1

2 -2

1 -3

-3 -4

**Persian question:**

با توجه به نمودار زیر برای تولید ۱۶۰ گرم هیدرازین از گازهای نیتروژن و هیدروژن، چند کیلوژول انرژی لازم است؟  
( $H = 1$  ,  $N = 14$  :  $g \cdot mol^{-1}$ )

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Figure 8: Sample of MEENA questions including Persian texts in picture

## B Translation Process and Quality Assurance

**Pipeline.** To extend our primarily Persian dataset into an English counterpart, we employ a systematic translation pipeline that combines automated translation with explicit quality controls. Our main translation engine is **GPT-4o**, configured to handle multi-sentence, domain-specific text. Following Feng et al. (2024); Gu et al. (2025); Zhu et al. (2025); Zheng et al. (2023), we then apply an **LLM-as-a-Judge** procedure in which a large language model directly compares the English translation to the original Persian input and assigns a *semantic alignment* score on a 1–5 scale. The rubric is mapped to nine letter bands (A–I); the numeric thresholds we use are A: 4.5–5.0, B: 4.0–4.49, C: 3.5–3.99, D–I: <3.5 (see Table 3 for the band cut-offs and Appendix D for the 1–5 scoring rubric).

**Primary selection criterion.** We retain a translated item only if it achieves a score of  $\geq 4.0$  on the 1–5 scale. Items below this threshold undergo revision or are discarded. This conservative filter ensures high semantic fidelity and fluency in the English set used for cross-lingual VLM evaluation.

**Cross-model validation (Gemini-2.5-flash).** To verify that our pipeline is not brittle with respect to the choice of LLM, we re-ran the automatic translation-quality check on a second foundation model—**Gemini-2.5-flash**—using *exactly* the same prompt on **400** randomly sampled Q–A pairs (the largest feasible budget on short notice). The scoring rubric (A–I) and thresholds match Table 3 and Appendix D. Table 3 reports the distribution.

Score	Threshold (avg. 1–5)	Count	Proportion
A	4.5 – 5.0	337	84.3%
B	4.0 – 4.49	52	13.0%
C	3.5 – 3.99	11	2.8%
D–I	< 3.5	0	0%

Table 3: Gemini-2.5-flash quality distribution over 400 sampled translations under the A–I rubric. Ninety-seven percent of samples score  $\geq 4.0$  and none fall below 3.5.

Translation quality is high: **97%** of items score  $\geq 4.0$  and none fall below 3.5. Compared to the earlier GPT-4o evaluation (81% A, 15% B, 4% C), Gemini’s distribution is *slightly stronger*, confirming that our  $\geq 4.0$  threshold remains conservative across architectures.

**Item-level agreement between GPT-4o and Gemini.** We assessed consistency on the **same 400 items (2,000 paired 1–5 ratings)**. Almost all disagreements are by only one point. Agreement statistics are summarised in Table 4.

Metric	Value	Interpretation
Raw agreement ( $P_o$ )	84.5%	Very few outright mismatches
Cohen’s $\kappa$ (unweighted)	0.42	Moderate agreement
Weighted $\kappa$ (quadratic)	0.69	Substantial agreement (Landis and Koch, 1977)

Table 4: Agreement between GPT-4o and Gemini-2.5-flash on 400 shared items. Near-miss disagreements (off by one point) drive the higher weighted  $\kappa$ .

The quadratic-weighted  $\kappa = 0.69$  falls comfortably in the *substantial* band (Landis and Koch, 1977), indicating that the two architecturally distinct models assign *consistently similar* scores to the same translations.

**Human validation.** To ground the automated assessments in human judgment, we additionally conducted a targeted human evaluation. We randomly sampled 20 bilingual question pairs from the dataset and asked a C1-level English speaker (IELTS 7.5) to rate the faithfulness of the English translations on the same 1–5 semantic alignment scale used by the LLM evaluators. Human and LLM judgments show high consistency, with 90% agreement and Cohen’s  $\kappa \approx 0.74$ , indicating substantial agreement.

Score	#Human	#LLM-as-judge	Both agree
5	16	14	14
4	4	6	4
Total	20	20	18 (90%)

Table 5: Human versus LLM-as-judge ratings for translation faithfulness on a random sample of 20 bilingual questions.

**Mitigating single-model bias.** To further reduce dependence on any single model, we (i) source Persian items from human-authored educational content and (ii) *accept a question only if it independently passes the  $\geq 4.0$  filter under both GPT-4o and Gemini-2.5-flash*. This dual-vetting step yields a final dataset that is robust to model-specific quirks while preserving high semantic fidelity.

## C Experiments Additional Information

### 3.1 Models Used

We evaluate the following models in our experiments:

- **GPT-4o** and **GPT-4o-mini**: Larger and smaller variants of OpenAI’s GPT-4-based architecture capable of processing text, images, and audio, designed for real-time multimodal interaction (OpenAI, 2024).
- **GPT-4-Turbo**: An optimized variant of GPT-4, developed by OpenAI, suited for interactive dialogue with improved cost and performance characteristics (OpenAI, 2023).
- **Gemini-2.0-flash**: A multimodal vision-language model developed by Google DeepMind, trained to process and integrate text, image, and video inputs efficiently (DeepMind, 2023).
- **InstructBLIP-T5**: A T5-based vision-language model that incorporates instruction tuning and visual grounding to handle complex multimodal tasks (Dai et al., 2023).

By evaluating all models on the same tasks and under each of the five experimental settings, we can measure their relative strengths and weaknesses in multimodal reasoning.

### 3.2 Experimental Cases and Motivations

We apply each of the five experiment types (ZS, ICL, FD, WI, WO) to the three image-based question categories introduced earlier: (1) questions with images, (2) choices with images, and (3) both questions and choices containing images. The rationale for each experiment type is as follows:

- **Zero-Shot (ZS)**: Establishes a baseline for model performance without contextual examples.
- **In-Context Learning (ICL)**: Investigates whether a few-shot prompt improves multimodal understanding.
- **First Describe (FD)**: Tests whether forcing a detailed image description yields more accurate reasoning.
- **Wrong Image (WI)**: Assesses how reliant the model is on correct image cues (detecting mismatches, etc.).

- **Without Image (WO)**: Shows performance under pure text-only conditions, contrasting it with results that use images.

## **D Results**

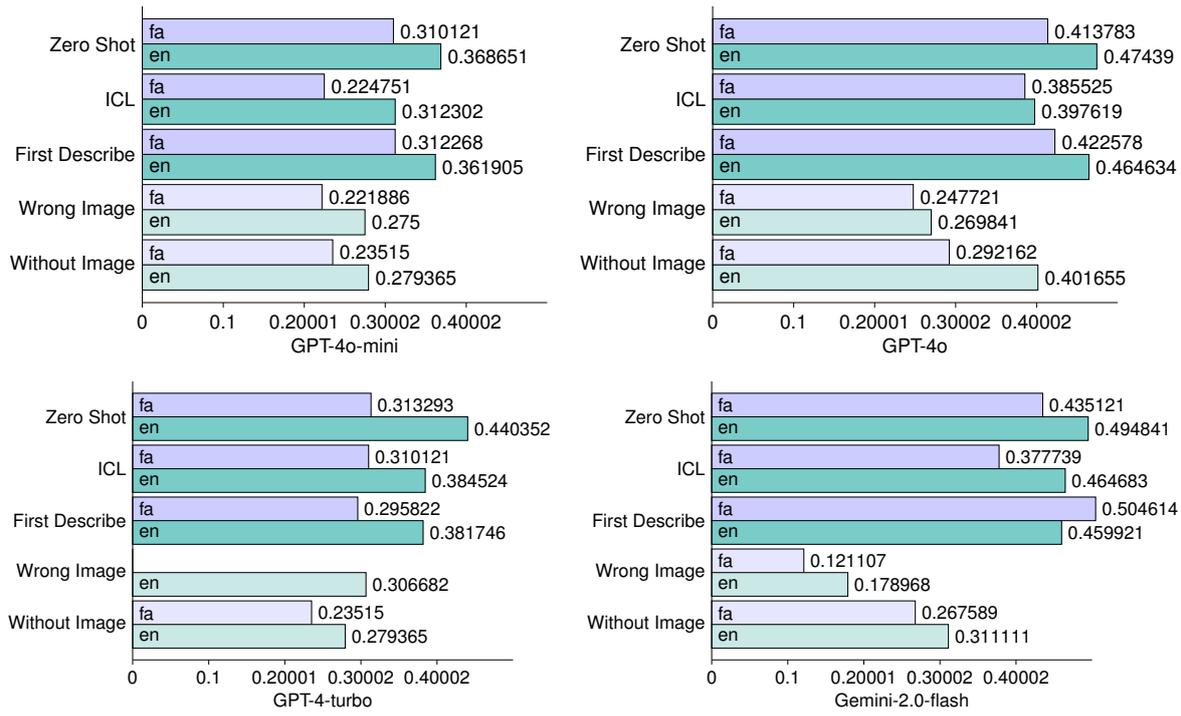


Figure 9: Comparison of Farsi and English performance across different experiments and models on the **MEENA** dataset.

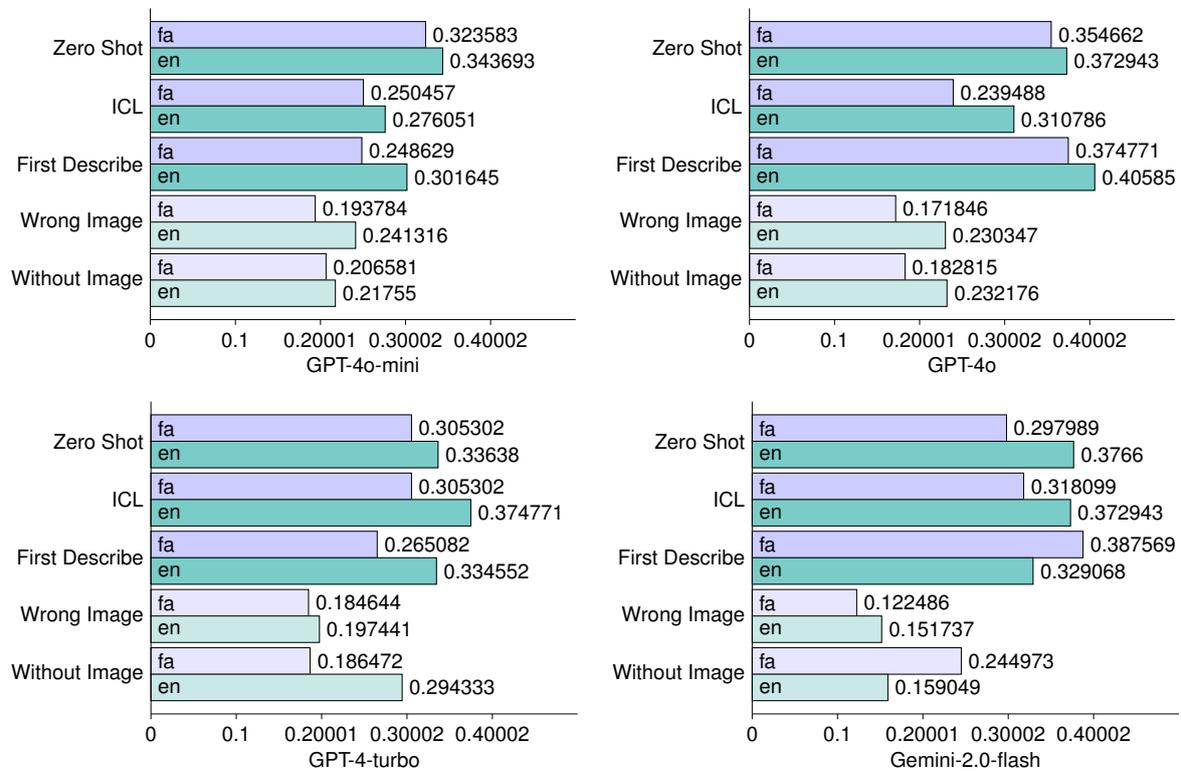


Figure 10: Comparison of Farsi and English performance across different experiments and models on the **Art** dataset.

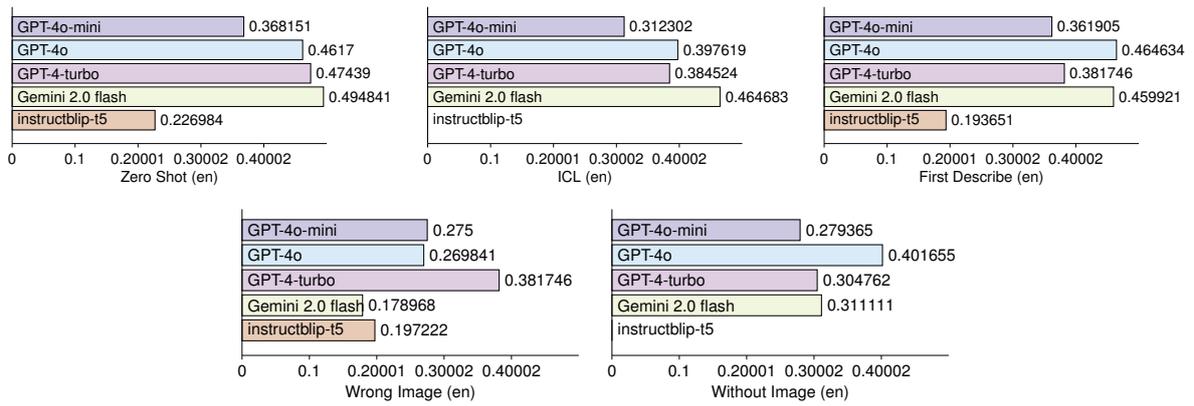


Figure 11: Performance comparison of each model across experiments on the **MEENA English** dataset

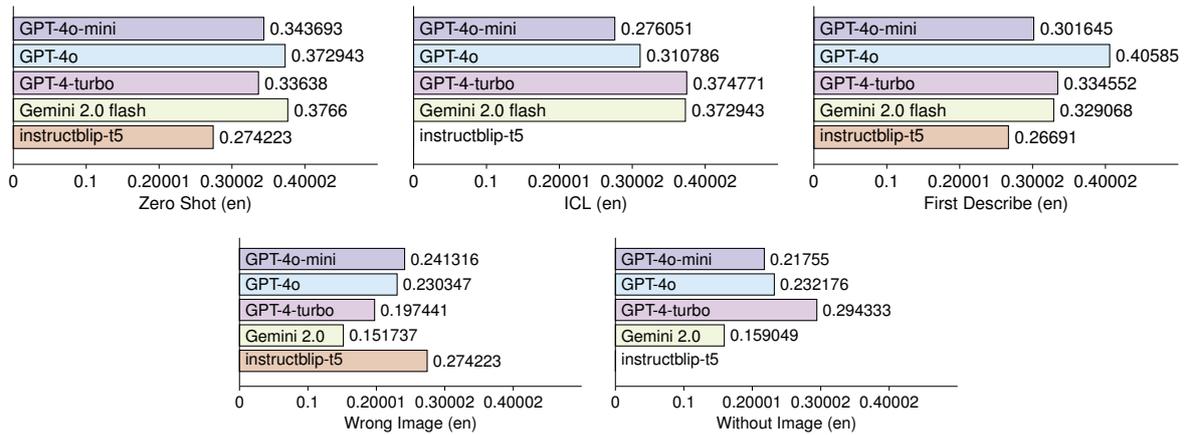


Figure 12: Performance comparison of each model across experiments on the **Art English** dataset

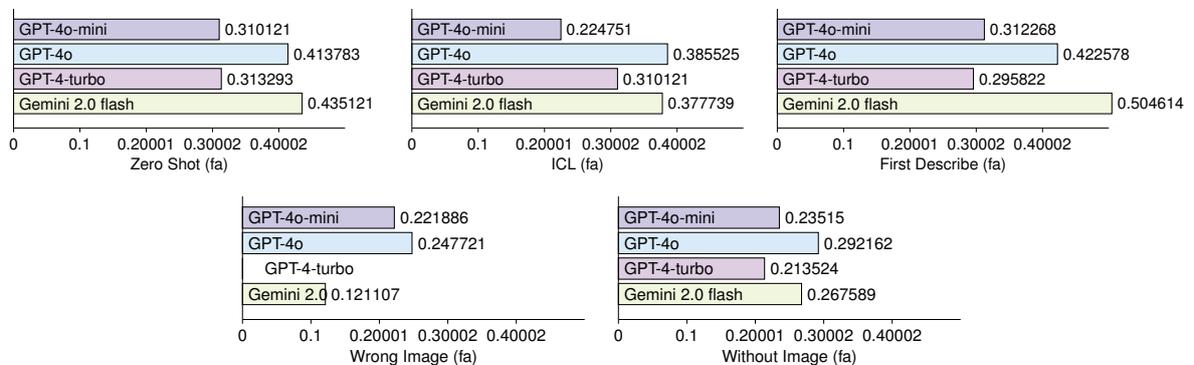


Figure 13: Performance comparison of each model across experiments on the **MEENA Farsi** dataset

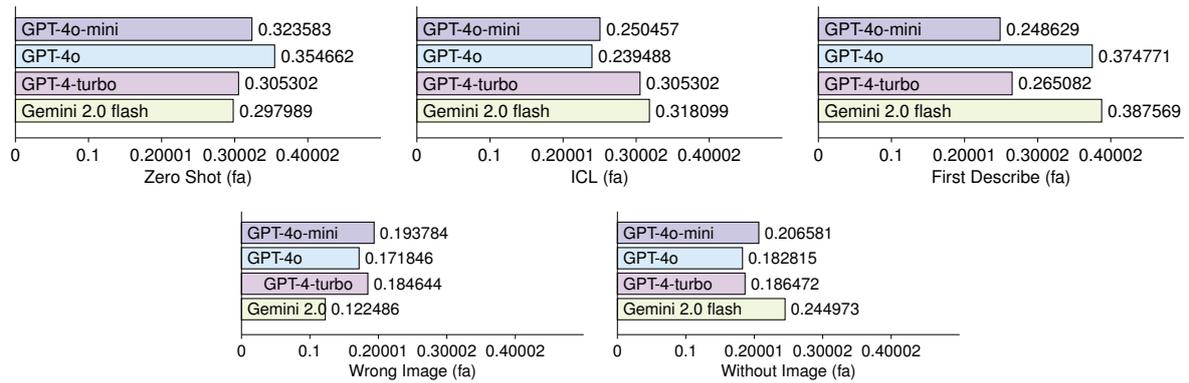


Figure 14: Performance comparison of each model across experiments on the **Art Farsi** dataset

Methods	Mathematics	Natural Science	Social Science	Humanities	Other
<b>Zero-Shot</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.346418	0.619835	0.553571	0.417815	0.199475
GPT-4o	0.460041	<b>0.675</b>	<b>0.625</b>	0.5397	0.263298
GPT-4-Turbo	0.39417	0.467532	0.363636	0.477707	0
Gemini-2.0-flash	<b>0.490677</b>	0.661157	<b>0.625</b>	<b>0.540827</b>	<b>0.32021</b>
instructblip-t5	0.179588	0.330579	0.303571	0.279958	0.178478
<b>First-Descibe</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.348381	0.528926	0.446429	0.408271	0.217848
GPT-4o	0.436475	0.675	<b>0.678571</b>	<b>0.535408</b>	0.263298
GPT-4-Turbo	0.339549	0.545455	0.517857	0.465536	0.215223
Gemini-2.0-flash	<b>0.478901</b>	<b>0.570248</b>	0.625	0.487805	<b>0.28084</b>
instructblip-t5	0.155054	0.330579	0.25	0.26193	0.076115
<b>ICL</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.320903	0.454545	0.392857	0.33298	0.181102
GPT-4o	0.421001	0.528926	<b>0.535714</b>	0.40403	<b>0.257218</b>
GPT-4-Turbo	0.33366	0.528926	0.5	0.474019	0.23622
Gemini-2.0-flash	<b>0.498528</b>	<b>0.586777</b>	0.482143	<b>0.50053</b>	0.244094
<b>Wrong Image</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.270854	0.454545	0.464286	0.342524	0.034121
GPT-4o	0.274779	0.404959	0.339286	0.340403	0.028871
GPT-4-Turbo	0.245752	0.25	0.272727	0.364246	0
Gemini-2.0-flash	0.165849	0.289256	0.303571	0.236479	0.018373
instructblip-t5	0.180569	0.264463	0.285714	0.265111	0.03937
<b>Without Image</b>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.276742	0.446281	0.392857	0.358431	0.020997
GPT-4o	0.274779	0.404959	0.339286	0.340403	0.028871
GPT-4-Turbo	0.26791	0.429752	0.446429	0.430541	0.031496
Gemini-2.0-flash	0.31894	0.330579	0.446429	0.415695	0.005249

Table 6: Accuracy comparison of different models across different experiments and course subjects on the **English MEENA** dataset.

Methods	Mathematics	Natural Science	Social Science	Humanities	Other
<i>Zero-Shot</i>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.284702	0.439437	0.380435	0.341637	0.202091
GPT-4o	0.377134	0.55493	0.554348	0.462989	<b>0.261324</b>
GPT-4-Turbo	0.252174	0.422535	0.554348	0.379359	0.214286
Gemini-2.0-flash	<b>0.414493</b>	<b>0.577465</b>	<b>0.586957</b>	<b>0.476868</b>	0.229965
<i>First-Describe</i>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.270946	0.401709	0	0.346692	0
GPT-4o	0.385829	0.6	<b>0.630435</b>	0.469395	0.249129
GPT-4-Turbo	0.238614	0.45283	0.484848	0.354093	0.203833
Gemini-2.0-flash	<b>0.509501</b>	<b>0.566197</b>	0.565217	<b>0.541281</b>	<b>0.250871</b>
<i>ICL</i>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.242512	0.267606	0.271739	0.206762	0.183074
GPT-4o	0.37037	0.490141	0.521739	0.411388	<b>0.254355</b>
GPT-4-Turbo	0.249919	0.461972	0.51087	0.372598	0.203833
Gemini-2.0-flash	<b>0.509501</b>	<b>0.566197</b>	<b>0.565217</b>	<b>0.541281</b>	0.250871
<i>Wrong Image</i>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.202576	0.35493	0.25	0.260142	0.052265
GPT-4o	0.22754	0.366667	0.378049	0.256077	0.115108
Gemini-2.0-flash	0.094042	0.267606	0.326087	0.148754	0.008711
<i>Without Image</i>					
GPT-4o-mini	0.202254	0.397183	0.402174	0.286833	0.033101
GPT-4o	0.226	0.442623	0	0.346743	0
GPT-4-Turbo	0.150081	0.383099	0.456522	0.291815	0.029617
Gemini-2.0-flash	0.234461	0.388732	0.423913	0.330249	0.04007

Table 7: Accuracy comparison of different models across different experiments and course subjects on the **Farsi MEENA** dataset.

## E Prompts

### LLM as a Judge(Answer Extraction)

Given a question and its answer, identify the selected option (1, 2, 3, or 4). If the choice is explicitly mentioned by number or implicitly indicated by the content, return the corresponding numerical option. If the answer mentions it does not have the image, return "no\_image." If the answer mentions it does not understand the image, return "cannot\_understand." If the answer mentions that the image is wrong or not relevant to the question, return "wrong\_image." If the selection cannot be determined or is ambiguous, return "unknown." Output only the number (1, 2, 3, or 4), "no\_image", "cannot\_understand", "wrong\_image", or "unknown" without any explanations.

### LLM as a Judge(Translation)

Welcome to the Translation Quality Assessment Tool. This tool is designed to evaluate the quality of translations from Persian to English. Please read each translated text carefully and use the rubric below to assign a score based on how well the translation preserves the meaning of the original text.

Scoring Rubric:

- 5 - Excellent: The translation conveys all aspects of the original meaning without any noticeable errors.
- 4 - Good: Minor errors are present but do not alter the fundamental meaning.
- 3 - Acceptable: Some parts of the meaning are lost or altered, but the overall intent is still recognizable.
- 2 - Poor: Significant portions of the meaning are incorrect or missing.
- 1 - Unacceptable: The translation fails to convey the original meaning.

Please focus on the semantic accuracy of the translation. Minor grammatical or syntactic errors should be overlooked unless they significantly impact the overall understanding of the text.

### Persian to English translation prompts

Please accurately translate the following multiple-choice question from Persian to English (Both Question and corresponding options). Use precise and professional terminology, especially if specialized terms are involved. The question may be related to fields such as art, chemistry, physics, mathematics, biology, linguistics, geology, or other domains. Ensure that the translation is accurate and maintains the original meaning.

Question: {mcq\_question }

Please answer like this template:

Question:  
Choice 1:  
Choice 2:  
Choice 3:  
Choice 4:

### English First Describe Prompt

Below, you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers).

Question: {mcq question}

Choices:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Answer: Let's first describe the image carefully and provide all its details, then answer the question

### English ICL Prompt

Below, you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers).

Question: {mcq question-shot1}

Choices:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Answer: {shot1 answer}

Question: {mcq question-shot2}

Choices:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Answer: {shot2 answer}

Question: {mcq question-shot3}

Choices:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Answer: {shot3 answer}

Question: {mcq question-shot4}

Choices:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Answer: {shot4 answer}

Question: {mcq question}

Choices:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Answer:

### **English Zero-Shot and Wrong-Image Prompt**

Below, you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers).

Question: {mcq question}

Choices:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Answer:

### **English Without-Image Prompt**

Below, you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers). If no image is provided, choose the best choice based on the available information.

Question: {mcq question}

Choices:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Answer:

## **F Difficulty Level & Trap Analysis**

Model	Experiment	Easy	Relatively Easy	Medium	Relatively Difficult	Difficult
<b>Other</b>						
gemini-2.0-flash	ICL	0.33333	0.22642	0.23762	0.26829	0.21341
gemini-2.0-flash	first-describe	0.32456	0.24528	0.21287	0.2439	0.25
gemini-2.0-flash	zero-shot	0.32456	0.32075	0.22277	0.26829	0.13415
gpt-4-turbo	ICL	0.18421	0.35849	0.21287	0.2439	0.14634
gpt-4-turbo	first-describe	0.17544	0.24528	0.19802	0.19512	0.21951
gpt-4-turbo	zero-shot	0.2193	0.26415	0.20297	0.19512	0.21341
gpt-4o	ICL	0.27193	0.28302	0.26238	0.2439	0.22561
gpt-4o	first-describe	0.25439	0.26415	0.21287	0.2439	0.28659
gpt-4o	zero-shot	0.28947	0.28302	0.26238	0.19512	0.25
gpt-4o-mini	ICL	0.18421	0.11321	0.19802	0.17073	0.19512
gpt-4o-mini	first-describe	0	0	0	0	0
gpt-4o-mini	zero-shot	0.16667	0.13208	0.23267	0.19512	0.21341
Human		0.58114	0.41528	0.44435	0.50975	0.53091

Table 8: Comparison of different model performance by different experiment for "other" category

Model	Experiment	Easy	Relatively Easy	Medium	Relatively Difficult	Difficult
<b>Social Science</b>						
gemini-2.0-flash	ICL	0.90909	0.66667	0.69799	0.56522	0.42063
gemini-2.0-flash	first-describe	0.72727	0.41667	0.65101	0.54348	0.46032
gemini-2.0-flash	zero-shot	0.77273	0.41667	0.68456	0.54348	0.44444
gpt-4-turbo	ICL	0.72727	0.75	0.51007	0.34783	0.37302
gpt-4-turbo	first-describe	0.75	0.5	0.53435	0.38462	0.32759
gpt-4-turbo	zero-shot	0.72727	0.58333	0.4698	0.3913	0.30952
gpt-4o	ICL	0.63636	0.66667	0.57047	0.47826	0.35714
gpt-4o	first-describe	0.86364	0.58333	0.67114	0.52174	0.5
gpt-4o	zero-shot	0.72727	0.75	0.63087	0.54348	0.42063
gpt-4o-mini	ICL	0.45455	0.33333	0.32886	0.17391	0.19048
gpt-4o-mini	first-describe	0.375	0.28571	0.48889	0.29167	0.39394
gpt-4o-mini	zero-shot	0.77273	0.5	0.48322	0.43478	0.3254
Human		0.57772	0.48916	0.44785	0.33521	0.55833

Table 9: Comparison of different model performance by different experiment for "Social Science" category

Model	Experiment	Easy	Relatively Easy	Medium	Relatively Difficult	Difficult
Natural Science						
gemini-2.0-flash	ICL	0.61856	0.52747	0.42128	0.40678	0.33787
gemini-2.0-flash	first-describe	0.68041	0.58242	0.53386	0.49831	0.49134
gemini-2.0-flash	zero-shot	0.66753	0.53297	0.46878	0.41695	0.40594
gpt-4-turbo	ICL	0.54897	0.46154	0.35972	0.35593	0.29208
gpt-4-turbo	first-describe	0.54381	0.3956	0.34125	0.32881	0.28094
gpt-4-turbo	zero-shot	0.55155	0.42308	0.36412	0.37966	0.30817
gpt-4o	ICL	0.61856	0.45604	0.39314	0.42034	0.32426
gpt-4o	first-describe	0.63918	0.58791	0.4635	0.46441	0.37129
gpt-4o	zero-shot	0.66753	0.53846	0.44943	0.44746	0.37252
gpt-4o-mini	ICL	0.35567	0.1978	0.19877	0.17627	0.15965
gpt-4o-mini	first-describe	0.49141	0.41333	0.34447	0.35849	0.2535
gpt-4o-mini	zero-shot	0.50773	0.37363	0.32454	0.31864	0.28713
Human		0.66489	0.50379	0.52244	0.43111	0.62153

Table 10: Comparison of different model performance by different experiment for "Natural Science" category

Model	Experiment	Easy	Relatively Easy	Medium	Relatively Difficult	Difficult
Mathematics						
gemini-2.0-flash	ICL	0.41679	0.33824	0.32695	0.23077	0.25979
gemini-2.0-flash	first-describe	0.53973	0.57353	0.52531	0.53846	0.45077
gemini-2.0-flash	zero-shot	0.47676	0.48529	0.40903	0.50769	0.3618
gpt-4-turbo	ICL	0.27886	0.32353	0.25513	0.29231	0.20878
gpt-4-turbo	first-describe	0.28395	0.30882	0.23966	0.22222	0.1966
gpt-4-turbo	zero-shot	0.29985	0.36765	0.23598	0.30769	0.22894
gpt-4o	ICL	0.41079	0.48529	0.36389	0.4	0.33808
gpt-4o	first-describe	0.43028	0.42647	0.37893	0.44615	0.35469
gpt-4o	zero-shot	0.43478	0.41176	0.37346	0.4	0.33333
gpt-4o-mini	ICL	0.28036	0.27941	0.23598	0.27692	0.21827
gpt-4o-mini	first-describe	0.31049	0.375	0.24368	0.34286	0.27126
gpt-4o-mini	zero-shot	0.30885	0.29412	0.27497	0.35385	0.27639
Human		0.62299	0.45470	0.55884	0.37569	0.628374

Table 11: Comparison of different model performance by different experiment for "Mathematics" category

Model	Experiment	Easy	Relatively Easy	Medium	Relatively Difficult	Difficult
Humanities						
gemini-2.0-flash	ICL	0.6	0.66667	0.8125	0.40625	0.36111
gemini-2.0-flash	first-describe	0.6	1	0.5625	0.6875	0.41667
gemini-2.0-flash	zero-shot	0.6	0.66667	0.75	0.53125	0.55556
gpt-4-turbo	ICL	0.4	0.33333	0.625	0.5	0.5
gpt-4-turbo	first-describe	0	0.5	0.6	0.48148	0.45
gpt-4-turbo	zero-shot	0.4	0.66667	0.5625	0.625	0.5
gpt-4o	ICL	0.4	0.66667	0.5	0.59375	0.47222
gpt-4o	first-describe	0.4	1	0.6875	0.71875	0.52778
gpt-4o	zero-shot	0.4	1	0.5625	0.59375	0.5
gpt-4o-mini	ICL	0.2	0.66667	0.4375	0.28125	0.16667
gpt-4o-mini	first-describe	0	0	0	0	0
gpt-4o-mini	zero-shot	0.2	0.33333	0.625	0.40625	0.27778
Human		0.57200	0.56333	0.45625	0.52031	0.60138

Table 12: Comparison of different model performance by different experiment for "Humanities" category

Model	Experiment	% correct on Trap	% correct on None-Trap
gemini-2.0-flash	first-describe	0.4377	0.52437
gemini-2.0-flash	ICL	0.32068	0.39458
gemini-2.0-flash	zero-shot	0.3833	0.45042
gpt-4-turbo	first-describe	0.26381	0.30519
gpt-4-turbo	ICL	0.27135	0.32157
gpt-4-turbo	zero-shot	0.27641	0.32418
gpt-4o-mini	first-describe	0.26996	0.32428
gpt-4o-mini	ICL	0.20304	0.23137
gpt-4o-mini	zero-shot	0.27704	0.31989
gpt-4o	first-describe	0.37318	0.43716
gpt-4o	ICL	0.3365	0.4
gpt-4o	zero-shot	0.35863	0.43007
human		0.53485	0.56999

Table 13: Comparison of different models' performance on trap and non-trap questions.

## G More Qualitative Error Analysis

**Reasoning Failures:** Through qualitative analysis, we observed several key findings regarding the model’s poor performance on reasoning tasks and its difficulties with the Persian language. In the following, we list these reasons and provide qualitative demonstrations for each. (1) **Presence of Traps in Questions**, Our reasoning dataset contains 18% trap questions, and on average, 74.84% of the responses to these trap questions are incorrect. Our dataset is intentionally diverse and includes such questions to more deeply assess the model’s reasoning capabilities. These traps are particularly challenging for the model. This finding is consistent with previous research (Mirzadeh et al., 2025), which has shown that trap questions can significantly reduce the performance of state-of-the-art models. There is an example of this in Figure 15. (2) **High Reasoning Demand**, Another key contributor to reasoning failures is the demand for multistep reasoning. We found that questions associated with incorrect responses were, on average, 22% longer than those with correct answers. This length difference suggests that these questions likely require more complex, step-by-step reasoning—a process the model consistently struggles to handle effectively. An example of this is shown in Figure 16. (3) **Limited Familiarity with Persian Specialized Terminology**, The model struggled with specialized terminology in Persian, likely due to limited exposure during training. For instance, the term “dominating set” is relatively uncommon in Persian, which may lead to confusion. This issue highlights a broader limitation in the model’s ability to effectively process domain-specific content in underrepresented languages like Persian—particularly in fields such as mathematics, physics, and other areas that are full of technical terminology. An example of this is depicted in Figure 17.

**Cultural Failures:** There are several questions in our dataset that are specific to Persian language and culture, particularly in the domains of art and geography. Since VLMs are generally unfamiliar with Persian cultural and religious contexts, these misalignments make it challenging for them to answer such questions correctly. Also, even when these questions are translated into English, the models’ accuracy remains largely unchanged. This observation highlights that VLMs still have significant room for improvement in understanding Persian

language and culture. Figure 18 illustrates an example of this problem.

**Persian-specific Failures:** In some cases, the model exhibits weaknesses in handling the Persian language, likely due to the limited amount of Persian data used during training. In such scenarios, when a question is asked in Persian, the model fails to provide the correct answer. However, when the same question is translated into English and asked in that language, the model successfully produces the correct response. Figure 19 illustrates such an example: when the question is posed in Persian, the model (with LLM-as-Judge) returns Answer 1, whereas when the question is presented in English, it correctly outputs Answer 2.

**Persian Question:**

در زیر سوالات چند گزینه‌ای (یا پاسخ) را مشاهده می‌کنید. سوال: با توجه به شکل زیر، مساحت قسمت رنگی کدام است؟ گزینه‌ها: ۱)  $\frac{3}{4}$  ۲)  $\frac{1}{2}$  ۳)  $\frac{1}{4}$  ۴)  $\frac{3}{8}$

جواب: بیا باید اول تصویر را به دقت و به همراه تمام جزئیات آن توصیف کنیم سپس به سوال پاسخ دهیم

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**Persian Answer:**

بله، حتماً اجازه دهید ابتدا تصویر را به دقت توصیف کنیم و سپس به حل سوال بپردازیم.  
توصیف تصویر:  
تصویر یک نمودار دویمندی است که در آن محور افقی، محور س و محور عمودی، محور ی نامیده شده است. در این نمودار، دو خط راست وجود دارد که همدیگر را قطع می‌کنند و یک ناحیه رنگی (احتمالاً خاکستری) را تشکیل می‌دهند.  
خط اول: این خط از نقطه (۰، ۱) روی محور ی شروع می‌شود و با شیب منفی به سمت پایین و راست حرکت می‌کند. این خط محور س را در نقطه (۰، ۱) قطع می‌کند. خط دوم: این خط از نقطه (۰، ۰) روی محور ی شروع می‌شود و با شیب مثبت به سمت بالا و راست حرکت می‌کند. این خط محور س را در نقطه‌ای بین ۱ و ۲ قطع می‌کند (به نظر می‌رسد حدود ۱.۵ باشد). ناحیه رنگی: ناحیه رنگی شامل دو قسمت است: یک مثلث در ربع اول (بالا سمت راست) که توسط محور ی، خط اول و محور س محدود شده است. یک مثلث دیگر در ربع چهارم (پایین سمت راست) که توسط محور س، خط دوم و خط اول محدود شده است.  
حل سوال:  
برای محاسبه مساحت قسمت رنگی، باید مساحت هر دو مثلث را جداگانه محاسبه کرده و سپس با هم جمع کنیم.  
مساحت مثلث اول (بالا): قاعده: فاصله از (۰، ۰) تا (۰، ۱) برابر با ۱ است. ارتفاع: فاصله از (۰، ۰) تا (۱، ۰) برابر با ۱ است. مساحت:  $\frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times 1 = 0.5$ .  
مساحت مثلث دوم (پایین): برای محاسبه دقیق مساحت این مثلث، نیاز به دانستن نقطه دقیق تقاطع دو خط داریم. با این حال، با توجه به گزینه‌ها، می‌توانیم از روش دیگری استفاده کنیم.  
روش تقریبی و بررسی گزینه‌ها:  
با توجه به شکل، مساحت کل قسمت رنگی باید کمی کوچکتر از مساحت اول است.  
گزینه ۱:  $\frac{3}{4}$  (خیلی کوچک)  
گزینه ۲:  $\frac{1}{2}$  (احتمالاً درست)  
گزینه ۳:  $\frac{3}{8}$  (خیلی کوچک)  
گزینه ۴:  $\frac{1}{4}$  (احتمالاً درست)  
با توجه به اینکه مساحت مثلث دوم کمی کوچکتر از مثلث اول است، گزینه  $\frac{3}{8}$  (۰.۳۷۵) به نظر دقیق‌تر می‌رسد.  
پاسخ نهایی:  
با توجه به تحلیل تقریبی و بررسی گزینه‌ها، به نظر می‌رسد که گزینه ۲)  $\frac{1}{2}$  پاسخ صحیح باشد.  
نکته: برای حل دقیق‌تر، نیاز به معادلات دقیق خطوط و محاسبه نقطه تقاطع آن‌ها داریم. اما با توجه به اطلاعات موجود و گزینه‌ها، این روش تقریبی به ما کمک کرد تا به پاسخ مناسب برسیم.

**English Question:**

Below you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers). Question: Based on the figure below, what is the area of the shaded region? Options: 1)  $\frac{3}{4}$  2)  $\frac{1}{2}$  3)  $\frac{3}{8}$  4)  $\frac{1}{4}$

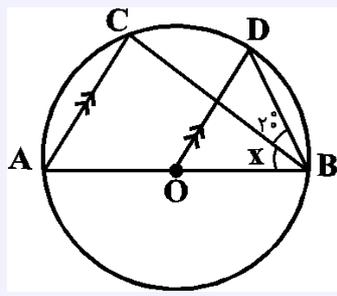
Answer: Let's first carefully describe the figure in detail, and then answer the question.

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**English Answer:**

Yes, of course. Let's first carefully describe the figure, and then move on to solving the question.  
Description of the figure:  
The figure is a two-dimensional graph in which the horizontal axis is labeled as the x-axis and the vertical axis as the y-axis. In this graph, there are two straight lines that intersect each other and form a shaded region (likely gray).  
First line: This line starts at the point (0, 1) on the y-axis and moves downward to the right with a negative slope. It intersects the x-axis at the point (1, 0).  
Second line: This line starts at the point (0, -1) on the y-axis and moves upward to the right with a positive slope. It intersects the x-axis at a point between 1 and 2 (it looks to be around 1.5).  
Shaded region: The shaded region consists of two parts: A triangle in the first quadrant (upper right), bounded by the y-axis, the first line, and the x-axis. Another triangle in the fourth quadrant (lower right), bounded by the x-axis, the second line, and the first line.  
Solving the question:  
To calculate the area of the shaded part, we need to calculate the area of both triangles separately and then add them together.  
Area of the first triangle (top):  
Base: the distance from (0, 0) to (1, 0) is 1. Height: the distance from (0, 0) to (0, 1) is 1. Area:  $(1 \times 1) / 2 = 0.5$   
Area of the second triangle (bottom):  
To calculate this triangle's exact area, we would need the exact intersection point of the two lines. However, given the multiple-choice options, we can use another approach.  
Approximate method and checking the options:  
From the figure, the area of the second triangle is slightly smaller than the first triangle. Therefore, the total shaded area should be slightly less than 1.  
Option 1:  $\frac{3}{4} = 0.66$  (too small)  
Option 2:  $\frac{1}{2} = 0.75$  (likely correct)  
Option 3:  $\frac{3}{8} = 0.6$  (too small)  
Option 4:  $\frac{1}{4} = 0.8$  (also possible)  
Since the second triangle is a little smaller than the first one, option  $\frac{3}{8}$  (0.75) seems more accurate.  
Final Answer:  
Based on the approximate analysis and checking the options, it seems that the correct answer is 2)  $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
Note: For a more precise solution, we would need the exact equations of the lines and to calculate their point of intersection. However, with the given information and options, this approximate method helped us arrive at the most reasonable answer.

Figure 15: Trap Failure



**Persian Question:**

در زیر سوالات چند گزینه‌ای (با پاسخ) را مشاهده می‌کنید.  
 سوال: در دایره روبه‌رو، اگر O مرکز دایره و  $\angle CBD = 20^\circ$  باشد، مقدار  $x$  کدام است؟  
 گزینه‌ها:  
 ۱)  $35^\circ$   
 ۲)  $40^\circ$   
 ۳)  $45^\circ$   
 ۴)  $50^\circ$   
 جواب: بیا باید اول تصویر را به دقت و به همراه تمام جزئیات آن توصیف کنیم سپس به سوال پاسخ دهیم.

**Persian Answer:**

توصیف تصویر: دایره روبه‌رو دیده می‌شود که مرکز آن با نقطه O مشخص شده است. خط AB قطر دایره است و از مرکز O می‌گذرد. نقطه C و D روی محیط دایره قرار دارند. زاویه CBD برابر با  $20^\circ$  است. زاویه ABD برابر با  $x$  است. خط AC و خط AD نیز در تصویر دیده می‌شوند. هدف ما پیدا کردن مقدار  $x$  است. همچنین، خطوط AC و AD نیز در تصویر دیده می‌شوند.  
 حل مسئله:  
 (-) زاویه محاطی رو به قطر AB (چون AB قطر دایره است، زاویه ACB یک زاویه محاطی رو به قطر است و بنابراین برابر با  $90^\circ$  است).  

$$\angle CAB + \angle ACB + \angle CBA = 180^\circ$$
  

$$\angle CAB + 90^\circ + \angle CBA = 180^\circ$$
  

$$\angle CAB + \angle CBA = 90^\circ$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle CAB$  و  $\angle CDB$  زاویه‌های  $\angle CAB$  و  $\angle CDB$  هر دو زاویه محاطی هستند که رو به کمان  $\overset{\frown}{CB}$  قرار دارند. بنابراین:  

$$\angle CAB = \angle CDB$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle CDB$  در مثلث  $\triangle CDB$  مجموع زوای داخلی برابر با  $180^\circ$  است. بنابراین:  

$$\angle CDB + \angle BCD + \angle CBD = 180^\circ$$
  

$$\angle CDB + 20^\circ + \angle BCD = 180^\circ$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle BCD$  و  $\angle BAD$  هر دو زاویه محاطی هستند که رو به کمان  $\overset{\frown}{BD}$  قرار دارند. بنابراین:  

$$\angle BCD = \angle BAD$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle ABD$  برابر با  $x$  است.  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle ABC$  مجموع زوای داخلی  $\angle ABD$  و  $\angle DBC$  است.  

$$\angle ABC = \angle ABD + \angle DBC = x + 20^\circ$$
  
 (-) محاسبه  $\angle CAB$  از مرحله ۱:  

$$\angle CAB + \angle CBA = 90^\circ$$
  
 از مرحله ۲:  

$$\angle CBA = x + 20^\circ$$
  
 بنابراین:  

$$\angle CAB + x + 20^\circ = 90^\circ \implies \angle CAB = 70^\circ - x$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle CDB$  از مرحله ۳:  

$$\angle CDB = 70^\circ - x$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle ADB$  زاویه قائمه است، بنابراین:  

$$\angle ADB = 90^\circ, \angle ADC + \angle CDB = 90^\circ \implies \angle ADC = x + 20^\circ$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle DAB$  از مجموع زوای مثلث  $\triangle ABD$ :  

$$\angle DAB + \angle ABD + \angle ADB = 180^\circ$$
  

$$\angle DAB + x + 90^\circ = 180^\circ \implies \angle DAB = 90^\circ - x$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle CAB$  مجموع  $\angle CAD$  و  $\angle DAB$ :  

$$\angle CAB = \angle CAD + 90^\circ - x$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle CAD$  برابر  $\angle CBD$  است.  

$$\angle CAD = \angle CBD = 20^\circ$$
  
 (-) زاویه  $\angle CAB$ :  

$$\angle CAB = 20^\circ + 90^\circ - x = 110^\circ - x$$
  
 (-) محاسبه  $\angle x$  از مرحله ۴:  

$$110^\circ - x = 70^\circ - x$$
  
 این معادله درست نیست.  
 روش دیگر:  
 • زاویه مرکزی  $\angle BOD$  برابر با  $2 \times \angle BCD$  است و  $\angle BOD = 2 \times \angle BCD$  است.  

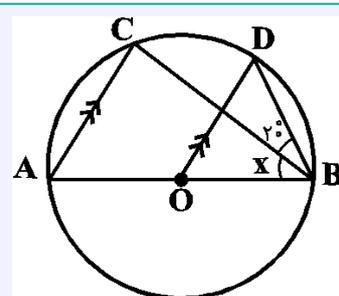
$$\angle BOD = 2 \times \angle BCD$$
  

$$\angle BOD = 2x$$
  
 • در مثلث  $\triangle OBD$ ،  $OB = OD$  (شعاع‌های یک دایره) است و  $\angle OBD = \angle ODB = x$ .  

$$\angle BOD + \angle OBD + \angle ODB = 180^\circ$$
  

$$2x + x + x = 180^\circ \implies 4x = 180^\circ$$
  

$$x = 45^\circ$$
  
 بنابراین، پاسخ صحیح گزینه ۳، یعنی  $45^\circ$  است.



**English Question:**

Below you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers).  
 Question: In the circle shown, if O is the center of the circle and  $\angle CBD = 20^\circ$ , what is the value of  $x$ ?  
 Options:  
 1)  $35^\circ$   
 2)  $40^\circ$   
 3)  $45^\circ$   
 4)  $50^\circ$   
 Answer: Let's first carefully describe the figure in detail, and then answer the question.

**English Answer:**

Yes, of course.  
**Description of the figure:** The figure shows a circle whose center is marked as point O. The line AB is the diameter of the circle and passes through the center O. Points C and D lie on the circumference of the circle. The angle  $\angle CBD$  is equal to  $20^\circ$ . The angle  $\angle ABD$  is labeled as  $x$ , and our goal is to find its value. The lines AC and AD are also shown in the figure.  
**Solutions:**  
 1. **Inscribed angle subtended by a diameter:** Since AB is the diameter of the circle, the angle  $\angle ACB$  is an inscribed angle subtended by the diameter, and therefore equals  $90^\circ$ .  
 2. **Angle  $\angle CBA$ :** In  $\triangle ABC$ , the sum of the interior angles is  $180^\circ$ . Thus:  

$$\angle CAB + \angle ACB + \angle CBA = 180^\circ$$
  

$$\angle CAB + 90^\circ + \angle CBA = 180^\circ$$
  

$$\angle CAB + \angle CBA = 90^\circ$$
  
 3. **Angles  $\angle CAB$  and  $\angle CDB$ :** These two are both inscribed angles subtended by arc CB. Therefore, they are equal:  

$$\angle CAB = \angle CDB$$
  
 4. **Angle  $\angle CDB$ :** In  $\triangle CBD$ ,  

$$\angle CDB + 20^\circ + \angle BCD = 180^\circ$$
  
 5. **Angles  $\angle BCD$  and  $\angle BAD$ :** Both are inscribed angles subtended by arc BD, so they are equal:  

$$\angle BCD = \angle BAD$$
  
 6. **Angle  $\angle ABD$ :** This angle is labeled as  $x$ .  
 7. **Angle  $\angle ABC$ :**  

$$\angle ABC = \angle ABD + \angle DBC = x + 20^\circ$$
  
 8. **From step 2:**  

$$\angle CAB + \angle CBA = 90^\circ$$
  

$$\angle CAB + (x + 20^\circ) = 90^\circ$$
  

$$\angle CAB = 70^\circ - x$$
  
 9. **From step 3:**  

$$\angle CDB = \angle CAB = 70^\circ - x$$
  
 10. **Since  $\angle ADB = 90^\circ$  (subtended by diameter AB):**  

$$\angle ADC + \angle CDB = 90^\circ$$
  

$$\angle ADC + (70^\circ - x) = 90^\circ$$
  

$$\angle ADC = x + 20^\circ$$
  
 11. **In  $\triangle ABD$ :**  

$$\angle DAB + \angle ABD + \angle ADB = 180^\circ$$
  

$$\angle DAB + x + 90^\circ = 180^\circ$$
  

$$\angle DAB = 90^\circ - x$$
  
 12. **From geometry relations:**  

$$\angle CAB = \angle CAD + \angle DAB$$
  

$$70^\circ - x = \angle CAD + (90^\circ - x)$$
  

$$\angle CAD = -20^\circ$$
  
 This contradiction suggests an alternative approach is needed.  
**Alternative method:**  
 - The angle  $\angle BOD$  is a central angle subtended by arc BD. - The angle  $\angle BCD$  is an inscribed angle subtended by the same arc. - Therefore:  $\angle BOD = 2 \times \angle BCD$ .  
 In  $\triangle OBD$ :  $OB = OD$  (radii), so  $\triangle OBD$  is isosceles. - Let  $\angle OBD = \angle ODB = x$ . - Then:  

$$\angle BOD + \angle OBD + \angle ODB = 180^\circ$$
  

$$2x + x + x = 180^\circ$$
  

$$4x = 180^\circ \implies x = 45^\circ$$
  
**Final Answer:** Option 3,  $45^\circ$ .

Figure 16: High Reasoning Demand Failure

**Persian Question:**

در زیر سوالات چند گزینه‌ای (با پاسخ) را مشاهده می‌کنید. سوال: گراف شکل مقابل چند مجموعه احاطه‌گر مینیمم دارد؟ گزینه‌ها: (۱) ۱ (۲) ۲ (۳) ۳ (۴) ۴

جواب: بیاید اول تصویر را به دقت و به همراه تمام جزئیات آن توصیف کنیم سپس به سوال پاسخ دهیم

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**Persian Answer:**

بسیار خوب، تصویر یک گراف را نشان می‌دهد که دارای ۹ رأس است. این رأس‌ها با حروف ، ب ، ج ، د ، ، ف ، گ ، ه و نامگذاری شده‌اند. اتصالات بین رأس‌ها به شرح زیر است:  
 به ج متصل است.  
 ب به ج متصل است.  
 ج به د و ف متصل است.  
 د به ف و متصل است.  
 به ف متصل است.  
 ف به ه متصل است.  
 گ به ه متصل است.  
 ه به متصل است.

حالا با توجه به این توصیف دقیق، می‌توانیم به سوال اصلی پاسخ دهیم. برای یافتن تعداد مجموعه‌های احاطه‌گر مینیمم، باید به دنبال کوچکترین مجموعه‌هایی از رأس‌ها باشیم که هر رأس دیگر در گراف، یا در خود مجموعه باشد، یا با یک رأس در مجموعه متجاور باشد.

با بررسی گراف، می‌توانیم مجموعه‌های احاطه‌گر مینیمم را شناسایی کنیم. به نظر می‌رسد که دو مجموعه احاطه‌گر مینیمم وجود دارد:  
 ۱- ج ، ف ، ه  
 ۲- د ، ب ، گ

بنابراین، پاسخ صحیح گزینه ۲ (۲) است.

**English Question:**

Below you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers). Question: How many minimum dominating sets does the graph in the figure have? Options:  
 1) 1  
 2) 2  
 3) 3  
 4) 4

Answer: Let's first carefully describe the figure in detail, and then answer the question.

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**English Answer:**

Alright, the figure shows a graph with 9 vertices. These vertices are labeled with the letters a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, and i. The connections between the vertices are as follows:  
 a is connected to c.  
 b is connected to c.  
 c is connected to d and f.  
 d is connected to f and i.  
 e is connected to f.  
 f is connected to h.  
 g is connected to h.  
 h is connected to i.

Now, based on this precise description, we can answer the main question. To find the number of minimum dominating sets, we need to identify the smallest sets of vertices such that every other vertex in the graph is either in the set itself or adjacent to a vertex in the set. By examining the graph, we can identify the minimum dominating sets. It seems that there are two minimum dominating sets:  
 1. c, f, h  
 2. d, i, b, e, g

Therefore, the correct answer is option 2) 2.

Figure 17: Specialized Terminology Failure



**Persian Question:**

در زیر سوالات چند گزینه‌ای (با پاسخ) را مشاهده می‌کنید.  
سوال: ترکیب‌بندی نقوش سفالینه روبرو، در کجا رواج داشته است؟  
گزینه‌ها:  
۱. ری (ششم ه.ق.)  
۲. اراک (هفتم ه.ق.)  
۳. کاشان (هفتم ه.ق.)  
۴. نیشابور (چهارم ه.ق.)  
جواب:

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**Persian Answer:**

ترکیب‌بندی نقوش سفالینه‌ای که در تصویر نشان داده شده، بیشترین شباهت را به سفالینه‌هایی دارد که در کاشان در هفتم هجری قمری رواج داشته است. بنابراین، پاسخ صحیح گزینه ۳ (کاشان (هفتم ه.ق.)) است.



**English Question:**

Below, you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers).  
Question: In which location was the composition of the motifs on the pottery in front of you prevalent?  
Options:  
1) Ray (6th century AH)  
2) Arak (7th century AH)  
3) Kashan (7th century AH)  
4) Nishapur (4th century AH)  
Answer:

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**English Answer:**

The motifs on the pottery shown in the image are characteristic of the style prevalent in Kashan during the 7th century AH. Therefore, the correct answer is: 3) Kashan (7th century AH)

Figure 18: Cultural Failures



**Persian Question:**

در زیر سوالات چند گزینه‌ای (با پاسخ) را مشاهده می‌کنید.  
سوال: نسخه مصور شکل زیر، متعلق به کدام اثر است؟  
گزینه‌ها:  
۱. ورقه و گلشاه  
۲. حمله حیدری  
۳. جامع‌التواریخ  
۴. هزار و یک شب  
جواب:

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**Persian Answer:**

این تصویر متعلق به اثر «ورقه و گلشاه» است. این اثر یکی از متون کلاسیک ادبیات فارسی است که به شکل حماسی روایت می‌شود و تصاویر مربوط به نبردها و دلاوری‌ها در آن بسیار رایج است.



**English Question:**

Below, you can see multiple-choice questions (with answers).  
Question: The illustrated version in the following figure belongs to which work?  
Options:  
1) Varka and Gulshah  
2) The Haydari Campaign  
3) Compendium of Chronicles  
4) One Thousand and One Nights  
Answer:

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**English Answer:**

The illustration shown in the image depicts a battle scene, which is characteristic of historical or epic narratives. Given the choices provided:  
1) Varka and Gulshah 2) The Haydari Campaign 3) Compendium of Chronicles 4) One Thousand and One Nights  
The most likely answer is 3) Compendium of Chronicles, also known as 'Jami' al-tawarikh' by Rashid-al-Din Hamadani. This work is a universal history covering the Mongol conquests and the history of various regions and is known for its detailed illustrations of historical events, including battles. The style of the illustration and the context of the work align with the characteristics of the Compendium of Chronicles.

Figure 19: Persian-specific Failures