

LUZERNE COUNTY MATHEMATICS CONTEST  
 Luzerne County Council of Teachers of Mathematics  
 Wilkes University - - 1990 Junior Examination  
 (Section I)

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Directions: For each problem, write your answer in the space provided. Do not use approximations. Simply all fractions and radicals, and rationalize denominators. Your answers must be complete to receive credit for a problem.

1. Find the equation, in slope-intercept form, of the line that passes through the point (3,2) and its perpendicular to the line  $2x - y + 6 = 0$  1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. If  $3x + 1$  is a factor of  $10x^3 - 2x^2 + 15x - 3$ , list a quadratic factor of the expression. 2. \_\_\_\_\_

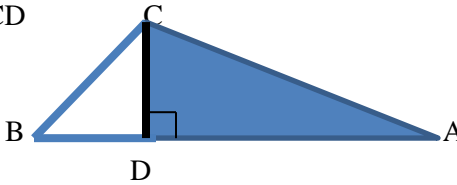
3. Solve for x, y, z:  $x + 2y + 3z = 4$  3. x= \_\_\_\_\_  
 $x + y + 2z = 5$  y= \_\_\_\_\_  
 $y + 2z = 4$  z= \_\_\_\_\_

4. For what real values of z is the function 4. \_\_\_\_\_

$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - x - 6}}$  defined

5. Perform the indicated operations and simplify 5. \_\_\_\_\_  
 $2x(3x^2 - 6x + 4) - 3x[2x^2 - 4(x + 1)]$

6. In the right triangle ABC, altitude CD is drawn to hypotenuse AB. If DB= 9 and CD= 15, Find AB. 6. \_\_\_\_\_

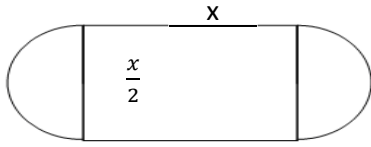


7. Find all real values of x for which  $\log_4(3x - 2) = 2$  7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Find  $\csc\left(-\frac{7\pi}{6}\right)$ . 8. \_\_\_\_\_

9. What is the area of a regular hexagon which is inscribed in a circle radius 2. 9. \_\_\_\_\_

10. The figure below is constructed from a rectangle of the dimensions  $x$  and  $\frac{x}{2}$  by attaching a semicircle at each end. Express the total area  $A$  in terms of perimeter  $P$ .



10. \_\_\_\_\_

11. Find all real values of  $x$  for which  $|4 - 6x| \leq 1$ .

11. \_\_\_\_\_

12. Calculate the area of the region that is bounded by the circles  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  and  $x^2 + y^2 - 8x - 9 = 0$ .

12. \_\_\_\_\_

13. Find all real values of  $x$  which:  $x^2 - 5x - 6 = 0$ .

13. \_\_\_\_\_

14. How much water should be added to 3 liters of pure acid to yield a solution which is 15% acid?

14. \_\_\_\_\_

15. A line which passes through the point  $(0,5)$  is tangent to a circle of radius 1 centered at the origin at a point in the first quadrant. Find the coordinates of the point of tangency.

15.  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_  
 $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_

16. Find all real values of  $y$  for which  $\sqrt{y+4} + \sqrt{9-y} = 5$ .

16. \_\_\_\_\_

17. Find a formula for the inverse of the function  $f(x) = 3x - 4$ .

17. \_\_\_\_\_

18. If  $\log$  represents  $\log_4$ , evaluate

18. \_\_\_\_\_

$$\log \frac{1}{2} + \log \frac{2}{3} + \log \frac{3}{4} + \dots + \log \frac{98}{99} + \log \frac{99}{100}$$

19. A card is drawn at random from a well-shuffled deck of 52 cards containing 13 distinct cards in each of the four suits: hearts, diamonds, clubs, and spades. What is the probability of drawing neither a spade nor club?

19. \_\_\_\_\_

20. Given the parametric equations

20. \_\_\_\_\_

$$x = t^3 + 9 \text{ and } y = \frac{3}{4}t^3 + 7$$

represent a line, what is the  $y$ -intercept of that line?

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1. Simplify:  $\frac{3^2 2^3}{6^6}$  1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. If  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}$ , what is the domain  $(f \circ g)(x)$ ? 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Simplify the following product to a single rational expression in lowest terms: 3. \_\_\_\_\_

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{4^2}\right)\dots\left(1 - \frac{1}{29^2}\right)$$

4. Perform the indicated operations and simplify: 4. \_\_\_\_\_

$$\frac{\frac{x-y}{x+y} + \frac{x+y}{x-y}}{\frac{xy}{x-y}}$$

5. Find the minimum value of the function  $g(x) = 3x^2 - 5x + 2$  5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. Write as a single fraction and simplify using only positive exponents: 6. \_\_\_\_\_

$$(x + 1)^{-\frac{3}{4}} - (x + 1)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

7. Find all real values of x for which  $|3x + 1| = |x - 2|$ . 7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Quadrilateral ABCD is inscribed in circle P. DAB measures  $95^\circ$ , what is the measure of angle DCB? 8. \_\_\_\_\_

9. Find the coordinate of the vertex of the Parabola  $y^2 + 2y - 8x - 3 = 0$ . 9. x= \_\_\_\_\_  
y= \_\_\_\_\_

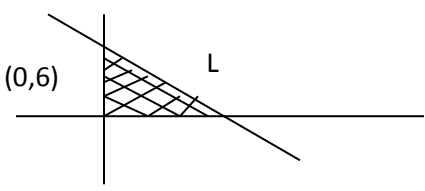
10. At a point on the ground 20 ft. from a building A surveyor observes the angle of indication to the top of the building to be  $\frac{\pi}{3}$  radians. How tall is the building? 10. \_\_\_\_\_

11. List all solutions to  $\sin \theta + \cos \theta = 1$  satisfying  $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$ . 11. \_\_\_\_\_

12. What is the range of the function  $g(x) = \frac{x-4}{x-5}$  12. \_\_\_\_\_

13. Find all real values of x for which  $(x^2 + x + 4)^{3/4} = 8$  13. \_\_\_\_\_

14. The y-intercept of the line L in the figure below is 6. If the shaded area is 72 square units, what is the slope of L? 14. \_\_\_\_\_



15. List the letters of all the following relations which are NOT functions. 15. \_\_\_\_\_

a.)  $\{(1,2),(3,2),(4,5)\}$     b.)  $\{(x,y)|y = 3x + 7\}$

c.)  $\{(x,y)|x^2 + y^2 = 3\}$     d.)  $\{(x,y)|2x^2 + 3y = 4\}$

16. Find all real values of x for which  $\frac{x+2}{x-3} < 0$ . 16. \_\_\_\_\_

17. Find the point(s) of intersection of the line  $2x + y = 6$  and the parabola  $y = 2x^2 - 7x + 6$  17. \_\_\_\_\_

18. If  $x + y = 15$  what is the minimum value of the quantity  $x^2 + y^2$ ? 18. \_\_\_\_\_

19. Sales in a store were \$45,000 in 1980 and \$75,000 in 1986. Assuming a linear trend, estimate the 1989 sales figure. 19. \_\_\_\_\_

20. A 50lb. mixture of fertilizers x, y, and z containing 19% phosphate, 34% potash, and 47% nitrogen is desired. What amounts of the fertilizers x, y, and z are required if x, y, and z contain the following amounts of these chemical: 20. x= \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.\_\_\_\_  
y= \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.\_\_\_\_  
z= \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.\_\_\_\_

	Phosphate	Potash	Nitrogen
x	10%	30%	60%
y	20%	40%	40%
z	20%	30%	50%

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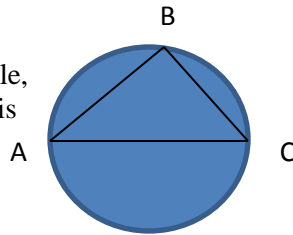
2. Simplify and express in terms of positive exponents: 2. \_\_\_\_\_  

$$\frac{12r^{-6}s^0t^{-3}}{3r^{-4}s^{-3}t^{-5}}$$

3. Find all real values of  $x$  such that  $|x + 3| = |x - 4|$  3. \_\_\_\_\_

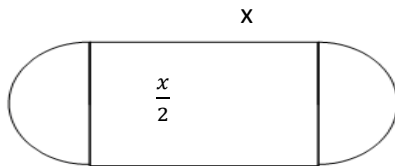
4. If  $\sin x = 0.6$  and  $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$ , find  $\sin 2x$ . 4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Given that  $AC$  is the diameter of the circle, and that angle  $BAC$  measures  $30^\circ$ , what is the measure of angle  $BCA$ ? 5. \_\_\_\_\_



6. Determine the  $x$ -intercepts of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 8y - 16 = 0$ . 6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. The figure below is constructed from a rectangle of the dimensions  $x$  and  $\frac{x}{2}$  by attaching a semicircle at each end. Express the total area  $A$  in terms of perimeter  $P$ .



8. Determine  $K$  so that the point  $(5, K)$  lies on the line joining  $(1, 4)$  and  $(-3, 1)$  8. \_\_\_\_\_

9. Find all real values of  $x$  such that  $10^{1-x} < 100$ . 9. \_\_\_\_\_

10. Determine the rectangular coordinates  $(x,y)$  of a point whose polar coordinates are  $\left(2, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$ . 10. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Find the center and the radius of the circle Which passes through the points  $(7,1)$ ,  $(5,5)$  and  $(-2,-2)$ . 11. Center: \_\_\_\_\_  
Radius: \_\_\_\_\_
12. Suppose the domain of  $f$  is the closed interval  $[a, b]$ , and suppose  $g$  is defined by  $g(x) = f(c-3x)$  for a constant  $c$ . what is the domain of  $g$ ? 12. \_\_\_\_\_
13. Let  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$ . Find  $f(f(x))$ . 13. \_\_\_\_\_
14. Find all  $x$  in the interval  $[0, 2\pi)$  such that  $|\cos x| \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ . 14. \_\_\_\_\_
15. A line which passes through the point  $(0,5)$  is tangent to a circle of radius 1 centered at the origin at a point in the first quadrant. Find the coordinates of the point of tangency. 15.  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_  
 $y =$  \_\_\_\_\_
16. Determine  $k$  so that  $x + 2$  is a factor of  $x^3 + 3x^2 + kx - 2$ . 16. \_\_\_\_\_
17. The area of a rectangle is 150 sq. ft., and the length of one side is three times the length of the adjacent side, find the dimensions of the rectangle. 17. \_\_\_\_\_
18. A card is drawn at random from a well shuffled deck of 52 cards containing 13 distinct cards in each of the four suits: hearts, diamonds, clubs, and spades. What is the probability of drawing a heart or a king? 18. \_\_\_\_\_
19. A multiple choice test consists of 5 questions, each of which has three possible answers. If a student guesses an answer to every question, how many possible ways are there for her to fill in the answer sheet? 19. \_\_\_\_\_
20. Find all real values  $x$  such that  $\log x = \log(x + 3) - 1$ . 20. \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Express the quadratic  $4x^2 - 4x + 2$  in the form  $a(x - h)^2 + k$ . 1. \_\_\_\_\_

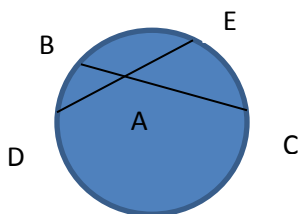
2. Find all real roots of the polynomial  $x^3 + x^2 - x - 3$ . 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Find the equation in slope-intercept form of the line which passes through  $(2, -1)$  and is parallel to the line  $y = 3x - 1$ . 3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. Determine  $\log_{16} 4$ . 4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Express in the form  $a + bi$ :  $i(3 - 2i)^2$ . 5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. Given  $AB = 2$ ,  $AC = 12$ , and  $AE = 6$ , find  $DE$ . 6. \_\_\_\_\_



7. Find all real values of  $x$  for which the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 2}$  is defined. 7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Suppose that  $z$  is directly proportional to the sum of the squares of  $x$  and  $y$ , and that  $z = 50$  when  $x = 4$  and  $y = 1$ . Determine the constant of proportionality. 8. \_\_\_\_\_

9. Find the coordinates of the vertex of the parabola  $y^2 + 2y - 8x - 3 = 0$ . 9. \_\_\_\_\_

10. Simplify:  $\frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin x}{1 + \cos x}$  10. \_\_\_\_\_

11. Determine A, B, C such that

$$\frac{2x^2-21x+37}{(x-3)(x+1)(x-2)} = \frac{A}{x-3} + \frac{B}{x+1} + \frac{C}{x-2}$$

11. A= \_\_\_\_\_

B= \_\_\_\_\_

C= \_\_\_\_\_

12. Find the point(s) where the parabola  $x^2 - 2x + y = 0$  intersects the line  $x + 2y = 2$ .

12. \_\_\_\_\_

13. List all vertical and horizontal asymptotes of the graph of

$$y = \frac{2x^2-x-3}{x^3-x}$$

13. \_\_\_\_\_

14. The Supreme Court has 9 members. In how many different ways can a 5-to-4 decision in favor of a judgment be reached?

14. \_\_\_\_\_

15. Two opposite vertices of a square are (a,a) and (4a,5a). Find the coordinates of the remaining two vertices.

15. \_\_\_\_\_

16. Quadrilateral ABCD is inscribed in circle P. If angle DAB measures  $95^\circ$ , what is the measure of angle DCB?

16. \_\_\_\_\_

17. Find all  $x$  in  $[0,2\pi)$  such that  $\sin x = -\frac{1}{2}$ .

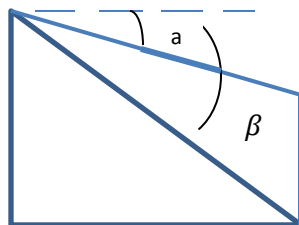
17. \_\_\_\_\_

18. Simplify:  $\frac{1+\frac{1}{a+3}}{1-\frac{1}{a+3}}$ .

18. \_\_\_\_\_

19. From the top of a taller building, the triangle  $a$  of depression to the top of a shorter building  $30^\circ$ , and the angle of  $\beta$  of depression to the base of the shorter building is  $60^\circ$ . Find the height of the taller building if the shorter building is 100 ft. tall.

19. \_\_\_\_\_



20. Isosceles triangle ABC has  $AB = AC = 13$  and  $BC = 10$ . Find the length of the altitude to side AC.

20. \_\_\_\_\_