

# LUZERNE COUNTY MATHEMATICS CONTEST

Luzerne County Council of Teachers of Mathematics

Wilkes University - 2006 Senior Examination

(Section I)

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

1) What is the length of the unique line segment connecting the points  $(0, 2)$  and  $(4, 7)$ ? 1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) How many distinct primes are in the prime factorization of 243? 2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) The slope of the line perpendicular to the line  $x - 2y = 7$  is 3) \_\_\_\_\_

- (a)  $\frac{1}{2}$       (b)  $-\frac{1}{2}$       (c) -2      (d) 2  
(e) none of the above

4) Suppose  $f(x) = 2x^2 + 3$ . Evaluate  $f(2x) - 2f(x)$ . 4) \_\_\_\_\_

5) An isosceles right triangle has a hypotenuse of length 10. How long is the length of either of the triangles legs? 5) \_\_\_\_\_

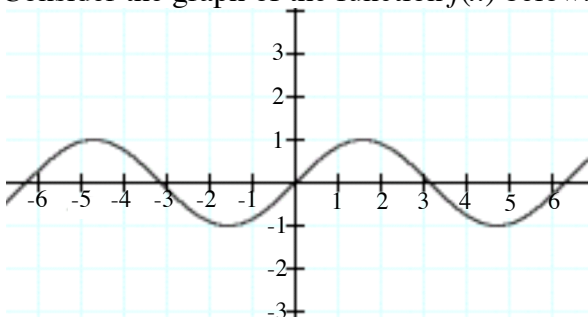
6) If  $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m}{g}}$  for  $m > 0$ ,  $g > 0$ , solve for  $g$  in terms of  $T$  and  $m$ . 6)  $g =$  \_\_\_\_\_

7) If  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x^2+4x-5}$ , how must  $f(1)$  be defined so  $f$  is continuous on  $\{x|x \neq -5\}$ ? 7)  $f(1) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

8) If  $f(x) = \log\left(\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right)$ , find all  $x$  such that  $f(x) = f(2) + f(3)$ . 8)  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

9) Find all real solutions  $x$  to  $\sqrt{2x-3} - \sqrt{x+7} = 2$ . 9)  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

10) Consider the graph of the function  $f(x)$  below. This function 10) \_\_\_\_\_



- (a) is an even function    (b) is an odd function    (c) is **not** periodic  
(d) each of a - c is true    (e) none of a - c are true

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- 11) Find the axis of symmetry for the parabola  $x = y^2 - 8y + 20$ . 11) \_\_\_\_\_
- 12) Assume the population of fish in a given lake at time  $t$  months is given by the function  $P(t) = \frac{50,000}{2 + 25e^{-\frac{t}{5}}}$ ,  $t \geq 0$ .  
What is the upper limit of the fish population? 12) \_\_\_\_\_
- 13) How many gallons of a 10% brine solution and a 40% brine solution must be mixed to obtain 20 gallons of a 25% brine solution? 13) \_\_\_\_\_
- 14) Find the sum of the integers from 101 to 200 inclusive. 14) \_\_\_\_\_
- 15) The graph of the function  $f(x) = mx + b$  is a line. What is the  $y$ -intercept of the graph of  $(f \circ f \circ f)(x)$ ? 15) \_\_\_\_\_
- 16) Find a polynomial of degree 3 with integer coefficients and leading coefficient 3 whose distinct roots are 1,  $2i$ , and  $-2i$  respectively. 16) \_\_\_\_\_
- 17) How many solutions does the equation  $3\sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = -2$  possess on the interval  $(0, \pi)$ ? 17) \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 4 (d) 8 (e) none of the above
- 18) A circle has its center on the graph of  $y = 2x + 4$  and is tangent to the graph of  $y = x + 1$  at the point  $(6, 7)$ . Find the center of the circle. 18) \_\_\_\_\_
- 19) Find all real numbers  $x$  such that  $\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^x = \text{Arcsin}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$ . 19)  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- 20) Assume  $N = 2^5 \cdot 7^{11} \cdot 11^7$ . How many divisors of  $N$  are multiples of 22? 20) \_\_\_\_\_

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

1) Express  $\log_5\left(\frac{1}{25}\right)$  as a rational number. 1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) Assume the slope of the line segment containing the points  $(x+1, 4)$  and  $(2, x+5)$  is 2. What is  $x$ ? 2)  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

3) Find the smallest prime number greater than or equal to 80. 3) \_\_\_\_\_

4) Charles owns 10 different suits. He is going on a business trip and needs to pack 5 suits. How many different ways can he select the suits? 4) \_\_\_\_\_

5) Find all real solutions to  $x^4 - 4x^2 + 4 = 0$ . 5)  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

6) Express  $\sec\left(-\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  as a rational number. 6) \_\_\_\_\_

7) Find the range of the function  $f(x) = -2x^2 + 5x + 8$ . 7) \_\_\_\_\_

8) Which of the following is the negation of the statement? 8) \_\_\_\_\_

*Nancy always wears a red sweater on Friday.*

- (a) Nancy never wears a red sweater on Friday.
- (b) There exists a Friday on which Nancy does not wear a red sweater.
- (c) Nancy always wears a red sweater on days other than Friday.
- (d) None of the above.

9) If  $\log(a) = K$  and  $\log(b) = L$ , express  $\log((a^2b^5)^3)$  as a sum of two terms involving  $K$  and  $L$ . 9) \_\_\_\_\_

10) Find  $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$  where  $f(x) = x^3$ . 10) \_\_\_\_\_

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11) Find all values of  $x$  that satisfy the following nonlinear system of equations.

$$\begin{aligned}x + y &= -3 \\ x^2 + y^2 &= 17\end{aligned}$$

11)  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

12) The equation  $x^2 - 6x + 2y^2 - 16y + 42 = 0$  describes a(n)

- (a) circle      (b) parabola      (c) hyperbola  
(d) line      (e) none of the above

12) \_\_\_\_\_

13) If  $\sin y = x$  and  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$ , compute  $\sec y$ .

13) \_\_\_\_\_

14) If  $a$  and  $b$  are non-zero rational numbers and  $\frac{a^2}{b^2} < 3$ , then

14) \_\_\_\_\_

- (a)  $\frac{(a+3b)^2}{(a+b)^2} < 3$       (b)  $\frac{(a+3b)^2}{(a+b)^2} > 3$   
(c)  $\frac{(a+3b)^2}{(a+b)^2} = 3$       (d)  $\frac{(a+3b)^2}{(a+b)^2} \geq 3$

(e) none of **a - d** are true for rational numbers  $a$  and  $b$

15) Assume a deck of twelve cards contains 3 identical two's, 3 identical three's, 3 identical four's, and 3 identical five's. How many 4 card hands are possible?

15) \_\_\_\_\_

16) How many real solutions does the equation  $x^3 - 5x^2 + 8x - 4 = 0$  possess?

16) \_\_\_\_\_

17) Consider a triangle  $ABC$  where  $|\overline{AB}| = 10$ ,  $|\overline{BC}| = 16$ ,  
and  $\angle ABC = \frac{2\pi}{3}$  radians. Find  $|\overline{AC}|$ .

17) \_\_\_\_\_

18) The shortest side of a right triangle has length 3. Find the shortest side of a similar right triangle whose area is twice that of the original triangle.

18) \_\_\_\_\_

19) Find the solution set to the inequality  $|\sin x| < \frac{1}{2}$  on  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

19) \_\_\_\_\_

20) What is the probability of rolling two fair six-sided dice and obtaining a sum that is divisible by 5?

20) \_\_\_\_\_