

# Worcester County Mathematics League

Freshman Meet 1

October 24, 2018

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ROUNDS, ANSWERS, AND SOLUTIONS



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**Round 1: Order of Operations**

*All answers must be in simplest exact form in the answer section*

**NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED**

1. Follow the proper order of operations and evaluate:

$$5[7 + 35 \div 5 * 2^2 - 3(7 + 4^2 - 12)]^2$$

2. Follow the proper order of operations and evaluate:

$$(5 \div 6 - 2^3 \div 21) \div (2 * 11 \div 14 + 22 \div 15)$$

3. Let  $x @ y = \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{y}}$  and  $x \# y = \frac{-x}{-y}$

Find the simplified value of:

$$\left( \left( 3 @ \frac{1}{4} \right) \# 6 \right) \# \frac{1}{2}$$

**ANSWERS**

(1 pt.) 1. \_\_\_\_\_

(2 pt.) 2. \_\_\_\_\_

(3 pt.) 3. \_\_\_\_\_



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**Round 1: Order of Operations**

1. Follow the proper order of operations and evaluate:

$$5[7 + 35 \div 5 * 2^2 - 3(7 + 4^2 - 12)]^2$$

Solution:

$$5[7 \div 5 * 4 - 3(7 + 16 - 12)]^2$$

$$5[7 + 35 \div 5 * 4 - 3(11)]^2$$

$$5[7 + 28 - 33]^2$$

$$5(2)^2$$

$$5 * 4$$

$$20$$

2. Follow the proper order of operations and evaluate:

$$(5 \div 6 - 2^3 \div 21) \div (2 * 11 \div 14 + 22 \div 15)$$

Solution:

$$(5 \div 6 - 2^3 \div 21) \div (2 * 11 \div 14 + 22 \div 15)$$

$$\left(\frac{5}{6} - \frac{8}{21}\right) \div \left(\frac{22}{14} + \frac{22}{15}\right)$$

$$\frac{\frac{35}{42} - \frac{16}{42}}{22 * \left(\frac{1}{14} + \frac{1}{15}\right)}$$

$$\frac{\frac{19}{42}}{22 * \left(\frac{14 + 15}{14 * 15}\right)}$$

$$\frac{19}{\frac{2 * 3 * 7}{11 * 19} * \frac{29}{7 * 3 * 5}}$$

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$$\frac{19}{2 * 3 * 7} * \frac{7 * 3 * 5}{11 * 19}$$

$$\frac{5}{2 * 11}$$

$$\frac{5}{22} \text{ or } 0.22\overline{7}$$

3. Let  $x @ y = \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{y}}$  and  $x \# y = \frac{-x}{-y}$

Find the simplified value of:

$$\left( \left( 3 @ \frac{1}{4} \right) \# 6 \right) \# \frac{1}{2}$$

Solution:

$$3 @ \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3^2}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{9}{\frac{1}{2}} = 18$$

$$18 \# 6 = \frac{-18}{-6} = 3$$

$$3 \# \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-3}{-\frac{1}{2}} = 6$$

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**Round 2: Linear Equations**

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**NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED**

1. Solve for x:

$$\frac{1}{2}(4x - 20) + 3x = 2(2x - 1)$$

2. Solve for x:

$$\frac{3}{8}x - 5.2 = x - 2\frac{3}{5}$$

3.  $ax + by = 36$  and  $bx - ay = -8$  intersect at  $(2, 6)$

What is the value of  $|a + b|$ ?

**ANSWERS**

(1 pt.) 1. \_\_\_\_\_

(2 pt.) 2. \_\_\_\_\_

(3 pt.) 3. \_\_\_\_\_



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Round 2: Linear Equations

1. Solve for x:

$$\frac{1}{2}(4x - 20) + 3x = 2(2x - 1)$$

Solution:

$$\frac{1}{2}(4x - 20) + 3x = 2(2x - 1)$$

$$2x - 10 + 3x = 4x - 2$$

$$2x + 3x - 4x = 10 - 2$$

$$x = 8$$

2. Solve for x:

$$\frac{3}{8}x - 5.2 = x - 2\frac{3}{5}$$

Solution 1:

$$\frac{3}{8}x - 5.2 = x - 2\frac{3}{5}$$

$$\frac{3}{8}x - \frac{26}{5} = x - \frac{13}{5}$$

$$-\frac{13}{5} = \frac{5}{8}x$$



$$-\frac{104}{25} = x$$

$$\text{or } -4\frac{4}{25}$$

Solution 2:

$$\frac{3}{8}x - 5.2 = x - 2\frac{3}{5}$$

$$0.375x - 5.2 = x - 2.6$$

$$-2.6 = 0.625x$$

$$-4.16 = x$$

3.  $ax + by = 36$  and  $bx - ay = -8$  intersect at  $(2, 6)$

What is the value of  $|a + b|$ ?

Solution:

$$2a + 6b = 36$$

$$2b - 6a = -8$$

$$a = 18 - 3b$$

$$2b - 6(18 - 3b) = -8$$

$$2b - 108 + 18b = -8$$

$$20b = 100$$



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$$b = 5$$

Substitute and solve for a...

$$2a + 30 = 36$$

$$a = 3$$

$$|a + b| = |3 + 5| = 8$$

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Round 3: Logic Problems

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NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED

1. One jump is two hops. One hop is four skips. How many skips are in a hop, skip, and a jump?
2. Mr. Sears, Mr. Jones, and Mr. Chang are a butcher, a baker, and a candlestick maker, but not in that order. The baker is married to Mr. Sears' sister. Mr. Chang is not the candlestick maker. Mr. Jones is single. Mr. Sears is a regular customer of the butcher. Who has what job?
3. A gadget and a widget equal a boggle. A gadget equals a widget and a smudge. Two boggles equal three smudges. How many widgets equal a gadget?

**ANSWERS**

(1 pt.) 1. \_\_\_\_\_

(2 pt.) 2. Mr. Sears is the \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Jones is the \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Chang is the \_\_\_\_\_

(3 pt.) 3. \_\_\_\_\_



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Round 3: Logic Problems

1. One jump is two hops. One hop is four skips. How many skips are in a hop, skip, and a jump?

Solution:

$$1 \text{ hop} = 4 \text{ skips}$$

$$1 \text{ jump} = 2 \text{ hops} = 8 \text{ skips}$$

$$1 \text{ hop} + 1 \text{ jump} + 1 \text{ skip} = 4 \text{ skips} + 8 \text{ skips} + 1 \text{ skip} = 13$$

2. Mr. Sears, Mr. Jones, and Mr. Chang are a butcher, a baker, and a candlestick maker, but not in that order. The baker is married to Mr. Sears' sister. Mr. Chang is not the candlestick maker. Mr. Jones is single. Mr. Sears is a regular customer of the butcher. Who has what job?

Solution:

	Bu	Ba	Ca
S	X	X	☺
J	☺	X	X
C	X	☺	X

Sears – Candlestick Maker

Jones – Butcher

Chang – Baker

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3. A gadget and a widget equal a boggle. A gadget equals a widget and a smudge. Two boggles equal three smudges. How many widgets equal a gadget?

Solution:

$$g + w = b$$

$$g = w + s$$

$$2b = 3s$$

$$2g + 2w = 2b$$

$$2g + 2w = 3s$$

$$2g + 2w = 3(g - w)$$

$$2g + 2w = 3g - 3w$$

$$5w = g$$

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**Round 4: Ratio, Proportion, and Variation**

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**NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED**

1. Machine X produces paper clips at a constant rate of 20 paper clips per hour. Machine Y produces 10 more paper clips per hour than machine X. Working together, how many hours will it take X and Y to produce 3000 paper clips?
2. If  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$ , and  $a - b = 72$ , find the value of  $b$  when  $c = 13$  and  $d = 5$ .
3.  $x$  varies directly with  $y$  and inversely with  $z^2$ . When  $x = 10$ ,  $y = 15$ , and  $z = 5$ . Find the value of  $x$  when  $y = 5$  and  $z = 10$ .

**ANSWERS**

(1 pt.) 1. \_\_\_\_\_

(2 pt.) 2. \_\_\_\_\_

(3 pt.) 3. \_\_\_\_\_



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**Round 4: Ratio, Proportion, and Variation**

1. Machine X produces paper clips at a constant rate of 20 paper clips per hour. Machine Y produces 10 more paper clips per hour than machine X. Working together, how many hours will it take X and Y to produce 3000 paper clips?

Solution:

$$x = 20 \text{ clips/hour}$$

$$y = 30 \text{ clips/hour}$$

$$x + y = 50 \text{ clips/hour}$$

$$\frac{3000 \text{ clips}}{50 \text{ clips/hour}} = 60$$

2. If  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$ , and  $a - b = 72$ , find the value of  $b$  when  $c = 13$  and  $d = 5$ .

Solution:

$$b = a - 72$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} \rightarrow \frac{a}{a-72} = \frac{13}{5} \rightarrow -8a = -936 \rightarrow a = 117$$

$$b = 117 - 72 = 45$$

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3.  $x$  varies directly with  $y$  and inversely with  $z^2$ . When  $x = 10$ ,  $y = 15$ , and  $z = 5$ . Find the value of  $x$  when  $y = 5$  and  $z = 10$ .

Solution:

$$\frac{xz^2}{y} = k$$

$$\left[ \frac{10 * 5^2}{15} = \frac{x * 10^2}{5} \right] 15$$

$$10 * 5^2 = 3x * 10^2$$

$$5^2 = 30x$$

$$\frac{25}{30} = x \rightarrow x = \frac{5}{6} \text{ or } 0.8\bar{3}$$

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## TEAM ROUND

*All answers must be in simplest exact form in the answer section. (2 points each)*

**NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED**

1. Solve for x:

$$\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{5}{9}x = \frac{2x - 3}{6} - \frac{3 - 2x}{4}$$

2. How many ways can a clerk give a customer \$0.25 in change?
3. If  $f(x) = 3x - 2$  and  $g(x) = |10 - x|$ , what is the value of  $g(f(4))$ ?
4. Find two numbers whose sum is 1007 and whose difference is 131.
5. Find the average, as a base 5 number, of  $111_2$  and  $111_3$ .
6. Thomas, Richard, and Harold each randomly choose one card from a standard deck of playing cards. What is the probability that all three cards chosen will be black? Express your answer as a reduced fraction.
7. Evaluate

$$\frac{6 + 3 - 5}{6 - 3 + 5} + \frac{7 - 2(4) + 6}{7 + \frac{2}{4} - 6}$$

8. A varies directly as the product of B and C but inversely as D. If A=100 when B=5, C=2, and D=10, find B if A=500, C=20, and D=3.



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TEAM ROUND ANSWER SHEET

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ (base 5)

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_

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TEAM ROUND - SOLUTIONS

1. Solve for x:

$$\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{5}{9}x = \frac{2x - 3}{6} - \frac{3 - 2x}{4}$$

Solution:

$$\frac{3}{4}x + \frac{5}{9}x = \frac{2x - 3}{6} - \frac{3 - 2x}{4}$$

$$27x + 20x = 6(2x - 3) - 9(3 - 2x)$$

$$47x = 12x - 18 - 27 + 18x$$

$$47x = 30x - 45$$

$$17x = -45$$

$$x = -\frac{45}{17} \text{ or } -2\frac{11}{17}$$

2. How many ways can a clerk give a customer \$0.25 in change?

Solution:

Q	D	N	P
1	0	0	0
0	2	1	0
0	2	0	5
0	1	2	5
0	1	1	10
0	1	0	15
0	1	3	0
0	0	5	0

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0	0	4	5
0	0	3	10
0	0	2	15
0	0	1	20
0	0	0	25

13

3. If  $f(x) = 3x - 2$  and  $g(x) = |10 - x|$ , what is the value of  $g(f(4))$ ?

Solution:

$$f(4) = 3(4) - 2 = 12 - 2 = 10$$

$$g(10) = |10 - 10| = 0$$

4. Find two numbers whose sum is 1007 and whose difference is 131.

Solution:

$$\text{first number} = x$$

$$\text{second number} = 1007 - x$$

$$x - (1007 - x) = 131$$

$$2x - 1007 = 131$$

$$2x = 1138$$

$$x = 569$$

$$1007 - x = 438$$

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5. Find the average, as a base 5 number, of  $111_2$  and  $111_3$ .

Solution:

$$111_2 = 7_{10} \text{ and } 111_3 = 13_{10}$$

The average of 7 and 13 is 10, which is  $20_5$

6. Thomas, Richard, and Harold each randomly choose one card from a standard deck of playing cards. What is the probability that all three cards chosen will be black? Express your answer as a reduced fraction.

Solution:

$$\frac{26}{52} * \frac{25}{51} * \frac{24}{50} = \frac{2}{17}$$

7. Evaluate

$$\frac{6 + 3 - 5}{6 - 3 + 5} + \frac{7 - 2(4) + 6}{7 + \frac{2}{4} - 6}$$

Solution:

$$\frac{4}{8} + \frac{5}{\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{10}{3} = \frac{3}{6} + \frac{20}{6} = \frac{23}{6} \text{ or } 3\frac{5}{6} \text{ or } 3.8\bar{3}$$

8. A varies directly as the product of B and C but inversely as D. If  $A=100$  when  $B=5$ ,  $C=2$ , and  $D=10$ , find B if  $A=500$ ,  $C=20$ , and  $D=3$ .

Solution:

$$\frac{AD}{BC} = K \rightarrow \frac{100 * 10}{5 * 2} = \frac{500 * 3}{B(20)} \rightarrow B = \frac{3}{4} \text{ or } 0.75$$

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## Answer Key

Round 1:

1. 20 (Douglas)
2.  $\frac{5}{22}$  or  $0.2\overline{27}$  (Westborough)
3. 6 (Hopedale)

Round 2:

1. 8 (Bancroft)
2.  $-\frac{104}{25}$  or  $-4\frac{4}{25}$  or  $-4.16$  (Algonquin)
3. 8 (Assabet Valley)

Round 3:

1. 13 (Bartlett)
2. Mr. Sears is the candlestick maker. Mr. Jones is the butcher. Mr. Chang is the baker. (Assabet Valley)
3. 5 (Douglas)

Round 4:

1. 60 (Quaboag)
2. 45 (Doherty)
3.  $\frac{5}{6}$  or  $0.8\overline{3}$  (Bromfield)

Team Round:

1. $-\frac{45}{17}$ or $-2\frac{11}{17}$ (Algonquin)	5. 20 (Notre Dame)
2. 13 (Hopedale)	6. $\frac{2}{17}$ (Bartlett)
3. 0 (Quaboag)	7. $\frac{23}{6}$ or $3\frac{5}{6}$ or $3.8\overline{3}$ (Notre Dame)
4. 569 and 438 (Bromfield)	8. $\frac{3}{4}$ or 0.75 (Assabet Valley)

