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WOCOMAL FRESHMAN MEET

ROUND IV: OPERATIONS ON POLYNOMIALS

ANSWERS

(1 point) 1. _____

(1 point) 2. _____

(2 points) 3. P = _____

A = _____

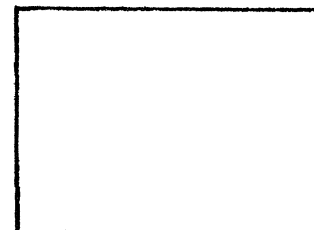
(2 points) 4. _____

1. From the sum of $x^2 - x + 6$ and $2x^2 - 4x - 7$,
subtract $5x^2 - 7x - 1$.

2. $(x^3 - x^2 + x - 1) \div (x - 1) = ?$

3. Find both the perimeter P and
the area A of this rectangle.

$3a + 2b$



$8a - 2b$

4. Simplify: $[3(x + 2)(x - 3) - 2(4x - 9)]^2$

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TEAM ROUND: FACTORING

FACTOR COMPLETELY OVER THE SET OF POLYNOMIALS WITH INTEGER COEFFICIENTS.
EACH CORRECT ANSWER IS WORTH TWO POINTS.

1. $ab - cd - ad + bc$ 1. _____
2. $x^8 - x^6$ 2. _____
3. $xy^2 + 10xy + 25x$ 4. _____
4. $x^4 - 3x^2 - 4$ 4. _____
5. $2x^3 + 6x^2 - 10x$ 5. _____
6. $ab^3 - abc^2$ 6. _____
7. $x^2(a - b) + x(b - a) + 2(b - a)$ 7. _____
8. $2b - ab + a - 2b^2$ 8. _____
9. $52x^4 - 65x^2 + 13$ 9. _____
10. $(a + 2)^2 - a^4$ 10. _____
11. $15x^3a - 45x^2a^2 + 30xa^3$ 11. _____
12. $16x^4 - 409x^2 + 225$ 12. _____

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ROUND I

- (2 pts.) 1. 10
(2 pts.) 2. 15, 17, 19
(2 pts.) 3. 204 yards

ROUND II

- (1 pt.) 1. (0, -4)
(2 pts.) 2. $k = -2\frac{1}{2}$
(3 pts.) 3. $5x + 4y = 25$

ROUND III

- (1 pt.) 1. 3
(2 pts.) 2. 22 seconds
(3 pts.) 3. 16¢

ROUND IV

- (1 pt.) 1. $-2x^2 + 2x$
(1 pt.) 2. $x^2 + 1$
(1 pt.) 3. $P = 22a$
(1 pt.) $A = 24a^2 + 10ab - 4b^2$
(2 pts.) 4. $9x^4 - 66x^3 + 121x^2$

TEAM ROUND
TWO POINTS EACH

1. $(a + c)(b - d)$
2. $x^6(x + 1)(x - 1)$
3. $x(y + 5)^2$
4. $(x^2 + 1)(x + 2)(x - 2)$
5. $2x(x^2 + 3x - 5)$
6. $ab(b + c)(b - c)$
7. $(a - b)(x - 2)(x + 1)$
8. $(2b + a)(1 - b)$
9. $13(2x + 1)(2x - 1)(x + 1)(x - 1)$
10. $(a^2 + a + 2)(a + 1)(2 - a)$
or $-(a^2 + a + 2)(a + 1)(a - 2)$
11. $15ax(x - 2a)(x - a)$
12. $(4x + 3)(4x - 3)(x + 5)(x - 5)$