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WOCOMAL VARSITY MEET

ROUND I: Elementary Number Theory

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE EXPRESSED IN SIMPLEST EXACT FORM

1. An integer is divisible by 20, is a multiple of 30, and has 40 as a factor. What is the least positive integer that satisfies these conditions?

2. The numbers in this problem are all base 4. Find the sum of the least common multiple of 2_4 and 12_4 , and the greatest common factor of 100_4 and 30_4 . Give your answer in base 4.

3. Noting that $999999 = 1000000 - 1$, factor 999999 into its prime factorization.

ANSWERS

(1 pt) 1. _____

(2 pts) 2. _____₄

(3 pts) 3. _____
Bancroft, Mass Academy, Tantasqua



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ROUND II: Algebra I — Open

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN SIMPLEST EXACT FORM.

1. Evaluate $\frac{-2^x}{2x^0}$ for $x = 2$.

2. Simplify:

$$\frac{x+1}{x-1} + \frac{x-1}{x+1}$$

$$\frac{x+1}{x-1} - \frac{x-1}{x+1}$$

3. A five digit number is such that with a 2 after it, it is three times as large as it is with a 2 before it. (This compares two six- digit numbers.) What is the five digit number?

ANSWERS

(1 pt) 1. _____

(2 pts) 2. _____

(3 pts) 3. _____

Auburn, Clinton, Shrewsbury, QSC

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ROUND III: Theory of polynomial equations and functions, complex numbers

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN SIMPLEST EXACT FORM

1. One of the zeros of $P(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 7x - 10$ is -1 .

Find the other zeros of P .

2. Evaluate $\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^{23}$

3. $(x + 1)(x + 2)^2(x + 3) - 72 = 0$ has two real and two imaginary roots. Find either imaginary root. Answer in simplest radical form with i , not decimal form, if a radical is involved.

ANSWERS

(1 pt) 1. _____

(2 pts) 2. _____

(3 pts) 3. _____
Clinton, Quaboag, Shepherd Hill

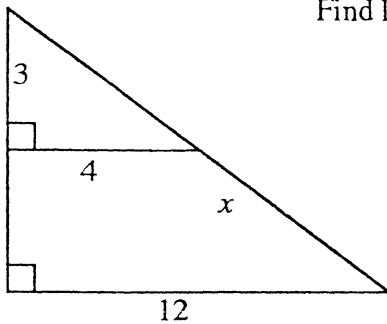
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ROUND IV: Similarity and Pythagorean relationships

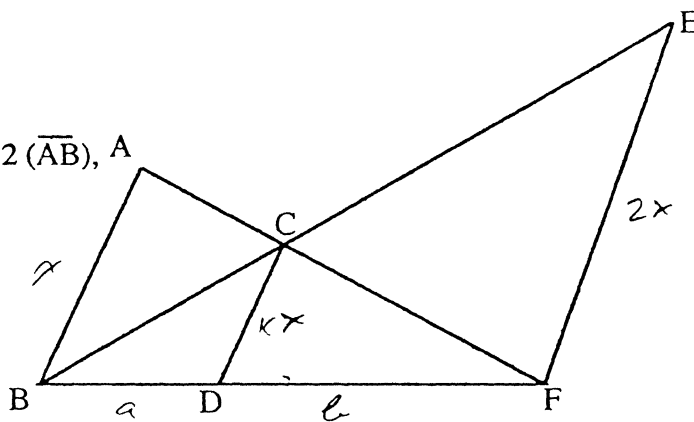
ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN SIMPLEST EXACT FORM

1. Find length x



2. When the lower end of a ladder that had been resting flat against a wall was pulled out four feet, the top of the ladder descended one-fifth the length of the ladder. Find the length of the ladder.

3. If $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{CD} \parallel \overline{EF}$ and $\overline{EF} = 2(\overline{AB})$, then $\overline{CD} = k(\overline{AB})$. Find k .



ANSWERS

(1 pt) 1. _____

(2 pts) 2. _____ feet

(3 pts) 3. _____
Bromfield, Holy Name, Worcester Academy

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ROUND V: Trigonometry — open

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN SIMPEST EXACT FORM SPECIFIED IN THE PROBLEM

1. Steve and Joyce are observing the Washington Monument from one-quarter mile away. The monument is 555 feet tall. What is the angle of elevation from them to the top of the monument to the nearest degree? (One mile = 5280 feet. The monument is on a slight rise, but assume that their eyes are at the level of the base of the monument.)

2. Find all degree values of θ between 0° and 180° inclusive for which $\tan \theta \cdot \sin \theta + 1 = \tan \theta + \sin \theta$

3. For the function $f(x) = 1 + 4 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - x\right)$, find, in terms of π , the smallest positive radian value x that makes $f(x)$ a maximum.

ANSWERS

(1 pt) 1. _____

(2 pts) 2. _____

(3 pts) 3. _____
Bartlett, Doherty, St. John's

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TEAM ROUND: Topics of previous rounds and open

ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN SIMPLEST EXACT FORM, NO APPROXIMATIONS.

2 points each

1. A number is called "cute" if it has exactly 4 positive integer divisors. What percent of the first 25 positive integers are cute? Include itself and 1 as divisors.

2. If

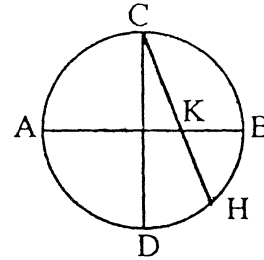
$$1 + \frac{1 + \frac{1}{x}}{1 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{x}}} = ax + b + \frac{r}{2x + 1}, \text{ find } r$$

3. Given that k and $2k$ are zeros of $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + 9kx - 90$, find three zeros of $f(x)$ as specific numerical values.

4. In the circle at the right \overline{AB} and \overline{CD} are perpendicular diameters and the radius is 10. If $\overline{CH} = 16$, find \overline{BK} .

5. Given $\sin 105^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4}$ and $\cos 105^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{6}}{4}$

Find $\tan 52.5^\circ$ exactly in a form involving simplified radicals and no irrational denominators of fractions.



6. What is the smallest sum of the two largest angles, in degrees, in a scalene triangle in which all angle measures are whole numbers?

7. Solve: $(a^2 - 2)^2 = 3 + 2(a^2 - 2)$

8. If the diagonal of a rectangle is $4\sqrt{3}$ and its area is 8, find its perimeter.

9. What is the units digit in the sum $1! + 2! + 3! + 4! + \dots + 25!$?

Burncoat, Hudson, Notre Dame, St.John's, Shrewsbury, Westboro, Worcester Academy

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- ROUND I
1. 1 pt 120
 - # theory
 2. 2 pts 22_4
 3. 3 pts $3^3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13 \cdot 37$
any order

- ROUND II
- Alg 1
1. 1 pt -2
 2. 2 pts $\frac{x^2+1}{2x}$
 3. 3 pts 85714

- ROUND III
- poly eq
f(x)
complex
1. 1 pt -5 and 2
 2. 2 pts $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$
 3. 3 pts Either $-2+2i\sqrt{2}$
or $-2-2i\sqrt{2}$

- ROUND IV
- similar
Pythag
1. 1 pt 10
 2. 2 pts $6\frac{2}{3}$ or $\frac{20}{3}$ or $6.\bar{6}$
 3. 3 pts $\frac{2}{3}$ or $.\bar{6}$

- ROUND V
- Trig
1. 1 pt 23°
 2. 2 pts 45°
 3. 3 pts $\frac{11\pi}{6}$

TEAM ROUND 2 pts each

1. 287°
2. $\frac{3}{4}$ or $.75$
3. $-6, -3, 5$
any order
4. $2\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{5}{2}$ or 2.5
5. $2 + \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}$
6. 121°
7. $-1, 1, -\sqrt{5}, \sqrt{5}$
any order, \pm OK
8. 16
9. 3