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1. On a class test consisting of 3 questions, 20% got 3 right, 40% got 2 right, and 30% got 1 right. The average number of right answers was

- (a) 1.5 (b) 2.0 (c) 1.8 (d) 1.7 (e) depends on the class size

2. Of 20 students 14 take math, 8 do not take English, and 4 take English but do not take math. How many are there who take math but do not take English?

- (a) none (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) 6

3. The lengths of each side of a cube are increased by 10%. By what percent is the volume then increased?

- (a) 30 (b) 33.1 (c) 10 (d)  $3\frac{1}{3}$  (e) 130

4. There are how many positive integers  $x$  such that  $\frac{8x}{8+x}$  is an integer?

- (a) none (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3 (e) more than 3

5. The volume of a sphere in cubic feet is the same as the surface area of the sphere in square feet. The radius of the sphere in feet is

- (a)  $2\pi/3$  (b)  $\pi/2$  (c) 9 (d)  $3\pi$  (e) 3

6. If the four equations:

$$\begin{aligned}x + y + z &= a \\x - y + z &= b \\x - y - z &= c \\3x - y + z &= d\end{aligned}$$

have a solution for  $x, y, z$  then

- (a)  $a + b - c - d = 0$  (b)  $a + b + c - d = 0$  (c)  $a - b + c - d = 0$   
(d)  $a - b - c + d = 0$  (e)  $a + b - c + d = 0$

7. If an amount of money is invested at a rate of  $100r$  percent compounded annually, in how many years will the investment double? (all logs to the base 10).

- (a)  $\frac{\log 2}{\log(1+r)}$  (b)  $\frac{1}{2^r - 1}$  (c)  $-\log(2^r - 1)$  (d)  $\log \frac{r}{2r+1}$  (e)  $2^{1-r}$

8. John and Bill run a 1 mile race. Bill runs at a constant speed. If John runs  $9/10$  as fast as Bill for a distance  $D$  and  $11/10$  as fast as Bill for the remainder of the race then they will end in a tie if  $D$  is what part of a mile?

- (a)  $1/2$  (b)  $9/11$  (c)  $11/20$  (d)  $9/20$  (e)  $19/40$

9. Three different numbers are selected at random from the set of integers 1 through 10. The probability that at least one of the integers is even is

- (a)  $2/3$  (b)  $5/6$  (c)  $7/8$  (d)  $11/12$  (e)  $15/16$

10. The first term of an arithmetic progression is 3 and the sum of the first ten terms of the progression is 120. The fourth term of the progression is then

- (a) 9 (b) 10 (c) 8 (d) 11 (e) 15/2

11. Given a triangle with vertices  $A, B, C$  if  $\tan A = 2/3$ ,  $\tan B = 3/4$  and the length of the altitude from  $C$  to side  $AB$  is 6 then the area of the triangle is

- (a) 24 (b) 30 (c) 36 (d) 42 (e) 51

12. Ten pounds of a 10% solution is mixed with 20 pounds of a 20% solution, and the resulting mixture is added to  $x$  pounds of a 30% solution. If the final mixture is a 25% solution then  $x =$

- (a) 46 (b) 48 (c) 50 (d) 54 (e) 60

13. In the Cartesian plane the line through the point  $(1, 2)$  and tangent to the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  intersects the circle in the point

- (a)  $(-3/5, 4/5)$  (b)  $(-1/\sqrt{2}, 1/\sqrt{2})$  (c)  $(-1/2, \sqrt{3}/2)$  (d)  $(-1/3, 2\sqrt{2}/3)$   
(e)  $(-4/5, 3/5)$

14. In the Cartesian plane if  $(a, b)$  is the point on the line  $y = 5x$  which is nearest the point  $(2, 3)$  then  $a =$

- (a) 2/3 (b) 17/26 (c) 3/4 (d) 11/19 (e) 1

15. If the equation  $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has a root  $x = 1$ , which expression must equal 0?

- (a)  $2a - b + c - 1$  (b)  $a + b - 2c + 1$  (c)  $a + b + c + 1$  (d)  $a - b + c - 1$   
(e)  $a + 2b + c - 1$

16. If  $x$  is near 0 then  $\frac{\sqrt{1+x} - 1}{x}$  is near what number?

- (a) 0 (b) 2/3 (c) 1 (d) 1/2 (e) 1/2

17. If  $x$  is a large number then  $\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x$  is best approximated by

- (a)  $\frac{2x-1}{4x^2}$  (b)  $\frac{3x-2}{6x^2}$  (c)  $\frac{4x^2-1}{8x^3}$  (d)  $\frac{6x^2-2}{9x^3}$  (e)  $\frac{8x^3-50}{12x^4}$

18. If 3 persons are selected at random, what is the probability they were born on different weekdays? (i.e. no two were born on the same weekday).

- (a) 3/7 (b) 6/7 (c) 18/49 (d) 30/49 (e) 2/3

19. If  $\frac{x^2 + 9x + 7}{x^2(x+1)} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x+1}$  for all numbers  $x$  other than 0 and -1 then  
 $A + B + C =$   
(a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 8 (d) 10 (e) there are no solution values for  $A, B, C$ .

20. Given two concentric circles of radius 1 and 2, if a tangent to the smaller circle intersects the larger circle in points  $A, B$  then the length of the segment  $AB$  is

- (a)  $2\sqrt{2}$  (b)  $2\sqrt{3}$  (c)  $\sqrt{2}\pi$  (d)  $3\pi/2$  (e)  $\frac{1+\sqrt{3}}{2}$

21. The sum  $7/360 + 5/756$  equals

- (a)  $97/3600$  (b)  $197/7560$  (c)  $77/2520$  (d)  $147/5640$  (e)  $37/840$

22. If  $a > 1$  the sum of all solutions of  $x^{\log_a x} = a^2 x$  is

- (a)  $1 + 1/a^2$  (b)  $3a^2 - 1$  (c)  $2a/3$  (d)  $2 + 2^a$  (e)  $\frac{a^3 + 1}{a}$

23. If  $x(0) = 1$  and  $x(n+1) = \frac{x(n)}{10} + 1$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$  then for  $n$  a very large integer  $x(n)$  is near

- (a) 2 (b)  $3/2$  (c)  $10/9$  (d) 10 (e) infinity

24. If  $3^{20}$  is divided by 11 the remainder is

- (a) 1 (b) 3 (c) 5 (d) 7 (e) 9

25. Let  $x, y, z$  be positive integers such that  $x$  is odd but not both  $y$  and  $z$  are odd. Of the three statements: (A)  $xy$  is even (B)  $x + z$  is odd (C)  $x + yz$  is odd exactly which ones must be true?

- (a) A and B (b) B and C (c) A and C (d) B only (e) C only

26. The equation  $xy = 1000$  has how many solution pairs  $(x, y)$  where  $x$  and  $y$  are positive integers (Note: (1, 1000) and (1000, 1) are different solution pairs).

- (a) 12 (b) 13 (c) 14 (d) 15 (e) 16

27. Initially Tom has \$1 and Bill has \$2. They wage a series of \$1 bets until one of them has all the money i.e. the \$3. Each bet the person with \$2 has probability  $1/3$  of winning. What is the probability Bill wins all the money?

- (a)  $1/3$  (b)  $2/3$  (c)  $1/2$  (d)  $3/5$  (e)  $2/5$

28. Given  $0 < x < 1$  let  $y = x^x$  and  $z = x^y$ . Then

- (a)  $x < y < z$    (b)  $x < z < y$    (c)  $y < x < z$    (d)  $z < x < y$    (e)  $y < z < x$

29. Given the complex number  $z = 1 + i$ , where  $i^2 = -1$ , then  $z^{10} =$

- (a)  $10 + 10i$    (b)  $2^{10}(1 + 2i)$    (c)  $32i$    (d)  $10 - 5i$    (e)  $16$

30. Given the values for a triangle:  $\angle A = 30^\circ$ , side  $b = 10$  and side  $a = x$ , where side  $a$  is opposite  $\angle A$ , then the values of  $x$  for which there are 2 possible triangles is described by

- (a)  $5 < x < 10$    (b)  $x < 5/2$    (c)  $5/3 < x < 10$    (d)  $5 < x < 5/3$   
(e)  $5/2 < x < 10$

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