



Canadian Mathematics Competition

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1998 Solutions

Gauss Contest (Grade 7)

Part A

1. The value of $\frac{1998 - 998}{1000}$ is
 (A) 1 (B) 1000 (C) 0.1 (D) 10 (E) 0.001

Solution

$$\frac{1998 - 998}{1000} = \frac{1000}{1000} = 1$$

ANSWER: (A)

2. The number 4567 is tripled. The ones digit (units digit) in the resulting number is
 (A) 5 (B) 6 (C) 7 (D) 3 (E) 1

Solution

If we wish to determine the units digit when we triple 4567, it is only necessary to triple 7 and take the units digit of the number 21.

The required digit is 1.

ANSWER: (E)

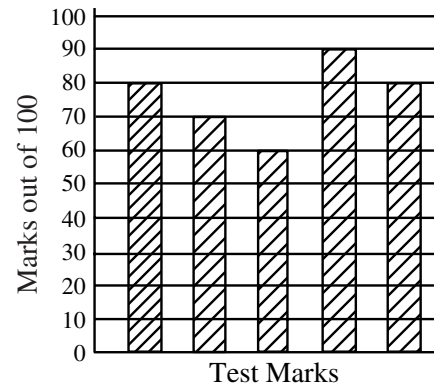
3. If $S = 6 \times 10\,000 + 5 \times 1000 + 4 \times 10 + 3 \times 1$, what is S ?
 (A) 6543 (B) 65 043 (C) 65 431 (D) 65 403 (E) 60 541

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 60\,000 + 5000 + 40 + 3 \\ &= 65\,043 \end{aligned}$$

ANSWER: (B)

4. Jean writes five tests and achieves the marks shown on the graph. What is her average mark on these five tests?
 (A) 74 (B) 76 (C) 70
 (D) 64 (E) 79



Solution

$$\text{Jean's average is } \frac{80 + 70 + 60 + 90 + 80}{5} = \frac{380}{5} = 76.$$

ANSWER: (B)

5. If a machine produces 150 items in one minute, how many would it produce in 10 seconds?
 (A) 10 (B) 15 (C) 20 (D) 25 (E) 30

Solution

Since 10 seconds represents one-sixth of a minute, the machine will produce $\frac{1}{6} \times 150$ or 25 items.

ANSWER: (D)

6. In the multiplication question, the sum of the digits in the four boxes is

(A) 13 (B) 12 (C) 27
(D) 9 (E) 22

$$\begin{array}{r} 879 \\ \times 492 \\ \hline \square 758 \\ 7\square 11 \\ 35\square 6 \\ \hline 43\square 468 \end{array}$$

Solution

Multiplying out,

$$\begin{array}{r} 879 \\ \times 492 \\ \hline 1758 \\ 7911 \\ 3516 \\ \hline 432468 \end{array}$$

The sum is $1+9+1+2=13$.

ANSWER: (A)

7. A rectangular field is 80 m long and 60 m wide. If fence posts are placed at the corners and are 10 m apart along the four sides of the field, how many posts are needed to completely fence the field?
- (A) 24 (B) 26 (C) 28 (D) 30 (E) 32

Solution

There is 1 post on each corner making a total of 4 plus 7 along each of the two lengths and 5 along each of the two widths.

This gives a total of 28 posts.

ANSWER: (C)

8. Tuesday's high temperature was 4°C warmer than that of Monday's. Wednesday's high temperature was 6°C cooler than that of Monday's. If Tuesday's high temperature was 22°C , what was Wednesday's high temperature?
- (A) 20°C (B) 24°C (C) 12°C (D) 32°C (E) 16°C

Solution

If Tuesday's temperature was 22°C then Monday's high temperature was 18°C .

Wednesday's temperature was 12°C since it was 6°C cooler than that of Monday's high temperature.

ANSWER: (C)

9. Two numbers have a sum of 32. If one of the numbers is -36 , what is the other number?
- (A) 68 (B) -4 (C) 4 (D) 72 (E) -68

Solution

$$68 + (-36) = 32$$

ANSWER: (A)

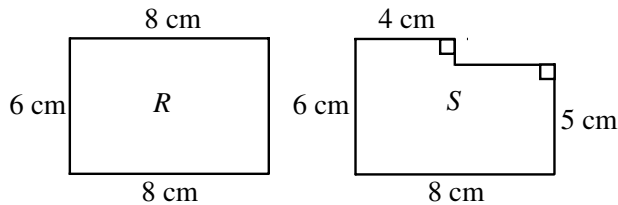
10. At the waterpark, Bonnie and Wendy decided to race each other down a waterslide. Wendy won by 0.25 seconds. If Bonnie's time was exactly 7.80 seconds, how long did it take for Wendy to go down the slide?
 (A) 7.80 seconds (B) 8.05 seconds (C) 7.55 seconds (D) 7.15 seconds (E) 7.50 seconds

Solution

If Wendy finished 0.25 seconds ahead of Bonnie and Bonnie took 7.80 seconds then Wendy took $7.80 - 0.25$ or 7.55 seconds.
 ANSWER: (C)

Part B

11. Kalyn cut rectangle R from a sheet of paper. A smaller rectangle is then cut from the large rectangle R to produce figure S . In comparing R to S



- (A) the area and perimeter both decrease
 (B) the area decreases and the perimeter increases
 (C) the area and perimeter both increase
 (D) the area increases and the perimeter decreases
 (E) the area decreases and the perimeter stays the same

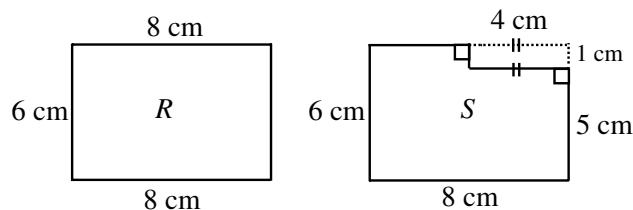
Solution

If figure S is cut out of rectangle R then S must be smaller in area.

If we compare perimeters, however, we find that the perimeter of figure S is identical to that of rectangle R .

The comparison of perimeter is not too difficult to see if we complete figure S as shown and compare lengths.

The perimeters of R and S are equal.



ANSWER: (E)

12. Steve plants ten trees every three minutes. If he continues planting at the same rate, how long will it take him to plant 2500 trees?
- (A) $1\frac{1}{4}$ h (B) 3 h (C) 5 h (D) 10 h (E) $12\frac{1}{2}$ h

Solution 1

Since Steve plants ten trees every three minutes, he plants one tree every $\frac{3}{10}$ minute.

In order to plant 2500 trees, he will need $\frac{3}{10} \times 2500 = 750$ minutes or $\frac{750}{60} = 12\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Solution 2

Since Steve plants ten trees every three minutes, he plants 200 trees per hour.

In order to plant 2500 trees, he will need $\frac{2500}{200} = 12\frac{1}{2}$ hours. ANSWER: (E)

13. The pattern of figures $\triangle \bullet \square \blacktriangle \circ$ is repeated in the sequence
 $\triangle, \bullet, \square, \blacktriangle, \circ, \triangle, \bullet, \square, \blacktriangle, \circ, \dots$

The 214th figure in the sequence is

- (A) \triangle (B) \bullet (C) \square (D) \blacktriangle (E) \circ

Solution

Since the pattern repeats itself after every five figures, it begins again after 210 figures have been completed.

The 214th figure would be the fourth element in the sequence or \blacktriangle . ANSWER: (D)

14. A cube has a volume of 125 cm^3 . What is the area of one face of the cube?
- (A) 20 cm^2 (B) 25 cm^2 (C) $41\frac{2}{3} \text{ cm}^2$ (D) 5 cm^2 (E) 75 cm^2

Solution

If the volume of the cube is 125 cm^3 , then the length, width and height are each 5 cm.

The area of one face is 5×5 or 25 cm^2 . ANSWER: (B)

15. The diagram shows a magic square in which the sums of the numbers in any row, column or diagonal are equal. What is the value of n ?

- (A) 3 (B) 6 (C) 7
 (D) 10 (E) 11

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9		5
4	n	

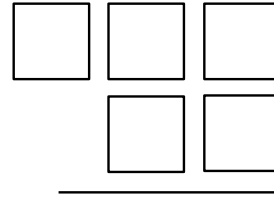
Solution

The 'magic' sum is $8 + 9 + 4 = 21$, so the centre square is 7.

If the centre square is 7, then the square on the lower right has 6 in it giving $4 + n + 6 = 21$.

Therefore $n = 11$. ANSWER: (E)

16. Each of the digits 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 is placed one to a box in the diagram. If the two digit number is subtracted from the three digit number, what is the smallest difference?
 (A) 269 (B) 278 (C) 484
 (D) 271 (E) 261



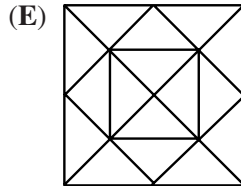
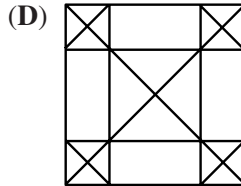
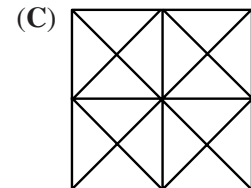
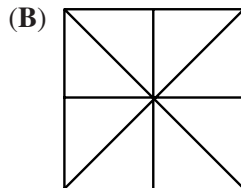
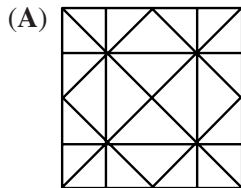
Solution

The smallest difference will be produced when the three digit number is as small as possible, that is 356, and the two digit number is as large as possible, that is 87.

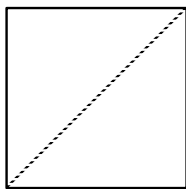
The smallest difference is $356 - 87 = 269$.

ANSWER: (A)

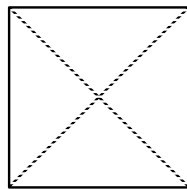
17. Claire takes a square piece of paper and folds it in half four times without unfolding, making an isosceles right triangle each time. After unfolding the paper to form a square again, the creases on the paper would look like



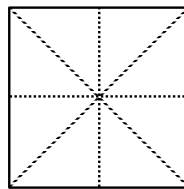
Solution



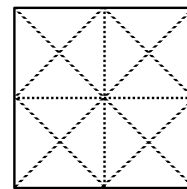
Fold 1



Fold 2



Fold 3



Fold 4

ANSWER: (C)

18. The letters of the word 'GAUSS' and the digits in the number '1998' are each cycled separately and then numbered as shown.
1. AUSSG 9981
 2. USSGA 9819
 3. SSGAU 8199

etc.

If the pattern continues in this way, what number will appear in front of GAUSS 1998?

- (A) 4 (B) 5 (C) 9 (D) 16 (E) 20

Solution

Because the word 'GAUSS' has five letters in it, the numbers 5, 10, 15, 20, ... will appear beside this word. Similarly, the four digits of '1998' will have the numbers 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, ... beside this number.

From this listing, we can see that the correct number is 20 which is the l.c.m. of 5 and 4.

ANSWER: (E)

19. Juan and Mary play a two-person game in which the winner gains 2 points and the loser loses 1 point. If Juan won exactly 3 games and Mary had a final score of 5 points, how many games did they play?
- (A) 7 (B) 8 (C) 4 (D) 5 (E) 11

Solution

If Juan won 3 games then Mary lost 3 points so that she must have had 8 points before losing in order to have a final total of 5.

If Mary had 8 points before losing then she must have won 4 games.

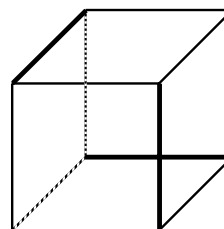
If Mary won 4 games and Juan won 3 games there was a total of 7 games.

ANSWER: (A)

20. Each of the 12 edges of a cube is coloured either red or green. Every face of the cube has at least one red edge. What is the smallest number of red edges?
- (A) 2 (B) 3 (C) 4 (D) 5 (E) 6

Solution

If the heavy black lines represent the colour red, every face will have exactly one red edge. So the smallest number of red edges is 3.



ANSWER: (B)

Part C

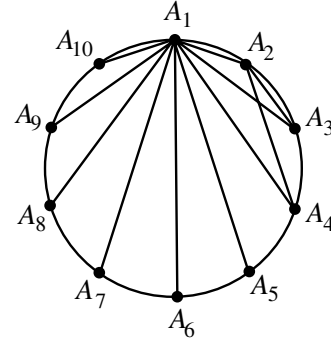
21. Ten points are spaced equally around a circle. How many different chords can be formed by joining any 2 of these points? (A chord is a straight line joining two points on the circumference of a circle.)
 (A) 9 (B) 45 (C) 17 (D) 66 (E) 55

Solution

Space the ten points equally around the circle and label them A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{10} for convenience.

If we start with A_1 and join it to each of the other nine points, we will have 9 chords.

Similarly, we can join A_2 to each of the other 8 points. If we continue this process until we join A_9 to A_{10} we will have $9 + 8 + 7 + 6 + 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1 = 45$ chords.



ANSWER: (B)

22. Each time a bar of soap is used, its volume decreases by 10%. What is the minimum number of times a new bar would have to be used so that less than one-half its volume remains?
 (A) 5 (B) 6 (C) 7 (D) 8 (E) 9

Solution

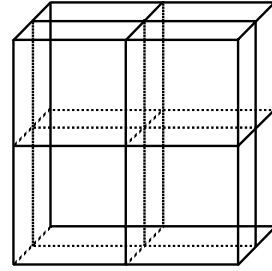
<u>Number of Times Soap Used</u>	<u>Approximate Volume Remaining (as %)</u>
1	0.9 or 90%
2	$(0.9)^2$ or 81%
3	$(0.9)^3$ or 72.9%
4	$(0.9)^4$ or 65.61%
5	$(0.9)^5$ or 59.1%
6	$(0.9)^6$ or 53.1%
7	$(0.9)^7$ or 47.8%

So if the soap is used 7 times the volume will be less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of the original volume.

NOTE: In essence, we are trying to find a positive integer x so that $(0.9)^x < 0.5$. The value of x can be found by using the y^x button on your calculator where $y = 0.9$ and experimenting to find a value for x .
 ANSWER: (C)

23. A cube measures $10\text{ cm} \times 10\text{ cm} \times 10\text{ cm}$. Three cuts are made parallel to the faces of the cube as shown creating eight separate solids which are then separated. What is the increase in the total surface area?

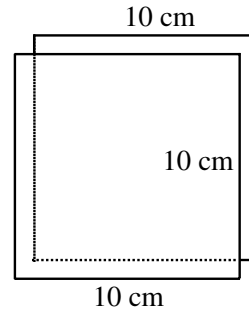
- (A) 300 cm^2 (B) 800 cm^2 (C) 1200 cm^2
 (D) 600 cm^2 (E) 0 cm^2



Solution

One cut increases the surface area by the equivalent of two $10\text{ cm} \times 10\text{ cm}$ squares or 200 cm^2 .

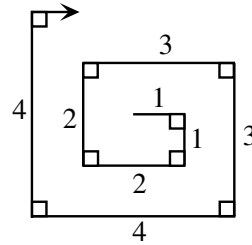
Then the three cuts produce an increase in area of $3 \times 200\text{ cm}^2$ or 600 cm^2 .



ANSWER: (D)

24. On a large piece of paper, Dana creates a “rectangular spiral” by drawing line segments of lengths, in cm, of 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, ... as shown. Dana’s pen runs out of ink after the total of all the lengths he has drawn is 3000 cm. What is the length of the longest line segment that Dana draws?

- (A) 38 (B) 39 (C) 54
 (D) 55 (E) 30



Solution

The formula for the sum of the natural numbers from 1 to n is $\frac{(n)(n+1)}{2}$.

That is, $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{(n)(n+1)}{2}$.

(For example, $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 10 = \frac{(10)(11)}{2} = 55$.)

We can find the sum of a double series, like the one given, by doubling each side of the given formula.

We know $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{(n)(n+1)}{2}$.

If we double each side we get $2(1 + 2 + \dots + n) = n(n+1)$.

So, $(1+1) + (2+2) + (3+3) + \dots + (n+n) = n(n+1)$.

In this question we want the value of n so that the following is true:

$(1+1) + (2+2) + (3+3) + \dots + (n+n) \leq 3000$.

Or, if we use the formula $(n)(n+1) \leq 3000$.

We would now like to find the largest value of n for which this is true.

The best way to start is by taking $\sqrt{3000} \doteq 54.7$ as a beginning point.

If we try $n = 54$, we find $(54)(55) = 2970 < 3000$ which is a correct estimate.

(If we try $n = 55$ we find $55(56) = 3080 > 3000$. So $n = 55$ is not acceptable.)

This means that $(1+1)+(2+2)+(3+3)+\dots+(54+54) = 2970$ so that the longest length that Dana completed was 54 cm. (If we had included the length 55 then we would have had a sum of 3 025 which is too large.)

ANSWER: (C)

25. Two natural numbers, p and q , do not end in zero. The product of any pair, p and q , is a power of 10 (that is, 10, 100, 1000, 10 000, ...). If $p > q$, the last digit of $p - q$ cannot be
- (A) 1 (B) 3 (C) 5 (D) 7 (E) 9

Solution

If the two natural numbers p and q do not end in zero themselves and if their product is a power of 10 then p must be of the form 5^n and q must be of the form 2^n .

This is true because $10 = 2 \times 5$ and $10^n = (2 \times 5)^n = 2^n \times 5^n$.

The possibilities for powers of two are 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, ... and for corresponding powers of five are 5, 25, 125, 625, 3125,

If we take their differences and look at the last digit of $p - q$ we find the following,

p	q	<u>last digit of $p - q$</u>	
5	2	3	}
25	4	1	
125	8	7	
625	16	9	
3125	32	3	}
15 625	64	1	
⋮	⋮	7	
		9	
		⋮	

and the pattern continues in groups of 4.

Thus, the last digit of $p - q$ cannot be 5.

ANSWER: (C)



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Part A

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 (A) 5 (B) 6 (C) 7 (D) 3 (E) 1

Solution

If we wish to determine the units digit when we triple 4567, it is only necessary to triple 7 and take the units digit of the number 21.

The required number is 1.

ANSWER: (E)

2. The smallest number in the set $\{0, -17, 4, 3, -2\}$ is
 (A) -17 (B) 4 (C) -2 (D) 0 (E) 3

Solution

By inspection, the smallest number is -17 .

ANSWER: (A)

3. The average of $-5, -2, 0, 4,$ and 8 is
 (A) $\frac{5}{4}$ (B) 0 (C) $\frac{19}{5}$ (D) 1 (E) $\frac{9}{4}$

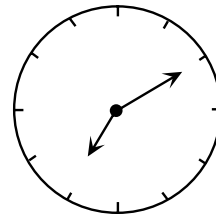
Solution

The sum of the integers is 5.

They have an average of 1.

ANSWER: (D)

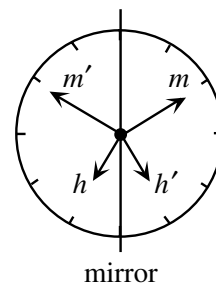
4. Emily sits on a chair in a room. Behind her is a clock. In front of her is a mirror. In the mirror, she sees the image of the clock as shown. The actual time is closest to
 (A) 4:10 (B) 7:10 (C) 5:10
 (D) 6:50 (E) 4:50

*Solution*

Draw a mirror line to run from 12 o'clock to 6 o'clock and then reflect both the minute and hour hand in this mirror line.

The minute hand (m) is reflected to 10 o'clock (which is labelled m') and the hour hand (h) is reflected to just before 5 o'clock (h').

The required time is 4:50.



ANSWER: (E)

5. If 1.2×10^6 is doubled, what is the result?
 (A) 2.4×10^6 (B) 2.4×10^{12} (C) 2.4×10^3 (D) 1.2×10^{12} (E) 0.6×10^{12}

Solution

Doubling the given number means that 1.2 must be doubled.

The required number is 2.4×10^6 .

ANSWER: (A)

6. Tuesday's high temperature was 4°C warmer than that of Monday's. Wednesday's high temperature was 6°C cooler than that of Monday's. If Tuesday's high temperature was 22°C , what was Wednesday's high temperature?
 (A) 20°C (B) 24°C (C) 12°C (D) 32°C (E) 16°C

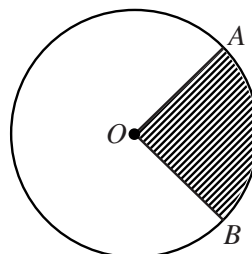
Solution

If Tuesday's temperature was 22°C then Monday's high temperature was 18°C .

Wednesday's temperature was 12°C since it was 6°C cooler than that of Monday's high temperature.

ANSWER: (C)

7. In the circle with centre O , the shaded sector represents 20% of the area of the circle. What is the size of angle AOB ?
 (A) 36° (B) 72° (C) 90°
 (D) 80° (E) 70°



Solution

If the area of the sector represents 20% of the area of the circle then angle AOB is 20% of 360° or 72° .

ANSWER: (B)

8. The pattern of figures $\triangle \bullet \square \blacktriangle \circ$ is repeated in the sequence
 $\triangle, \bullet, \square, \blacktriangle, \circ, \triangle, \bullet, \square, \blacktriangle, \circ, \dots$

The 214th figure in the sequence is

- (A) \triangle (B) \bullet (C) \square (D) \blacktriangle (E) \circ

Solution

Since the pattern repeats itself after every five figures, it begins again after 210 figures have been completed.

The 214th figure would be the fourth element in the sequence or \blacktriangle .

ANSWER: (D)

9. When a pitcher is $\frac{1}{2}$ full it contains exactly enough water to fill three identical glasses. How full would the pitcher be if it had exactly enough water to fill four of the same glasses?

(A) $\frac{2}{3}$ (B) $\frac{7}{12}$ (C) $\frac{4}{7}$ (D) $\frac{6}{7}$ (E) $\frac{3}{4}$

Solution

If three glasses of water are the same as $\frac{1}{2}$ a pitcher then one glass is the same as $\frac{1}{6}$ of the pitcher.

If there were four glasses of water in the pitcher, this would be the same as $\frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$ of a pitcher.

ANSWER: (A)

10. A bank employee is filling an empty cash machine with bundles of \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00 bills. Each bundle has 100 bills in it and the machine holds 10 bundles of each type. What amount of money is required to fill the machine?

(A) \$30 000 (B) \$25 000 (C) \$35 000 (D) \$40 000 (E) \$45 000

Solution

Since there are three bundles, each with 100 bills in them, the three bundles would be worth \$500, \$1000 and \$2000 respectively.

Since there are 10 bundles of each type of bill, their overall value would be

$$10(\$500 + \$1000 + \$2000) = \$35\,000.$$

ANSWER: (C)

Part B

11. The weight limit for an elevator is 1500 kilograms. The average weight of the people in the elevator is 80 kilograms. If the combined weight of the people is 100 kilograms over the limit, how many people are in the elevator?

(A) 14 (B) 17 (C) 16 (D) 20 (E) 13

Solution

The combined weight of the people on the elevator is 100 kilograms over the limit which implies that their total weight is 1600 kilograms.

If the average weight is 80 kilograms there must be $\frac{1600}{80}$ or 20 people on the elevator.

ANSWER: (D)

12. In the 4×4 square shown, each row, column and diagonal should contain each of the numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4. Find the value of $K + N$.

(A) 4 (B) 3 (C) 5
(D) 6 (E) 7

1	F	G	H
T	2	J	K
L	M	3	N
P	Q	1	R

Solution

Since R is on a main diagonal and the numbers 1, 2 and 3 have already been used on this diagonal, then $R = 4$.

The easiest way to look at how to arrange the numbers is to look at boxes P and Q .

Q must be either 2 or 3 but since there is already a 2 in the same column as Q , we conclude that $Q = 3$ and $P = 2$.

1			
	2		
		3	
2	3	1	4

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'cannot be 2'

1	4	2	3
3	2	4	1
4	1	3	2
2	3	1	4

From this point we simply fill in the boxes according to the rule that each row, column and diagonal contains each of the numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Doing this, we arrive at the following arrangement of numbers.

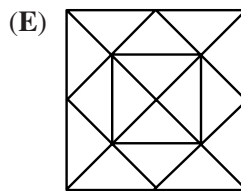
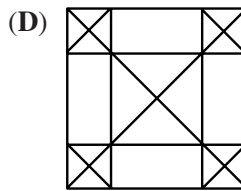
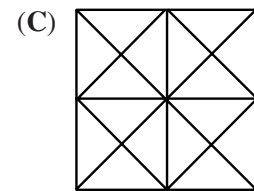
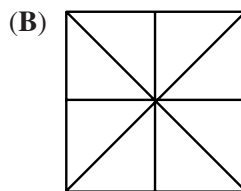
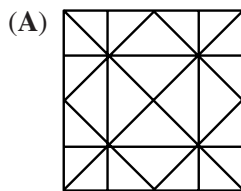
We see that $K + N = 3$.

NOTE 1: It is not necessary that we complete all the boxes but it is a useful way to verify the overall correctness of our work.

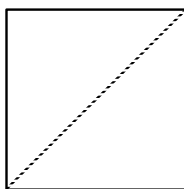
NOTE 2: We could have started by considering H , K and N but this takes a little longer to complete.

ANSWER: (B)

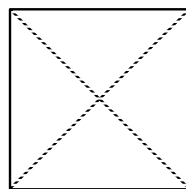
13. Claire takes a square piece of paper and folds it in half four times without unfolding, making an isosceles right triangle each time. After unfolding the paper to form a square again, the creases on the paper would look like



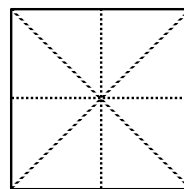
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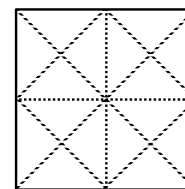
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Fold 4

ANSWER: (C)

14. Stephen had a 10:00 a.m. appointment 60 km from his home. He averaged 80 km/h for the trip and arrived 20 minutes late for the appointment. At what time did he leave his home?
 (A) 9:35 a.m. (B) 9:15 a.m. (C) 8:40 a.m. (D) 9:00 a.m. (E) 9:20 a.m.

Solution

If Stephen averaged 80 km/h for a trip which was 60 km in length, it must have taken him 45 minutes to make the trip.

If the entire trip took 45 minutes and he arrived 20 minutes late he must have left home at 9:35 a.m.

ANSWER: (A)

15. Michael picks three *different* digits from the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and forms a mixed number by placing the digits in the spaces of $\square \frac{\square}{\square}$. The fractional part of the mixed number must be less than 1. (For example, $4\frac{2}{3}$). What is the difference between the largest and smallest possible mixed number that can be formed?

- (A) $4\frac{3}{5}$ (B) $4\frac{9}{20}$ (C) $4\frac{3}{10}$ (D) $4\frac{4}{15}$ (E) $4\frac{7}{20}$

Solution

The largest possible number that Michael can form is $5\frac{3}{4}$ while the smallest is $1\frac{2}{5}$.

The difference is $5\frac{3}{4} - 1\frac{2}{5} = 4\frac{7}{20}$.

ANSWER: (E)

16. Suppose that x^* means $\frac{1}{x}$, the reciprocal of x . For example, $5^* = \frac{1}{5}$. How many of the following statements are true?

- (i) $2^* + 4^* = 6^*$
 (ii) $3^* \times 5^* = 15^*$
 (iii) $7^* - 3^* = 4^*$
 (iv) $12^* \div 3^* = 4^*$

- (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3 (E) 4

Solution

(i) $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \neq \frac{1}{6}$, (i) is not true

(ii) $\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{15}$, (ii) is true

(iii) $\frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{21} - \frac{7}{21} = \frac{4}{21} \neq \frac{1}{4}$, (iii) is not true

(iv) $\frac{\frac{1}{12}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{12} \times \frac{3}{1} = \frac{1}{4}$, (iv) is true

Only two of these statements is correct.

ANSWER: (C)

17. In a ring toss game at a carnival, three rings are tossed over any of three pegs. A ring over peg *A* is worth *one* point, over peg *B* *three* points and over peg *C* *five* points. If all three rings land on pegs, how many different point totals are possible? (It is possible to have more than one ring on a peg.)
 (A) 12 (B) 7 (C) 10 (D) 13 (E) 6

Solution

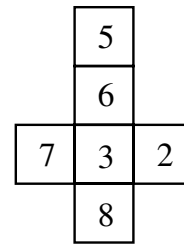
The lowest possible score is 3 and the highest is 15.

It is not possible to get an even score because this would require 3 odd numbers to add to an even number. Starting at a score of 3, it is possible to achieve every odd score between 3 and 15. This implies that 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, and 15 are possible scores.

There are 7 possible scores.

ANSWER: (B)

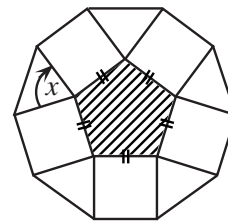
18. The figure shown is folded to form a cube. Three faces meet at each corner. If the numbers on the three faces at a corner are multiplied, what is the largest possible product?
 (A) 144 (B) 168 (C) 240
 (D) 280 (E) 336

*Solution*

When the figure is folded to make a cube, the numbers 8 and 6 are on opposite faces so that it is NOT possible to achieve $8 \times 7 \times 6$ or 336. It is possible, however, to have the sides with 5, 7 and 8 meet at a corner which gives the answer $5 \times 7 \times 8$ or 280.

ANSWER: (D)

19. A regular pentagon has all sides and angles equal. If the shaded pentagon is enclosed by squares and triangles, as shown, what is the size of angle x ?
 (A) 75° (B) 108° (C) 90°
 (D) 60° (E) 72°

*Solution*

Since a pentagon can be divided into three triangles, the sum of the angles in the pentagon is $3 \times 180^\circ = 540^\circ$. Since the angles in a regular pentagon are all equal, each one is $540^\circ \div 5 = 108^\circ$. The sum of the angles of each vertex of the pentagon is $x + 90^\circ + 90^\circ + 108^\circ = 360^\circ$.

Therefore $x = 72^\circ$.

ANSWER: (E)

20. Three playing cards are placed in a row. The club is to the right of the heart and the diamond. The 5 is to the left of the heart. The 8 is to the right of the 4. From left to right, the cards are
 (A) 4 of hearts, 5 of diamonds, 8 of clubs
 (B) 5 of diamonds, 4 of hearts, 8 of clubs
 (C) 8 of clubs, 4 of hearts, 5 of diamonds
 (D) 4 of diamonds, 5 of clubs, 8 of hearts
 (E) 5 of hearts, 4 of diamonds, 8 of clubs

Solution

Since the club is to the right of the heart and diamond we know that the order is either heart, diamond, club or diamond, heart, club.

It is given that the 5 is to the left of the heart so this card must be the 5 of diamonds.

The order is 5 of diamonds, heart, club. Since the 8 is to the right of the 4, the heart must be a 4 and the club an 8.

The correct choice is B.

ANSWER: (B)

Part C

21. The number 315 can be written as the product of two odd integers each greater than 1. In how many ways can this be done?

(A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 3 (D) 4 (E) 5

Solution

Factoring 315 into primes, we find that $315 = 3 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7$.

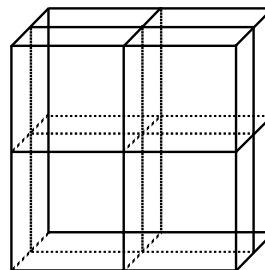
The factorization of 315 as the product of 2 odd integers is 3×105 , 5×63 , 7×45 , 9×35 , and 15×21 .

There are 5 possible factorizations.

ANSWER: (E)

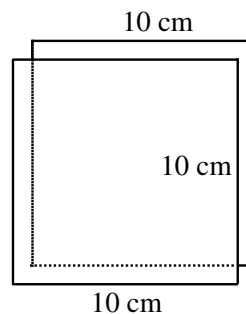
22. A cube measures $10 \text{ cm} \times 10 \text{ cm} \times 10 \text{ cm}$. Three cuts are made parallel to the faces of the cube as shown creating eight separate solids which are then separated. What is the increase in the total surface area?

(A) 300 cm^2 (B) 800 cm^2 (C) 1200 cm^2
 (D) 600 cm^2 (E) 0 cm^2

*Solution*

One cut increases the surface area by the equivalent of two $10 \text{ cm} \times 10 \text{ cm}$ squares or 200 cm^2 .

Then the three cuts produce an increase in area of $3 \times 200 \text{ cm}^2$ or 600 cm^2 .



ANSWER: (D)

23. If the sides of a triangle have lengths 30, 40 and 50, what is the length of the shortest altitude?
- (A) 20 (B) 24 (C) 25 (D) 30 (E) 40

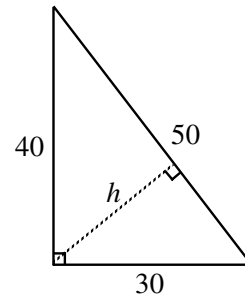
Solution

Since $30^2 + 40^2 = 50^2$ this is a right-angled triangle with a hypotenuse of 50 units.

The area of the triangle is $\frac{30 \times 40}{2}$ or 600 sq. units.

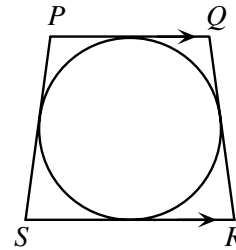
If we draw a perpendicular from the right angle and call this height, h , an expression for the area is $\frac{1}{2}(h)(50) = 25h$.

Equating the two, we have $25h = 600$ or $h = 24$ which is the length of the shortest altitude.



ANSWER: (B)

24. A circle is inscribed in trapezoid $PQRS$.
 If $PS = QR = 25$ cm, $PQ = 18$ cm and $SR = 32$ cm, what is the length of the diameter of the circle?
 (A) 14 (B) 25 (C) 24
 (D) $\sqrt{544}$ (E) $\sqrt{674}$

*Solution*

We start by drawing perpendiculars from P and Q to meet SR at X and Y respectively.

By symmetry, we see that $XY = PQ = 18$. We also note that $SX = YR$ which means that $SX = YR = \frac{32-18}{2} = 7$.

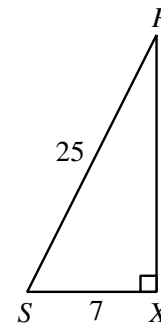
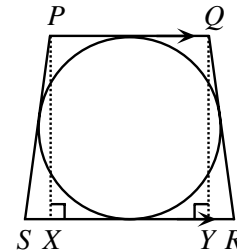
By applying the Pythagorean Theorem in $\triangle PXS$ we find,

$$(PX)^2 + 7^2 = 25^2$$

$$(PX)^2 = 576$$

$$PX = 24$$

The diameter of the circle is thus 24 cm.



ANSWER: (C)

25. A sum of money is to be divided among Allan, Bill and Carol. Allan receives \$1 plus one-third of what is left. Bill then receives \$6 plus one-third of what remains. Carol receives the rest, which amounts to \$40. How much did Bill receive?
 (A) \$26 (B) \$28 (C) \$30 (D) \$32 (E) \$34

Solution

After Allan had received his share, Bill received \$6 plus one-third of the remainder.

Since Carol gets the rest, she received two-thirds of the remainder, which is \$40.

Thus, one-third of the remainder is \$20.

The amount Bill receives is \$26.

ANSWER: (A)