

Advanced Algebra Test #2

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+ 1 (out of 50) for each correct answer, $-\frac{1}{4}$ (out of 50) for each incorrect answer

Section I

1. What is the complex conjugate of $5 + 8i$?

- A. $5 + 8i$
- B. $-5 + 8i$
- C. $-5 - 8i$
- D. $5 - 8i$ (correct)
- E. None of These

2. Which is **not** one of the modes of mathematical representation

- A. Verbal
- B. Algebraic
- C. Problem Solving (correct)
- D. Numeric
- E. Graphic

3. What is the degree of the polynomial $3x^5 + 2x^4 + x^3 + 5x^2 + 10x + 7$?

- A. 7
- B. 5
- C. 3
- D. 2
- E. None of These (correct)

4. According to the blurb on page 97 on your textbook, which mathematician is responsible for the abstraction which led to a solution formula to a general quadratic. (Yes this is a check to make sure you brought your book)

- A. Blaise Pascal
- B. Francois Viète (correct)
- C. Leonhard Euler
- D. Jean-Robert Argand
- E. Gerolamo Cardano

5. This mathematician is the namesake of the plane on which complex numbers (with real numbers on the x-axis and imaginary numbers on the y-axis) can be visualized geometrically.

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6. Use the zero-product property to determine which of the following is **not** a factor of the polynomial, $x^4 + x^3 - 7x^2 - x + 6$. (Factoring is unnecessary and inefficient for this item)

- A. $x + 3$
- B. $x + 1$
- C. x (correct)
- D. $x - 1$
- E. $x - 2$

7. (1987) $(1 + x^2)(1 - x^3) =$

- A. $1 - x^5$
- B. $1 - x^6$
- C. $1 + x^2 - x^3$
- D. $1 + x^2 - x^3 - x^5$ (correct)
- E. $1 + x^2 - x^3 - x^6$

8. (1954) The factors of $x^4 + 64$ are:

- A. $(x^2 + 8)^2$
- B. $(x^2 + 8)(x^2 - 8)$
- C. $(x^2 + 2x + 4)(x^2 - 8x + 16)$
- D. $(x^2 - 4x + 8)(x^2 - 4x - 8)$
- E. $(x^2 - 4x + 8)(x^2 + 4x + 8)$ (correct)

9. (1992) Of the following which two have equal value?

I. $\sqrt{\sqrt[3]{4 \cdot 2}}$

II. $\sqrt[3]{2\sqrt{4}}$

III. $\sqrt[3]{4\sqrt{2}}$

IV. $\sqrt{2\sqrt[3]{4}}$

- A. I and II
- B. I and III
- C. II and III
- D. II and IV
- E. III and IV (correct)

10. If a is any positive integer, then which of the following is **not** a true statement

- A. $2a + 1$ is always an odd integer
- B. \sqrt{a} is always a real number
- C. $\sqrt{-a}$ is always an imaginary number
- D. a^3 is always an odd integer (Correct)
- E. The product of a and $\frac{1}{a}$ always equals 1

11. Which of the following is **not** equal to i^{21} ?

- A. i^{17}
- B. i^9
- C. i^{105}
- D. i^{45}
- E. i^{31} (correct)

12. Which of the following is the smallest positive number?

- A. $10 - 3\sqrt{11}$
- B. $3\sqrt{11} - 10$
- C. $51 - 10\sqrt{26}$ (correct)
- D. $10\sqrt{26} - 51$
- E. Impossible to Determine without a calculator

13. Which of the following is the reciprocal of $8 - 3i$

- A. $\frac{1}{8}$
- B. $\frac{8 + 3i}{55}$
- C. $\frac{8 - 3i}{55}$
- D. $\frac{8 + 3i}{73}$ (correct)
- E. $\frac{1}{11}$

14. (D) The discriminant of a quadratic equation with integer coefficients cannot be:

- A. 23 (correct)
- B. 24
- C. 25
- D. 28
- E. 33

15. $\sqrt{5 - 12i} =$

- A. $2 - 2i$
- B. $3 - 2i$ (correct)
- C. $2 + 2i$
- D. $3 + 2i$
- E. $2 + 3i$

16. (1953) In solving a problem that reduces to a quadratic equation, one student makes a mistake only in the constant term of the equation and obtains 8 and 2 as roots. Another student makes a mistake on in the coefficient of the first degree term and finds -9 and -1 as roots. The correct original equation is:

- A. $x^2 - 10x + 9 = 0$ (Correct)
- B. $x^2 + 10x + 9 = 0$
- C. $x^2 - 10x + 16 = 0$
- D. $x^2 - 8x - 9 = 0$
- E. None of these

17. (1979) The square of an integer is called a perfect square. If x is a perfect square then the next larger perfect square is:

- A. $x + 1$
- B. $x^2 + 1$
- C. $x^2 + 2x + 1$
- D. $x^2 + x$
- E. $x + 2\sqrt{x} + 1$ (Correct)

18. (1965) The number of real values satisfying the equation, $2^{2x^2 - 7x + 5} = 1$ is:

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2 (correct)
- D. 4
- E. More than 4

19. (1962) When $x^9 - x$ is factored completely into polynomials and monomials with real integer coefficients, the number of factors is:

- A. more than 5
- B. 5 (correct)
- C. 4
- D. 3
- E. 2

20. Which value for c makes the polynomial, $49x^2 - 56x + c$, always equal to a perfect square

- A. 784
- B. -784
- C. 16 (correct)
- D. 8
- E. The polynomial can never equal a perfect square

21. Factoring a polynomial to determine its roots corresponds graphically to finding its:

- A. Y-Intercepts
- B. X-Intercepts (correct)
- C. Slope
- D. Area
- E. There is no corresponding graphical aspect to factoring a polynomial

22. What is the product of the three third roots of -1 ?

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. -1 (correct)
- D. i
- E. $-i$

23. What is the sum of the four fourth roots of 16?

- A. 0 (correct)
- B. $4 + 4i$
- C. $4 - 4i$
- D. $4i$
- E. $-4i$

24. The n complex n th roots of a number can be used to:

- A. Find the area of a circle
- B. Construct a cube
- C. Find the volume of a cylinder
- D. Construct a Regular Polygon (correct)
- E. There is no graphical significance to find complex roots

25. If $3^{5-x} = 81^{x+1}$, then $x =$

- A. $\frac{1}{3}$
- B. 3
- C. $\frac{4}{5}$ (Correct)
- D. $\frac{1}{2}$
- E. $\frac{1}{5}$

26. If you were to solve the equation, $A = \frac{\pi d^2}{2} + \pi dh$ for d , then $d =$

A. It is impossible to solve for d

B. $d = \sqrt{\frac{2A - 2\pi h}{\pi}}$

C. $d = h - \sqrt{\frac{h^2 + A^2}{\pi}}$

D. $d = \sqrt{\frac{h^2 + A^2}{\pi}} - h$ (Correct)

E. $d = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2A - 2\pi h}}$

27. (1950) The real factors of $x^4 + 4$ are:

- A. $(x^2 + 2)(x^2 + 2)$
- B. $(x^2 + 2)(x^2 - 2)$
- C. $x^2(x^2 + 2)$
- D. $(x^2 - 2x + 2)(x^2 + 2x + 2)$ (correct)
- E. None of these

28. If $2^3 \cdot 2^{3n} \cdot 2 = \frac{1}{4}$ then $n =$

- A. $-\frac{5}{3}$
- B. -2 (Correct)
- C. $-\frac{2}{9}$
- D. $-\frac{2}{3}$
- E. $-\frac{1}{3}$

29. (1955) The numbers whose sum is 6 and the absolute value of whose difference is 8 are roots to the equation:

- A. $x^2 - 6x + 7 = 0$
- B. $x^2 - 6x - 7 = 0$ (Correct)
- C. $x^2 + 6x - 8 = 0$
- D. $x^2 - 6x + 8 = 0$
- E. $x^2 + 6x - 7 = 0$

30. (1951) The expression, $21x^2 + ax + 21$, is to be factored into two linear prime binomial factors with integer coefficients. This can be done if a is:

- A. any odd number
- B. some odd number
- C. any even number
- D. some even number (correct)
- E. zero

31. For which values of b are both roots of the polynomial, $x^2 + bx + 9$ imaginary?

- A. $-4 < b < 4$
- B. $-6 < b < 4$
- C. $-4 < b < 6$
- D. $-6 < b < 6$
- E. None of these

32. The product of three consecutive numbers is 5 times their sum. What is the sum the squares of those numbers?

- A. 50 (correct)
- B. 110
- C. 77
- D. 29
- E. None of these

33. Let the set of all values of x satisfying the inequalities $|x - 8| < 6$ and $|x - 3| > 5$ be written as $a < x < b$. What is $b - a$?

- A. 6 (Correct)
- B. 12
- C. 14
- D. 4
- E. 16

34. A Heronian Triangle is a triangle whose area is an integer and whose three sides are all integers. The area of any triangle can be found using Heron's Formula, $A = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$ where s is the semi-perimeter. Which of the following sets is **not** the sides of a Heronian triangle?

- A. {3, 4, 5}
- B. {5, 5, 8}
- C. {6, 8, 11} (Correct)
- D. {4, 13, 15}
- E. {13, 14, 15}

35. Which of the following intervals is a solution to the inequality: $|3 - x| > 4$

- A. (-1, 7)
- B. (-7, 1)
- C. (1, 49)
- D. $(-\infty, -1) \cup (7, \infty)$ (Correct)
- E. $(-\infty, -7) \cup (1, \infty)$

[BONUS] 36. (1963) The expression, $x^2 - y^2 - z^2 + 2yz + x + y - z$ has:

- A. No linear factor with integer coefficients and integer exponents
- B. The factor $-x + y + z$
- C. The factor $x - y - z + 1$
- D. The factor $x + y - z + 1$
- E. The factor $x - y + z + 1$ (correct)

[BONUS] 37. (1944) Consider the equation $10z^2 - 3iz + k = 0$ where z is a complex variable (in the form $a + bi$) and $i = \sqrt{-1}$. Which of the following is true?

- A. For all positive real numbers k , both roots are purely imaginary
- B. For all negative real numbers k , both roots are purely imaginary (Correct)
- C. For all purely imaginary numbers k , both roots are real and rational
- D. For all purely imaginary numbers k , both roots are real and irrational
- E. For all complex numbers k , neither root is real

[BONUS] 38. (1957) If $9^{x+2} = 240 + 9^x$, then $x =$

- A. 0.1
- B. 0.2
- C. 0.3
- D. 0.4
- E. 0.5 (correct)

