



NATIONAL MATHEMATICS CONTEST
PRIMARY-LEVEL PAPER 1.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES AND SUPERVISORS

Do not turn this page until you have been instructed to do so. This competition is conducted on the assumption that proper security is maintained. Uganda Mathematical Society reserves the right, should there be evidence of any breach of security or any suspicion, to reject scripts from a particular school/institution.

PLEASE, NOTE CAREFULLY:

1. **WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN THE SPACES PROVIDED. MORE SPACE IS AVAILABLE AT THE END.**
2. Date: Saturday, 6th April, 2024.
3. Time: Exactly 2 hours and 15 Minutes (from 9 : 00am to 11 : 15am)
4. Type:
 - (a) This paper consists of two sections and each section carries 50 marks.
 - (b) Attempt as many questions as you can. The total marks scored from all the questions you attempt will be your final score.
 - (c) No marks will be awarded for an answer if no clear and logical layout of the working is shown.
5. **Indicate your names, date of birth, school and district on all your answer sheets in capital letters.**
6. All diagrams/figures in this contest are not to scale.
7. Immediately the paper is done, the answer script(s) must be forwarded to:

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Contest Coordinator, Uganda Mathematical Society,
c/o Department of Mathematics, Makerere University,
P.O. Box 7062, Kampala,
Telephone contact: +256200955574/+256771696417.
8. Answer scripts should be received latest, Monday 8th April, 2024.
9. *National Mathematics Contest 2024 Paper 2 will be done on 29th June, 2024 at various centres and ALL participants who qualify for Paper 2 are cordially invited to the certificate and prize giving ceremony on Saturday 27th July, 2024 at 9:00am at Makerere University, Kampala.*
10. **UGANDA MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY** wishes you success in this year's contest.

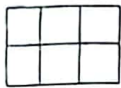


SECTION A : 5 marks each

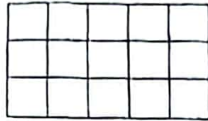
1. Last night was too cold, the temperature was -5°C . It is now 6°C . How many degrees warmer is it now?
2. If a machine produces 300 items in one minute, how many would it produce in 10 seconds?
3. The mean of the numbers 4, 12, 9, 8, x , $2x$ is 8. What is the value of x ?
4. A new mathematical operation, \odot , is defined by $a \odot b = \frac{2a}{b}$. If $a \odot 4 = 18$, what is the value of a ?
5. Maria's gadget takes five-digit positive integers as input. When the 5-digit integer $ABCDE$ is input, the gadget outputs the positive integer $A + B \times C + D \div E$. What will be the output when the input is 30263?
6. What fraction goes in the $\boxed{?}$ to make the equation $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{4}{5} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{6}{7} + \boxed{?}$ true?



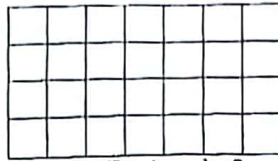
7. Squares measuring 1cm by 1cm are arranged to form the following sequence of rectangles:



Rectangle 1



Rectangle 2



Rectangle 3

Many more rectangles are drawn, Determine the perimeter of Rectangle 5.

8. A bat is flying east. Sadly, it is knocked by an eagle which spins it 225° clockwise. What direction is the bat facing now?

9. My mathematics teacher master Lubega has 18 single socks. He puts on clean socks every three days. How many days can he wear these socks before he has to wash them all?

10. The digits of the year 2024 total 8, that is, $2 + 0 + 2 + 4 = 8$. How many years will it be until this happens again?



SECTION B : (10 marks each)

11. At Monday's practice, Lydia sprints 200m 24 times. She rests for 30 seconds between each consecutive pair of sprints. Lydia sprints at a constant speed of 8m/s.

(a) How many times does Lydia take the 30 seconds rest sessions?

(b) Determine Lydia's total practice time in minutes.

12. Three tanks T_1, T_2, T_3 contain water. The number of litres in each is shown in the table below.

T_1	T_2	T_3
3500	1600	3900

- (a) Water is moved from tanks T_1 and T_3 into T_2 so that each tank contains the same volume of water. How many litres of water are moved from T_1 to T_2 ?

- (b) From 12(a) above, each tank now has the same volume of water and each tank is 0.25 full. How many litres must be added to each tank to make it full?



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13. Place the integers 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 13 in the circles and squares below with one number in each shape. Each integer must be used exactly once and the integer in each circle must be equal to the sum of the integers in the two neighbouring squares.



14. In a special sequence, the first term is a positive integer and each term after the first is determined in the following way:
- if a term, n , is odd, the next term is $n + 3$,
 - if a term, n , is even, the next term is $n + 4$,
 - if a term, n , is a prime, the next term is $n + 5$.
- (a) If the first term in the special sequence is 51, what is the fifth term in the sequence?
- (b) If the first term in the special sequence is 42, what is the fifth term in the sequence?
- (c) If the third term in the special sequence is 32, what are the possibilities for the first term?
15. Points A, B, C , and D lie along a line, in that order. If $AB : AC = 1 : 5$, and $BC : CD = 2 : 1$. Find the ratio $AB : CD$.

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Dear Mathematics Teachers,

I thank you all for offering yourselves to serve our nation (for those using Mathematics in their service), creating more Mathematics (for those researching to add on the existing Mathematics base and literature) and applying the already existing Mathematical skills in industry and daily activities you are involved in, to address challenges in society and using it in predictions of some pertinent trends that affect human life and nature.

This year's Mathematics contest paper II is scheduled for **Saturday 29th June 2024** and I call upon all the people with Mathematics and Mathematics education at heart to embrace integrity in our contest. I thank all the regional coordinators, district coordinators and mathematics teachers for sensitizing fellow teachers/and other people about UMS activities and I also appreciate the UMS executive for the great work well done. This is manifested in the number of Mathematics contestants you present. Please note that this year's theme is "**MATHEMATICS IS THE HINGE FOR ALL CAREERS**". Kindly endeavor to embrace it in your teaching and I request you to submit articles to the editor for publication in this year's Bulletin. For your information:

- Eastern Africa Mathematics Olympiad (EAMO) will be held in Nairobi, Kenya on 24th April 2024.
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- Pan African Mathematics Olympiad (PAMO) will be in Johannesburg, South Africa from August 10th - 20th, 2024
- International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) will be held in Bath, United Kingdom on July 11th - 22nd, 2024.
- Teachers' conference is scheduled for Friday 26th July, 2024.
- The annual prize giving ceremony will take place on Saturday 27th July, 2024.

I remain looking forward to working together and I thank you for supporting UMS activities.

Yours in Service,

Joseph Ssebuliba (PhD),

President UMS and Lecturer, Department of Mathematics (Makerere University).

