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## Practice quiz on the Cartesian Plane

TOTAL POINTS 5

1. Which of the following points in the Cartesian Plane is on the  $y$ -axis?

1 / 1 point

- ☐ (5, 0)
- ☐ (-5, 0)
- ☐ (1, 1)
- ☒ (0, -5)

✓ **Correct**

The  $y$ -axis is defined to be all points in the Cartesian plane with zero as  $x$ -coordinate. The point (0, -5) meets that requirement.

2. Find the distance between the points  $A = (2, 2)$  and  $C = (3, 3)$ :

1 / 1 point

- ☐ 0
- ☐ 2
- ☒  $\sqrt{2}$
- ☐ 1

✓ **Correct**

Recall that the distance between points  $(a, b)$  and  $(c, d)$  is  $\sqrt{(c-a)^2 + (d-b)^2}$ .

In this case  $(a, b) = (2, 2)$  and  $(c, d) = (3, 3)$ , so the distance is  $\sqrt{(3-2)^2 + (3-2)^2} = \sqrt{2}$ .

3. Find the point-slope form of the equation of the line that goes between  $A = (1, 1)$  and  $B = (5, 3)$ :

1 / 1 point

- ☐  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$
- ☐  $y - 3 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 1)$
- ☒  $y - 1 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 1)$
- ☐  $y - 1 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 5)$

✓ Correct

The point-slope form for the equation of a line with slope  $m$  that goes through the point  $(x_0, y_0)$  is  $y - y_0 = m(x - x_0)$

In this case, the slope  $m = \frac{3 - 1}{5 - 1} = \frac{1}{2}$

We can choose either  $A$  or  $B$  for the point on the line, but in neither case do we get this chosen answer.

4. Which of the following points is on the line with equation:

1 / 1 point

$$y - 1 = 2(x - 2)?$$

- ☐  $(3, 2)$
- ☐  $(0, 0)$
- ☐  $(2, 3)$
- ☒  $(2, 1)$

✓ Correct

If we plug in 1 for  $y$  and 2 for  $x$  in the equation of the line, we make a true statement,  $0 = 0$ , so this point lies on the line.

5. Suppose that a line  $\ell$  has slope 2 and goes through the point  $(-1, 0)$ . What is the  $y$ -intercept of  $\ell$ ?

1 / 1 point

- ☐ 0
- ☐ 1
- ☒ 2
- ☐ -1

✓ **Correct**

Recall that the  $y$ -intercept of  $\ell$  is the  $y$ -coordinate of where  $\ell$  hits the  $y$ -axis.

Since  $(-1, 0) \in \ell$ , the point on  $\ell$  with  $x = 0$  is obtained by running one unit from  $(-1, 0)$  while rising two units.

This gives  $y = 2$  as the  $y$ -intercept.

7. Which of the following real numbers is not in the closed interval  $[2, 3]$

1 / 1 point

- ☒ 1
- ☐ 2.1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3

✓ **Correct**

Recall that the closed interval  $[2, 3]$  consists of all real numbers  $x$  which satisfy  $2 \leq x \leq 3$ . Since  $2 \leq 1$  is false,  $1 \notin [2, 3]$

8. Which of the following intervals represents the set of all solutions to:

1 / 1 point

$$-5 \leq x + 2 < 10?$$

- ☐  $(7, 8)$
- ☐  $[-5, 10)$
- ☒  $[-7, 8)$
- ☐  $[-7, 8]$


✓ **Correct**

Subtracting 2 from all sides of the inequalities gives  $-7 \leq x < 8$ , and the set of all real numbers  $x$  which make that true is exactly the half-open interval  $[-7, 8)$ .

9. Which of the numbers below is equal to the following summation:  $\sum_{k=2}^5 2k$ ?

0 / 1 point

- ☐ 4
- ☐ 28
- ☐ 10
- ☒ 14

 **Incorrect**

If you got here, you probably forgot to multiply each term by two before you added up all the terms.

10. Suppose we already know that  $\sum_{k=1}^{20} k = 210$ . Which of the numbers below is equal to  $\sum_{k=1}^{20} 2k$ ?

1 / 1 point

- ☐ 40
- ☒ 420
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 210

 **Correct**

By applying one of our Sigma notation simplification rules, we can rewrite the summation in question as  $2 (\sum_{k=1}^{20} k) = 2 \times 210 = 420$ .

11. Which of the numbers below is equal to the summation  $\sum_{i=2}^{10} 7$ ?

1 / 1 point

- ☐ 70
- ☒ 63
- ☐ 48
- ☐ 7

✓ Correct

According to one of our Sigma notation simplification rules, this summation is just equal to 9 copies of the number 7 all added together, and so we get  $9 \cdot 7 = 63$ .

12. Which of the following numbers is the variance of the set  $Z = \{-2, 4, 7\}$ ?

1 / 1 point

- ☐  $\sqrt{14}$
- ☒ 14
- ☐ 69
- ☐ 42

✓ Correct

To get the variance of a set of numbers, you need to perform four steps:

First compute the mean (which is 3)

Then calculate all the squared differences between the numbers in the set and this mean (here you get 25, 1, 16)

Then add all these up (here you get 42)

Then divide by the number of elements in the set (which is 3).

Therefore, the variance of  $Z$

$$= \frac{1}{3} [(-2 - 3)^2 + (4 - 3)^2 + (7 - 3)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} [25 + 1 + 16] = \frac{42}{3} = 14$$

13. Which of the following sets does *not* have zero variance? (hint: don't do any calculation here, just think!)

1 / 1 point

- ☐  $\{1, 1, 1, 1\}$
- ☒  $\{2, 5, 9, 13\}$
- ☐  $\{0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0\}$
- ☐  $\{5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5\}$

✓ Correct

Intuitively, the numbers in this set are spread out.