

THE SOUTH AFRICAN MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD

Senior First Round 2018

Solutions

1. **Answer D**

(Remember that to the right of the decimal point, each decimal place is worth 10 times the next one.) In increasing order, the five given numbers are: 4.004, 4.04, 4.044, 4.4, 4.44.

2. **Answer B**

Since $x + 70 = 9 \times 8 = 72$, it follows that $x = 72 - 70 = 2$.

3. **Answer B**

(Remember that a positive integer is prime if it has exactly two factors, itself and 1.) Let n be the required number, so $n = p + q$, where p and q are both prime. Since n is odd, it follows that p is even and q is odd (or the other way round). The only even prime is 2, so we can put $p = 2$ and $q = n - 2$, which must also be prime. By trial and error, the only possibility is $n = 15$, because $15 - 2 = 13$, which is prime.

4. **Answer D**

Since 1 km = 1000 m and 1 h = 3600 s, it follows that $720 \text{ km/h} = 720 \times 1000/3600 \text{ m/s} = 200 \text{ m/s}$.

5. **Answer E**

(Remember that if a product is zero, then one of the factors must be zero, and if a product is not zero, then none of the factors can be zero.) Since $abc = 1$, it follows that a, b and c are all non-zero. We can therefore divide both sides of the equation $ace = 0$ by ac to get $e = 0$. (Note that d might or might not be zero.)

6. **Answer B**

Since the sides of the triangle are in the ratio 3 : 4 : 5, it follows that they can be written as $3k, 4k, 5k$, where k is some constant. The perimeter is then $3k + 4k + 5k = 12k$, which equals 60. Thus $k = 5$ and the shortest side is $3k = 3 \times 5 = 15$.

7. **Answer D**

In cm, if each side of the square has length x , then the width of each rectangle is $\frac{1}{3}x$, and the perimeter of each rectangle is $2x + \frac{2}{3}x = \frac{8}{3}x$. Thus $\frac{8}{3}x = 24$, so $x = \frac{3}{8} \times 24 = 9$, and the area is $x^2 = 9^2 = 81$.

8. **Answer B**

(Remember that for a number to be a perfect square, the exponent of each prime factor must be even (divisible by 2), and for it to be a perfect cube, the exponent of each prime factor must be divisible by 3.) Now $12n = 2^2 \times 3 \times n$ and is a perfect square, so n must be $3 \times$ a perfect square, and the smallest value is $n = 3$. Next, $75np = 3 \times 5^2 \times 3 \times p = 3^2 \times 5^2 \times p$, and is a perfect cube. It follows that $p = 3 \times 5 \times$ a perfect cube, and the smallest value is $3 \times 5 = 15$. Thus the smallest value of $n + p = 3 + 15 = 18$.

9. **Answer E**

The smallest circle has radius $\frac{1}{4}$ of the radius of the outer circle, so its area is $(\frac{1}{4})^2 = \frac{1}{16}$ of the area of the target.

10. **Answer D**

In two hours, or 120 minutes, Henry will have inflated $120 \times 8 \div 3 = 320$ balloons. One tenth of these have burst, which makes $\frac{1}{10} \times 320 = 32$ balloons that have burst. The number of balloons remaining is $320 - 32 = 288$.

11. **Answer C**

Suppose Michael buys C soft sweets; then he buys $9 - C$ hard sweets. The total cost in Rand is $3C + 2(9 - C) = C + 18$, which is equal to 22. Therefore $C = 4$.

12. **Answer D**

We are given $1 < 4n - 5 < 200$, so $6 < 4n < 205$ and $\frac{3}{2} < n < 51\frac{1}{4}$. Since n is an integer, it must satisfy $2 \leq n \leq 51$, which gives 50 possible values of n .

13. **Answer B**

(Remember that the sum of the interior angles of an n -sided polygon is $180(n-2)^\circ$.) In degrees, the interior angle at H is $360 - 110 = 250$. If the interior angle at A is θ , then $4(\theta + 250) = 180 \times 6 = 1080$. Therefore $4\theta = 1080 - 1000 = 80$ and $\theta = 20$.

14. **Answer D**

If we think of the side of length 8 as the base of the triangle, then the height can be anything from 0 to 5, so the area A satisfies $0 \leq A \leq \frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 5 = 20$. Thus only 5 and 20 are possible values for the area.

15. **Answer C**

(Remember that both sides of an inequality may be multiplied or divided by a positive number without changing the direction of the inequality.) We are given $x < x^3$ and $x^3 < x^2$, so $x \neq 0$ and therefore $x^2 > 0$. Dividing by x^2 gives $\frac{1}{x} < x$ and $x < 1$. The first inequality holds when $-1 < x < 0$ or $x > 1$ (think of the graphs $y = \frac{1}{x}$ and $y = x$), and combining it with the second inequality leaves only $-1 < x < 0$. Of the given values, $x = -\frac{3}{5}$ is the only one in this interval.

16. **Answer A**

Let C be the percentage of animals that are cats, so the percentage of dogs is $100 - C$. The percentage considering themselves to be cats is then $\frac{9}{10}C + \frac{1}{10}(100 - C) = 10 + \frac{4}{5}C$. This is equal to 20, so $10 + \frac{4}{5}C = 20$, giving $\frac{4}{5}C = 10$, so $C = \frac{5}{4} \times 10 = 12.5$.

17. **Answer B**

The number of ways of choosing three points from nine is $\frac{9 \times 8 \times 7}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 84$. The only choices that do not give rise to triangles are when the three points lie in a line. There are eight of these lines: three horizontal, three vertical, and two diagonal. Thus the number of triangles is $84 - 8 = 76$.

18. **Answer B**

Since side $AC = AB = 8$, it follows that $CE = AE - AC = 20 - 8 = 12$. Triangle CDE , which has angles $30^\circ, 60^\circ, 90^\circ$, forms half of an equilateral triangle. Therefore $CD = \frac{1}{2}CE = \frac{1}{2} \times 12 = 6$, so $BD = BC + CD = 8 + 6 = 14$.

19. **Answer E**

The number of ways of choosing three coins out of six is $\frac{6 \times 5 \times 4}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 20$. Without

the R5 coin, the maximum total is $1 + 2 + 2 = 5$ rands. Thus for a greater total the R5 coin must be taken, together with any two of the remaining five coins, which can be done in $\frac{5 \times 4}{2 \times 1} = 10$ ways. The probability that the sum is greater than R5 is therefore $\frac{10}{20} = \frac{1}{2}$.

20. **Answer A**

The circle has area $\pi \times 1^2 = \pi$, so the sides of the square are of length $\sqrt{\pi}$. If M is the midpoint of PQ , then $OM = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\pi}$, and by Pythagoras' theorem $PM = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{4}\pi} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4 - \pi}$. Finally, $PQ = 2PM = \sqrt{4 - \pi}$.

18. **Antwoord B**
 Ons het sye $AC = AB = 8$, en dit volg dan dat $CE = AE - AC = 20 - 8 = 12$.
 Driehoek CDE , met hoeke $30^\circ, 60^\circ, 90^\circ$, is die helfte van 'n gelykshyldige driehoek.
 Dus is $CD = \frac{1}{2}CE = \frac{1}{2} \times 12 = 6$, sodat $BD = BC + CD = 8 + 6 = 14$.
19. **Antwoord E**
 Die aantal maniere waarop drie muntstukke uit ses gekies kan word, is $\frac{6 \times 5 \times 4}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 120$.
 Sonder die R5-muntstuk, is die maksimumwaarde $1 + 2 + 2 = 5$ Rand. Vir 'n groter totaal moet die R5-muntstuk dus gebruik word, saam met enige van die oorblywende vyf muntstukke, wat op $\frac{5 \times 4}{2 \times 1} = 10$ maniere gedoen kan word. Die waarskynlikheid dat die som groter is as R5, is dus $\frac{10}{120} = \frac{1}{12}$.
20. **Antwoord A**
 Die oppervlakte van die sirkel is $\pi \times 1^2 = \pi$, sodat die sye van die vierkant se lengtes gelyk is aan $\sqrt{\pi}$. As M die middelpunt van PQ is, dan is $OM = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\pi}$, en volgens die stelling van Pythagoras, is $PM = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{4}\pi} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4 - \pi}$. Dus, $PQ = 2PM = \sqrt{4 - \pi}$.

Die aantal kere wat drie punte uit die nege gekies kan word, is $\frac{3 \times 2 \times 1}{9 \times 8 \times 7} = 84$. Die enigste keuses wat nie driehoek sal gee nie, is wanneer die drie punte in 'n lyn lê. Daar is agt van hierdie lyne: drie horisontaal, drie vertikaal, en twee diagonaal. Dus is die aantal driehoek $84 - 8 = 76$.

17. Antwoord B

Laat C die persentasie diere wees wat katte is, sodat die persentasie honde $100 - C$ is. Die persentasie wat hulself as katte beskou is dan $\frac{10}{9}C + \frac{1}{10}(100 - C) = 10 + \frac{5}{4}C$. Dit is gelyk aan 20, sodat $10 + \frac{5}{4}C = 20$, wat $\frac{5}{4}C = 10$ gee, sodat $C = \frac{4}{5} \times 10 = 12.5$.

16. Antwoord A

(Onthou dat albei kante van 'n ongelijkheid vermenigvuldig of gedeel kan word deur 'n positiewe getal sonder om die rigting van die ongelijkheid te verander.) Ons het $x < x^3$ en $x^3 < x^2$, sodat $x \neq 0$ en dus is $x^2 > 0$. Deling deur x^2 gee $\frac{1}{x} < x$ en $x < 1$. Die eerste ongelijkheid is waar as $-1 < x < 0$ of $x > 1$ (dink aan die grafieke $y = \frac{1}{x}$ en $y = x$), en gekombineer met die tweede ongelijkheid laat dit dan $-1 < x < 0$. Van die gegewe waardes, is $x = -\frac{5}{3}$ die enigste wat in hierdie interval is.

15. Antwoord C

As ons die sy met lengte 8 as die basis van die driehoek beskou, dan kan die hoogte enige waarde van 0 tot 5 wees, sodat die oppervlakte A dan $0 \leq A \leq \frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 5 = 20$ bevredig. Dus is slegs 5 en 20 moontlike waardes vir die oppervlakte.

14. Antwoord D

(Onthou dat die som van die binnehoeke van 'n veelhoek met n sye gelyk is aan $180(n - 2)^\circ$.) In grade is die binnehoek by H dan $360 - 110 = 250$. As θ die binnehoek by A is, dan is $4(\theta + 250) = 180 \times 6 = 1080$. Dus $4\theta = 1080 - 1000 = 80$ en $\theta = 20$.

13. Antwoord B

Ons het $1 < 4n - 5 < 200$, sodat $6 < 4n < 205$ en $\frac{3}{2} < n < 51\frac{1}{4}$. Omdat n 'n heelgetal is, moet dit $2 \leq n \leq 51$ bevredig, wat 50 moontlike waardes vir n gee.

12. Antwoord D

Veronderstel dat Michael C sagte lekkers gekoop het; en dus $9 - C$ harde lekkers. Die totale koste, in Rand, is $3C + 2(9 - C) = C + 18$, wat gelyk is aan 22. Dus, $C = 4$.

11. Antwoord C

Na twee uur, of 120 minute, sou Harry $120 \times 8 \div 3 = 320$ ballonne opgeblaas gehad het. Een tiende hiervan het gebars, sodat $\frac{1}{10} \times 320 = 32$ ballonne gebars het. Die getal ballonne wat oor is, is $320 - 32 = 288$.

10. Antwoord D

Die radius van die kleinste sirkel is $\frac{7}{4}$ van die radius van die buitenste sirkel, en dus is sy oppervlakte $(\frac{7}{4})^2 = \frac{49}{16}$ van die oppervlakte van die teiken.

9. Antwoord E

1. **Antwoord D**
(Onthou dat aan die regterkant van die desimale punt, elke desimale plek 10 maal die waarde van die volgende een is.) In stygende orde is die vyf gegewe getalle: 4.004, 4.04, 4.044, 4.4, 4.44.
2. **Antwoord B**
Omdat $x + 70 = 9 \times 8 = 72$, volg dit dat $x = 72 - 70 = 2$.
3. **Antwoord B**
(Onthou dat 'n positiewe getal priem is as dit presies twee faktore het, die getal self en 1.) Laat n die vereiste getal wees, dan is $n = p + q$, waar p en q albei priem is. Omdat n onewe is, volg dit dat p ewe is en q onewe (of andersom). Die enigste ewe priemgetal is 2, en dus stel ons $p = 2$ en $q = n - 2$, wat ook priem moet wees. Deur probeer-en-tref, is die enigste moontlikheid $n = 15$, omdat $15 - 2 = 13$, wat priem is.
4. **Antwoord D**
Omdat $1 \text{ km} = 1000 \text{ m}$ en $1 \text{ h} = 3600 \text{ s}$, volg dit dat $720 \text{ km/h} = 720 \times 1000 / 3600 \text{ m/s} = 200 \text{ m/s}$.
5. **Antwoord E**
(Onthou dat as 'n produk nul is, dan is een van die faktore nul, en as die produk nie nul is nie, is geen van die faktore nul nie.) Omdat $abc = 1$, volg dit dat a, b en c almal nie-nul is. Ons kan dus aan albei kante van die vergelyking $ace = 0$ deur ac deel om $e = 0$ te kry. (Let op dat d nul of nie-nul kan wees.)
6. **Antwoord B**
Omdat die sye van die driehoek in die verhouding $3 : 4 : 5$ is, volg dit dat ons hulle kan skryf as $3k, 4k, 5k$, waar k 'n konstante is. Die omtrek is dan $3k + 4k + 5k = 12k$, wat gelyk is aan 60. Dus is $k = 5$ en die kortste sy is $3k = 3 \times 5 = 15$.
7. **Antwoord D**
As die lengte van elke sy van die vierkant x is, dan is die breedte van elke reghoek $\frac{3}{4}x$, en die omtrek van elke reghoek $2x + \frac{3}{2}x = \frac{7}{2}x$. Dus is $\frac{7}{2}x = 24$, sodat $x = \frac{8}{7} \times 24 = 9$, en die oppervlakte is $x^2 = 9^2 = 81$.
8. **Antwoord B**
(Onthou dat as 'n getal 'n volkome vierkant is, dan is die eksponent van elke priem-faktor ewe (deelbaar deur 2), en as dit 'n volkome derdemag is, is die eksponent van elke priemfaktor deelbaar deur 3.) Nou is $12n = 2^2 \times 3 \times n$ 'n volkome vierkant, sodat $n \times 3$ 'n volkome vierkant is, en die kleinste waarde is $n = 3$. Dan volg dat $75np = 3 \times 5^2 \times 3 \times p = 3^2 \times 5^2 \times p$, wat 'n volkome derdemag is. Dus is $p = 3 \times 5 \times n$ volkome derdemag is, en die kleinste waarde is $3 \times 5 = 15$. Dus is die kleinste waarde van $n + p = 3 + 15 = 18$.