Cambridge Checkpoint Mathematics: Stage 8 – Solutions

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- 1. (1 point) Solution: $-3 \times (2 + -9) = 21$
- 2. (1 point) Solution: The highest common factor of 60 and 45 is 15.
- 3. (1 point) Solution: The lowest common multiple of 8 and 12 is 24.
- 4. (1 point) Solution: Writing 300 as a product of prime factors gives $2^2 \times 3 \times 5^2$.
- 5. (2 points) A. Solution: The highest common factor of 300 and 360 is 60.
 - B. Solution: The lowest common multiple of 300 and 360 is 1800.
- 6. (3 points) A. Solution: The equation to represent the problem is 4x = 2(x+2).
 - B. Solution: Solving this equation gives x = 2.
 - C. Solution: Therefore, the side length of the square is 8.
- 7. (1 point) Solution: The correct answer is 5n 3.
- 8. (1 point) Solution: The correct answer is 2(n-7).
- 9. (1 point) Solution: The correct answer is 4, k.
- 10. (2 points) A. Solution: $8 \times 0.1 = 0.8$.
 - B. Solution: $33 \times 0.01 = 0.33$.
 - C. Solution: $0.35 \div 0.1 = 3.5$.
 - D. Solution: $1.6 \div -0.01 = -160$.
- 11. (1 point) Solution: The correct answer is 0.00524.
- 12. (1 point) Solution: The correct answer is 600.
- 13. (2 points) Solution: The numbers in order of size, starting with the smallest, are 5.009, 5.621, 5.63, 5.65.
- 14. (2 points) Solution: The true statements are A: -3.4 < -3.2 and B: -0.75 > -0.79.

Bonus

15. (5 points) Solution: The club will have 32 members when the number of boys equals the number of girls.

We have initially 12 boys and 8 girls in the Math Club. Each week, the club admits 1 boy and 2 girls. We need to find how many weeks it would take for the number of boys to equal the number of girls.

Initial difference between boys and girls = 12 - 8 = 4 (boys are more) Each week, the difference decreases by = 1

So, it would take 4 weeks for the number of boys to equal the number of girls.

By that time, the club would have admitted $4 \times 1 = 4$ more boys and $4 \times 2 = 8$ more girls.

So, the total number of members in the club when the number of boys equals the number of girls would be:

Initial boys + Initial girls + New boys + New girls
$$12 + 8 + 4 + 8 = 32$$

So, the Math Club will have 32 members when the number of boys equals the number of girls.

16. (5 points) Solution: The four digits that need to be removed from the from the number 4921508 to get the smallest possible three-digit odd number are 4,9,0,8.