# Extra Practice: Prime Factors, Applications, Rational/Irrational, Number Systems & Radicals

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#### **Prime Factors**

- 1. State all positive divisors of the following.
  - a) 84 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 12, 14, 21, 28, 42, 84
  - b) 75 1, 3, 5, 15, 25, 75
  - c) 96 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 16, 24, 32, 48, 96
  - d) 105 1, 3, 5, 7, 15, 21, 35, 105
- 2. In each case, determine the *number* of factors of the given whole number.
  - a)  $96\ 96 = 2^5 \cdot 3 \Rightarrow (5+1)(1+1) = 12$
  - b) 131  $Prime \Rightarrow 2 factors$
  - c)  $225 \ 225 = 3^2 \cdot 5^2 \Rightarrow (2+1)(2+1) = 9$
  - d)  $256\ 256 = 2^8 \Rightarrow 9\ factors$
  - e)  $374\ 374 = 2 \cdot 11 \cdot 17 \Rightarrow 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 8$
- 3. From the list in Question 2, state which numbers are prime and which are composite. *Prime:* 131. *Composite:* 96, 225, 256, 374.
- 4. Classify each whole number as prime or composite.
  - (a) 47 (b) 91 (c) 101 (d) 143 (e) 221 (f) (a) prime; (b) 7·13 composite; (c) prime; (d) 11·13 composite; (e) 13·17 composite; (f) prime
- 5. Twin primes are consecutive odd primes (e.g. 5,7). List seven other twin-prime pairs < 120. (11,13), (17,19), (29,31), (41,43), (59,61), (71,73), (101,103)
- 6. a) State the factors of 48. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 16, 24, 48
  - b) State the *prime* factors of 48. 2, 3
  - c) Express 72 as a product of prime factors.  $72 = 2^3 \cdot 3^2$
- 7. State the *prime factors* of:
  - a) 18 2, 3
  - b) 40 2, 5
  - c) 63 3, 7
  - d) 90 2, 3, 5

- 8. Explain why the numbers 0 and 1 have no prime factors. 0 is divisible by every integer (no unique prime factorization). 1 has only one factor (itself) and no prime divisors.
- 9. Use a *division table* to determine the prime factorization of:
  - a)  $252 \ 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 7$
  - b)  $378 \ 2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 7$
  - c)  $2025 \ 3^4 \cdot 5^2$
  - d) 2926 2 · 7 · 11 · 19
- 10. Use a *factor tree* to determine the prime factorization of:
  - a)  $784\ 2^4 \cdot 7^2$
  - b)  $960\ 2^6 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$
  - c)  $4725 \ 3^3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7$
  - d)  $8400\ 2^5 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7$
- 11. In each case, write the number as a product of (f) 257 prime factors.
  - a)  $3315 \ 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 17$
  - b)  $8085 \ 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7^2 \cdot 11$
  - c)  $9990 \ 2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5 \cdot 37$
  - d)  $7980\ 2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 19$
  - 12. Which of the following numbers is *not* a prime factor of 2079?
    - **A.** 3 **B.** 7 **C.** 11 **D.** 13 2079 =  $3^3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11$ ; not a factor: 13.
  - 13. How many numbers in the list 2, 3, 9, 13 are not prime factors of 2592?  $2592 = 2^5 \cdot 3^4$ ; not prime factors:  $9, 13 \Rightarrow 2$
  - 14. The sum of all *distinct* prime factors of 462 462 is \_\_\_\_\_.  $462462 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \cdot 13 \Rightarrow 36$
  - 15. There is only one set of *prime triplets* (three consecutive odd primes). If the triplets are a, b, c, find abc.  $(3, 5, 7) \Rightarrow 105$
  - 16. The number 375 can be expressed as  $p \times q^r$  in primes. Find p+q+r.  $375=3\cdot 5^3 \Rightarrow 3+5+3=11$

## **Applications of Prime Factors**

- 1. State the greatest common factor (GCF) of:
  - a) 18 and 27 9
  - b) 32 and 56 8
  - c) 36, 48, 90 6
- 2. Use prime factorization to determine the GCF of:
  - a) 180 and 420 180 =  $2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5$ ,  $420 = 2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \Rightarrow GCF = 60$
  - b) 294 and 385 294 =  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7^2$ ,  $385 = 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 \Rightarrow$ GCF = 7
  - c) 252 and 756 252 =  $2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 7$ , 756 =  $2^2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 7 \Rightarrow GCF = 252$
- 3. Use prime factorization to determine the GCF of each pair.
  - a) 528 and 780 528 =  $2^4 \cdot 3 \cdot 11$ , 780 =  $2^2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 13 \Rightarrow 12$
  - b) 616 and 840 616 =  $2^3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11$ , 840 =  $2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \Rightarrow 56$
  - c) 1870 and 2210 1870 =  $2 \cdot 5 \cdot 11 \cdot 17$ , 2210 =  $2 \cdot 5 \cdot 13 \cdot 17 \Rightarrow 170$
  - d) 714 and 1050 714 =  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 17$ , 1050 =  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7 \Rightarrow 42$
  - e) 128 and 320  $2^7$  and  $2^6 \cdot 5 \Rightarrow 64$
  - f) 735 and 980 735 =  $3.5.7^2$ , 980 =  $2^2.5.7^2 \Rightarrow 245$
- 4. Determine the GCF of:
  - a) 84, 420, 1008 84
  - b) 128, 984, 1496, 3080 8
- 5. State the lowest common multiple (LCM) of:
  - a) 8 and 12 24
  - b) 7 and 9 63
  - c) 12 and 20 60
  - d) 15 and 18 90
- 6. Use prime factorization to determine the LCM of:
  - a) 18 and  $24 \ 2^3 \cdot 3^2 = 72$
  - b) 45 and 84  $2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 = 1260$
  - c) 96 and 144  $2^5 \cdot 3^2 = 288$
  - d) 55 and 143  $5 \cdot 11 \cdot 13 = 715$
  - e) 72 and 252  $2^3 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 7 = 504$

- 7. Determine the LCM of:
  - a) 8, 12, 18 72
  - b) 6, 14, 35 210
  - c) 9, 10, 25 450
  - d) 12, 30, 105 420
- 8. In each case, decide whether the number is a perfect square (give the root if so).
  - a)  $9801 99^2$
  - b) 7776 not a square  $(2^5 \cdot 3^5)$
  - c)  $4900 70^2$
  - d) 1089 33<sup>2</sup>
- 9. Consider 103 823.
  - a) Evaluate  $\sqrt[3]{103\,823}$ . 47
  - b) Explain why 103 823 is a perfect cube. 47<sup>3</sup>; prime exponents are all multiples of 3.
- 10. Use prime factorization to test for perfect cubes (give the cube root if so).
  - a)  $2744 \ 14^3$
  - b) 11059248<sup>3</sup>
  - c)  $35\,937\,33^3$
  - d) 421 875 75<sup>3</sup>
- 11. Explain how to tell if a number is both a perfect square and cube. All prime exponents multiples of 6 (a perfect 6th power).
- 12. The greatest common factor of 425 and 595 is **A.** 5 **B.** 7 **C.** 17 **D.** 85  $425 = 5^2 \cdot 17$ ,  $595 = 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 17 \Rightarrow 85$ .
- 13. Two whole numbers x, y have gcd(x, y) = 14. Which statement must be false?
  - **A.** x, y both even **B.** xy divisible by 98 **C.** x, y both multiples of 7 **D.** Neither x nor y can be prime (B) is false; gcd = 14 does not force  $7^2$  in xy.
- 14. The LCM of 36, 231, 275 is \_\_\_\_\_\_. 36 =  $2^2 \cdot 3^2$ ,  $231 = 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11$ ,  $275 = 5^2 \cdot 11 \Rightarrow LCM = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 = 69,300$
- 15. An encyclopedia has 840 pages. Page 12 and every 12th page is green; page 21 and every 21st is orange. How many pages are both? *Multiples* of lcm(12, 21) = 84 up to 840: 10 pages.

#### Rational and Irrational Numbers

- 1. For each, state repeating/non-repeating and terminating/non-terminating.
  - a)  $\frac{7}{20}$  0.35; terminating
  - b) 0.742742742... repeating, non-terminating
  - c)  $\frac{19}{22}$  repeating, non-terminating
  - d)  $\sqrt{\frac{196}{400}} \frac{7}{10}$ ; terminating
  - e)  $-\sqrt{31}$  non-repeating, non-terminating (irrational)
  - f)  $\sqrt{0.36}$  0.6; terminating
  - g)  $-4\frac{5}{11}$   $-4.\overline{45}$ ; repeating
  - h)  $\pi$  non-repeating, non-terminating (irrational)
- 2. True/False.
  - a) Every terminating decimal is rational. T
  - b) A repeating decimal cannot be written as a fraction. F
  - c) Only terminating decimals are rational. F
  - d) Every rational decimal is either terminating or repeating. T
  - e) A decimal cannot be both repeating and non-repeating. T
  - f)  $\pi$  is irrational. T
- 3. Rational or irrational? Briefly justify.
  - a)  $-\frac{17}{8}$  rational; ratio of integers
  - b) 0.605 rational; terminating
  - c)  $\sqrt{196}$  rational; 14
  - d) 0.305305305... rational; repeating
- 4. Order on a number line:

 $\sqrt{14}$ ,  $\sqrt{\pi}$ ,  $\sqrt{0.2}$ ,  $\sqrt{98}$ ,  $2\sqrt{11}$ ,  $3\sqrt{5}$ .

Approximations:  $\sqrt{0.2} \approx 0.447$ ,

 $\sqrt{\pi} \approx 1.772$ ,

 $\sqrt{14} \approx 3.742$ 

 $2\sqrt{11} \approx 6.633,$ 

 $3\sqrt{5}\approx 6.708$ .

 $\sqrt{98} \approx 9.899.$ 

So  $\sqrt{0.2} < \sqrt{\pi} < \sqrt{14} < 2\sqrt{11} < 3\sqrt{5} < \sqrt{98}$ .

- 5. Identify as rational or irrational; if rational, simplest fraction.
  - a)  $0.92 \frac{23}{25}$
  - b)  $\sqrt{\frac{9}{121}} \frac{3}{11}$
  - c)  $\sqrt{0.0121} \ 0.11 = \frac{11}{100}$
  - d)  $-\sqrt{97}$  irrational
  - e)  $-0.\overline{8} \frac{8}{9}$
  - f)  $-\sqrt{\frac{49}{81}} \frac{7}{9}$
  - g)  $4.612612...\frac{512}{111}$
  - h)  $\sqrt{\frac{361}{529}} \frac{19}{23}$
  - i)  $5.\overline{0}$  5
- 6. Convert to improper fraction (simplest form).
  - a)  $0.\overline{7} \frac{7}{9}$
  - b)  $0.1\overline{6} \frac{1}{6}$
  - c)  $1.2\overline{3} \frac{37}{30}$
  - d)  $0.\overline{204} \frac{304}{999} = \frac{68}{333}$ e)  $-2.45\overline{45} \frac{245}{99}$
- 7. Convert the repeating decimal to a fraction (algebraic method).
  - a)  $0.\overline{3} \frac{1}{3}$
  - b)  $0.7\overline{2} \frac{13}{18}$
  - c)  $0.009\overline{81} \frac{27}{2750}$
- 8. Convert each terminating decimal to an improper fraction (lowest terms).
  - a)  $3.007 \frac{3007}{1000}$
  - b)  $-2.125 \frac{17}{8}$
  - c)  $4.0625 \frac{65}{16}$
- 9. The decimal for  $\frac{7}{12}$  is
  - A. terminating & repeating
  - **B.** terminating & non-repeating
  - C. non-terminating & repeating
  - **D.** non-terminating & non-repeating Correct: C.
- 10. Which is irrational?
  - **A.**  $\sqrt{256}$  **B.**  $\sqrt{0.09}$  **C.**  $\frac{25}{6}$  **D.**  $\sqrt{50}$ Correct: D.
- 11.  $9.\overline{9}$  is equal to
  - **A.**  $\frac{99}{10}$  **B.**  $\frac{999}{100}$  **C.** 10 **D.** 9 Correct: C (since
- 12. Write  $0.\overline{27} = \frac{a}{b}$  in lowest terms and compute  $b-a. \frac{3}{11} \Rightarrow 8$

## **Number Systems**

- 1. Place each into the appropriate nested sets  $(N\subset W\subset \mathbb{Z}\subset \mathbb{Q}\subset \mathbb{R} \text{ and } \mathbb{R}\setminus \mathbb{Q})$ :  $-3,\ \sqrt{81},\ \frac{29}{11},\ \sqrt{2},\ 0,\ \pi.$   $-3:\mathbb{Z};\ \sqrt{81}=9:N;\ \frac{29}{11}:\mathbb{Q};\ \sqrt{2}:\mathbb{R}\setminus \mathbb{Q};\ 0:W;$   $\pi:\mathbb{R}\setminus \mathbb{Q}.$
- 2. List all sets (largest  $\rightarrow$  smallest) each belongs to.
  - a)  $-8 \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}$
  - b)  $\sqrt{64} \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}, W, N$
  - c)  $3.2727...\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}$
  - $d) -\frac{12}{7} \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}$
  - e)  $0 \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}, W$
  - f)  $\sqrt{11} \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$
  - g) non-repeating  $-2.1345218...\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$
  - h)  $\pi \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$
- 3. Why does -7 belong to more sets than  $-\frac{7}{2}$ ? -7 is an integer (hence rational, real);  $-\frac{7}{2}$  is not an integer.
- 4. Indicate membership in  $\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{W}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  (irrationals), and  $\mathbb{R}$  for each.
  - a)  $\frac{1}{5} \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$
  - b)  $123987 \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{W}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$
  - c)  $-4 \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$
  - d)  $7.534 \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$
  - e)  $9.5 \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$
  - f)  $\sqrt{75} \ \overline{\mathbb{Q}}, \mathbb{R}$
  - g)  $-\pi \ \overline{\mathbb{Q}}, \mathbb{R}$
  - h)  $-\frac{355}{113} \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$
  - i)  $-\sqrt{49} \ \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$
  - j)  $0.000005 \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$
  - k) non-repeating  $2.232425\dots\,\overline{\mathbb{Q}},\mathbb{R}$
- 5. Find a number that satisfies each condition.
  - a) Integer but not whole. -3
  - b) Rational but not integer.  $\frac{7}{5}$
  - c) Real but not rational.  $\sqrt{5}$
  - d) Whole but not natural. 0

- 6. Fill with always/sometimes/never.
  - a) A whole number is \_\_\_\_\_ a natural number. Sometimes (0 excluded)
  - b) The quotient of two integers is \_\_\_\_\_ an integer. Sometimes
  - c) A whole number is \_\_\_\_\_ a rational number. Always
  - d) The difference between two integers is \_\_\_\_\_ an integer. Always
  - e) The square root of a number is \_\_\_\_\_ irrational. Sometimes
  - f) A negative number is \_\_\_\_\_ in W. Never
  - g) A number in N is \_\_\_\_\_ in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Always
- 7. True/False.
  - a) All natural numbers are integers. T
  - b) Real numbers consist of rationals and irrationals.  ${\cal T}$
  - c) Integers are nested within rationals. T
  - d) All integers are rational. T
  - e) All irrationals are real. T
  - f)  $\mathbb{R}$  is contained in N. F
  - g)  $\mathbb{Q}$  is contained in W. F
  - h) Exactly one element of W is not in N. T (0)
- 8. More about roots (True/False).
  - a) Every positive number has two square roots but one cube root. T (real roots)
  - b) Every negative number has one real cube root but no real square roots. T
- 9. Short explanations (estimation).
  - a)  $\sqrt{8} + \sqrt{17} \neq \sqrt{25} \ 2.83 + 4.12 \approx 6.95 \neq 5$
  - b)  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{4} \neq \sqrt{9} \ 1.41 + 1.73 + 2 = 5.14 \neq 3$
- 10. Determine true or false.
  - a)  $\sqrt{9} + \sqrt{4} = \sqrt{9+4}$ . F
  - b)  $\sqrt{9} \sqrt{4} = \sqrt{9-4}$ . F
  - c)  $\sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{4} = \sqrt{36}$ . T
  - d)  $\sqrt{9} + \sqrt{4} = \sqrt{9} + 4$ . F

- 11. For each, (i) estimate mentally; (ii) use a calculator (nearest tenth) and judge the estimate.
  - a)  $\sqrt{21}$  (i) 4–5; (ii)  $\approx 4.6$
  - b)  $\sqrt{27.4}$  (i) 5-6; (ii)  $\approx 5.2$
  - c)  $4\sqrt{48} 3\sqrt{63} \approx 3.9$
  - d)  $\frac{3}{4}\sqrt{14.2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{5} \approx 4.0$
  - e)  $\sqrt{123} \approx 11.1$
  - f)  $\sqrt{\sqrt{90}} \approx 3.08$
  - g)  $\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{24.5} \approx 8.11$
  - h)  $\sqrt{\sqrt{2601}} \approx 7.14$
- 12. Estimate to one significant digit.
  - a)  $\sqrt{507.1} \approx 20$
  - b)  $\sqrt{7991} \approx 90$
  - c)  $\sqrt{10389} \approx 100$
  - d)  $\sqrt{823775} \approx 900$
  - e)  $\sqrt{0.501} \approx 0.7$
  - f)  $\sqrt{0.0501} \approx 0.2$
  - g)  $\sqrt{0.0876} \approx 0.3$
  - h)  $\sqrt{0.0003972} \approx 0.02$
- 13. (i) estimate; (ii) calculator (nearest tenth).
  - a)  $\sqrt[3]{25} \approx 2.9$
  - b)  $\sqrt[3]{2} \approx 1.3$
  - c)  $\sqrt[3]{202} \approx 5.9$
  - d)  $\sqrt[3]{999.9} \approx 10.0$
  - e)  $2\sqrt[3]{58.7} 3\sqrt[3]{7.62} \approx 1.9$
  - f)  $\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{40} \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{60} \approx 0.3$
  - g)  $\sqrt[3]{3\sqrt{10}} \approx 2.1$

14. Order on the number line:

 $\sqrt{50}$ ,  $\sqrt[3]{50}$ ,  $5\sqrt{10}$ ,  $\sqrt[3]{10^3}$ ,  $10\sqrt{5}$ ,  $10\sqrt[3]{5}$ .  $\sqrt[3]{50} \approx 3.68 < \sqrt{50} \approx 7.07 < \sqrt[3]{1000} = 10 < 5\sqrt{10} \approx 15.81 < 10\sqrt[3]{5} \approx 17.10 < 10\sqrt{5} \approx 22.36$ .

- 15. Which nesting statement is false?
  - **A.** Integers  $\subset$  rationals
  - **B.** Wholes  $\subset$  naturals
  - **C.** Irrationals  $\subset$  reals
  - **D.** Reals  $\subset$  naturals *Correct:* **D**.
- 16. How many of  $-\sqrt{6}$ ,  $\sqrt[3]{-6}$ ,  $-\sqrt[3]{6}$ ,  $\sqrt{-6}$  are not real?  $\sqrt{-6}$  only  $\Rightarrow 1$
- 17. How many of  $\sqrt{49}$ ,  $\sqrt{49/100}$ ,  $\sqrt{0.49}$ ,  $\sqrt{\frac{4}{9}}$  can be written as  $\frac{a}{b}$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ ? All 4.
- 18. To the nearest hundredth, evaluate  $5\sqrt[3]{7}$ .  $\approx$  9.57
- 19. Evaluate the absolute values.
  - a) |-4| 4
  - b) |13| 13
  - c) |3-9|6
  - d) ||3| |9|| 6
  - e)  $|-\sqrt[3]{27}|$  3
  - f)  $|\sqrt[3]{-27}|$  3
- 20. Decide whether the statement is true or false.
  - a) |x| = x if x > 0. T
  - b) |x| = -x if x < 0. T
- 21. Sketch solution sets on a number line.
  - a)  $|x| < 5 \ (-5, 5)$
  - b)  $|a| \ge 3 \ (-\infty, -3] \cup [3, \infty)$

#### Radicals

- 1. Mentally evaluate where possible (real numbers).
  - a)  $\sqrt{81} \ 9$
  - b)  $\sqrt[4]{81}$  3
  - c)  $5\sqrt[3]{27}$  15
  - d)  $\sqrt[5]{100\,000}$  10
  - e)  $\sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} \frac{4}{5}$
  - f)  $\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{16}} \frac{1}{2}$
  - g)  $4\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{16}}$  2
  - h)  $-\sqrt{1} 1$
  - i)  $\sqrt{-1}$  not real
  - j)  $\sqrt[5]{-1}$  -1
  - k)  $7\sqrt[3]{-125} 35$
  - l)  $-\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{16}}$   $-\frac{1}{2}$
  - m)  $3\sqrt{144}$  36
  - n)  $\frac{5}{2}\sqrt[5]{32}$  5
  - o)  $-\sqrt[11]{-1}$  1 (since  $\sqrt[11]{-1} = -1$ , so -(-1) = 1)
  - p)  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{8}{27}} \frac{2}{3}$
- 2. True/False.
  - a) The square roots of 25 are  $\pm 5$ . T
  - b)  $\sqrt{25} = \pm 5$ . F (principal root = +5)
  - c) If  $x^2 = 25$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $x = \pm 5$ . T
- 3. Use a calculator to evaluate (state sign first, then value as needed).
  - a)  $\sqrt[4]{4096}$  8
  - b)  $\sqrt[5]{-243} -3$
  - c)  $-\sqrt[4]{2401} -7$
  - d)  $-\sqrt[3]{729} -9$
  - e)  $\sqrt[3]{-729} 9$
  - f)  $-8\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{256}}$  -1
  - g)  $\sqrt[6]{0.015625}$  0.5
  - h)  $\sqrt[4]{-6561}$  not real
  - i)  $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt[4]{\frac{16}{81}}$  1

- 4. Evaluate to the nearest hundredth.
  - a)  $\sqrt[4]{10} \approx 1.78$
  - b)  $\sqrt[8]{29} \approx 1.54$
  - c)  $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt[3]{-527} \approx -12.12$
- 5. Evaluate to the nearest tenth.
  - a)  $\sqrt[5]{-25} \approx -1.9$
  - b)  $-5\sqrt[4]{169} \approx -18.0$
  - c)  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt[3]{-81} \approx -2.2$
- 6. Identify the *index* and the *radicand* in each radical.
  - a)  $\sqrt[3]{42}$  index: \_\_\_ radicand: \_\_\_ index 3, radicand 42
  - b)  $\sqrt[4]{36}$  index: \_\_\_\_ radicand: \_\_\_\_ index 4, radicand 36
  - c)  $5\sqrt{17}$  index: \_\_\_\_ radicand: \_\_\_\_ index 2, radicand 17; 5 is a coefficient
- 7. Explain the meaning of the index 4 in the radical  $\sqrt[4]{36}$ . It means the fourth root: the number which, raised to the 4th power, equals 36.
- 8. Determine whether each statement is **true** or **false**.
  - a)  $\sqrt{30} = \sqrt{5}\sqrt{6}$  True
  - b)  $\sqrt{6-4} = \sqrt{6} \sqrt{4} \; False$
  - c)  $\sqrt{3} = \frac{\sqrt{45}}{\sqrt{15}}$  True
  - d)  $\frac{\sqrt{20}}{\sqrt{10}} = \sqrt{10} \ False$
  - e)  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{4} \ False$
  - f)  $\sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{4} \text{ True}$
  - g)  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \cdot 30} = \sqrt{15} \ True$
  - $h) \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{30} = \sqrt{15} False$

- 9. Write as a single radical in the form  $\sqrt{x}$  (simplify x).
  - a)  $\sqrt{5}\sqrt{7}\sqrt{35}$
  - b)  $\sqrt{14}\sqrt{2}\sqrt{28}$
  - c)  $\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{8} \sqrt{24}$
  - d)  $\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{11} \sqrt{66}$
  - e)  $\frac{\sqrt{20}}{\sqrt{10}} \sqrt{2}$
  - $f) \ \frac{\sqrt{25}}{\sqrt{5}} \ \sqrt{5}$
  - $g) \ \frac{\sqrt{10}\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{2}} \ \sqrt{30}$
  - $h) \ \frac{\sqrt{81}}{\sqrt{9}} \ \sqrt{9}$
- 10. Express each as a product of radicals (split into two square roots).
  - a)  $\sqrt{35} \sqrt{5} \sqrt{7}$
  - b)  $\sqrt{33} \sqrt{3} \sqrt{11}$
  - c)  $\sqrt{65} \sqrt{5} \sqrt{13}$
  - d)  $\sqrt{49} \sqrt{7} \sqrt{7}$

- 11. Consider the statements:
  - I. The cube root of -27 (over the reals) is  $\pm 3$ .
  - II. The fourth roots of 81 (over the reals) are  $\pm 3$ .

III.  $-\sqrt[3]{1000} = \sqrt[3]{-1000}$ .

IV.  $-\sqrt[4]{16} = \sqrt[4]{-16}$ .

Which are true?

- **A.** II and III only
- B. I, II, and III only
- C. I, II, III, and IV
- **D.** Some other combination *Correct:* **A**. (I false, II true, III true, IV false).
- 12. In the radical  $\sqrt[4]{18}$ , the index and radicand are
  - **A.** index 2, radicand  $\sqrt{18}$
  - **B.** index 1, radicand 1
  - C. index 18, radicand 1
  - **D.** index 4, radicand 18 Correct: **D**.
- 13. To the nearest hundredth, evaluate  $\sqrt{\frac{7}{8}} + 2\sqrt[4]{\frac{7}{8}}$ .  $\frac{\sqrt{0.875}}{sum \approx 2.87} \approx 0.9354, \ \sqrt[4]{0.875} \approx 0.9672,$

# Entire Radicals and Mixed Radicals — Part One

1. Without a calculator, arrange in order from greatest to least:

greatest to teast: 
$$3\sqrt{5}$$
,  $5\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\sqrt{15}$ ,  $2\sqrt{8}$ ,  $8\sqrt{2}$ .  $8\sqrt{2}$  (11.31) >  $5\sqrt{3}$  (8.66) >  $3\sqrt{5}$  (6.71) >  $2\sqrt{8} = 4\sqrt{2}$  (5.66) >  $\sqrt{15}$  (3.87).

- 2. Two students find the hypotenuse PQ of a right triangle with legs  $\sqrt{34}$  and  $\sqrt{38}$ . Louis rounds each leg; Asia simplifies radicals first.
  - a) Compute each to the nearest hundredth. Louis  $\approx 8.48$ ; Asia  $6\sqrt{2} \approx 8.49$ .
  - b) Which is more accurate? Asia (kept exact form before rounding).
  - c) Exact mixed radical.  $6\sqrt{2}$ .
- 3. Convert each to a *mixed radical* (simplest form).

a) 
$$\sqrt{96} \ 4\sqrt{6}$$

b) 
$$\sqrt{242} \ 11\sqrt{2}$$

c) 
$$\frac{2}{3}\sqrt{180} \ 4\sqrt{5}$$

d) 
$$\frac{1}{8}\sqrt{320} \sqrt{5}$$

e) 
$$\sqrt{245} \ 7\sqrt{5}$$

f) 
$$4\sqrt{338} \ 52\sqrt{2}$$

g) 
$$\sqrt{1250} \ 25\sqrt{2}$$

h)  $\sqrt{66}$  cannot convert (no perfect-square factor > 1)

i) 
$$-\frac{5}{6}\sqrt{304} - \frac{10}{3}\sqrt{19}$$

j) 
$$\sqrt{980} \ 14\sqrt{5}$$

k) 
$$4\sqrt{272} \ 16\sqrt{17}$$

1) 
$$-3\sqrt{288} - 36\sqrt{2}$$

m) 
$$2\sqrt{369} 6\sqrt{41}$$

n) 
$$\sqrt{364} \ 2\sqrt{91}$$

o) 
$$\frac{2}{5}\sqrt{450} \ 6\sqrt{2}$$

p) 
$$\frac{7}{11}\sqrt{341} \ cannot \ convert \ (341 = 11 \cdot 31)$$

4. Convert to a *mixed radical* where the radicand is a whole number.

a) 
$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{9}} \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{2}$$

b) 
$$\sqrt{\frac{5}{4}} \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

c) 
$$\sqrt{\frac{18}{25}} \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{5}$$

d)  $7\sqrt{\frac{20}{49}} \ 2\sqrt{5}$ 

- 5. Convert to entire radical form.
  - a)  $2\sqrt{6} \sqrt{24}$
  - b)  $3\sqrt{7} \sqrt{63}$
  - c)  $5\sqrt{15} \sqrt{375}$
  - d)  $12\sqrt{2} \sqrt{288}$
  - e)  $3\sqrt{25} \sqrt{225}$
  - f)  $-8\sqrt{3} \sqrt{192}$
  - g)  $9\sqrt{10} \sqrt{810}$
  - h)  $-4\sqrt{5} \sqrt{80}$
- 6. Convert the following to entire radical form.
  - a)  $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{27} \sqrt{3}$
  - b)  $15\sqrt{225}$
  - c)  $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{8}\sqrt{18}$
  - d)  $3^2\sqrt{21} \sqrt{1701}$
- 7. Given  $\sqrt{6} \approx 2.45$  and  $\sqrt{60} \approx 7.75$ , approximate:
  - a)  $\sqrt{600}$  24.5
  - b)  $\sqrt{6000}$  77.5
  - c)  $\sqrt{600000}$  775
  - d)  $\sqrt{0.06}$  0.245
  - e)  $\sqrt{0.6} \ 0.775$
  - f)  $\sqrt{24} \ 4.90$
  - g)  $\sqrt{540}$  23.25
  - h)  $\sqrt{\frac{6}{25}}$  0.49
- 8. Arrange from greatest to least:  $3\sqrt{7}$ ,  $5\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\sqrt{60}$ ,  $2\sqrt{11}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{200}$ .

$$5\sqrt{3}$$
 (8.66) >  $3\sqrt{7}$  (7.94) >  $\sqrt{60}$  (7.75) >  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{200}$  (7.07) >  $2\sqrt{11}$  (6.63).

- 9. In right  $\triangle XYZ$  with legs 19 cm and 5 cm, find hypotenuse XY:
  - a) entire radical  $\sqrt{386}$
  - b) mixed radical (already simplest)
  - c) decimal (nearest hundredth) 19.65
- 10. Find the missing side in simplest mixed radical form.
  - a) legs 4,8; hypotenuse  $x = \sqrt{80} = 4\sqrt{5}$
  - b) legs 5, 6; hypotenuse  $x = \sqrt{61}$
  - c) hypotenuse 8, leg 6; other leg x  $x = \sqrt{28} =$  $2\sqrt{7}$

- 11. The length of  $\overline{KL}$  for legs  $\sqrt{6}$  and  $\sqrt{24}$  is **A.**  $\sqrt{540}$  **B.**  $3\sqrt{2}$  **C.**  $\sqrt{30}$  **D.**  $9\sqrt{2}$  Correct: C.
- 12. Without a calculator, which radical is *not* equal to the others?
  - **A.**  $12\sqrt{2}$  **B.**  $\sqrt{288}$  **C.**  $6\sqrt{8}$  **D.**  $4\sqrt{72}$  *D.*  $(\sqrt{288} = 12\sqrt{2}, 6\sqrt{8} = 12\sqrt{2}, but 4\sqrt{72} = 24\sqrt{2}.)$
- 13. On a clear day,  $d = \sqrt{13h}$  (km), where h metres is eye level above ground. From a 698.2 m building with eye level 1.8 m above the roof, write  $d = a\sqrt{b}$  and find a + b. h = 700,  $d = \sqrt{9100} = 10\sqrt{91}$ ; a + b = 101.
- 14. Using Heron's formula, a triangle with sides 14, 15, 25 has area  $A = p\sqrt{26}$ . Find p. p = 18.
- 15. A square of side 8 cm is inscribed in a larger square by joining midpoints. If larger side is  $p\sqrt{q}$ , find pq.  $8\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow pq = 16$ .

#### Entire Radicals and Mixed Radicals — Part Two

- 1. Convert the following radicals to mixed radicals in simplest form.
  - a)  $\sqrt[3]{48} \ 2\sqrt[3]{6}$
  - b)  $\sqrt[3]{128} 4\sqrt[3]{2}$
  - c)  $\sqrt[3]{2000} 10\sqrt[3]{2}$
  - d)  $5\sqrt[3]{-81} 15\sqrt[3]{3}$
  - e)  $\frac{5}{6}\sqrt[3]{108} \frac{5}{2}\sqrt[3]{4}$
  - f)  $5\sqrt[4]{162}$   $15\sqrt[4]{2}$
  - g)  $5\sqrt{192} \ 40\sqrt{3}$
  - h)  $-2\sqrt[3]{625} -10\sqrt[3]{5}$
- 2. Convert the following mixed radicals to entire radicals.
  - a)  $2\sqrt[5]{2} \sqrt[5]{32}$
  - b)  $3\sqrt[3]{4}\sqrt[3]{108}$
  - c)  $-3\sqrt[4]{3} \sqrt[4]{243}$
  - d)  $-10\sqrt[3]{5} \sqrt[3]{5000}$
  - e)  $2\sqrt[5]{6} \sqrt[5]{192}$
  - f)  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt[3]{16}\sqrt[3]{2}$
  - g)  $\frac{3}{10}\sqrt[4]{100000}\sqrt[4]{810}$
  - h)  $-5\sqrt[3]{9} \sqrt[3]{1125}$
- 3. Arrange, least to greatest (no calculator):  $7\sqrt[6]{1}$ ,  $-3\sqrt[3]{-27}$ ,  $\frac{5}{2}\sqrt[4]{16}$ ,  $3\sqrt[3]{64}$ .  $-3\sqrt[3]{-27} < 7\sqrt[6]{1} < \frac{5}{2}\sqrt[4]{16} < 3\sqrt[3]{64}$ .
- 4. Consider  $2\sqrt[3]{11}$ ,  $3\sqrt[3]{3}$ ,  $4\sqrt[3]{2}$ ,  $2\sqrt[3]{6}$ .
  - a) Explain how to compare without a calculator. Cube each expression; compare the resulting values.
  - b) Order least to greatest.  $2\sqrt[3]{6} < 3\sqrt[3]{3} < 4\sqrt[3]{2} < 2\sqrt[3]{11}$ .
- 5.  $\sqrt[3]{240}$  is equivalent to

**A.**  $2\sqrt[3]{40}$  **B.**  $4\sqrt[3]{15}$  **C.**  $2\sqrt[3]{30}$  **D.**  $8\sqrt[3]{30}$  *Correct:* **B**.

- 6. Consider the statements:
  - 1)  $-3\sqrt[4]{8} = 3\sqrt[4]{-8}$ ,
  - $2) -2\sqrt[3]{7} = 2\sqrt[3]{-7}.$
  - **A.** Both true **B.** Both false **C.** 1 true, 2 false **D.** 1 false, 2 true *Correct:* **D**.
- 7. The mixed radical  $\frac{1}{12}\sqrt[3]{128}$  equals  $a\sqrt[3]{b}$  in simplest form. Find a+b (nearest tenth).  $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt[3]{2} \Rightarrow 2.3$ .
- 8.  $\sqrt{3x} \cdot \sqrt{2x}$  is equivalent to

**A.** 
$$\sqrt{6x}$$
 **B.**  $\sqrt{36x^2}$  **C.**  $6\sqrt{x}$  **D.**  $x\sqrt{6}$   $\sqrt{3x}\sqrt{2x} = \sqrt{6x^2} = x\sqrt{6}$   $(x \ge 0)$ .

Answer: **D**.

- 9. Express as an entire radical.
  - a)  $6\sqrt{y} \sqrt{36y}$
  - b)  $8\sqrt{c^2} \sqrt{64c^2}$
  - c)  $10\sqrt{2yz^3} \sqrt{200yz^3}$
  - d)  $-3\sqrt[3]{x^2}\sqrt[3]{-27x^2}$
  - e)  $c\sqrt{c}\sqrt{c^3}$
  - f)  $x\sqrt{3y^3} \sqrt{3x^2y^3}$
  - g)  $11c^2\sqrt{c^2d} \sqrt{121c^6d}$
  - h)  $5a^3b\sqrt{3a^2b} \sqrt{75a^8b^3}$
- 10. Express as a mixed radical in simplest form.
  - a)  $\sqrt{a^5} a^2 \sqrt{a}$
  - b)  $\sqrt{t^3} t\sqrt{t}$
  - c)  $\sqrt{x^{11}} \ x^5 \sqrt{x}$
  - d)  $\sqrt[3]{x^4} \ x \sqrt[3]{x}$
  - e)  $\sqrt[3]{b^8} \ b^2 \sqrt[3]{b^2}$
  - f)  $\sqrt[4]{x^6} \ x \sqrt[4]{x^2}$
- 11. Express as a mixed radical.
  - a)  $\sqrt{8y^2} \ 2y\sqrt{2}$
  - b)  $\sqrt{16p^3} \ 4p\sqrt{p}$
  - c)  $\sqrt{75y^3z^4} \ 15yz^2\sqrt{3y}$
  - d)  $\sqrt{300a^9w^7} \ 30a^4w^3\sqrt{3aw}$
  - e)  $5\sqrt{28c^4d^3} \ 10c^2d\sqrt{7d}$
  - $f) -6\sqrt{29a^4b^8} -6a^2b^4\sqrt{29}$

#### **Quick Check**

- 1. Which is not a prime factor of  $14\,014$ ?
  - **A.** 7 **B.** 11 **C.** 13 **D.** 17 *D*
- 2. How many numbers in the list 7, 11, 17, 21 are prime factors of 3234?
  - **A.** 1 **B.** 2 **C.** 3 **D.** 4 B
- 3. The sum of prime factors of 160797 is \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 4. The GCF of 6699 and 8265 is \_\_\_\_\_. 87
- 5. LCM of 14 and 105 equals GCF of P, Q. Which must be false?
  - **A.** P multiple of 7
  - $\mathbf{B.}\ Q$  multiple of 21
  - **C.** P < 200
  - **D.**  $Q > 2000 \ C$
- 6. If x is a perfect square, minimum value of d (in the given factor tree) is
  - **A.** 2 **B.** 3 **C.** 6 **D.** 9 D
- 7. If x is a perfect cube, the minimum value of x is \_\_\_\_\_\_. 216
- $8. \otimes is irrational.$  Its decimal representation is
  - **A.** terminating & repeating
  - B. terminating & non-repeating
  - C. non-terminating & repeating
  - **D.** non-terminating & non-repeating D
- 9. Which are rational? (I) 1.0100100001... (non-repeating), (II)  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{8}{27}}$ , (III) 0.04, (IV) 0.29
  - A. III, IV
  - B. II, III, IV
  - C. I, II, III, IV
  - **D.** Other B

- 10. The rational number  $1.\overline{54}$  as  $\frac{c}{d}$ ; the value of c is **A.** 17 **B.** 11 **C.** 6 **D.** 4 A
- 11. M, N irrationals with 30 < M < 40, 3 < N < 4. The value of  $\sqrt{M} + \sqrt{N}$  is best represented by **A.** P **B.** Q **C.** R **D.** S B
- 12. Largest among  $\sqrt[3]{67}$ ,  $\sqrt[4]{98}$ ,  $\sqrt{19}$ ,  $\sqrt[5]{201}$  is **A.**  $\sqrt{19}$  **B.**  $\sqrt[4]{98}$  **C.**  $\sqrt[3]{67}$  **D.**  $\sqrt[5]{201}$  *A*
- 13. The length  $12\sqrt[4]{4000}$  m has index and radicand **A.** 4 and 4000
  - **B.** 12 and 4000
  - C 1 and 19
  - **C.** 4 and 12
  - **D.** 4000 and 4 A
- 14. When  $7\sqrt[3]{6}$  is written as an entire radical, the radicand is \_\_\_\_\_. 2058
- 15. Which statements are true? 1)  $35 = 7\sqrt{5}$  2)  $\sqrt{28} = 2\sqrt{7}$  3)  $4\sqrt{3} = 48$ 
  - **A.** 1 only
  - **B.** 2 only
  - C. 1 and 2 only
  - **D.** 2 and 3 only C
- 16. Three students rewrote  $\sqrt{4050}$ . Who is correct?
  - A. I only
  - **B.** II and III
  - C. All three
  - $\mathbf{D}$ . Other B
- 17. Circle area: if area  $120\pi$  cm<sup>2</sup>, radius is
  - **A.** 60 **B.**  $12\sqrt{10}$  **C.**  $2\sqrt{30}$  **D.**  $2\sqrt{15}$  *C*
- 18. A cube with volume 720 mm<sup>3</sup> has edge length  $a\sqrt[3]{b}$  mm. Find a+b. 92
- 19. Consider  $4\sqrt[3]{3}$ ,  $5\sqrt{x}$ ,  $16\sqrt{y}$ . Which is correct?
  - **A.** x < y < z
  - **B.** z < x < y
  - **C.** y < z < x
  - **D.**  $z < y < x \ C$