

# Mathematical Thinking.

## Test Flight Assignment Solutions.

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### Question 1

**Lemma 1.**  $(\forall m \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 5 \neq 12)$

*Proof.* (By Cases)

Case 1:  $(m = 1)$

$$3(1) + 5 \neq 12.$$

Hence  $3m + 5 \neq 12$ .

Case 2:  $(m = 2)$

$$3(2) + 5 = 6 + 5 \neq 12.$$

Hence  $3m + 5 \neq 12$ .

Case 3:  $(m = 3)$

$$3m \geq 9.$$

$$3m + 5 \geq 14 \neq 12.$$

Hence  $3m + 5 \neq 12$ .

In conclusion  $(\forall m \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 5 \neq 12)$ . □

**Lemma 2.**  $(\forall m \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 10 \neq 12)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $m$  be any natural number.

$\Rightarrow m \geq 1$ . (All natural numbers are  $\geq 1$ ).

$$\Rightarrow 3m \geq 3.$$

$$\Rightarrow 3m + 10 \geq 13 \neq 12.$$

Hence  $(\forall m \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 10 \neq 12)$  □

**Lemma 3.**  $(\forall m \in \mathbb{N})(\forall n \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 5n \neq 12)$

*Proof.* (By Cases)

Let  $m$  and  $n$  be any natural numbers.

Case 1:  $(n = 1)$

$$3m + 5n = 3m + 5 \neq 12. \text{ (By Lemma 1).}$$

Case 2:  $(n = 2)$

$$3m + 5n = 3m + 10 \neq 12. \text{ (By Lemma 2)}$$

Case 3:  $(n \geq 3)$

$$5n \geq 15.$$

$$3m + 5n \geq 15 + 3m > 15.$$

Hence  $3m + 5n \neq 12$ .

In conclusion  $(\forall m \in \mathbb{N})(\forall n \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 5n \neq 12)$ .

□

**Proposition 1.** *It is not the case that  $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N})(\exists n \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 5n = 12)$*

*Proof.*  $\neg(\exists m \in \mathbb{N})(\exists n \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 5n = 12)$

$\Leftrightarrow (\forall m \in \mathbb{N})(\forall n \in \mathbb{N})(3m + 5n \neq 12)$ , which is true by Lemma 3.

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