

Geometry Individual Answers and Solutions

March Regional Competition

1. D	7. D	13. B	19. B	25. D
2. A	8. C	14. B	20. C	26. A
3. A	9. A	15. B	21. C	27. B
4. D	10. E	16. A	22. D	28. A
5. C	11. A	17. A	23. D	29. B
6. C	12. B	18. D	24. D	30. D

Solutions:

1. D. The height of the triangle will be 5, from the y-coordinate of T. The base will have length (x-1) from the x-coordinates of Q and R.

$$\frac{1}{2}(5)(x-1) = 45. \quad x=19.$$

2. **A.** $(2x+50)+(x-5)=180$. $x=45$. So $m\angle NAP = 45 - 5 = 40$. Vertical angle $\angle LAE$ has the same measure so $3y+4=40$. $y=12$.

3. **A.** $180((n+1)-2)-180(n-2)$ simplifies to 180 degrees.

4. **D.** Using the Pythagorean Theorem,
(ΔRTU is a multiple of a 3-4-5 triple)
we get TR=28.

$$m\angle STR = 360 - 90 - 150 = 120. \text{ In } \triangle STR$$

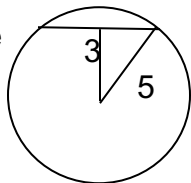
drop the height from T to \overline{SR} . This creates two 30-60-90 triangles, each with hypotenuse 28. RS is then twice the long leg, or $28\sqrt{3}$.

5. **C.** Consider the right triangle with one leg the height of the pyramid and the other leg half of the square's

diagonal. $(5\sqrt{2})^2 + h^2 = 194$. $h=12$.

So $V = \frac{1}{3}(100)(12) = 400$.

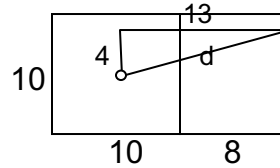
6. **C.** One chord will have length $2(4)$ and the other will have length $2(3)$ for a difference of 2.



7. **D.** The shaded region is $4\pi - \pi = 3\pi$. The unshaded region is 9π minus the shaded area which gives 6π . The ratio of unshaded to shaded is $6\pi : 3\pi = 2:1$.

8. C. A regular quadrilateral is a square.
Perimeter 200 gives side length 50.
Diagonal has length $50\sqrt{2}$

9. **A.** Draw only the two sides involved.



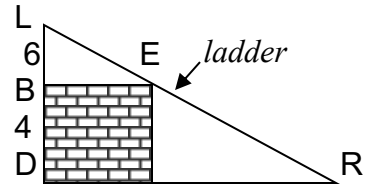
To get from the center of the ceiling to 1 ft from the edge

we have a right triangle with legs
(5-1) and (5+8). This gives shortest
distance $\sqrt{185}$.

10. **E.** Consider the triangle with vertices of Sam, R and T. Let Sam be point M. $RM=40$ and $MT=52$. So by the triangle inequality theorem, $12 < RT < 92$. Since RT is an integer, the least it could be is 13. So the space labels are 6.5 feet apart. And $RU=3(6.5) = 19.5$ feet.

11. **A.** Consider triangle LDR and LBE which are similar (below). $LE = 2\sqrt{13}$.

$$\frac{6}{10} = \frac{2\sqrt{13}}{LR}. \quad LR = \frac{10}{3}\sqrt{13}$$



12. **B.** Area = $\frac{1}{2}d_1d_2 = \frac{1}{2}(x)(x+8) = 120$

$x(x+8) = 240$. You can use algebra or find two factors with a difference of 8.

$$x^2 + 8x - 240 = 0. \quad (x + 20)(x - 12) = 0.$$

$x=12$. The longest diagonal has length $x+8 = 20$.

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13. **B.** For center P, $\triangle PRS$ is equilateral.

The sector is $\frac{1}{6}(18 \cdot 18)\pi = 54\pi$.

Subtract the triangle with area

$$\frac{18 \cdot 18}{4}\sqrt{3} = 81\sqrt{3} \text{ to get choice B.}$$

14. **B.**

$$4\pi r^2 = K. \quad \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 = 12K \text{ so}$$

$$\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3 = 12(4\pi r^2). \quad r = 36$$

15. **B.** Quadrilateral

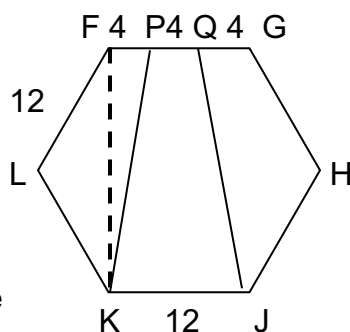
PQJK is a trapezoid so its area is

$$\frac{1}{2}h(4+12).$$

The height is the base of $\triangle LFK$ which is the base of an isosceles

triangle with legs 12 and vertex angle 120 degrees. Drop the height of the triangle from L to get two 30-60-90 triangles. Each has long leg $6\sqrt{3}$ and

$$\text{so } h = 12\sqrt{3}. \quad \frac{1}{2}(12\sqrt{3})(4+12) = 96\sqrt{3}$$



16. **A.** $V = \pi(3^2)12$ for the cylinder. The

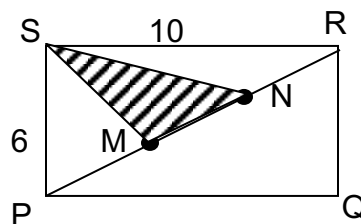
spheres are each $\frac{4}{3}\pi(3)^3$ in volume.

$$\frac{\pi(3^2)12}{(4\pi/3)(3^3)} = \frac{(3^2)12}{(3^3)} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \frac{\pi(3^2)12}{(4\pi/3)(3^3)} = 3.$$

17. **A.** $4(6) = x(11-x). \quad x^2 - 11x + 24 = 0.$

$(x-8)(x-3) = 0$. So the segments have lengths 3 and 8. $|PS - RP| = 5$

18. **D.**



The area of $\triangle PSQ$ is half of that of the rectangle, so area is 30. $\triangle PMN$ has the same height as $\triangle PSQ$, if we consider the base \overline{SQ} , and $\triangle PMN$ has $1/3$ of the base length. So the area of $\triangle PMN$ is $1/3$ of the area of $\triangle PSQ$, which gives area 10.

19. **B.** The area of the original triangle is $\frac{1}{2}bh$. The area of the new triangle

$$\text{is } \frac{1}{2}(1.1b)(0.95h) = 0.5225bh. \text{ The}$$

$$\text{decrease is } (0.5225 - 0.5)bh =$$

$0.0225bh$. Divide by the original to get 0.045. Easier would be to assume a base of 2 and height of 1 to get area 1. Then compare a triangle with base 2.2 and height 0.95 to get 1.045. This is an increase of 0.045 which is 4.5%

20. **C.** Let the sides be $3:4:6 = ST:SR:RT$ and $SR=4k$, $RT=6k$ and $ST=3k$. $ST=12$ so sides are now 12, 16, 24. Using the angle bisector similarity formula of

$$\frac{16}{SP} = \frac{24}{12-SP}. \quad 2(12-SP) = 3(SP).$$

$$SP = \frac{24}{5}.$$

21. **C.** $90 - a = \frac{1}{2}(180 - a) - 7. \quad \frac{1}{2}a = 7.$

$$a = 14.$$

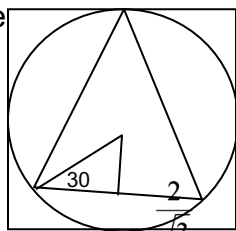
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22. **D.** The radius of the circle would be

$$\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ and the side}$$

of the square would be twice

$$\text{that, or } \frac{8\sqrt{3}}{3}$$



23. **D.** Perimeter 54 gives semi-perimeter

27. Let sides be 20, x and $(34-x)$.

$x + 20 > 34 - x$ gives $x > 7$ by the

Triangle Inequality Theorem, as well as $54 - x > x$ $x < 27$. So we can list possible side lengths:

20, 8, 26 for $x=8$. 20, 9, 25 for $x=9$

20, 10, 24 for $x=10$. 20, 11, 23 $x=11$

20, 12, 22 for $x=12$.

20, 13, 21 for $x=13$.

$x=14$ and 17 gives an isosceles.

20, 15, 19 for $x=15$.

20, 16, 18 for $x=16$.

After that, we repeat triangles.

Using Heron's Formula, area is

$$\sqrt{27(27-20)(27-x)(27-(34-x))}$$

$$= \sqrt{27(7)(27-x)(x+7)} =$$

$$3\sqrt{21(27-x)(x+7)}. \text{ Now we try } x$$

values above (or just the choices on A through D on the test) to see when we get area that is an integer. $x=8$

gives $3\sqrt{21(19)(15)}$, not an integer, for example. The only x -value that gives an integer for area is 13.

24. **D.** Using Geometric Mean formulas

we have $ST = \sqrt{RT(PT)}$. $25 = 6PT$.

$$PT = \frac{25}{6}, \text{ so } RP = 6 - \frac{25}{6} = \frac{11}{6}. \text{ SP} =$$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{11}{6}\right)\left(\frac{25}{6}\right)} = \frac{5\sqrt{11}}{6} = \frac{a\sqrt{b}}{c}. \text{ So in this}$$

particular case, $a+c=b$.

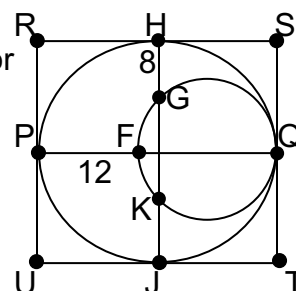
25. **D.** The contrapositive is "If not q then not p ." The converse of this is "If not p then not q ."

$$26. \text{ **A.** } \frac{a}{10} = \frac{a+b}{15}. \frac{a}{2} = \frac{a+b}{3}. 3a = 2a + 2b. \\ a = 2b$$

$$27. \text{ **B.** The area of } \triangle RTP \text{ is } \frac{1}{2}(10)(12) = 60$$

The area of the rest of the rectangle is $120 - 60 = 60$. So the shaded to the unshaded is $60:60 = 1:1$. The division caused by P is irrelevant.

28. **A.** Let the square have side length $2x$. For center C , $(GC)(CK) = (FC)(CQ)$. $(x-8)(x-8) = (x-12)(x)$ since we have intersecting chords of the small circle.



$$x^2 - 16x + 64 = x^2 - 12x. 4x = 64 \text{ and } x = 16.$$

So the square has side 32.

29. **B.** The angles can be equal due to vertical angle positives, or due to angles of parallel lines. The two angles can be supplementary due to being a linear pair or by the parallel lines. So if they are equal, $x=36$. If they are supplementary $x=33$. It is not possible.

30. **D.** The radii to the points of tangency are perpendicular.

Due to the radii

then being

perpendicular to the same line, they are parallel and the triangles shown above

are similar. $\frac{6}{3} = \frac{x}{12-x}$ $PD=x$. $x=8$.

$RD=10$ and $DS=5$ for $RS=15$.

