

**Metrobank-MTAP-DepEd Math Challenge 2015**  
**Elimination Stage Grade 9**

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**Instruction:** Write your answer on the space provided before each item. Give all fractions in lowest terms, and all equations of lines in the form  $ax + by = c$  where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are relatively prime integers, with  $a > 0$ .

1. Simplify  $\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$ .

2. Evaluate  $\frac{2^0 + 2^{-1}}{2^{-2} + 2^{-3}}$ .

3. Simplify  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{16}}$ .

4. Simplify  $\frac{x^{-1} - y^{-1}}{x^{\frac{1}{3}} - y^{\frac{1}{3}}}$ .

5. If  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are real numbers such that  $\frac{b}{a} = 5$  and  $\frac{b}{c} = 2$ , what is the value of  $\frac{a+b}{b+c}$ ?

6. If  $x \neq 0$ ,  $\frac{x}{9} = y^2$  and  $\frac{x}{3} = 3y$ , what is  $x$ ?

7. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 6x + 9$ , what is  $f(x - 3)$ ?

8. If  $f(x) = x^2 + 1$  and  $g(x) = x - 1$ , for all real numbers  $x$ , for what real number  $a$  does  $f(g(-a)) = g(f(-a))$ ?

9. Solve for  $x$  in  $\sqrt{3 + \sqrt{x}} = 3$ .

10. Solve for  $x$  in the equation  $\frac{2x}{x+2} + \frac{x+2}{2x} = 2$ .

11. If  $x \neq 1$ , solve for  $x$  in  $2\sqrt{x} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{x}} = 5$ .

12. Evaluate  $\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \dots}}}}$ .

13. Find two consecutive positive integers whose product is 506.

14. If  $c > a > 0$  and if  $a - b + c = 0$ , find the larger root of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ .

15. Solve for  $x$  in  $2x^2 + x < 6$ .

16. Solve for real numbers  $x$  satisfying the inequality  $x - 2\sqrt{x} \leq 3$ .

17. Find the minimum of value of  $x^2 - 8x + 3$ .

18. Find the smallest value of  $x + \frac{5}{x}$ , for all real numbers  $x$ .

19. Solve for  $b$  in the equation  $(x+1)(x+a) = x^2 + bx + 3$ .

20. Write the quadratic equation with integer coefficients whose roots are the reciprocal of the roots of  $2x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$ .

21. Compute the sum of all the roots of  $(x-2)(x+1) + (x-1)(x+4) = 0$ .

22. If  $r$  and  $s$  are the roots of  $x^2 + x - 1 = 0$ , evaluate  $(r+s)^2$ .

23. For what value(s) of  $m$  are the roots of  $(m-1)x^2 - mx + 1 = 0$  equal?

24. It is known that  $y$  varies as the square of  $x$  and that  $y = 8$  when  $x = 1$ . What is  $y$  when  $x = 8$ ?

25. Suppose that  $x$  and  $y$  are inversely proportional and are positive quantities. By what percent does  $y$  decrease if  $x$  is increased by 25%?

26. If 4 men can paint a house in 5 days, in how many days can 10 men paint the same house?

27. If  $y$  is proportional to the cube of  $x$  and  $x$  is proportional to the fourth power of  $z$ , then  $y$  is proportional to which power of  $z$ ?

28. Running at uniform speed in a race, Allan can beat Ben by 20 m, Ben can beat Carlo by 10 m and Allan can beat Carlo by 28 m. How long is the race?
29. Find the measure of the vertex angle of an isosceles triangle whose base angles measure  $65^\circ$ .
30. Find  $x$  if the angles of a quadrilateral measure  $x^\circ$ ,  $(2x + 10)^\circ$ ,  $(3x + 20)^\circ$  and  $(4x - 30)^\circ$ .
31. An equilateral triangle and a square have the same perimeter. What is the ratio of the length of a side of the triangle to the length of a side of the square?
32. John cuts an equilateral triangular paper whose sides measure 2 cm. into pieces. He then rearranges the pieces to form a square without overlapping. How long is the side of the square formed?
33. The sides of a triangle are of lengths 5, 12 and 13 cm. What is the length of the shortest altitude?
34. Each side of triangle  $ABC$  measures 8 cm. If  $D$  is foot of the altitude drawn from  $A$  to the side  $BC$  and  $E$  is the midpoint of  $AD$ , how long is the segment  $BE$ ?
35. A point  $E$  is chosen inside a square of side 8 cm. such that it is equidistant from two adjacent vertices of the square and the side opposite these vertices. Find the common distance.
36. A point  $E$  is drawn inside rectangle  $ABCD$  and its distances from  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are 2 cm., 3 cm. and 4 cm. How far is  $E$  from  $D$ ?
37. Find the area of a rectangle with diagonal of length 10 cm is twice as long as it is wide.

38. Triangle  $ABC$  has a right angle at  $C$ . If  $\sin A = \frac{1}{3}$ , what is  $\cos A$ ?

39. A side of a triangle measures 3 cm. A line segment is drawn parallel to this side, forming a trapezoid whose area is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the area of the triangle. How long is the line segment?

40. A cone has volume  $64 m^3$ . If the cone is cut parallel to the base at a distance from the vertex equal to  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the height of the cone, what is the volume of the resulting cone?

41. In figure 1 below,  $ABCD$  is a square with diagonal 2 cm. long and  $AEC$  is an equilateral triangle. Find the area of the quadrilateral  $AECB$ .

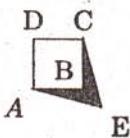


Figure 1

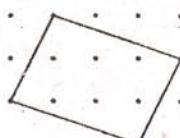


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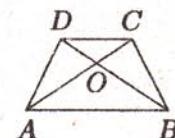


Figure 3

42. Pegs are put on a board 1 cm apart both horizontally and vertically. What is the area of the quadrilateral formed by stretching a rubber band over four pegs as shown in figure 2 above?
43. In figure 3 above,  $ABCD$  is an isosceles trapezoid with  $AB$  as its longest side and  $O$  divides the diagonals  $AC$  and  $BD$  in the ratio  $1 : 2$ . What is the area of  $ABCD$  if the area of  $BOC$  is  $2 m^2$ ?
44. On triangle  $ABC$ ,  $D$  and  $E$  are the midpoints of  $BC$  and  $AB$ , respectively. The median  $AD$  meets  $CE$  at  $F$ . If the area of the triangle  $EFA$  is  $1 cm^2$ , what is the area of triangle  $ABC$ ?
45. Equilateral triangle  $ABC$  has side of length 2 cm,  $M$  is the midpoint of  $AC$  and  $B$  is the midpoint of  $CD$ . What is the area of  $\triangle MCD$ ?
46. Points  $D$ ,  $E$  and  $F$  are drawn one on each side of triangle  $ABC$  so that  $ADEF$  is a rhombus. If the lengths of  $AC$ ,  $AB$  and  $BC$  are 6, 12 and 8 respectively, how long is a side of  $ADEF$ ?
47. A rectangular piece of paper 4 cm. in length and 3 cm. in width is folded so that a pair of diagonally opposite vertices coincide. How long is the crease(fold-mark) formed?
48. In trapezoid  $ABCD$ ,  $AD \parallel BC$  and  $AB = BC = \frac{AD}{2}$ . Find  $\angle ACD$ .
49. Two angles of a triangle measures  $30^\circ$  and  $105^\circ$  and the side between these two angles measures 2 cm. What is the perimeter of the triangle?
50. How many noncongruent triangles with perimeter 9 have sides of integer length?

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**15-second Questions. [2 points each]**

1. Determine all positive number  $x$  that satisfy  $5x^2 = 10x$ . [  $x = 2$  ]
2. What is the fourth power of  $\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}$ ? [  $6 + 4\sqrt{2}$  ]
3. Simplify  $4^{-\frac{k}{2}} + 8^{-\frac{k-1}{3}}$ . [  $\frac{3}{2^k}$  ]
4. If  $a \spadesuit b = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ , what is the value of  $(3 \spadesuit 4) \spadesuit 12$ ? [ 13 ]
5. Suppose that  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  are positive integers such that  $xy = 6$ ,  $xz = 10$  and  $yz = 15$ . What is the value of  $xyz$ ? [ 30 ]
6. The yearly changes in the population of a certain town for two consecutive years are 20% increase on the first year and 20% decrease on the second year. What is the net change in percent over the two year period? [ 4% decrease ]
7. What is the slope of the line parallel to  $2x + 5y + 2 = 0$ ? [ -2/5 ]
8. The area of a triangle is  $100 \text{ cm}^2$ . What will be its area if its altitude is increased by 10% and its base is decreased by 10%? [ 99 \text{ cm}^2 ]
9. The sum of two numbers is 2015. If 9 is added to each of the numbers and then each of the resulting numbers is doubled, what is the sum of the final two numbers? [ 4066 ]
10. A square and a triangle have the same perimeter. If the square has area  $144 \text{ cm}^2$ , what is the area of the triangle? [ 64\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2 ]
11. Let  $r$  and  $s$  be the solutions of  $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$ . What is the value of  $(r + 1)(s + 1)$ ? [ 5 ]

**30-second Questions [ 3 points each ]**

1. If  $f(x) = x^2 = x + 1$ , find the sum of all numbers  $y$  that satisfies  $f(2y) = 2$ . [  $\frac{1}{2}$  ]
2. A man walks 1 km east then 1 km northwest. How far is he from his starting point? [  $\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{2} \text{ km}$  ]
3. Four men working for four days can paint 4 cars. How many cars can 6 men working for 6 days paint? [ 9 cars ]
4. The longer base of a trapezoid measures 10 cm and the line segment joining the midpoint of the diagonals measures 3 cm. What is the length of the shorter base? [ 4 cm ]
5. What is the least possible value for  $x^2 + 3x + 2$  if  $x^2 - 3x - 2 \leq 0$ ? [ 6 ]
6. The point D is the midpoint of the side BC of equilateral triangle ABC and E is the midpoint of AD. How long is BE if a side of  $\triangle ABC$  measures 8 cm? [  $2\sqrt{7} \text{ cm}$  ]

**1-minute Questions [ 5 points each ]**

1. If the roots of  $x^2 + nx + m = 0$  are twice those of  $x^2 + mx + 1 = 0$ , what is the value of  $n$ ? [ 8 ]
2. The lengths of the sides of a triangle are 10, 17 and 21 cm. How long is the altitude of the triangle to longest side? [  $\frac{4\sqrt{70}}{5}$  ]
3. Triangle ABC is isosceles. If  $\angle A = 50^\circ$ , what are the possible measures of  $\angle B$ ? [ 50^\circ, 80^\circ ]
4. The medians AD and BE of  $\triangle ABC$  are perpendicular. Find the length of AB if BC = 3 cm and AC = 4 cm. [  $\sqrt{5} \text{ cm}$  ]
5. The product of three consecutive positive integers is 16 times their sum. What is the sum of the three numbers? [ 21 ]
6. Point E is on the side AC of  $\triangle ABC$  and points D and F are chosen on the side AB such that  $DE \parallel BC$  and  $EF \parallel CD$ . Find the length of BD if AF = FD = 3 cm. [ 6 cm ]

**Clincher Questions**

- C.1. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle C = 30^\circ$ . If D is the foot of the altitude from A to BC and E is the midpoint of AC, find the measure of  $\angle EDC$ . [ 30^\circ ]
- C.2. One candle will burn completely at a uniform rate in 4 hours while another in 3 hours. At what time should the two candles be simultaneously lighted so that one will be half the length of the other at 6:00 P.M.? [ 3:36 P.M. ]
- C.3. Points P and Q are drawn on the sides BC and AC of triangle ABC such that  $\angle AQB$  and  $\angle APB$  measures  $110^\circ$  and  $80^\circ$  respectively. If point R is chosen inside  $\triangle ABC$  such that AR and BR bisects  $\angle CAP$  and  $\angle CAQ$  respectively, what is the measure of  $\angle ARB$ ? [ 95^\circ ]

**Do-or-Die Questions**

- Point E is the midpoint of the side BC of  $\triangle ABC$  and F is the midpoint of AE. The line thru BF intersects AC at D. Find the area of  $\triangle AFD$  if the area of the triangle is  $48 \text{ cm}^2$ . [ 4 \text{ cm}^2 ]