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## QUIZ 1

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1. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $B = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$ . Which of the following statements is true?

- (A)  $A \subseteq B$
- (B)  $A \in B$
- (C)  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$
- (D)  $A \cup B = B$

Correct answer is (B).

2. Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be (finite) sets such that  $|A| = |B|$ . (For a (finite) set  $S$ ,  $|S|$  denotes the number of elements in  $S$ .) Which of the following statements is necessarily true? (For sets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ ,  $S_1 \times S_2$  denotes the “Cartesian product” of sets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , and  $S_1 \setminus S_2 = \{x \in S_1 \mid x \notin S_2\}$ .)

- (A)  $|A \times C| = |B \times C|$
- (B)  $|A \cup C| = |B \cup C|$
- (C)  $|A \cap C| = |B \cap C|$
- (D)  $|A \setminus C| = |B \setminus C|$

Correct answer is (A).

3. Consider the set  $X$  defined inductively as follows: (1)  $(3, 5) \in X$ , (2) if  $(x, y) \in X$  then  $(x + 2, y) \in X$ , and (3) if  $(x, y) \in X$  then  $(y, x) \in X$ . Which of the following pairs is a member of  $X$ ?

- (A)  $(222, 402)$
- (B)  $(1, 7)$
- (C)  $(151, 1171)$
- (D)  $(6, 3)$

Correct answer is (C).

4. Consider the following “proof” of the statement “ $1/4 > 1/2$ ”.

$$2 > 1 \tag{1}$$

$$2 \log_{10}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) > 1 \log_{10}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \tag{2}$$

$$\log_{10}\left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right) > \log_{10}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \tag{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{1^2}{2} > \frac{1}{2} \tag{4}$$

Which of the below options correctly identifies the mistake in the above proof?

- (A)  $2 > 1$  is not correct.
- (B)  $2 > 1$  does not imply  $2 \log_{10}(\frac{1}{2}) > 1 \log_{10}(\frac{1}{2})$ .
- (C)  $2 \log_{10}(\frac{1}{2}) > 1 \log_{10}(\frac{1}{2})$  does not imply  $\log_{10}((\frac{1}{2})^2) > \log_{10}(\frac{1}{2})$ .

(D)  $\log_{10}((\frac{1}{2})^2) > \log_{10}(\frac{1}{2})$  does not imply  $\frac{1}{2}^2 > \frac{1}{2}$ .

Correct answer is (B).

5. Consider the following “proof” of the statement “If  $a, b$  are real numbers such that  $a = b$  then  $a = 0$ ”.

$$a = b \tag{5}$$

$$a^2 = ab \tag{6}$$

$$a^2 - b^2 = ab - b^2 \tag{7}$$

$$(a - b)(a + b) = (a - b)b \tag{8}$$

$$a + b = b \tag{9}$$

$$a = 0 \tag{10}$$

Which of the below options correctly identifies the mistake in the above proof?

(A)  $a = b$  does not imply  $a^2 = ab$ .

(B)  $a^2 = ab$  does not imply  $a^2 - b^2 = ab - b^2$ .

(C)  $a^2 - b^2 = ab - b^2$  does not imply  $(a - b)(a + b) = (a - b)b$ .

(D)  $(a - b)(a + b) = (a - b)b$  does not imply  $a + b = b$ .

Correct answer is (D).