## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 6 - MARCH 2012 ROUND 2 ALG1: EXPONENTS AND RADICALS

## **ANSWERS**

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| B) |    | <br> |   |   |       |
| C) | (_ |      |   | , |       |

\*\*\*\*\* NO CALCULATORS IN THIS ROUND \*\*\*\*\*

A) For positive integers k and A,  $A^2 = 6000k$ . Compute (k, A), where k is the smallest integer for which the ordered pair satisfies the equation.

B) Let  $L = \frac{0.125}{2}$ . For many integers P and Q,  $2^{-P} < L$  and  $3^{-Q} < L$ . Compute the <u>minimum</u> value of P + Q.

C) Usually radicals with different indices cannot be combined. Given: A, B are positive integers and A, B < 4 Compute the ordered triple (N, C, X), where N, C and X are positive integers and C is as small as possible, for which

$$\sqrt[12]{16(27)(128)(1024)} + 3\sqrt[4]{2^A 3^B} = N\left(\sqrt[C]{X}\right)$$