

**MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE
CONTEST 6 - MARCH 2012
ROUND 4 ALG 1: ANYTHING**

ANSWERS

A) _____

B) (_____ , _____)

C) _____ years

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

- A) Compute the lengths of the sides of a right triangle with sides \sqrt{n} , $\sqrt{n+4}$, $\sqrt{n+8}$
Be sure to express all radicals in simplified form.
List the side lengths from smallest to largest.
- B) Despite the arbitrary constant, the slope of the line through $P(6 - a, 4)$ and $Q(3, 7 - a)$ always has a numerical value of m unless $a = k$. Compute the ordered pair (m, k) .
- C) Five years ago, Sam and David's ages were in a 5 : 2 ratio. 15 years from now Sam will be twice as old as David will be 7 years from now. In how many years (from now) will the ratio of Sam's age to David's age be 10 : 7?