## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 2 - NOVEMBER 2013 SOLUTION KEY

## **Team Round**

B) Let (t, u) denote the tens' and units' digits of the two-digit number (in base 10). The original two-digit integer is 10t + u.

The positive difference of the digits is either t - u or u - t.

According to the first condition, if t > u,  $\frac{10t + u}{t - u} = 21$  or if t < u,  $\frac{10t + u}{u - t} = 21$ .

$$t > u \Rightarrow 10t + u = 21t - 21u \Rightarrow 22u = 11t \Rightarrow t = 2u$$

 $t < u \Rightarrow 10t + u = 21u - 21t \Rightarrow 31t = 20u$  has no solutions for base 10 digits.

According to the second condition, tu + (t - u) = 21.

Substituting,  $2u^2 + u - 21 = (2u + 7)(u - 3) = 0 \Rightarrow u = 3$  only  $\Rightarrow N = \underline{63}$  only.

C)  $AS = 6 \Rightarrow \text{area of } \Delta ABC \text{ is } 48$ \Rightarrow the area of  $\Delta APQ = 8$ .

$$\overline{PQ} \parallel \overline{BC} \Rightarrow \Delta APR \sim \Delta ABS \Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = \frac{6}{8} \Rightarrow 4x = 3y.$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x(2y) = xy = 8$$

$$12xy = (4x)(3y) = 12 \cdot 8 = 96$$

Substituting,  $16x^2 = 96 \Rightarrow x = \sqrt{6} \Rightarrow h = \underline{6 - \sqrt{6}}$ .

