

**MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE  
CONTEST 3 - DECEMBER 2008  
ROUND 4 ALG 2: LOG & EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

**\*\*\*\*\* NO CALCULATORS ON THIS ROUND \*\*\*\*\***

**ANSWERS**

A) \_\_\_\_\_

B) \_\_\_\_\_

C) \_\_\_\_\_

A) Compute the numerical value of  $49^{\log_7 3 - 4\log_7 2}$ .

B) Compute all real values of  $x$  for which  $2^x = 2^{-x} - \frac{3}{2}$ .

C) Compute all possible real values of  $x$  for which  $3^{1+5\log_3 x} - 4^{0.5+4\log_4 x} + 2^{3+2\log_2 x} = 12x^3$ .