

Mathematics Practice Exam

Total: 50 points

Important Notes- READ BEFORE ANSWERING THE EXAM

- If you perceive any ambiguity in any of the questions, state your assumptions clearly and solve the problem based on your assumptions. We will grade both your solutions and your assumptions.
- This exam is take-home.
- You have 60 minutes to complete this exam.
- You are allowed only one submission.
- Your answers must be very focused. You may be penalized for wrong answers and for putting irrelevant information in your answers.

Section 1: Multiple Choice (10 points)

Instructions: Choose the best answer for each multiple choice question. Each question is worth 2 points.

1. What is the derivative of $f(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 5$?

- a) $6x + 2$
- b) $3x + 2$
- c) $6x^2 + 2$
- d) $6x^2 + 2x - 5$

Answer: _____

2. Solve for x: $2x + 5 = 11$

- a) $x = 8$
- b) $x = 3$
- c) $x = 6$
- d) $x = 16/2$

Answer: _____

3. What is the area of a circle with a radius of 5 cm? (Use $\pi \approx 3.14$)

- a) 15.7 cm^2
- b) 31.4 cm^2
- c) 78.5 cm^2
- d) 157 cm^2

Answer: _____

4. Simplify the expression: $3(x + 2) - 2(x - 1)$

- a) $5x + 8$
- b) $x + 8$
- c) $x + 4$
- d) $5x + 4$

Answer: _____

5. What is the value of $\sin(30^\circ)$?

- a) $1/2$
- b) $3/2$

c) 1

d) " 2/2

Answer: _____

Section 2: Short Answer (20 points)

Instructions: Answer the following questions concisely and to the point. Each question is worth 5 points.

1. Explain the difference between a prime number and a composite number. Give an example of each.

2. Solve the quadratic equation: $x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$

3. What is the Pythagorean Theorem? Write the formula and explain what each variable represents.

4. Find the slope of the line passing through the points (2, 5) and (4, 9).

Section 3: Problem Solving (20 points)

Instructions: Solve the following problems and show your work clearly. Each problem is worth 10 points.

1. A rectangular garden has a length of 12 meters and a width of 8 meters. What is the perimeter and the area of the garden?

2. A car travels at a constant speed of 60 km/h for 3 hours. How far does the car travel? Then, if the car's speed decreases by 10 km/h, how long would it take the car to travel the same distance?
