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Regents problems: Polynomials

1. Which expression is equivalent to $(x + 2)^2 - 5(x + 2) + 6$?

- (a) $x(x + 1)$
- (b) $(x - 3)(x + 2)$
- (c) $(x - 4)(x + 3)$
- (d) $(x - 6)(x + 1)$

2. The expression $\frac{x^4 - 5x^2 + 4x + 14}{x + 2}$ is equivalent to

- (a) $x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 6 - \frac{2}{x + 2}$
- (b) $x^3 - 5x + 4 - \frac{14}{x + 2}$
- (c) $x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 2 + \frac{18}{x + 2}$
- (d) $x^3 + 2x^2 - 9x + 22 - \frac{30}{x + 2}$

3. If $f(x) = 2x^4 - x^3 - 16x + 8$, then $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

- (a) equals 0 and $2x + 1$ is a factor of $f(x)$
- (b) equals 0 and $2x - 1$ is a factor of $f(x)$
- (c) does not equal 0 and $2x + 1$ is not a factor of $f(x)$
- (d) does not equal 0 and $2x - 1$ is a factor of $f(x)$

4. What is the solution set of the equation $\frac{x + 2}{x} + \frac{x}{3} = \frac{2x^2 + 6}{3x}$?

- (a) $\{-3\}$
- (b) $\{-3, 0\}$
- (c) $\{3\}$
- (d) $\{0, 3\}$

5. How many real solutions exist for the system of equations below?

$$y = \frac{1}{4}x - 8$$
$$y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x$$

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) 0

6. Which equation represents a polynomial identity?

- (a) $x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)^3$
- (b) $x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$
- (c) $x^3 + y^3 = (x + y)(x^2 - xy - y^2)$
- (d) $x^3 + y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$