

Answer Key

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| 1. B | 10. D | 19. B |
| 2. B | 11. A | 20. A |
| 3. C | 12. D | 21. E |
| 4. C | 13. E | 22. A |
| 5. A | 14. A | 23. B |
| 6. D | 15. C | 24. E |
| 7. C | 16. E | 25. A |
| 8. C | 17. C | 26. E |
| 9. C | 18. C | 27. C |

Answer Explanations

- (B) All the `Math` class methods are static methods, which means you can't use a `Math` object that calls the method. The method is invoked using the class name, `Math`, followed by the dot operator. Thus segment II is correct, and segment I is incorrect. Segment III will cause an error: Since the parameters of `pow` are of type `double`, the result should be stored in a `double`.
- (B) The `Math.sqrt` method must be invoked on a primitive type `double`, but auto-unboxing takes care of that in the line

```
double x = d;
```

The return type of the method is `Double`, and autoboxing takes care of that in the statement

```
return x;
```

Segment III fails because you can't use the `Double` constructor to create a new object without using the keyword `new`.

- (C) The value -4.67 must be rounded to -5 . Subtracting 0.5 gives a value of -5.17 . Casting to `int` truncates the number (chops off the decimal part) and leaves a value of -5 . None of the other choices produces -5 . Choice A gives the absolute value of d : 4.67 . Choice B is an incorrect use of `Random`. The parameter for `nextInt` should be an integer n , $n \geq 2$. The method then returns a random `int` k , where $0 \leq k < n$. Choice D is the way to round a *positive* real number to the nearest integer. In the actual case it produces -4 . Choice E gives the absolute value of -5 —namely, 5 .
- (C) The statement `double x = Math.random();` generates a random `double` in the range $0 \leq x < 1$. Suppose `probDeath` is 0.67 , or 67% . Assuming that random doubles are uniformly distributed in the interval, one can expect that 67% of the time x will be in the range $0 \leq x < 0.67$. You can therefore simulate the probability of death by testing if x is between 0 and 0.67 , that is, if $x < 0.67$. Thus, $x < \text{probDeath}$ is the desired condition for plant death, eliminating choices A and B. Choices D and E fail because `(int) probDeath` truncates `probDeath` to 0 . The test $x < 0$ will always be false, and the test $x == 0$ will only be true if the random number generator returned exactly 0 , an extremely unlikely occurrence! Neither of these choices correctly simulates the probability of death.