

Quiz 11 :(

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Points possible: 10 out of 10

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**Instructions: Show all your work in order to receive credit.**

**Problem 1.** (2.25 points) Consider the functions  $f(x) = x^3 + 1$  and  $g(x) = 2x - 1$ . Find  $g(f(x))$  and  $f(g(x))$  and determine if these two functions are commutative.

**Problem 2.** (2.25 points) Are  $h(x) = x + 2$  and  $j(x) = x + 1002$  commutative? Show your claim.

**Problem 3.** (2.25 points) Simplify the following expression into a single logarithm.

$$\frac{1}{2} \log_3(x^2 + 1) + \log_3 \left( \frac{x+1}{x-1} \right) - \log_3 \left( \sqrt{x^2 - 4} \right)$$

**Problem 4.** (2.25 points) Expand the following expression completely using logarithmic properties.

$$\log_3 \left( \frac{(2x^3 \sqrt{y})}{(x+2)^2} \right)$$

**Problem 5.** (1 point) Don't look this up. I want your opinion. If I remove an arm from a cactus and plant it, is it considered a new cactus or still part of the original?