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Assignment: NEIU MPT PRACTICE
TEST: Elementary Algebra

1.

Simplify: $\left(\frac{3x^4y^5}{9xy^7}\right)^2 =$

☐ A. $\frac{x^6}{3y^4}$

☐ B. $\frac{x^6}{9y^4}$

☐ C. $9x^6y^{10}$

☐ D. $\frac{x^3}{9y^4}$

2.

Square the binomial.

$$(2x - 3)^2$$

$$(2x - 3)^2 = \square$$

(Simplify your answer.)

3.

Find $-\sqrt{\frac{16}{9}}$.

Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

☐ A. The answer is \square .

(Simplify your answer. Type an integer or a fraction.)

☐ B. The square root is not a real number.

4.

Use the FOIL method to find the product.

$$(6z - u)(4z + 5u)$$

The answer is \square . (Simplify your answer.)

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5. Simplify: $(4x^2 - 3x + 3) - (2x^2 + 7x - 6) =$

☐ A. $2x^2 - 10x - 3$

☐ B. $2x^2 - 10x + 9$

☐ C. $6x^2 + 4x + 9$

☐ D. $2x^2 + 4x - 3$

6. If $4x + 2 \geq 7x + 26$, then

☐ A. $x \geq 27$

☐ B. $x \geq -8$

☐ C. $x \geq 8$

☐ D. $x \leq -8$

7. If $-6(2x + 1) = 4x + 10$, then $x =$

☐ A. -2

☐ B. $-\frac{1}{4}$

☐ C. $-\frac{1}{2}$

☐ D. -1

8. Add.

$\frac{1}{7} + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right)$

$\frac{1}{7} + \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) = \square$

(Simplify your answer. Type an integer or a fraction.)

9. Simplify the numerator and the denominator separately, then find the quotient.

$\frac{-5(-10)}{21 - (-4)}$

$\frac{-5(-10)}{21 - (-4)} = \square$

$= \square$

(Type a fraction first. Then simplify to find the quotient.)

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10. Multiply and simplify.

$$\frac{9z^8}{7p^2} \cdot \frac{49p^4}{81z}$$

The simplified product is .

11. Evaluate $|-26 + 20| =$

- ☐ A. -6
☐ B. -46
☐ C. 6
☐ D. 46

12. Simplify: $\frac{6x^3 - 4x^2 + 8x}{2x} =$

- ☐ A. $-x^2 + 8$
☐ B. $3x^2 - 2x + 4$
☐ C. $3x^3 - 2x^2 + 4x$
☐ D. $6x^3 - 4x^2 + 4$

13. Translate to an equation, then solve.

The product of 4, and a number increased by 7, is -36.

What is the number?

14. Evaluate: $\frac{3^2 + 2^2 \cdot 7 - \sqrt{49}}{8 - 4 \div 2 + 4}$

- ☐ A. 14
☐ B. 3
☐ C. 30
☐ D. 5

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15. A contractor finds that 6 gallons of paint will cover 900 sq ft of wall area. How much wall area could be covered with 24 gallons of paint?

The contractor could cover sq ft.

(Simplify your answer. Type an integer or a decimal.)

16. If $x^2 - 3x - 18 = 0$, then $x =$

- ☐ A. -6 or 3
☐ B. -3 or 6
☐ C. -1 or 18
☐ D. -18 or 1

17. Find the sum.

$$-3 + [3 + (-1) + (-1)]$$

$$-3 + [3 + (-1) + (-1)] = \text{}$$

18. Factor: $12x - 15$

- ☐ A. $3(4x - 5)$
☐ B. $3(4x - x)$
☐ C. $-3x$
☐ D. $3(4x - 15)$

19. The difference between two positive integers is 56. One integer is three times as great as the other. Find the integers.

- ☐ A. 56 and 84
☐ B. 84 and 140
☐ C. 28 and 84
☐ D. 28 and 56

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20. Factor.

$$4b^2 - 121p^2$$

Select the correct choice below and, if necessary, fill in the answer box to complete your choice.

- ☐ A. $4b^2 - 121p^2 = \square$
☐ B. The binomial is not factorable.

21. Which of the following is a linear factor of $2x^2 - 7x - 15$?

- ☐ A. $2x - 3$
☐ B. $x - 3$
☐ C. $x + 5$
☐ D. $2x + 3$

22. Simplify: $(-5a^2b^3)(2a^4b^2) =$

- ☐ A. $-10a^6b^5$
☐ B. $-3a^6b^5$
☐ C. $-10a^{-2}b$
☐ D. $-10a^8b^6$

23. Multiply.

$$\left(-\frac{9}{8}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{4}\right)$$

$$\left(-\frac{9}{8}\right)\left(-\frac{5}{4}\right) = \square$$

(Type an integer or a simplified fraction.)

24. Simplify the expression and combine like terms.

$$2t + 2(1 - 4t)$$

$$2t + 2(1 - 4t) = \square$$

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25. Solve the equation.

$$7y + 9 = -9 + 10y - 6y$$

- ☐ A. $\frac{1}{6}$
☐ B. $-\frac{17}{6}$
☐ C. -6
☐ D. $-\frac{1}{6}$

26. Simplify: $(3x - 1)(2x + 3) =$

- ☐ A. $x + 2$
☐ B. $6x^2 + 7x - 3$
☐ C. $13x + 3$
☐ D. $6x^2 + 7x - 3x$

27. Solve the linear equation. Don't forget to perform a check.

$$x = \square$$

$$-\frac{3}{5}x = \frac{2}{5}$$

(Type an integer or a fraction. Simplify your answer, if necessary.)

28. Factor by grouping.

$$4a^2 + 9a - 28$$

$$4a^2 + 9a - 28 = \square$$

29. Simplify the expression.

$$-9 - [(7 - 6) - (-9 - 3)]$$

$$-9 - [(7 - 6) - (-9 - 3)] = \square$$

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30.

Simplify: $\frac{x^2 - 3x - 10}{x^2 - 4x - 5} =$

☐ A. $\frac{(x + 5)(x - 2)}{(x - 5)(x + 1)}$

☐ B. $\frac{x - 2}{x - 1}$

☐ C. $\frac{x + 2}{x + 1}$

☐ D. $-\frac{2}{x}$

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1. B

2. $4x^2 - 12x + 9$

3. A, $-\frac{4}{3}$

4. $24z^2 + 26zu - 5u^2$

5. B

6. D

7. D

8. $-\frac{16}{35}$

9. $\frac{50}{25}$
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10. $\frac{7z^7p^2}{9}$

11. C

12. B

13. -16

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14. B

15. 3600

16. B

17. -2

18. A

19. C

20. A, $(2b + 11p)(2b - 11p)$

21. D

22. A

23. $\frac{45}{32}$

24. $-6t + 2$

25. C

26. B

27. $-\frac{2}{3}$

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28. $(4a - 7)(a + 4)$

29. -22

30. C