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1 The addition below is incorrect. What is the largest digit that can be changed to make the addition correct?

- **(A)** 4
- **(B)** 5
- **(C)** 6
- **(D)** 7
- **(E)** 8

2 Each day Walter gets \$3 for doing his chores or \$5 for doing them exceptionally well. After 10 days of doing his chores daily, Walter has received a total of \$36. On how many days did Walter do them exceptionally well?

- **(A)** 3
- **(B)** 4
- **(C)** 5
- **(D)** 6
- **(E)** 7

 $\frac{(3!)!}{3!} =$ **(A)** 1 3

- **(B)** 2
- (C) 6
- **(D)** 40
- **(E)** 120

4 Five numbers from a list of nine integers are 7, 8, 3, 5, and 9. The largest possible value of the median of all nine numbers in this list is

- **(A)** 5
- **(B)** 6
- **(C)** 7
- **(D)** 8

Given that 0 < a < b < c < d, which of the following is the largest? 5

- **(A)** $\frac{a+b}{c+d}$

(E) 9

(B) $\frac{a+d}{b+c}$ (C) $\frac{b+c}{a+d}$ (D) $\frac{b+d}{a+c}$ (E) $\frac{c+d}{a+b}$

If $f(x) = x^{(x+1)} \times (x+2)^{(x+3)}$ then f(0) + f(-1) + f(-2) + f(-3) =6

- **(A)** $\frac{-8}{9}$

- **(B)** 0 **(C)** $\frac{8}{9}$ **(D)** 1 **(E)** $\frac{10}{9}$

7 A father takes his twins and a younger child out to dinner on the twins' birthday. The restaurant charges \$4.95 for the father and \$0.45 for each year of a child's age, where age is defined as the age at the most recent birthday. If the bill is \$9.45, which of the following could be the age of the youngest child?

- **(A)** 1
- **(B)** 2
- **(C)** 3
- **(D)** 4
- **(E)** 5

8 If $3 = k \cdot 2^r$ and $15 = k \cdot 4^r$, then r =

- (A) $-\log_2 5$
- (B) $\log_{5} 2$
- (C) $\log_{10} 5$
- (D) $\log_2 5$
- (E) $\frac{5}{2}$

9 Triangle PAB and square ABCD are in perpendicular planes. Given that PA = 3, PB = 4, and AB = 5, what is PD?

- **(A)** 5
- **(B)** $\sqrt{34}$
- **(C)** $\sqrt{41}$
- **(D)** $2\sqrt{13}$
- **(E)** 8

10 How many line segments have both their endpoints located at the vertices of a given cube?

- (A) 12
- **(B)** 15
- (C) 24
- (D) 28
- **(E)** 56

11 Given a circle of radius 2, there are many line segments of length 2 that are tangent to the circle at their midpoints. Find the area of the region consisting of all such line segments.

- (A) $\frac{\pi}{4}$
- (B) 4π
- (C) $\frac{\pi}{2}$
- (D) π
- (E) 2π

12 A function *f* from the integers to the integers is defined as follows:

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} n+3 & \text{if n is odd} \\ n/2 & \text{if n is even} \end{cases}$$

Suppose k is odd and f(f(f(k))) = 27. What is the sum of the digits of k?

- **(A)** 3
- **(B)** 6
- **(C)** 9
- **(D)** 12
- **(E)** 15

Sunny runs at a steady rate, and Moonbeam runs m times as fast, where m is a number greater 13 than 1. If Moonbeam gives Sunny a head start of h meters, how many meters must Moonbeam run to overtake Sunny?

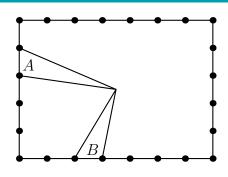
- (A) hm
- (B) $\frac{h}{h+m}$

- (C) $\frac{h}{m-1}$ (D) $\frac{hm}{m-1}$ (E) $\frac{h+m}{m-1}$

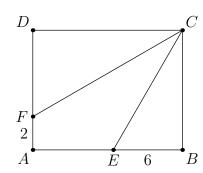
14 Let E(n) denote the sum of the even digits of n. For example, E(5681) = 6 + 8 = 14. Find $E(1) + E(2) + E(3) + \cdots + E(100).$

- **(A)** 200
- **(B)** 360
- (C) 400
- **(D)** 900
- **(E)** 2250

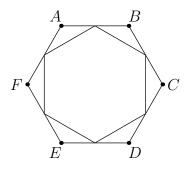
15 Two opposite sides of a rectangle are each divided into n congruent segments, and the endpoints of one segment are joined to the center to form triangle A. The other sides are each divided into m congruent segments, and the endpoints of one of these segments are joined to the center to form triangle B. [See figure for n = 5, m = 7.] What is the ratio of the area of triangle A to the area of triangle B?



- **(A)** 1
- (B) m/n
- (C) n/m
- (D) 2m/n
- (E) 2n/m
- 16 A fair standard six-sided dice is tossed three times. Given that the sum of the first two tosses equal the third, what is the probability that at least one 2 is tossed?
 - (A) $\frac{1}{6}$
- **(B)** $\frac{91}{216}$
- (C) $\frac{1}{2}$ (D) $\frac{8}{15}$ (E) $\frac{7}{12}$
- In rectangle ABCD, angle C is trisected by \overline{CF} and \overline{CE} , where E is on \overline{AB} , F is on \overline{AD} , BE=6, 17 and AF = 2. Which of the following is closest to the area of the rectangle ABCD?

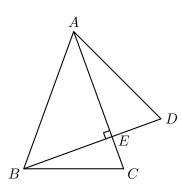


- **(A)** 110
- **(B)** 120
- **(C)** 130
- **(D)** 140
- **(E)** 150
- 18 A circle of radius 2 has center at (2,0). A circle of radius 1 has center at (5,0). A line is tangent to the two circles at points in the first quadrant. Which of the following is closest to the yintercept of the line?
 - (A) $\sqrt{2}/4$
- (B) 8/3
- (C) $1 + \sqrt{3}$
- (D) $2\sqrt{2}$
- **(E)** 3
- 19 The midpoints of the sides of a regular hexagon ABCDEF are joined to form a smaller hexagon. What fraction of the area of ABCDEF is enclosed by the smaller hexagon?



- (A) $\frac{1}{2}$ (B) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$ (C) $\frac{2}{3}$ (D) $\frac{3}{4}$ (E) $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

- 20 In the xy-plane, what is the length of the shortest path from (0,0) to (12,16) that does not go inside the circle $(x-6)^2 + (y-8)^2 = 25$?
 - (A) $10\sqrt{3}$
- (B) $10\sqrt{5}$ (C) $10\sqrt{3} + \frac{5\pi}{3}$ (D) $40\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$ (E) $10 + 5\pi$
- 21 Triangles ABC and ABD are isosceles with AB = AC = BD, and BD intersects AC at E. If BD is perpendicular to AC, then $\angle C + \angle D$ is



- **(A)** 115°
- **(B)** 120°
- **(C)** 130°
- **(D)** 135°
- (E) not uniquely determined
- 22 Four distinct points, A, B, C, and D, are to be selected from 1996 points evenly spaced around a circle. All quadruples are equally likely to be chosen. What is the probability that the chord AB intersects the chord CD?
 - (A) $\frac{1}{4}$
- (B) $\frac{1}{3}$
- (C) $\frac{1}{2}$ (D) $\frac{2}{3}$ (E) $\frac{3}{4}$
- 23 The sum of the lengths of the twelve edges of a rectangular box is 140, and the distance from one corner of the box to the farthest corner is 21. The total surface area of the box is

(A) 776 **(B)** 784 (C) 798

(D) 800

(E) 812

24 The sequence 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1, 2, 2, 2, 2, 1, 2, ... consists of 1s separated by blocks of 2s with n 2s in the nth block. The sum of the first 1234 terms of this sequence is **(E)** 2449

(A) 1996 (C) 2429 **(B)** 2419 **(D)** 2439

Given that $x^2 + y^2 = 14x + 6y + 6$, what is the largest possible value that 3x + 4y can have? 25 (C) 74(D) 75 (A) 72 **(E)** 76

An urn contains marbles of four colors: red, white, blue, and green. When 26 four marbles are drawn without replacement, the following events are equally likely:

(a) the selection of four red marbles;

(b) the selection of one white and three red marbles;

(c) the selection of one white, one blue, and two red marbles; and

(d) the selection of one marble of each color.

What is the smallest number of marbles satisfying the given condition? (A) 19

(B) 21

(C) 46

(D) 6

27 Consider two solid spherical balls, one centered at $(0,0,\frac{21}{2})$ with radius 6, and the other centered at (0,0,1) with radius $\frac{9}{2}$. How many points (x,y,z) with only integer coordinates (lattice points) are there in the intersection of the balls?

(A) 7

(B) 9

(C) 11

(D) 13

(E) 15

28 On a $4 \times 4 \times 3$ rectangular parallelepiped, vertices A, B, and C are adjacent to vertex D. The perpendicular distance from D to the plane containing A, B, and C is closest to

(A) 1.6

(B) 1.9

(C) 2.1

(D) 2.7

(E) 2.9

29 If n is a positive integer such that 2n has 28 positive divisors and 3n has 30 positive divisors, then how many positive divisors does 6n have?

(A) 32

(B) 34

(C) 35

(D) 36

(E) 38

30 A hexagon inscribed in a circle has three consecutive sides each of length 3 and three consecutive sides each of length 5. The chord of the circle that divides the hexagon into two trapezoids, one with three sides each of length 3 and the other with three sides each of length 5, has length equal to $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find m+n.

(A) 309

(B) 349

(C) 369

(D) 389

(E) 409



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