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**Directions.** I will provide an answer key later this week for you to self-score. Please work this quiz **on your own and without a calculator**. Complete the ‘Pre-work’ section prior to starting and the ‘Post-work’ section after finishing.

**Pre-work self-assessment.** Please clearly identify (with a big dot) your comfort with the following mathematical activities:

	Very uncomfortable	Slightly uncomfortable	Neutral	Mostly comfortable	Very comfortable
General arithmetic					
Fractions					
Basic algebra					
$e$ and log rules					
Trig. functions					

**Arithmetic and algebra.** Please attach additional paper if you need more space.

1. If possible, simplify each expression. If not possible, describe why.

(a)  $\frac{x}{5+x}$

(b)  $5(x+2) + x$

(c)  $\frac{1}{9} + \frac{3}{7}$

2. Solve the following equations for the indicated variable.

(a) Solve  $3x - 5 = 4$  for  $x$ .

(b) Solve  $3z - 5 = z + 1$  for  $z$ .

(c) Solve  $y^2 + 5y + 6 = 0$  for  $y$ .

3. Fill in the blank with the appropriate symbol:  $=$  or  $\neq$ .

(a)  $(a + b)^3$  \_\_\_\_\_  $a^3 + b^3$

(b)  $(5x + 2)^2$  \_\_\_\_\_  $25x^2 + 20x + 4$

(c)  $\sqrt{x + 2}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{2}$

4. Working with functions.

(a) If  $f(x) = x^2 + x - 1$ , evaluate  $f(1)$ ,  $f(2)$ , and  $f(x + 2)$ .

(b) Consider the quadratic function  $f(x) = x^2$ . Evaluate  $f(3)$  and  $f(x + 7)$ .

5. State the following, if possible (without using the internet).

(a) Quadratic formula:

(b) Slope-intercept form of a line:

(c) Point-slope form of a line:

**Post-work self-assessment.** After working through these exercises, rethink your level of comfort with these activities. You may choose to complete this section immediately after working the problems or after you self-score the problems above using the posted key. Please clearly identify (with a big dot) your comfort with the following mathematical activities:

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Please compare any differences in your Pre-work and Post-work self-assessments.