

Practice Questions for Math Club Team Competition

3:45pm Friday April 13 in room BR-43

We will form evenly matched teams as people arrive.

Questions will be on mixed levels.

1. Theta Level (\leq Math 161)

Solve for x: $9 + \frac{16}{x^2} = \frac{24}{x}$

Check One:

Team _____
1 MINUTE _____ 10 PTS
2 MINUTES _____ 7 PTS
3 MINUTES _____ 5 PTS
Otherwise _____ 0 PTS
answer _____

2. Theta Level (\leq Math 161)

Find $2A + B + C + 4D$ if

A is the slope of the equation of the line through the points $(-1, 4)$ and $(-3, 7)$,

B is the slope of the line with x-intercept 2 and y-intercept 5,

C is the x-coordinate of the point where the two lines meet,

D is the y-coordinate of the point where the two lines meet.

Check One:

Team _____
1 MINUTE _____ 10 PTS
2 MINUTES _____ 7 PTS
3 MINUTES _____ 5 PTS
Otherwise _____ 0 PTS
answer _____

3. Alpha Level (Math 162)

Find $\tan \alpha$ if $\sin \alpha = \frac{4}{5}$ and $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$ radians.

Check One:

Team _____
1 MINUTE _____ 10 PTS
2 MINUTES _____ 7 PTS
3 MINUTES _____ 5 PTS
Otherwise _____ 0 PTS
answer _____

4. Alpha Level (Math 162)

Find $A + B + C$ if

A is the coefficient of x^5 in the expansion of $(x - 2)^7$

B is the constant in the expansion of $(x - 4 - \sqrt{7})(x - 4 + \sqrt{7})$

C = $(-1 + \sqrt{3}i)^3$ where $i^2 = -1$

Check One:

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1 MINUTE _____ 10 PTS
2 MINUTES _____ 7 PTS
3 MINUTES _____ 5 PTS
Otherwise _____ 0 PTS
answer _____

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5. Mu Level (≥ Math 171)

Evaluate: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{\sqrt{x}-2}{x-4}$

	Team _____	
Check One:	1 MINUTE _____	10 PTS
	2 MINUTES _____	7 PTS
	3 MINUTES _____	5 PTS
	Otherwise _____	0 PTS
	answer _____	

6. Mu Level (≥ Math 171)

Find A + B if $A = \sum_{x=6}^{\infty} \frac{2}{x^2-8x+15}$
 and B equals the slope of the line
 tangent to $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ at the point (3, 4).
 Express final answer as a reduced fraction
 of the form $\frac{a}{b}$ for integers a and b.

	Team _____	
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	2 MINUTES _____	7 PTS
	3 MINUTES _____	5 PTS
	Otherwise _____	0 PTS
	answer _____	

7. Mixed Level History.

Some important names in the history of mathematics are:
 Abel, Archimedes, Bernoulli, Bolyai, Bolzano, Boole, Bourbaki, Caley, Cantor, Cauchy, Dantzig,
 Dedekind, Euclid, Eudoxus, Euler, Descartes, Diophantus, Fermat, Fourier, G"odel, Galois, Gauss,
 Green, Gregory, Hardy, Hippasus, Hypatia, Kline, Lagrange, Laplace, Lambert, Lebesgue, Leibniz,
 L'H"opital, Lobachevsky, Maclaurin, Mandelbrot, Napier, Newton, Pappus, Pascal, Pythagoras, Riemann,
 Rolle, Simpson, Snell, Stokes, Taylor, Thales, Theodosius, Turing, Weierstrauss, and Wiles.

In the nineteenth century the best selling math book was written by what mathematician?

8. Mixed Level Relay

Leg A Geometry hands off to Leg B Algebra who hands off to Leg C Algebra who hands off to Leg D Precalculus.

- A. Four of the interior angles of a pentagon are each 120° . The measure of the fifth interior angle in degrees is A. Find A.
- B. The number that you receive is A. The solutions to $2x^2 = 37x + A$ are 20 and B. Find B.
- C. The number that you receive is B. Solve $2CB^c = 9$ for C.
- D. The number that you receive is C. Find the smallest positive value for D such that CD is measured in degrees and $\sin(CD) = \cos(CD)$.