

Part I: Multiple Choice. Write the correct answer in the space provided at the end of this section.

1. What is the simplest form of  $\sqrt[3]{54x^5y^6z^8}$ ?

(A)  $2xy^2z^2\sqrt[3]{3x^2z^2}$

(B)  $3x^2y^3z^4\sqrt[3]{6x}$

(C)  $3xy^3z^2\sqrt[3]{2x^2z^2}$

(D)  $3xy^2z^2\sqrt[3]{2x^2z^2}$

Handwritten work for Question 1:

$$\sqrt[3]{54x^5y^6z^8} = \sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot x^3 \cdot x^2 \cdot y^3 \cdot y^3 \cdot z^6 \cdot z^2}$$

$$= 3xy^2z^2\sqrt[3]{2x^2z^2}$$

2. Simplify completely:  $\frac{2}{7}\sqrt{98} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{8} + \frac{4}{5}\sqrt{50}$

(A)  $3\sqrt{2} = \frac{2}{7}\sqrt{49\sqrt{2}} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{4\sqrt{2}} + \frac{4}{5}\sqrt{25\sqrt{2}}$

(B)  $5\sqrt{2} = \frac{2}{7} \cdot 7\sqrt{2} - \frac{3}{2} \cdot 2\sqrt{2} + \frac{4}{5} \cdot 5\sqrt{2}$

(C)  $9\sqrt{2}$

(D)  $28\sqrt{2} = 2\sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{2} = 3\sqrt{2}$

3. Simplify completely:  $\frac{6\sqrt{12x^{16}}}{2\sqrt{18x^9}}$

(A)  $x\sqrt{16} = 3\sqrt{\frac{12x^{16}}{18x^9}}$

(B)  $x^3\sqrt{6x}$

(C)  $\frac{3}{2}x^3\sqrt{3x}$

(D)  $\frac{3}{2}x^3\sqrt{6x}$

Handwritten work for Question 3:

$$\frac{6\sqrt{12x^{16}}}{2\sqrt{18x^9}} = \frac{3\sqrt{12x^{16}}}{\sqrt{18x^9}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2x^7}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2x^7}\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3\sqrt{6x^7}}{3} = \sqrt{6x^7}$$

$$= \sqrt{6(x)(x)(x)(x)(x)(x)(x)}$$

4. An incorrect simplification is provided. In which step does the **first** error occur?

Simplify:  $\frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{5}}$

Solution: Step 1:  $\frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}}$

Step 2:  $\frac{\sqrt{9}+\sqrt{25}}{\sqrt{9}-\sqrt{25}}$

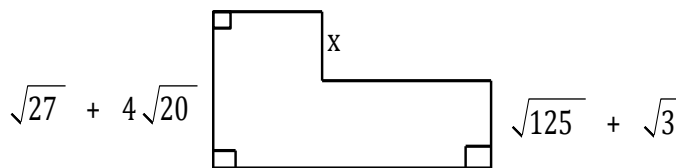
$\frac{\sqrt{9} + 2\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{25}}{\sqrt{9} - \sqrt{25}}$

Step 3:  $\frac{3+5}{3-5}$

Step 4: 4

- (A) 1  
 (B) 2  
 (C) 3  
 (D) 4

5. Determine a simplified expression for the value of  $x$ :



- (A)  $2\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}$   
 (B)  $2\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{5}$   
 (C)  $4\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}$   
 (D)  $4\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{5}$

$x = \sqrt{27} + 4\sqrt{20} - (\sqrt{125} + \sqrt{3})$   
 $x = \sqrt{9}\sqrt{3} + 4\sqrt{4}\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{25}\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}$   
 $x = 3\sqrt{3} + 8\sqrt{5} - 5\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}$   
 $x = 2\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{5}$

6. Write  $4x^3y^2\sqrt{5xy}$  as an entire radical.

(A)  $\sqrt{20x^7y^5}$

(B)  $\sqrt{20x^{10}y^5}$

(C)  $\sqrt{80x^7y^5}$

(D)  $\sqrt{80x^{10}y^5}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sqrt{(4x^3y^2)^2 \cdot 5xy} \\
 &= \sqrt{16x^6y^4 \cdot 5xy} \\
 &= \sqrt{80x^7y^5}
 \end{aligned}$$

7. Simplify completely:  $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}$

(A)  $3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{3}$

(B)  $3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3}$

(C)  $\frac{3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{3}}{5}$

(D)  $\frac{3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3}}{5}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})}{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})} = \frac{\sqrt{6}(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})}{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})} \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{18}-\sqrt{12}}{3-2} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}-2\sqrt{3}}{1} = 3\sqrt{2}-2\sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

8. Simplify completely:  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{2}}{\sqrt[3]{6}}$

(A)  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{3}}{3} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{72}}{6}$

(B)  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{9}}{3}$

(C)  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{12}}{6} = 2\sqrt[3]{9}$

(D)  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{72}}{6}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\sqrt[3]{9} \cdot 6}{3} \\
 &= 2\sqrt[3]{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \sqrt[3]{72} \\
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 8 \cdot 9 \\
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 (2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2) \cdot (3 \cdot 3) \\
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 \sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3} \\
 \hline
 2\sqrt[3]{9}
 \end{array}$$

9. What are the restrictions on  $x$  of the solution to the equation  $\sqrt{-8-2x} = 7$ ?

- (A)  $x \leq -4$
- (B)  $x \geq -4$
- (C)  $x \leq 4$
- (D)  $x \geq 4$

$$\begin{aligned} -8 - 2x &\geq 0 \\ -2x &\geq 8 \\ \frac{-2x}{-2} &\frac{8}{-2} \\ x &\leq -4 \end{aligned}$$

10. Solve:  $\sqrt{5x} = 6$

- (A)  $x = \frac{6}{5}$
- (B)  $x = \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}}$
- (C)  $x = \frac{36}{25}$
- (D)  $x = \frac{36}{5}$

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{5x})^2 &= (6)^2 \\ 5x &= 36 \\ \frac{5x}{5} &= \frac{36}{5} \\ x &= 3\frac{1}{5} \end{aligned}$$

11. Solve  $\sqrt{7x-5} = \sqrt{x-6}$

- (A)  $x = -\frac{11}{6}$
- (B)  $x = -\frac{11}{8}$
- (C)  $x = -\frac{1}{6}$
- (D)  $x = -\frac{1}{8}$

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{7x-5})^2 &= (\sqrt{x-6})^2 \\ 7x-5 &= x-6 \\ 7x-x &= -6+5 \\ 6x &= -1 \\ \frac{6x}{6} &= \frac{-1}{6} \\ x &= -\frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

12. Solve  $\sqrt{2x+1} = -5$

- (A)  $x = -3$
- (B)  $x = 2$
- (C)  $x = 12$
- (D) no solution

Answers to multiple choice.

1. \_\_\_      2. \_\_\_      3. \_\_\_      4. \_\_\_      5. \_\_\_

6. \_\_\_      7. \_\_\_      8. \_\_\_      9. \_\_\_      10. \_\_\_

11. \_\_\_      12. \_\_\_

Part II:      **Constructed Response. Answer each question in the space provided.**

13. Rationalize the denominator and simplify:  $\frac{\sqrt{6}}{4-\sqrt{2x}}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\sqrt{6} (4 + \sqrt{2x})}{4 - \sqrt{2x} (4 + \sqrt{2x})} \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{12x}}{16 - 2x} \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{4}\sqrt{3x}}{16 - 2x} \\ &= \frac{4\sqrt{6} + 2\sqrt{3x}}{16 - 2x} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3x}}{8 - x} \end{aligned}$$

14. State restrictions on the variable and solve. Be sure to check for extraneous roots:

$$(n+9)^2 = (\sqrt{3-n})^2 \quad n - \sqrt{3-n} = -9$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3-n &\geq 0 \\ 3 &\geq n \\ n &\leq 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$n^2 + 18n + 81 = 3 - n$$

$$n^2 + 18n + n + 81 - 3 = 0$$

$$n^2 + 19n + 78 = 0$$

$$(n+6)(n+13) = 0$$

$$\boxed{n = -6}, n = -13$$

Check:

$$-6 - \sqrt{3 - (-6)} = -9$$

$$-6 - \sqrt{9} = -9$$

$$-6 - 3 = -9$$

$$-9 = -9 \checkmark$$

$$-13 - \sqrt{3 - (-13)} = -9$$

$$-13 - \sqrt{16} = -9$$

$$-13 - 4 = -9$$

$$-17 \neq -9 \quad X$$

15. State restrictions on the variable and solve. Be sure to check for extraneous roots:

$$\frac{1}{2}m - \sqrt{13-m} = -1$$

$$13-m \geq 0$$

$$13 \geq m$$

$$m \leq 13$$

$$2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}m - 2\sqrt{13-m} = 2(-1)$$

$$m - 2\sqrt{13-m} = -2$$

$$(m+2)^2 = (2\sqrt{13-m})^2$$

$$m^2 + 4m + 4 = 4(13-m)$$

$$m^2 + 4m + 4 = 52 - 4m$$

$$m^2 + 4m + 4m + 4 - 52 = 0$$

$$m^2 + 8m - 48 = 0$$

$$(m+12)(m-4) = 0$$

check:  $m = \cancel{12}$ ,  $m = 4$

$$\frac{1}{2}(-12) - \sqrt{13-(-12)} = -1$$

$$-6 - \sqrt{25} = -1$$

$$-6 - 5 = -1$$

$$-11 \neq -1 \quad \times$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(4) - \sqrt{13-(4)} = -1$$

$$2 - \sqrt{9} = -1$$

$$2 - 3 = -1$$

$$-1 = -1 \quad \checkmark$$

16. State restrictions on the variable and solve. Be sure to check for extraneous roots:

$$\sqrt{m+19} + \sqrt{m-2} = 7$$
$$(\sqrt{m+19})^2 = (7 - \sqrt{m-2})^2$$

$$m+19 \geq 0$$

$$m \geq -19$$

$$m-2 \geq 0$$

$$\underline{m \geq 2}$$

$$m+19 = 49 - 14\sqrt{m-2} + m-2$$

$$14\sqrt{m-2} = 49 - 19 - 2$$

$$14\sqrt{m-2} = 28 \quad (\text{check:})$$

$$\frac{14}{14} \sqrt{m-2} = \frac{28}{14}$$
$$(\sqrt{m-2})^2 = (2)^2$$

$$m-2 = 4$$

$$m = 4 + 2$$

$$m = 6$$

$$\sqrt{6+19} + \sqrt{6-2} = 7$$

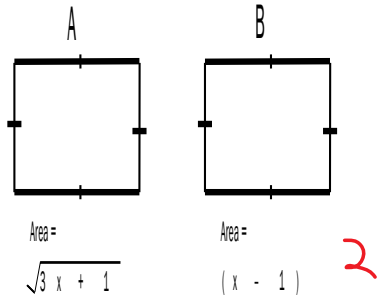
$$\sqrt{25} + \sqrt{4} = 7$$

$$5 + 2 = 7$$

$$7 = 7 \checkmark$$



17. The areas of congruent squares A and B are represented by  $\sqrt{3x+1}$  square units and  $(x-1)$  square units, respectively. Algebraically determine the area of each square.



$$3x+1 = x^2 - 2x + 1$$

$$0 = x^2 - 2x - 3x$$

$$x^2 - 5x = 0$$

$$x(x-5) = 0$$

$$x \neq 0, x = 5$$

$$\sqrt{3(0)+1} = 0-1$$

$$\sqrt{1} = -1$$

$$1 \neq -1$$

$$\sqrt{3(5)+1} = 5-1$$

$$\sqrt{15+1} = 4$$

$$\sqrt{16} = 4$$

$$4 = 4$$

Area of square is 4 units<sup>2</sup>.

18. The formula  $s = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{32}}$  represents the swing of a pendulum, where  $s$  is the time, in seconds, to swing back and forth, and  $l$  is the length of the pendulum, in feet.

(A) Solve the formula for  $l$ .

$$\begin{aligned} s &= 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{32}} \\ \frac{s}{2\pi} &= \frac{\sqrt{\frac{l}{32}}}{\cancel{2\pi}} \\ \left(\frac{s}{2\pi}\right)^2 &= \left(\sqrt{\frac{l}{32}}\right)^2 \\ 32 \cdot \frac{s^2}{4\pi^2} &= \frac{l}{\cancel{32}} \cdot \cancel{32} \end{aligned} \quad \rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} l &= \frac{32s^2}{4\pi^2} \\ l &= \frac{8s^2}{\pi^2} \end{aligned}$$

(B) What is the length of a pendulum that makes one swing in 1.5 s?

$$l = \frac{8(1.5)^2}{\pi^2} = 1.8 \text{ ft}$$