

- 1) Which product(s) is(are) correct?

I $(2x+5)(3x-8) = 6x^2 - x - 40$

II $\left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right)\left(x + \frac{2}{3}\right) = x^2 - \frac{4}{3}$

III $(2x+3)^2 = 4x^2 + 12x + 9$

- A I only
B I, II, and III
C I and II only
D I and III only
E II and III only
- 2) Which is a factor of $2x^2 + 6x + ax + 3a$?
- A $x - 3$
B $2x + a$
C $2x + 3$
D $2x - a$
E $x + a$
- 3) Which trinomial is prime (cannot be factored)?
- A $x^2 + 5xy + 6y^2$
B $2y^2 - y - 3$
C $n^2 + 5n - 50$
D $a^2 - 5a - 6$
E $4x^2 + 2x + 1$
- 4) Factor the following polynomial completely. $27x^4 - 12x^2$
- A $3x^2(3x-2)^2$
B $3x^2(3x+2)(3x-2)$
C $3x^2(3x+4)(3x-1)$
D $3x^2(9x+1)(x-4)$
E None of the above.

- 5) Select the perfect square trinomial.

A $16 + 4b + b^2$
B $9x^2 + 40x + 16$
C $g^2 - 10gh + 25h^2$
D $4u^2 + 13u + 9$
E None are perfect square trinomials.

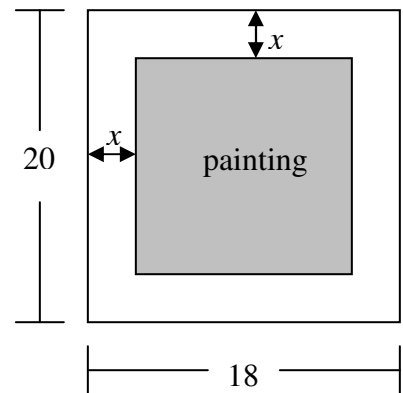
- 6) Solve the following equation. Which choice describes the solution(s)?

$$(y + 4)(y - 2) = -8$$

A There are two positive solutions.
B There are two negative solutions.
C One solution is zero, the other is positive.
D One solution is zero, the other is negative.
E There is only one negative solution.

- 7) A framed painting is 20 inches long and 18 inches wide. There are 192 square inches of the painting that shows through a frame of uniform width. If x represents the uniform width of the frame, which **simplified** equation could be used to solve for x ?

A $x^2 - 38x + 168 = 0$
B $x^2 + 38x + 168 = 0$
C $x^2 - 19x + 42 = 0$
D $x^2 + 19x + 42 = 0$
E $x^2 - 19x - 42 = 0$



8) Multiply and simplify: $\frac{2x^2 + 3x}{x^2} \cdot \frac{x^2 - 16}{2x^2 + 11x + 12}$

A $\frac{x-4}{x}$

B $\frac{x-4}{x^2}$

C $\frac{-48x}{11x+12}$

D $\frac{x(x+4)}{x^2}$

E $\frac{(2x+3)^2}{x(x-4)}$

9) Add the two rational expressions below. Simplify if possible.

$$\frac{2}{x} + \frac{3}{x+1}$$

A $\frac{7}{x+1}$

B $\frac{5x+1}{x(x+1)}$

C $\frac{5}{x(x+1)}$

D $\frac{2x+5}{x(x+1)}$

E $\frac{5x+2}{x(x+1)}$

- 10) What would be the lowest common denominator that would be used to add these rational expressions? Do not actually complete the addition. Examine the choices carefully.

$$\frac{1}{n^2 - 4} + \frac{3}{n^2 + 2n} + \frac{n + 2}{n^2 - 4n + 4}$$

- A $n(n + 2)(n - 2)^2$
 - B $n(n + 2)^2(n - 2)^3$
 - C $n(n + 2)(n - 2)$
 - D $n(n + 2)^2(n - 2)^2$
 - E $n(n + 2)^2(n - 2)$
- 11) Solve the following equation. Which statement describes the solution?

$$\frac{3}{x - 3} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{13}{2x - 6}$$

- A The solution is less than -9 .
 - B The solution is at least -9 , but less than -4 .
 - C The solution is at least -4 , but less than 0 .
 - D The solution is at least 0 , but less than 6 .
 - E The solution is 6 or greater.
- 12) Joe and Julie work in a CSI lab. It takes Julie twice as long as Joe to complete a certain lab test because Julie is a less experienced technician. If they work together on the lab test, they complete the test in 2 hours. How long does it take **Julie** alone to complete the lab test?
- A 10 hours
 - B 5 hours
 - C 6 hours
 - D 4 hours
 - E 7 hours

- 13) Misty is a rower for her university team. During one practice she rowed at her constant speed (as in still water) upriver for 3 miles against a 1 mile per hour current. She then turned around and rowed at the same pace for the **same time** going downriver for 5 miles. If x represents Misty's constant speed (without current), which equation could be used to find that speed?

	Distance	Rate	Time
Upriver	3		
Downriver	5		

- A $\frac{3}{x-1} + \frac{5}{x+1} = 1$
- B $\frac{3}{x-1} = \frac{5}{x+1}$
- C $\frac{3}{x+1} = \frac{5}{x-1}$
- D $3(x-1) = 5(x+1)$
- E $\frac{3}{1-x} = \frac{5}{1+x}$
- 14) The value of y varies directly as the **square of x** . If y is 75 when $x = 5$, use a variation equation to find the value of y when $x = \frac{4}{3}$.

- A $y = 4$
- B $y = 16$
- C $y = \frac{400}{9}$
- D $y = \frac{16}{3}$
- E None of the above.
- 15) Which radical is **not** simplified correctly? (Assume variables represent positive values.)

- A $-\sqrt{121} = -11$
- B $\sqrt{0.0049} = 0.7$
- C $\sqrt[3]{-64} = -4$
- D $\sqrt[4]{(4m)^4} = 4m$
- E $\sqrt[3]{125x^6} = 5x^2$