

MA 152

EXAM 1

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Instructions:

- (1) Please fill in all the above information.
- (2) You must use a #2 pencil on the answer sheet.
- (3) On the answer sheet, fill in:
 - a) Your last name, first name and middle initial **and** blacken the appropriate spaces.
 - b) Your division and section number **and** blacken the appropriate spaces.
(If you do not know your division and section number, ask your instructor.)
 - c) Your student identification number **and** blacken the appropriate spaces.
 - d) Leave the test/quiz number blank.
 - e) Sign your name.
- (4) **Make sure that the cover of this exam matches the color of your answer sheet.**
- (5) There are 15 questions. On the answer sheet, blacken your choice of the correct answer in the spaces provided for questions 1-15. Do all of your work on the question sheets. Turn in the answer sheet when you leave and keep the question sheet. **Only the answer sheet will be graded.**
- (6) All questions are worth the same. Please answer every question. No points will be deducted for wrong answers.
- (7) **No calculators are allowed.**
- (8) The exam is self-explanatory. **Do not** ask an instructor questions about any of the exam problems.

1) Write this inequality as the union of two intervals.

$$x \leq -7 \text{ or } x > 4$$

A. $(-\infty, -7] \cup [4, \infty)$

B. $(-\infty, -7] \cup (4, \infty)$

C. $(-\infty, -7) \cup [4, \infty)$

D. $(-\infty, -7) \cup (4, \infty)$

E. None of these.

2) Evaluate this expression. Let $a = 2$ and $b = 3$.

$$\frac{-5a^{-2}b^{-3}}{10a^{-3}b}$$

A. $-\frac{1}{81}$

B. $\frac{2}{405}$

C. $-\frac{1}{12}$

D. $-\frac{1}{576}$

E. $\frac{1}{36}$

3) The speed of light is 2.9×10^5 kilometers per second. Compute the speed of light in kilometers per minute. Leave your answer in scientific notation.

A. 1.74×10^5

B. 4.83×10^5

C. 4.83×10^3

D. 4.83×10^7

E. 1.74×10^7

4) Simplify. $\left(\frac{36m^{16}}{n^6t^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

A. $\frac{6m^4}{n^6t^2}$

B. $\frac{18m^8}{n^3t}$

C. $\frac{6m^4}{n^3t}$

D. $\frac{18m^4}{n^3t}$

E. None of these.

5) Simplify completely. $\sqrt{75} - \sqrt{48} + 2\sqrt{3}$

A. $2\sqrt{30}$

B. $11\sqrt{3}$

C. $5\sqrt{3}$

D. $9\sqrt{6} + 2\sqrt{3}$

E. $3\sqrt{3}$

6) Multiply. $(3k - 2p)(5k + p)$

A. $15k^2 - 7kp - 2p^2$

B. $8k^2 - p^2$

C. $15k^2 - 13kp - 2p^2$

D. $8k^2 - 7kp - p^2$

E. $15k^2 - 2p^2$

7) Rationalize the denominator. $\frac{12y}{\sqrt{5} + 3}$

- A. $\frac{3y\sqrt{5}}{2}$
- B. $6y(\sqrt{5} - 3)$
- C. $\frac{3y(\sqrt{5} + 3)}{14}$
- D. $-3y(\sqrt{5} - 3)$
- E. $12y(\sqrt{5} - 3)$

8) One factor of $-2x^3 - 9x^2 - 4x$ is:

- A. x^3
- B. $x - 4$
- C. $2x + 4$
- D. $2x + 1$
- E. $x^2 - 4$

9) Factor. $d^4 + 12d^2 + 36$

- A. $(d^2 + 6)(d^2 - 6)$
- B. $(d^2 + 6)^2$
- C. $(d^2 + 12)(d^2 + 3)$
- D. $(d + 6)^2$
- E. None of these.

10) Divide. $\frac{2b^2-5b-3}{2b^2+19b+9} \div \frac{b^2-9}{b+9}$

A. $\frac{b-3}{(b-9)(b-1)}$

B. $\frac{(b-3)(b-1)}{b-9}$

C. $\frac{1}{19b+3}$

D. $\frac{1}{b+3}$

E. None of these.

11) Simplify. Assume that all denominators are nonzero.

$$\frac{\frac{x}{y}}{1-\frac{x}{y}}$$

A. $\frac{x}{1-x}$

B. $\frac{1}{y-1}$

C. $\frac{x}{y-x}$

D. $\frac{xy}{y^2-x}$

E. $\frac{x}{1-y}$

12) Transform this equation into an equivalent linear equation.

$$\frac{4}{n+3} - \frac{3}{n-2} = \frac{6}{n^2+n-6}$$

A. $4(n+3)+3(n-2)=6(n^2+n-6)$

B. $4(n-2)-3(n+3)=6$

C. $4(n+3)-3(n-2)=6$

D. $4(n-2)-3(n+3)=6(n^2+n-6)$

E. None of these.

13) Solve. $\frac{1}{3}(x+5)+2x+5=3$

A. $x = -\frac{1}{3}$

B. $x = \frac{29}{7}$

C. $x = -2$

D. $x = -\frac{11}{7}$

E. $x = -\frac{17}{7}$

- 14) An internet book company sells books at a discount of 33% off list price. They charge \$3.50 for shipping on each book. If Janelle pays a total of \$31.64 for a book from this company, what was the list price? Set up the equation necessary to solve this problem. Do not solve. Assume that x represents the list price of the book.

A. $.67x + 3.50 = 31.64$

B. $-.33x + 3.50 = 31.64$

C. $x - .33x = 35.14$

D. $3.50x - .33 = 31.64$

E. None of these.

- 15) Dave invested a total of \$18,000 in two accounts. The first account paid 3% annual interest and the second account paid 4%. How much was invested at 3% if he earned \$605 in interest after one year?

A. \$6,500

B. \$8,643

C. \$11,500

D. \$5,750

E. \$7,713