Exam 1A

- 1. Which of the following statements is (are) true?
- I. $\frac{1}{y} \ge 10$ means "The reciprocal of y is at most 10". II. $\frac{3}{2} < \sqrt{2}$ III. (-3) | 6(-1) + 2 | = 12

- A. I only
- B. I and II only
- C. II and III only
- D. I, II, and III
- *E.* None are true.
- 2. Simplify. Do not leave negative exponents in your answer.

$$\left(\frac{1}{4}x^{-3}y^{5}\right)\left(6x^{8}y^{2}\right)$$

3. Simplify: $\left(\frac{8x^6}{y^{12}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

A.
$$\frac{3y^{10}}{2x^{24}}$$

B. $\frac{3x^{24}y^{10}}{2}$
C. $\frac{3x^5y^7}{2}$
D. $\frac{3y^7}{2x^5}$
E. $\frac{3x^5}{2y^{10}}$
A. $\frac{y^4}{2x^2}$

A.
$$\frac{y}{2x^2}$$

B. $-\frac{8x^{\frac{17}{3}}}{3y^{\frac{35}{3}}}$
C. $\frac{x^{\frac{17}{3}}}{2y^{\frac{35}{3}}}$
D. $-\frac{8y^4}{3x^2}$

E. None of the above.

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4. Perform the indicated operations and express as a polynomial.

 $(7x^4 - 3x^3 + 5x - 1) - 2(x^4 - 4x^3 + x^2 + 3x)$

- A. $5x^4 + 5x^3 + 3x^2 6x 1$ B. $5x^4 + 5x^3 - 2x^2 - x - 1$ C. $5x^4 - 11x^3 + 2x^2 + 11x - 1$ D. $5x^4 - 7x^3 + x^2 + 8x - 1$
- *E*. None of the above.

5. Rationalize the denominator and simplify.

\sqrt{t}	+1
\sqrt{t}	-3

A. $\frac{t+1}{t-3}$ B. $\frac{t-2\sqrt{t}-3}{t-9}$ C. $\frac{t-3}{t+9}$ D. $\frac{t+4\sqrt{t}+3}{t-9}$ E. $\frac{t+1}{t-9}$

6. Which of the following is (are) true?

I.
$$(x-2y)^2 = x^2 + 4y^2$$

II. $(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}) = x - y$
III. $\frac{8x^4y^6 - 10x^8y^9}{2x^2y^3} = 4x^2y^3 - 10x^8y^9$

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. I and II only
- D. I, II, and III
- E. None are true

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7. Which of the following is a factor of $12x^2 + 5x - 2$?

- *A*. 12x+1
- *B*. 2x-1
- *C*. 3x 2
- *D*. 6x + 1
- *E*. 4x 1

8. Factor $a^8 - 81b^4$ completely.

A. (a+9b)(a-9b)B. $(a^{2}+9b)(a+3b)(a-3b)$ C. $(a^{2}+3b)^{2}(a^{2}-3b)^{2}$ D. $(a^{4}+9b^{2})(a^{2}+3b)(a^{2}-3b)$ E. $(a^{2}-3b)^{4}$

9. Perform the indicated operations and simplify.

$$\frac{3x}{2x+1} - \frac{4}{x} + \frac{2x}{x(2x+1)}$$

A.
$$\frac{3x^{2}-6x-4}{x(2x+1)}$$

B.
$$\frac{5x-4}{x(2x+1)}$$

C.
$$\frac{x-4}{x(2x+1)}$$

D.
$$\frac{3x^{2}-6x+1}{x(2x+1)}$$

E. None of the above.

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- 10. Simplify completely.
 - $\frac{\frac{x+4}{x+1} \frac{4}{x}}{x+2}$

A.
$$\frac{x+2}{x+1}$$

B. $\frac{x^2+1}{x(x+1)}$
C. $\frac{x-2}{x(x+1)}$
D. $\frac{(x-2)(x+2)^2}{x(x+1)}$
E. $\frac{1}{(x+1)(x+2)}$

11. Solve for *x*. Choose the answer that best describes the solution(s).

$$\frac{3}{x+5} + \frac{1}{x-5} = \frac{10}{x^2 - 25}$$

- A. x is less than 3.
- B. x is between 3 and 20.
- C. x is greater than 20.
- D. There is no solution for x.
- *E*. All real *x* are solutions except $x = \pm 5$.

12. Solve X(RY+R) = P for R.

A.
$$R = \frac{P}{XY + X}$$

B.
$$R = \frac{P - X}{Y}$$

C.
$$R = \frac{P}{2XY}$$

D.
$$R = \frac{PX}{Y + 1}$$

E. Equation cannot be solved for *R*.

- 13. Bill has \$80,000 to invest into two accounts. One account is a savings account which pays 3% simple interest. The other account is a much riskier fund, which pays 5% simple interest. Being conservative and investing a sum of money into each account, how much should Bill invest in the savings account in order to earn annual interest of \$3450?
 - *A.* \$19,800*B.* \$27,500
 - *C.* \$32,150
 - D. \$43,750
 - *E.* None of the above.
- 14. A girl can row a boat at a constant rate of 4 mph in still water. She rows upstream for 25 minutes and then rows downstream, returning to her starting point, in 18 minutes. If *x* represents the rate of the current, choose the equation that would be used to solve for *x*.

A.
$$\frac{5}{12}(4+x) = \frac{3}{10}(4-x)$$

B. $4(25+x) = 4(18-x)$
C. $\frac{5}{12}(4+x) + \frac{3}{10}(4-x) = 43$
D. $\frac{5}{12}(4-x) = \frac{3}{10}(4+x)$
E. $\frac{5}{12}(4-x) + \frac{3}{10}(4+x) = 43$

15. The design for an arched doorway is comprised of a rectangle surmounted by a semicircle (see the figure). The width of the door is to be 4 feet, but the height x is yet to be determined. If the area of the figure is to be 28 square feet, find x. Round your answer to the nearest tenth.

