

MA 152 PRACTICE QUESTIONS FOR THE FINAL

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1. $\frac{7}{16} = 16 \overline{)0.4375} = 43.75\%$

2. $\frac{2}{5} + \frac{1}{4} \div \frac{1}{5}$
 $\frac{8}{20} + \frac{5}{20} \div \frac{1}{5}$
 $\frac{13}{20} \div \frac{1}{5}$

$\frac{13}{20} \cdot \frac{5}{1} = \frac{13}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{1} = \frac{13}{4}$

3. $m = \frac{3 - -2}{1 - 3} = \frac{3 + 2}{-2} = \frac{5}{-2} = -\frac{5}{2}$

4. $\frac{1}{2}x - 5$
 $\frac{1}{2}x - 5 \quad \frac{1}{2}x - 5$

$\frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x - \frac{5}{2}x + 25$

$\frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{10}{2}x + 25$

$\frac{1}{4}x^2 - 5x + 25$

5. $3x - 5y = 4$
 $-5y = -3x + 4$
 $y = \frac{3}{5}x - \frac{4}{5}$
 Since the slope = $\frac{3}{5}$,

the perpendicular slope = $-\frac{5}{3}$

6. $3x - 7 > 5x + 6$
 $-2x - 7 > 6$
 $-2x > 13$
 $x < -\frac{13}{2}$

7. $y = \frac{k}{x}$
 $18 = \frac{k}{6}$
 $k = 108$

$y = \frac{108}{x}$
 $2 = \frac{108}{x}$
 $2x = 108$
 $x = 54$

8. $\frac{a^2b^{-3}}{a^{-3}b^2}^{-2} = \frac{a^{-4}b^6}{a^6b^{-4}} = \frac{b^{10}}{a^{10}} = \frac{b}{a}^{10}$

9. $\frac{(x-1)(x-1)}{(x-1)(x+1)} \cdot \frac{(x-2)}{(x-2)(x-1)}$

$\frac{\cancel{(x-1)}(\cancel{x-1})}{\cancel{(x-1)}(x+1)} \cdot \frac{\cancel{(x-2)}}{\cancel{(x-2)}(\cancel{x-1})}$

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

10. $x^3 + x^2 - ax^2 - ax$
 $x(x^2 + x - ax - a)$
 $x[(x^2 + x) + (-ax - a)]$
 $x[x(x+1) - a(x+1)]$
 $x(x-a)(x+1)$ These three are the factors

11. $12\sqrt{45} - 8\sqrt{80}$
 $12\sqrt{9 \cdot 5} - 8\sqrt{16 \cdot 5}$
 $36\sqrt{5} - 32\sqrt{5}$
 $4\sqrt{5}$

12. $16x^2 - 4y^8$
 $4(4x^2 - y^8)$
 $4(2x - y^4)(2x + y^4)$

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13. $3x + y = -1$
 $x + 2y = 3$
 $-2(3x + y) = -2(-1)$
 $\frac{x + 2y = 3}{-6x - 2y = 2}$
 $\frac{x + 2y = 3}{-5x = 5}$
 $x = -1$

the form $y = mx + b$ where $m =$ slope

$2x - 3y = 7$
 $-3y = -2x + 7$
 $y = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{7}{3}$, the slope is $\frac{2}{3}$

The slope of the line parallel to
 $2x - 3y = 7$ also has slope = $\frac{2}{3}$

14. $2x^2 - 3x = 2$
 $2x^2 - 3x - 2 = 0$
 $(2x + 1)(x - 2) = 0$
 $2x + 1 = 0$ $x - 2 = 0$
 $2x = -1$
 $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ $x = 2$
 answer: $-\frac{1}{2}, 2$

$y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$,
 through point $(2, -1)$ and $m = \frac{2}{3}$

$y - (-1) = \frac{2}{3}(x - 2)$
 $y + 1 = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{4}{3}$
 $y = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{4}{3} - 1$
 $y = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{4}{3} - \frac{3}{3}$
 $y = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{7}{3}$

15. $\frac{1}{x-4} - \frac{1}{x-2} = \frac{1}{4}$
 LCD: $4(x-4)(x-2)$
 $\frac{1}{x-4} - \frac{1}{x-2} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 4(x-4)(x-2)$
 $4(x-2) - 4(x-4) = (x-4)(x-2)$
 $4x - 8 - 4x + 16 = x^2 - 2x - 4x + 8$
 $8 = x^2 - 6x + 8$
 $x^2 - 6x = 0$
 $x(x-6) = 0$
 $x = 0$ $x - 6 = 0$
 $x = 6$
 answer: $x = 0$ and $x = 6$

19. $2x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$
 $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$
 $x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(2)(-1)}}{2(2)} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4+8}}{4}$
 $x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{12}}{4} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 \cdot 3}}{4} = \frac{-2 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{4}$
 $x = \frac{2(-1 \pm \sqrt{3})}{4} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$
 $x = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$ and $x = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$

16. $\frac{2}{\sqrt{x}-5} = \frac{2(\sqrt{x}+5)}{(\sqrt{x}-5)(\sqrt{x}+5)} = \frac{2(\sqrt{x}+5)}{x-25}$

17. $(3i-2)(2i-5) = 6i^2 - 15i - 4i + 10$
 $= -6 - 19i + 10 = 4 - 19i$

18. Solve $2x - 3y = 7$ for y to get it into

20. $\log \sqrt{\frac{z^3}{xy}} = \log \frac{z^3}{xy}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{z^3}{xy}$

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$$\frac{1}{2}(\log z^3 - \log x - \log y)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(3\log z - \log x - \log y)$$

$$\frac{3}{2}\log z - \frac{1}{2}\log x - \frac{1}{2}\log y$$

21. $\frac{1}{8}^{-\frac{2}{3}} = 8^{\frac{2}{3}} = (\sqrt[3]{8})^2 = 2^2 = 4$

22. $\log_a 7 - \log_a 20 + 2\log_a 4$
 $\log_a 7 - \log_a 20 + \log_a 4^2$
 $\log_a 7 - \log_a 20 + \log_a 16$
 $\log_a \frac{7(16)}{20} = \log_a \frac{112}{20} = \log_a \frac{28}{5}$

23. $\log_2 \frac{1}{16} =$
 $\log_2 \frac{1}{16} = x$
 $2^x = \frac{1}{16}$
 $x = -4$
 $\log_2 \frac{1}{16} = -4$

$2^4 = 16$ therefore
 $2^{-4} = \frac{1}{16}$

24. $2^{x+1} = 3$
 $\ln 2^{x+1} = \ln 3$
 $(x+1)\ln 2 = \ln 3$
 $x+1 = \frac{\ln 3}{\ln 2}$
 $x+1 = 1.58496$
 $x = 0.58496$
 $x = 0.58$

25. let x and y be the two numbers.

$$x + y = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$x - y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2x = \frac{4}{2}$$

$$2x = 2$$

$$x = 1$$

$$1 - y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}$$

The smaller of the two is $\frac{1}{2}$

26.

| | Present | Three years ago |
|------|---------|-------------------------------------|
| Bob | 25 + x | 25 + x - 3 = 22 + x and 2(x - 3) |
| Jane | x | x - 3 |

$$22 + x = 2(x - 3)$$

$$22 + x = 2x - 6$$

$$28 + x = 2x$$

$$28 = x$$

Jane is 28 years old at the present time.

27. Paul: 5 hours alone
 Sally: 3 hours alone

Together: t hours

$$\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{t}$$

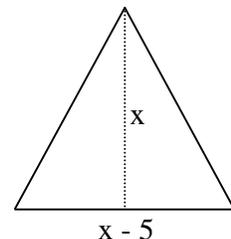
$$3t + 5t = 15$$

$$8t = 15$$

$$t = \frac{15}{8} = 1\frac{7}{8} \text{ hours}$$

LCD is 15t, therefore multiply both sides by 15t

28. $A = \frac{1}{2}bh$



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$$18 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 5)(x)$$

$$36 = x^2 - 5x$$

$$x^2 - 5x - 36 = 0$$

$$(x - 9)(x + 4) = 0$$

$$x - 9 = 0 \text{ and } x + 4 = 0$$

$$x = 9 \text{ and } x = -4$$

Since we cannot have a negative length,
 $x = 9$, and the base = $9 - 5 = 4$ inches.

29.

| | distance | rate | time |
|-------|----------|----------|------|
| Car 1 | D_1 | $r + 10$ | 3 |
| Car 2 | D_2 | r | 3 |

Time = 3 hours since they left at
 2:00 PM and meet at 5:00 PM

Since $D = rt$

$$d_1 = 3(r + 10) \text{ and } d_2 = 3r$$

Since the towns are 240 miles apart,

$$d_1 + d_2 = 240, \text{ therefore}$$

$$3(r + 10) + 3r = 240$$

$$3r + 30 + 3r = 240$$

$$6r + 30 = 240$$

$$6r = 210$$

$$r = 35 \text{ and } r + 10 = 45$$

The rate of the faster car is 45 mph

30. Let c = cost of the radio to the dealer

$0.55c$ = the markup on the radio

$c + 0.55c$ = the amount he sells the radio

$$c + 0.55c = 30.00$$

$$1.55c = 30.00$$

$$c = 19.35483871$$

Therefore, the radio sells for \$19.35

31. $I = Prt$

P = Principle (Amount invested)

r = interest rate (As a decimal)

t = time (In years)

x = amount invested at 8%

$4800 - x$ = amount invested at 9%

He invested part of the \$4800
 at 8% and the rest at 9%.

Since $I = Prt$,

$x(.08)(1)$ = interest earned at 8%

$(4800 - x)(.09)(1)$ = interest earned at 9%

412 = total interest earned

$$412 = x(.08)(1) + (4800 - x)(.09)(1)$$

$$412 = .08x + (.09)(4800 - x)$$

$$412 = .08x + 432 - .09x$$

$$-20 = -.01x$$

$$x = 2000$$

\$2000 was invested at 8%

\$2800 was invested at 9%

32. Remember that x is less than y .

Let the smaller number be x

$$y = x + 1$$

$$(x + 1)^2 - x^2 = 145$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 - x^2 = 145$$

$$2x + 1 = 145$$

$$2x = 144$$

$$x = 72$$

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| | | | |
|-------|----------|------|---------|
| | distance | rate | time |
| Car | D_1 | 55 | t |
| Truck | D_2 | 40 | $t + 1$ |

The time for the truck is $t + 1$ since it has been on the road 1 hour longer than the car.

$$D_1 = 55t \quad \text{and} \quad D_2 = 40(t + 1)$$

Since they travel the same distance, $D_1 = D_2$

$$55t = 40(t + 1)$$

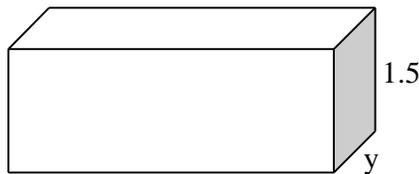
$$55t = 40t + 40$$

$$15t = 40$$

$$t = 2\frac{2}{3} \text{ hours}$$

$$D_1 = 55 \cdot 2\frac{2}{3} = 146\frac{2}{3} \text{ miles}$$

34.



$$V = lwh$$

$$6 = xy(1.5)$$

$$4 = xy$$

$$y = \frac{4}{x}$$

35. $I = Prt$, the total amount, $A = P + Prt$

$$3480 = 2000 + 2000(r)(8)$$

$$1480 = 16000r$$

$$r = 0.0925$$

$$r = 9.25\%$$

36. $F = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{mt}$

$$34000 = P \left(1 + \frac{.085}{12}\right)^{12(8)}$$

$$34000 = P(1.0070833)^{96}$$

$$34000 = P(1.969151910)$$

$$P = \$17,266.32$$

$$37. \quad S_f = 425 \frac{1 + \frac{.06}{4}^{48} - 1}{\frac{.06}{4}}$$

$$S_f = 425(69.565)$$

$$S_f = \$29,565.22$$

$$38. \quad 10000 = R \frac{1 + \frac{.076}{4}^{20} - 1}{\frac{.076}{4}}$$

$$10000 = R(24.056)$$

$$R = \$415.68$$

39. The only point on the graph that is identified is $(0, 2)$. Substitute 0 for x in each of the answer choices. A and D are the only choices that $y = 2$ when $x = 0$. This eliminates choices B, C and E.

By putting more values for x into the two equations, we can determine the answer.

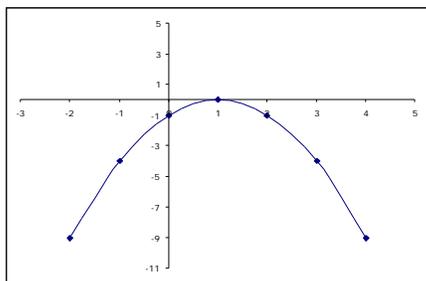
| $y = 2^x + 1$ | | $y = 2^{-x} + 1$ | |
|---------------|-----|------------------|-----|
| x | y | x | y |
| -2 | 1/4 | -2 | 4 |
| -1 | 1/2 | -1 | 2 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 2 | 1 | 1/2 |
| 2 | 4 | 2 | 1/4 |

Notice the graph of $y = 2^{-x} + 1$ is going as x increases while the graph of $y = 2^x + 1$ is going up as x increases. The graph we are trying to match is going up as x increases. Therefore $y = 2^x + 1$ is the function we are looking for.

40. $y = -x^2 + 2x - 1$

Graph the function by putting points in for x and finding the corresponding values for y.

| x | y |
|----|----|
| -2 | -9 |
| -1 | -4 |
| 0 | -1 |
| 1 | 0 |
| 2 | -1 |
| 3 | -4 |
| 4 | -9 |



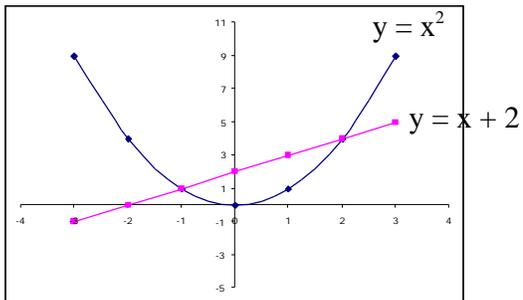
41. Graph $y = x^2$ and $y = x + 2$ and see where they intersect.

$y = x^2$

| x | y |
|----|---|
| -3 | 9 |
| -2 | 4 |
| -1 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 4 |
| 3 | 9 |

$y = x + 2$

| x | y |
|----|----|
| -3 | -1 |
| -2 | 0 |
| -1 | 1 |
| 0 | 2 |
| 1 | 3 |
| 2 | 4 |
| 3 | 5 |



As you can see, they intersect in the first and second quadrants.