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Answers to FAMAT Invitational – January 2001
Algebra I Division

1	B
2	B
3	A
4	D
5	C
6	A
7	D
8	B
9	A
10	D
11	D
12	D
13	D
14	D
15	C
16	C
17	B
18	B
19	A
20	B
21	D
22	B
23	B
24	E
25	D
26	A
27	D
28	B
29	A
30	C

1	$x^9 + x^7$
2	$x > \sqrt[3]{2}$ and $x < -\sqrt[3]{2}$
3	97.12
4	-5
5	2
6	15
7	13
8	15
9	16
10	$6x - 2y = 5$
11	0
12	$2\sqrt{10} + \frac{23}{6}$
13	$(x-3)^2$
14	11
15	$\frac{9}{4}$

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1. Simplify the first term to $(x^6)(x^3)$ then simplify to x^9 (all basic laws of exponents). $x^9 + x^7$ cannot be simplified, therefore $x^9 + x^7$

2. Rewrite the eqn. as $3-2|x| < 0$; rewrite as $-2|x| < -3$; $|x| > \frac{3}{2}$. Therefore $x > \frac{3}{2}$ and $x < -\frac{3}{2}$.

3. $A - (.80)(\frac{1}{3})(6) = 1.6$, $B - (0.60)(\frac{1}{9})(12) = 0.8$, $C - (1.28)(\frac{6}{5})(20) = 30.72$, $D - (0.64)(10)(10) = 64$. $A + B + C + D = 1.6 + 0.8 + 30.72 + 64 = 97.12$.

4. Add the exponents of the left side to get $-2a-6 = 4$. Solve for "a" to be: $a = -5$.

5. Find the two equations to be $(x)(x+2) - (x+x+2) = 119$. Therefore "x" = 11. Therefore the other number is 13. The absolute value of the difference is 2.

6. Factor the equations to get:
Sum the largest roots to get the answer of 15.

Eqn.	Factored Eqn.	Roots	Largest Root
$x^2 + 2x - 15 = 0$	$(x-3)(x+5) = 0$	3, -5	3
$x^2 - 3x - 18 = 0$	$(x-6)(x+3) = 0$	6, -3	6
$12x^2 - 12x = 0$	$12x(x-1) = 0$	0, 1	1
$5x^2 - 15x - 50 = 0$	$5(x-5)(x+2) = 0$	5, -2	5

7. Distribute the terms out using multiplication properties to get $2x^3 + -10x^2 + 17x + 4$. Sum the coefficients to get 13.

8. Factor (A) to be $(x-3)(x-3)(x+5)$. The $(x+5)$ cancels so the results is $(x-3)(x-3)$ or $(x-3)^2$ OR $x^2 - 6x + 9$.

9. $[1*(2 \# 0)]*[(4\#2)]$ becomes $[1*(4)]*[(4\#2)]$ which becomes $[1*4]*[4\#2]$ which becomes $(2 * 20)$ which becomes 16.

10. P – use point-slope to get $(y-7) = -\frac{5}{3}(x-2)$. Rewrite as $P = 5x + 3y - 31 = 0$. Q – Find the slope first as $\frac{6-5}{4+1} = \frac{1}{5}$. Then use point slope to find $(y-6) = \frac{1}{5}(x-4)$ to get $-x + 5y - 26 = 0$. P + Q therefore = $-6x + 2y + 5 = 0$, rewrite as $6x - 2y = 5$.

11. $\sqrt{33-4x} = 3-x$; $33-4x = 9-6x+x^2$; $x^2-2x-24 = 0$; $(x-6)(x+4) = 0$; $x = 6$ or $x = -4$. Sub- both these results into the original equation as a check, $x = 6$ is an extraneous solution, so $x = -4$.

12. A – slope is $-\frac{a}{b}$, $-2/3$. B – set y equal to 0, solve for x, $x = 0.5$. C – set x equal to zero, solve for y, $y = 4$, D – use distance formula, $\sqrt{(4+2)^2 + (7-5)^2} = 2\sqrt{10}$. Therefore the sum is $2\sqrt{10} + \frac{23}{6}$.

13. Use repeated substitution using all the equations to find $x = 3$, $y = 5$, $z = 7$. Sum them to find ans. = 15.

14. Combine exponents on like terms $\{x,y,z\}$ to get $x^5y^2z^8$. $5 + -2 + 8 = 11$.

15. Simplify both sides to get: $x - 4\sqrt{x} + 4 = x - 2$. Rewrite to get $6 - 4\sqrt{x} = 0$; $6 = 4\sqrt{x}$. Therefore $\frac{3}{2} = \sqrt{x}$.

Therefore $x = \frac{9}{4}$