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**Question # 1**

Each of the following statements has a value, indicated by the number in brackets.  
Find the sum of the values of the true statements.

[1] Zero is a prime number.

[2] The ellipse with equation  $\frac{(x+2)^2}{4} + \frac{(y+3)^2}{5} = 1$  has area  $20\pi$ .

[4] The distance between the three-dimensional points (5, 4, 2) and (3, 6, 1) is 3.

[8] If  $f(x) = 2\left(3x^{\frac{2}{3}} - 5x\right)$ , then  $f(3) = -15 + 3\sqrt{3}$ .

[16] The vector  $\langle 1, 1 \rangle$  is a unit vector.

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**Question # 2**

**A** = the greatest solution to the equation  $15 - 6x = x^2 + 24$

**B** = the radius of the circle with equation  $x^2 + 62 = 87 - y^2$

**C** =  $\log_4 256$

**D** =  $\sec^2\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$

Find:  $\left(\frac{A-B}{C+D}\right)^{-2}$

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**Question # 3**

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x-4}.$$

$$\mathbf{A} = f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \quad \mathbf{B} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -4} (f(x)) \quad \mathbf{C} = f^{-1}(0)$$

$\mathbf{D}$  = the y-intercept of the graph of  $f(x)$

Find:  $CD \div AB$  .

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**Question # 4**

$$\text{Let } f(x) = g(2x-1).$$

$\mathbf{A}$  = the period of  $f$ , when  $g(x) = \tan x$

The equation  $x = \mathbf{B}$  is the vertical asymptote of  $f$ , when  $g(x) = \frac{1}{3x+4}$

The interval  $(\mathbf{C}, \infty)$  is the domain of  $f$ , when  $g(x) = \log_7 x$

Find:  $\frac{120\mathbf{A}}{\pi\mathbf{BC}}$  .

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**Question # 5**

$f(x) = ax^5 + bx^4 - ax^3 - bx^2 + ax + b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are positive integers.

Let **M** be the greatest real root of  $f(x)$ .

Let **N** be the leading coefficient of  $f\left(-\frac{x}{a}\right)$ .

Let **P** be the y-intercept of  $\frac{f(x)+b}{a}$ .

Let **Q** be  $f(-1) + f(1)$ .

Express the product **MNPQ** in terms of  $a$  and  $b$  without the use of negative exponents.

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**Question # 6**

Write the domain of each function given below in interval notation.

$$f(x) = \sqrt{4-x} \quad g(x) = \frac{4}{x} \quad h(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^3-64} \quad j(x) = \frac{1}{x^2-16}$$

Let **A** be the number of times you wrote the union ( $\cup$ ) symbol.

Let **B** be the number of functions that include 4 in their domain.

Let **C** be the number of times you wrote  $-\infty$ .

Let **D** be the number of functions that include 0 in their domain.

Find **A + 10B + 100C + 0.1D**.

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**Question # 7**

**A** =  $\cos \theta$ , if  $\theta$  is the angle between the vectors  $\langle 8, 15 \rangle$  and  $\langle -8, 6 \rangle$

**B** =  $\sin \theta$ , if  $\theta$  is the smallest angle in a right triangle with legs measuring 20 and 48.

**C** =  $\cot \theta$ , if  $\sec \theta = \csc(2\theta)$  and  $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

**D** =  $\tan \theta$ , if  $\theta$  is the acute angle between the  $x$ -axis and the line with equation  $x - 3y = 4$ .

Find the product **ABC<sup>2</sup>D**.

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**Question # 8**

Each of the nine letters in the word **MIDDLETON** is written on a ball and placed in a bag.

**W** = the probability that two balls selected at random, without replacement, both have vowels on them.

**X:Y** = the odds that two balls selected at random, with replacement, have the same letter.

**Z** = The number of distinct linear arrangements of all the letters in **MIDDLETON**.

Find  $\frac{WZ}{X^2Y}$ .

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**Question # 9**

$$A = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cos x + \tan x + 1}{x}$$

$$B = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{3x^3 + x - 6x^2 - 2}{4x^2 - 13x + 10}$$

$$C = \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} (x)$$

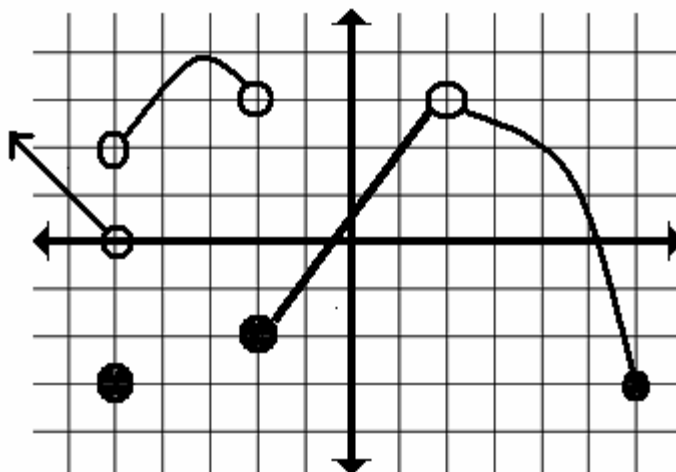
$$D = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x^{-1})$$

Find:  $4A + 3B + 2C + D$

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**Question # 10**

The function  $f(x)$  is graphed to the right. Marked points have integral coordinates. Increments on both axes are 1.



**A** = The number of values of  $x$  at which  $f(x)$  is discontinuous on the interval  $(-\infty, 0)$

$$B = \lim_{x \rightarrow -5^+} f(x)$$

$$C = f(-2)$$

**D** = The number of solutions to the equation  $f^{-1}(x) = 2$

**E** = The number of solutions to the equation  $\frac{f(x)}{2} = 1$

Find:  $A + 3B + 5C + 7D + 11E$

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**Question # 11**

Given that 3 is a root of the polynomial  $b(x) = 10x^3 - 11x^2 - 72x + 45$ :

Let **F** be the least root of  $b$ .

Let **G** be the greatest root of  $b$ .

Let **H** =  $b(0.2)$ .

Find:  $H \cdot F^2 + 2G$ .

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**Question # 12**

The polar point  $\left(-6, \frac{11\pi}{3}\right)$  has rectangular coordinates (**A**, **B**).

The vertex of the parabola with polar equation  $r = \frac{1}{3 - 3\cos\theta}$  has rectangular coordinates (**C**, **D**).

The ellipse with equation  $x^2 + 4y^2 - 4x + 8y = 0$  has eccentricity **E**.

Find:  $2\mathbf{A} + 4\mathbf{B} + 6\mathbf{C} + 8\mathbf{D} + 10\mathbf{E}$ .

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**Question # 13**

Find  $\sin^2(0.5\theta) \cdot \cos(-2\theta) \cdot \csc^3 \theta \cdot \cot(0.5\pi - \theta)$  , when  $\cos^2 \theta = 0.36$  and  $\theta$  is an angle in standard position with its terminal side in Quadrant I.

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**Question # 14**

Let the vectors  $A = \langle 3, -1 \rangle$  and  $B = \langle -3, 2 \rangle$  .

$$2A - 4B = \langle m, n \rangle$$

$A$  is orthogonal to the vector  $\langle 5, p \rangle$  .

$B$  is parallel to the vector  $\langle 5, t \rangle$  .

Find:  $m + n - \frac{p}{t}$  .

Find the number of distinct solutions to the equation  $(\cos x)(\sin x) = 0$  on the interval  $[0,10]$ .