

**Math Practice Test 23**  
**"More Practice" Answer Key**

1. **B**

$$4 - 6 \left( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \right)^{-1}$$

$$= 4 - 6 (1)^{-1}$$

$$= 4 - 6 (1)$$

$$= -2$$

2. **C**

To know what is between  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{6}$ , get the midpoint.

$$\frac{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6}}{2} = \frac{\frac{3}{12} + \frac{2}{12}}{2} = \frac{\frac{5}{12}}{2} = \frac{5}{24}$$

3. **B**

Find the number of terms:

$$a_n = a_1(n-1)d$$

where  $a_n = 104$ ,  $a_1 = 4$ ,  $d = 2$

Substitute the values:

$$104 = 4 + (n-1)2$$

$$104 = 4 + 2n - 2$$

$$104 = 2n + 2$$

$$2n = 102$$

$$n = 51$$

Find the sum:

$$S = \frac{n}{2} (a_1 + a_n)$$

$$S = \frac{51}{2} (104 + 4) = \frac{51}{2} (108)$$

$$S = 51 \times 52 = 2754$$

4. **C**

Even numbers from 11 to 41:

$$\text{Formula} = \frac{\text{last even} - \text{first even}}{2} + 1$$

$$= \frac{40 - 12}{2} + 1 = 15 \text{ numbers}$$

Numbers divisible by 3 from 11 to 41:

$$\frac{39 - 12}{3} + 1 = 10 \text{ numbers}$$

There are a total of 25 numbers that are even and divisible by 3. Next, we remove the overlap which are the multiples of 6 including 12, 18, 24, 30, 36.

$$25 - 5 = \mathbf{20 \text{ numbers}}$$

5. **C**

$$S = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

where  $a$  (first term) = 4,  $r = \frac{1}{3}$

$$S = \frac{4}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{4}{\frac{2}{3}} = 4 \times \frac{3}{2} = 6$$

6. **A**

$$a_n = a_1(n-1)d$$

$$80 = 10 + (11-1)d$$

$$80 = 10 + 10d$$

$$70 = 10d$$

$$d = 7$$

7. **C**

109 minutes is equal to 60 mins + 49 mins.

After 60 mins, the time will be 12:53 pm.

After adding the remaining 49 mins, the time is now 13:42 pm

8. **B**

$$\text{rate} = \frac{520 \text{ toys}}{120 \text{ mins}}$$

Use Ratio and Proportion (RAP)

$$\frac{520 \text{ toys}}{120 \text{ mins}} = \frac{x \text{ toys}}{12 \text{ mins}}$$

$$x = 52 \text{ toys}$$

9. **B**

$$I = Prt$$

$$546 = 9000 \times r \times 2$$

$$546 = 18000 r$$

$$r = 0.03$$

$$r = 3\%$$

10. **B**

Bank A uses compound interest of 15%:

$$A = P(1 + r)^t$$

$$A = 1000(1.15)^2 = 1000(1.3225) = 1322.5$$

$$\text{Interest} = 1322.5 - 1000 = \mathbf{322.5}$$

Bank B uses annual interest of 10%:

$$I = Prt = 1000(0.10)(2) = \mathbf{200}$$

Bank A has higher interest by  $322.5 - 200 = \mathbf{122.5}$ .

11. **C**

Arrange scores in increasing order:

1 2 2 2 2 3 3 4 4 4 9 9 9 9 9

Since there are 15 numbers, the position of the median is:

$$\text{Position (odd)} = \frac{15 + 1}{2} = 8\text{th position.}$$

In the given scores, the 8th number is **4**.

12. **C**

The average of nine numbers is 6:

$$\frac{\text{total sum}}{9} = 6$$

$$\text{Get the total sum: } 9 \times 6 = 54$$

Solve for the number that should be added to make the average 12:

$$\frac{54 + x}{10} = 12$$

$$54 + x = 120$$

$$x = 66$$

13. **A**

To get the median, get the average of the

$$\text{median} = \frac{4 + 5}{2} = 4.5$$

If we remove the smaller numbers (1, 3, or 4), the median will become higher.

If we remove 1: {3, 4, 5, 6, 7}, 5 is the median

If we remove 3: {1, 4, 5, 6, 7}, 5 is the median

If we remove 4: {1, 3, 5, 6, 7}, 5 is the median

Get the difference:

$$5 - 4.5 = 0.5.$$

14. **C**

If we add 2, the set of numbers becomes:

{1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3}

The mode is 2 while the median is also 2.

15. **A**

$$\text{Probability} = \frac{\text{no. of favorable outcomes}}{\text{total no. of possible outcomes}}$$

When two fair dice are rolled, there are  $6 \times 6 = 36$  total possible outcomes.

There are 10 possible outcomes that show consecutive integers on the dice:

(1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 3), (3, 2), (3, 4),  
(4, 3), (4, 5), (5, 4), (5, 6), (6, 5)

$$\text{Probability} = \frac{10}{36} = \frac{5}{18}$$

16. **B**

$$\text{For the necklace: } {}_6C_4 = \frac{6!}{4!2!} = 15$$

$$\text{For the bracelet: } {}_4C_1 = 4$$

$$\text{For the rings: } {}_2C_1 = 2$$

Multiply the number of choices for each jewellery:  $15 \times 4 \times 2 = 120$

Thus, there are 120 possible ways for Andy to wear the jewellery.

17. **C**

Since 2 people out of 7 must sit together, we treat those two as a single unit. Thus, in total we have 6 units. The number of ways

to arrange these 6 units in a row is  $6!$ , which equals 720. These 2 individuals within the block can switch places with each other. Thus, we multiply by  $2!$ . Therefore, the total number of arrangements is  $720 \times 2 = 1440$  different ways.

18.-

$$\log_2 x = 8$$

$$x = 2^8$$

$$x = 256$$

19. **D**

The product of the two numbers is 3:

$$xy = 3$$

The sum of the reciprocals of two numbers is 12:

$$\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = 12$$

$$\frac{x+y}{xy} = 12$$

$$\frac{x+y}{3} = 12$$

$$x+y = \mathbf{36}$$

20. **B**

Solve the system of equations below:

$$\text{Eq. 1 : } 2x + 3y = 1 \text{ [multiply by 3]}$$

$$\text{Eq. 2 : } 3x + 2y = 4 \text{ [ multiply by 2]}$$

$$\text{Eq. 1: } 6x + 9y = 3$$

$$\text{Eq. 2: } 6x + 4y = 8$$

Subtract:

$$(6x+9y)-(6x+4y) = 3-8$$

$$5y = -5$$

$$y = -1$$

Substitute  $y = -1$  to the first equation:

$$2x + 3(-1) = 1$$

$$2x - 3 = 1$$

$$2x = 4$$

$$x = 2$$

21. **B**

Let  $x$  be Kevin's age

$$\text{Wayne} = x + 6$$

5 years later, the sum of their ages is 58:

$$\text{Kevin's age} = x + 5$$

$$\text{Wayne's age} = (x + 6) + 5$$

Solve for  $x$ :

$$(x + 5) + (x + 11) = 58$$

$$2x + 16 = 58$$

$$2x = 42$$

$$x = 21$$

Since Kevin is 6 years older than Wayne, Kevin is 27 years old.

22. **B**

$$\text{Nikki's rate : } \frac{15 \text{ boxes}}{30 \text{ mins}} = \frac{2 \text{ boxes}}{\text{hour}}$$

Since Megan creates 15 boxes for every 10 boxes Nikki creates, this means that Megan is 1.5 times faster than Nikki.

$$\text{Megan's Rate} = \frac{2 \text{ boxes}}{\text{hour}} \times 1.5 = \frac{3 \text{ boxes}}{\text{hour}}$$

Nikki and Megan can create 5 boxes per hour.

$$\text{Time} = \frac{180 \text{ boxes}}{5 \text{ boxes per hour}} = 36 \text{ hours}$$

23. **D**

$$(g \circ f)(2) = g(f(2))$$

$$f(x) = 2x + 3$$

$$f(2) = 2(2) + 3 = 7$$

$$g(x) = x^2$$

$$g(7) = 7^2 = 49$$

24. -

We need to solve the values of  $x$ .

Let us express first the equation into a single trigonometric variable, we will use the identity  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$ , manipulating this equation we can get  $\cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$ .

Substituting,

$$\begin{aligned}2(1 - \sin^2 x) - \sin x &= 1 \\2 - 2\sin^2 x - \sin x &= 1 \\1 - \sin x - 2\sin^2 x &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Let  $y$  be  $\sin x$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}1 - y - 2y^2 &= 0 \\(1 - 2y)(1 + y) &= 0 \\(1 - 2y) = 0; (1 + y) &= 0 \\y = \frac{1}{2}; y = -1\end{aligned}$$

Substituting back the value of  $y$ ,

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}; \sin x = -1$$

Since the values of  $x$  must come from the interval  $[0, 2\pi)$ , we need to find all values of  $x$  that will satisfy the sin equation in this interval only. When is  $\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$ , it is when  $x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$ . When is  $\sin x = -1$ , it is when  $x = \frac{3\pi}{2}$ . Based on the choices, we can say that  $\frac{11\pi}{6}$  is the only one that does not satisfy the given equation.

25. **A**

$$\begin{aligned}2\cos(x) - 1 &= \sec(x) \\2\cos(x) - 1 &= \frac{1}{\cos(x)} \text{ [Multiply both sides by } \cos(x)\text{]} \\2\cos^2(x) - \cos(x) &= 1 \\2\cos^2(x) - \cos(x) - 1 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Let } u &= \cos(x) \\2u^2 - u - 1 &= 0 \\(2u + 1)(u - 1) &= 0 \\(2\cos(x) + 1)(\cos(x) - 1) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Possible values for  $\cos(x)$ :

$$2\cos(x) + 1 = 0$$

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

$$\cos(x) - 1 = 0$$

$$\cos(x) = 1$$

Since the given interval is  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi]$ , it means we are looking for the second quadrant. This means that cosine is negative so we use  $\cos(x) = -\frac{1}{2}$ . The angle that has cosine of  $-\frac{1}{2}$  is  $x = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ .

26. **C**

27. **B**

$$x + (x-15) + (x+30) = 180$$

$$3x + 15 = 180$$

$$3x = 165$$

$$x = 55$$

28. **B**

Let  $w$  = width

length =  $2w$

Area of rectangle = Length  $\times$  width

$$\text{Area of rectangle} = (2w)(w) = 2w^2$$

$$\text{Perimeter} = 2(l + w) = 2(2w + w) = 6w$$

Given: Area = Perimeter + 8

Substitute values:

$$2w^2 = 6w + 8$$

$$2w^2 - 6w - 8 = 0$$

$$w^2 - 3w - 4 = 0$$

$$(w-4)(w+1)=0$$

Since width must be positive,  $w=4$ . Since it is given that the length is twice its length, the width is 8.

29. **D**

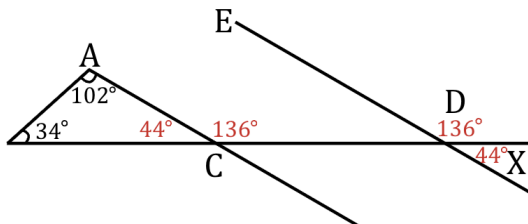
Use the Pythagorean theorem:  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$

$$12^2 = 5^2 + b^2$$

$$b^2 = 144 - 25 = 119$$

$$b = \sqrt{119}$$

30. **A**



Angle X is equal to  $44^\circ$ .

31. **E**

$$\text{Area of the circle} = 2\pi r^2$$

$$\text{Area of the circle} = 5\pi r^2$$

$$\text{Area of the circle} = \mathbf{25\pi}$$

$$\text{Area of the triangle} = \frac{1}{2}bh$$

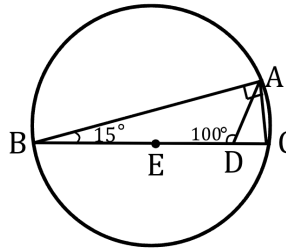
$$\text{Area of the triangle} = \frac{1}{2}(5 \times 5) = \frac{25}{2}$$

Area of the shaded region =

$$\frac{1}{4} \text{ Area of the circle} - \text{Area of triangle} =$$

$$\frac{1}{4}(25\pi) - \frac{25}{2} = \frac{25\pi}{4} - \frac{25}{2} = \frac{25\pi - 50}{4} \text{ m}^2$$

32. **B**



$$\text{Angle } \angle DAB = 180 - (100 + 15) = 65^\circ$$

$$\text{Angle } \angle CAB = 90^\circ$$

$$\text{Angle } \angle CAD = 90^\circ - 65^\circ = \mathbf{25^\circ}$$

33. **A**

Coordinate Area Formula =

$$\frac{1}{2} |x_1(y_2 - y_3) + x_2(y_3 - y_1) + x_3(y_1 - y_2)|$$

$$P(x_1, y_1) = (0, 5)$$

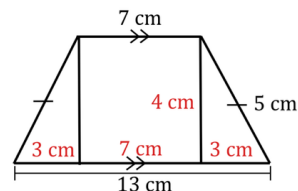
$$P(x_2, y_2) = (3, 0)$$

$$P(x_3, y_3) = (-1, -2)$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} |0(0 - (-2)) + 3((-2) - 5) + (-1)(5 - 0)|$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} |0 - 21 - 5| = \frac{1}{2} |-26| = \mathbf{13 \text{ sq. units}}$$

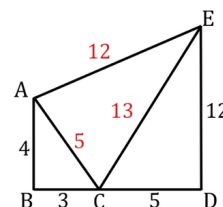
34. **B**



Use Pythagorean triple: 3-4-5

$$y = 4 \text{ cm}$$

35. **A**



Use the Pythagorean triples:

$$3-4-5$$

$$5-12-13$$

36. **A**

The Thales theorem states that if "A, B, and C are distinct points on a circle where the line AC is a diameter, the angle  $\angle ABC$  is a right angle."

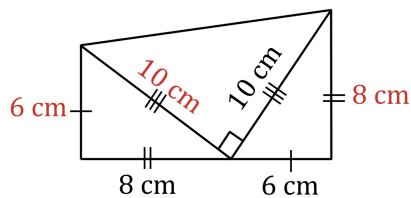
Thus, the inscribed triangle is a right triangle.

$$180^\circ = 15^\circ + 90^\circ + m\angle B$$

$$180^\circ = 115^\circ + m\angle b$$

$$m\angle b = 180^\circ - 115^\circ = 75^\circ$$

37. **B**



$$\text{Area of triangle} = \frac{1}{2} bh$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} (6 \times 8) = 24 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} (10 \times 10) = 50 \text{ cm}^2$$

There are 2 triangles with an area of  $24 \text{ cm}^2$  while the other triangle has an area of  $50 \text{ cm}^2$ . Thus, the total area is  $98 \text{ cm}^2$ .

38. **D**

$$\angle A = 52^\circ$$

The inscribed angle theorem states that an inscribed angle is half of the central angle that subtends the same arc. Thus, angle A is half of angle C.

$$\frac{1}{2} \angle C = 52^\circ$$

$$\angle C = 104^\circ$$

39. **B**

40. **A**

41. **B**

42. **B**

If 90% of 50 students scored 70 or higher, then  $100\% - 90\%$  or 10% did not reach the score of 70. 10% of 50 students is equivalent to **5 students**.

43. **C**

For an implication statement of the form *If P, then Q*, only the form *If not P, then not Q* is true. This is called the contrapositive of the statement. Implications and their contrapositives are equivalent.

44. **B**