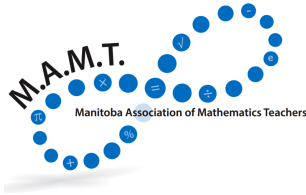


# 2023 MANITOBA MATHEMATICAL COMPETITION

(for students in grade 12)

Wednesday February 22, 2023, 9 – 11 AM

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Answer each question on the page where it appears. If you run out of space below a question work may be continued on the back of the same page; if that is insufficient you may further continue work on blank pages 23 and 24.

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Don't refer in any solution to work done on other questions; they are marked independently.

**No aids are permitted—no straight edges, compasses or other mechanical drawing devices, electronics (cell phones, electronic watches, translators, tablets, calculators etc.).**

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**Question 1**

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(a) If  $x = 4$ , find the value of  $\sqrt{x + \sqrt{6x + 1}}$ .

(b) Find a pair of distinct positive integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{2}$ .

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**Question 2**

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- (a) A set of consecutive integers has an average of 37. The third number and the sixth number, in sequence, have a sum of 19. Find the largest of the numbers.
- (b) Susan wrote two consecutive positive integers on a piece of paper. She then multiplied each of them by two and squared the results. The difference between the resulting squares was 84. What were the original numbers?

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**Question 3**

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- (a) Azeen drove his car for 160 km. For the first 40 km he travelled at an average speed of 50 km/h. For the rest of the trip he averaged 100 km/hr. What was his average speed for the entire trip?
- (b) Glenda wrote three mathematics tests and had marks over 50 on all of them. She calculated her average mark and got a result of 48. She knew this could not be right. When she inspected her work she discovered that she had exchanged the two digits of her lowest mark. She then correctly determined her average to be 57. What was her lowest mark?



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**Question 4**

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- (a) Find all ordered pairs  $(m, n)$  where  $m$  and  $n$  are integers satisfying  $(m - 2)^2(n + 1) = 72$ .
- (b) The digits 1, 2, 3, 4 can be arranged (without repetitions) to form 24 different four digit numbers. What is the sum of those numbers?

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Question 5

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In each case, solve for  $x$ .

(a)  $\frac{\sqrt{2} - 1}{\sqrt{x} - 1} = \frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt{2} + 1}$

(b)  $(x^2 - 3x)^2 - 8 = 2(x^2 - 3x)$

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**Question 6**

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If  $p$  and  $q$  are odd integers, prove that

$$x^2 + 2px + 2q = 0$$

has no rational roots.

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**Question 7**

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A corridor has seven lights numbered 1 to 7, each with its own switch. Initially, all lights are on. Adam makes a random selection of three lights which he turns off. Betty makes a random selection of three lights and changes their status (if a light was on she turns it off and vice versa). Chris then makes a random selection of three lights and changes their status. What is the probability that all the lights have been thus turned off?

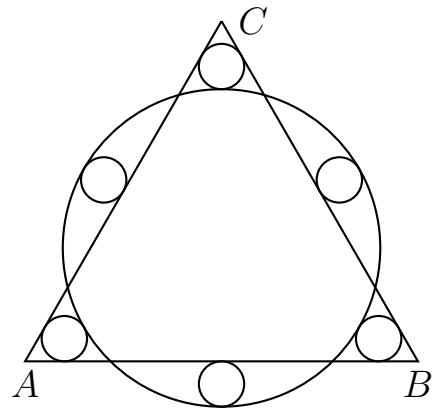


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Question 8

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Six small circles each have radius of one unit. Each is tangent to a larger circle as shown, three of them also tangent to two sides of an equilateral triangle  $\triangle ABC$ , and the other three each tangent to a side of  $\triangle ABC$  at its midpoint. Find the radius of the larger circle.



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**Question 9**

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For how many positive integers  $n \leq 100$  is the fraction  $\frac{17n+4}{4n+3}$  reducible?

(Note: A fraction is reducible if it is equivalent to another fraction with smaller denominator. For example,  $\frac{4}{6}$  is reducible because it is equivalent to  $\frac{2}{3}$  whereas  $\frac{5}{6}$  is not reducible.)

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Question 10

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The edges of a rectangular solid are all of integer lengths. Let  $p$  and  $q$  be odd prime numbers. Exactly five such solids have a volume of  $2pq$ ; their dimensions are  $2 \times p \times q$ ,  $1 \times 2p \times q$ ,  $1 \times p \times 2q$ ,  $1 \times 2 \times pq$  and  $1 \times 1 \times 2pq$ .

- (a) How many possible solids are there if the volume is to be  $4pq$ ?
- (b) How many possible solids are there if the volume is  $2^{2n}pq$  where  $n$  is a positive integer? Express your answer in terms of  $n$ .

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