

CMU Mathematical Sciences
21-090 Sample Prerequisite Waiver Exam #2

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- **Do not open the exam until told to do so.**
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- **You must answer 16 of 23 questions correctly to earn the prerequisite waiver for 21-090.**

For each item, select the appropriate choice and darken the appropriate circle on your answer sheet completely. “None Of These” should be selected when none of the given choices is the correct answer.

Note: all angles are given in radian measure.

1. Which of the following expressions is equal to

$$\frac{x^2 - 16}{x^2 - 2x - 8} + \frac{x - 1}{x - 4} ?$$

- A. $\frac{2x^2 - x - 14}{(x - 4)(x + 2)}$
 - B. $\frac{2x^2 - x + 18}{(x - 4)(x + 2)}$
 - C. None of these choices
 - D. $\frac{2x^2 + x - 18}{x - 4}$
 - E. $\frac{x^2 + x - 18}{(x - 4)(x + 2)}$
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2. Describe all real numbers, in interval notation, that satisfy the inequality

$$|4x^2 - 3| \geq 9.$$

- A. $\left(-\infty, -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\right] \cup \left[\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}, \infty\right)$
 - B. None of these choices
 - C. $(-\infty, -\sqrt{3}] \cup [\sqrt{3}, \infty)$
 - D. $\left(-\infty, -\frac{3}{2}\right] \cup \left[\frac{3}{2}, \infty\right)$
 - E. $[-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}]$
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3. Find the center and radius of the circle with equation

$$x^2 + 8x + y^2 - 6y + 9 = 0.$$

- A. Center: $(4, -3)$ Radius: 4
 - B. Center: $(-4, 3)$ Radius: 16
 - C. None of these choices
 - D. Center: $(-4, 3)$ Radius: 4
 - E. Center: $(4, -3)$ Radius: 16
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4. Describe all real numbers, in interval notation, that satisfy

$$\frac{x+2}{x^2-4x-5} > 0.$$

- A. $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-1, 5)$
 - B. $(-\infty, -1) \cup (5, \infty)$
 - C. $[-2, -1) \cup (5, \infty)$
 - D. $(-2, -1) \cup (5, \infty)$
 - E. None of these choices
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5. Give the domain of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{2^x - 1}}{\ln(x^2 - 1)}.$$

- A. $(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$
 - B. $(1, \infty)$
 - C. $(1, \sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$
 - D. $[0, \infty)$
 - E. None of these choices
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6. Find all real numbers x that satisfy

$$\ln(2x - 3) - \ln(x - 2) = \ln x.$$

- A. There are no real solutions.
 - B. $x = 1$
 - C. $x = 3$
 - D. $x = 1$ and $x = 3$
 - E. None of these choices
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7. How many distinct real roots does the polynomial

$$p(x) = x(x^2 - 9)^2$$

have?

- A. None of these choices
 - B. 2
 - C. 1
 - D. 3
 - E. 5
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8. Find the inverse function $f^{-1}(x)$ if

$$f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{3x+5}{x-2}}.$$

A. None of these choices

B. $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x+5}{x-3}$

C. $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3x^2+5}{x^2-2}$

D. $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x^2+5}{x^2-3}$

E. $f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2x+5}{x-3}}$

9. Simplify the expression

$$\frac{6x^4 + 10x^3 + 13x^2 - 5x}{2x^2 - 1}$$

using long division of polynomials.

A. $3x^2 + 5x + 5 + \frac{8}{2x^2 - 1}$

B. None of these choices

C. $3x^2 + 5x + 8 - \frac{8}{2x^2 - 1}$

D. $3x^2 + 5x + 8 + \frac{8}{2x^2 - 1}$

E. $3x^2 + 5x + 8$

10. Simplify

$$\log_4(64) - \log_2(32) + \log_8(4).$$

A. $-\frac{4}{3}$

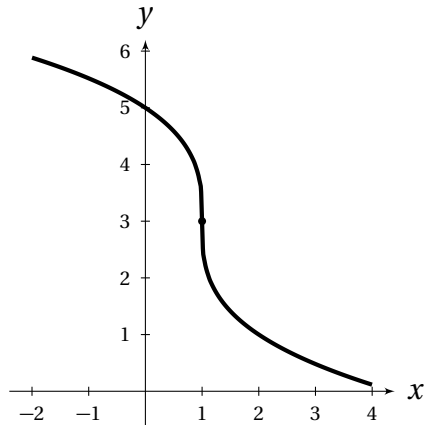
B. $\frac{4}{3}$

C. $\frac{2}{3}$

D. None of these choices

E. -2

11. Which of the following functions is represented by the graph below?



- A. $y = -2\sqrt[3]{x+1} + 3$
 B. $y = -2\sqrt[3]{x-1} - 3$
 C. $y = -2\sqrt[3]{x-1} + 3$
 D. None of these choices
 E. $y = 2\sqrt[3]{x-1} + 3$

12. Solve the equation, writing your answer using only natural logarithms:

$$5^{x-2} = 3e^{2x}.$$

- A. None of these choices
 B. $x = \frac{\ln 3 + 2 \ln 5}{\ln 5 - 2}$
 C. $x = \frac{\ln 3 + 2 \ln 5}{2 - \ln 5}$
 D. $x = \frac{\ln 3 + \ln 5}{\ln 5 - 2}$
 E. $x = \frac{\ln 3 - 2 \ln 5}{\ln 5 - 2}$

13. Which of the following expressions is equal to

$$\frac{3^{n+2} - 3^n}{3^{n-1}}?$$

- A. 8
 - B. $8 \cdot 3^n$
 - C. 24
 - D. 18
 - E. None of these choices
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14. Find all real zeros of

$$x^3 + 9x^2 + 24x + 20.$$

- A. $x = -5$ and $x = -2$
 - B. $x = 2$ and $x = 5$
 - C. $x = -5$, $x = -2$, and $x = 2$
 - D. $x = -4$ and $x = -5$
 - E. None of these choices
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15. Write the expression as the logarithm of a single quantity:

$$2\ln(x+1) - \frac{1}{2}\ln x + \ln 3.$$

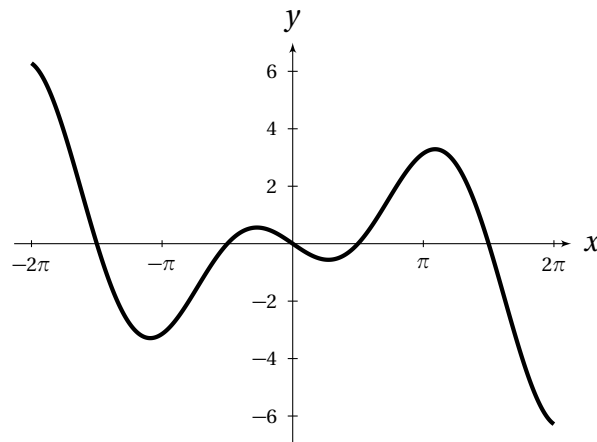
- A. $\ln(3(x+1)^2\sqrt{x})$
 - B. None of these choices
 - C. $\ln\left(\frac{3(x+1)^2}{\sqrt{x}}\right)$
 - D. $\ln\left(\frac{3(x+1)}{\sqrt{x}}\right)$
 - E. $\ln\left(\frac{(x+1)^2}{3\sqrt{x}}\right)$
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16. Evaluate

$$\sin\left(\frac{53\pi}{6}\right).$$

- A. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
 - B. $-\frac{1}{2}$
 - C. None of these choices
 - D. $\frac{1}{2}$
 - E. $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
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17. Which of the following functions is represented by the graph below?



- A. $y = x \cos(\pi - x)$
 - B. None of these choices
 - C. $y = \cos(\pi - x)$
 - D. $y = -x \sin x$
 - E. $y = x \cos x$
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18. Evaluate

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\sin\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\right).$$

- A. $\frac{5\pi}{6}$
 - B. $\frac{\pi}{6}$
 - C. $\frac{2\pi}{3}$
 - D. None of these choices
 - E. $\frac{\pi}{3}$
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19. Evaluate

$$\sec\left(\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{7}{4}\right)\right).$$

- A. None of these choices
 - B. $\frac{7}{\sqrt{65}}$
 - C. $\frac{4}{\sqrt{65}}$
 - D. $\frac{\sqrt{65}}{4}$
 - E. $\frac{\sqrt{65}}{7}$
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20. Find an algebraic expression equivalent to

$$\csc(\arctan(x + 1)).$$

- A. $\frac{\sqrt{(x+1)^2 + 1}}{x+1}$
 - B. $\frac{\sqrt{(x+1)^2 + 1}}{1}$
 - C. $\frac{x+1}{\sqrt{(x+1)^2 + 1}}$
 - D. None of these choices
 - E. $\frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{x+1}$
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21. Find all solutions in the interval $[0, 2\pi)$ to the equation

$$2 \sin^2 x - \sin x = 0.$$

- A. $x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$
 - B. None of these choices
 - C. $x = 0, \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \pi$
 - D. $x = 0, \pi$
 - E. $x = 0, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \pi$
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22. Describe all real solutions to the equation

$$\tan^2(2x) - 3 = 0.$$

- A. $x = \frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{k\pi}{2}$ or $x = -\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{k\pi}{2}$, where k is any integer.
 - B. None of these choices
 - C. $x = \frac{\pi}{6} + k\pi$ or $x = -\frac{\pi}{6} + k\pi$, where k is any integer.
 - D. $x = \frac{\pi}{12} + \frac{k\pi}{2}$ or $x = -\frac{\pi}{12} + \frac{k\pi}{2}$, where k is any integer.
 - E. $x = \frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{k\pi}{2}$ or $x = -\frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{k\pi}{2}$, where k is any integer.
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23. Simplify the expression

$$\cos^2 x \tan x + \sin x \cos x.$$

- A. $\sin(2x)$
 - B. $\cos x$
 - C. None of these choices
 - D. $\sin^2 x$
 - E. $\sin x$
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