

# Math Practice

Pre-Algebra & Geometry · Grade 6–8 · 20 Core Problems

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## Section A · Pre-Algebra

Q01 Order of Operations · PEMDAS

■ **QUICK RECALL** PEMDAS: Parentheses → Exponents → Multiply/Divide → Add/Subtract

**Evaluate:**  $3 + 4 \times 2^2 - (6 \div 3)$

A. 11

B. 17

C. 19

D. 26

**Answer: B. 17**

Q02 Integer Operations · Negative Numbers

■ **QUICK RECALL** Subtracting a negative = adding a positive:  $a - (-b) = a + b$

**Simplify:**  $-8 + 3 - (-5) + (-2)$

A. -12

B. -8

C. -2

D. 2

**Answer: C. -2**

**Q03** One-Step Equations · Word Problems

■ **QUICK RECALL** ISOLATE  $x$ : apply the inverse operation to BOTH sides equally

A bag of apples costs  $\$x$ . After buying 3 bags, you spent  $\$19.50$ .

Which equation is correct, and what is  $x$ ?

A. $x + 3 = 19.50 \rightarrow x = 16.50$	B. $3x = 19.50 \rightarrow x = 6.50$
C. $x \div 3 = 19.50 \rightarrow x = 58.50$	D. $3x = 19.50 \rightarrow x = 7.50$

**Answer: B.  $3x = 19.50 \rightarrow x = \$6.50$**

**Q04** Fractions · Division (Keep-Change-Flip)

■ **QUICK RECALL** Dividing fractions: KEEP · CHANGE  $\div$  to  $\times$  · FLIP the second fraction

**Simplify completely:  $(3/4) \div (9/16)$**

A. $27/64$	B. $3/4$
C. $4/3$	D. $1/3$

**Answer: C.  $4/3$**

**Q05** Ratios & Proportions · Cross-Multiply

■ **QUICK RECALL** CROSS-MULTIPLY:  $a/b = c/d$  means  $a \times d = b \times c$

A recipe uses 2 cups of flour for every 3 cups of milk.

How many cups of milk are needed for 5 cups of flour?

A. 5 cups	B. 6.5 cups
C. 7.5 cups	D. 8 cups

**Answer: C. 7.5 cups**

**Q06** Percents · Percent Discount

■ **QUICK RECALL** 35% OFF → Sale price = original × 0.65 (not × 0.35 – that's the discount!)

A jacket originally costs \$120. It is on sale for 35% off.

What is the sale price?

A. \$42	B. \$72
C. \$78	D. \$85

**Answer: C. \$78**

**Q07** Two-Step Equations

■ **QUICK RECALL** UNDO in REVERSE order: undo + or – first, THEN undo × or ÷

**Solve for n:  $4n - 7 = 21$**

A. $n = 3.5$	B. $n = 5$
C. $n = 7$	D. $n = 14$

**Answer: C.  $n = 7$**

**Q08** Exponent Rules · Product & Quotient

■ **QUICK RECALL** Same base: MULTIPLY → ADD exponents · DIVIDE → SUBTRACT exponents

**Simplify ( $x \neq 0$ ):  $x^{\blacksquare} \times x^3 \div x^{\blacksquare}$**

A. $x^2$	B. $x^{\blacksquare}$
C. $x^{\blacksquare}$	D. $x^{\blacksquare\blacksquare}$

**Answer: B.  $x^{\blacksquare}$**

**Q09** Inequalities · Flip the Sign Rule

■ **QUICK RECALL** FLIP the inequality sign when you MULTIPLY or DIVIDE by a NEGATIVE number!

**Solve:  $-3x + 2 \leq 14$**

A. $x \leq 4$	B. $x \leq -4$
C. $x \geq 4$	D. $x \geq -4$

**Answer: D.  $x \geq -4$**

**Q10** Distributive Property · Combining Like Terms

■ **QUICK RECALL** DISTRIBUTE first → then COLLECT like terms (same variable + same power)

**Simplify:  $3(2x - 4) + 5x - 6$**

A. $11x - 10$	B. $6x - 18$
C. $11x + 6$	D. $11x - 18$

**Answer: D.  $11x - 18$**

## Section B · Geometry

**Q11** Triangle Angle Sum Theorem

■ **QUICK RECALL** TRIANGLE SUM =  $180^\circ$  – always, for every triangle, no exceptions!

A triangle has angles  $(3x + 5)^\circ$ ,  $(x - 5)^\circ$ , and  $60^\circ$ .

Find  $x$ , then find the measure of the largest angle.

A. $x = 25^\circ$ , largest = $80^\circ$	B. $x = 30^\circ$ , largest = $95^\circ$
C. $x = 30^\circ$ , largest = $60^\circ$	D. $x = 40^\circ$ , largest = $125^\circ$

**Answer: B.  $x = 30^\circ$ , largest angle =  $95^\circ$**

**Q12** Pythagorean Theorem

■ **QUICK RECALL**  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$  -  $c$  is ALWAYS the hypotenuse (longest side, opposite right angle)

A ladder leans against a wall. The base is 6 ft from the wall and it reaches 8 ft up the wall. How long is the ladder?

A. 7 ft	B. 10 ft
C. 14 ft	D. $\sqrt{28}$ ft

**Answer: B. 10 ft**

**Q13** Area of a Circle · Radius vs. Diameter

■ **QUICK RECALL** Area =  $\pi r^2$  · Circumference =  $2\pi r$  - always use RADIUS (half the diameter)!

A circular pizza has a diameter of 14 inches.

What is its area? (Use  $\pi \approx 3.14$ )

A. 615.44 in <sup>2</sup>	B. 153.86 in <sup>2</sup>
C. 43.96 in <sup>2</sup>	D. 307.72 in <sup>2</sup>

**Answer: B. 153.86 in<sup>2</sup>**

**Q14** Complementary & Supplementary Angles

■ **QUICK RECALL** COMPLEMENTARY =  $90^\circ$  · SUPPLEMENTARY =  $180^\circ$

Angles A and B are supplementary.

Angle A =  $(3x + 15)^\circ$ , Angle B =  $(x + 5)^\circ$ . Find Angle B.

A. $40^\circ$	B. $45^\circ$
C. $55^\circ$	D. $135^\circ$

**Answer: B.  $45^\circ$**

**Q15** Volume of a Rectangular Prism

■ **QUICK RECALL** Volume =  $l \times w \times h$  – multiply all 3 dimensions, then apply any percentage

A fish tank is 40 cm long, 25 cm wide, and 30 cm tall.

If filled to 80% capacity, how many  $\text{cm}^3$  of water are inside?

A. 30,000 $\text{cm}^3$	B. 24,000 $\text{cm}^3$
C. 19,200 $\text{cm}^3$	D. 3,000 $\text{cm}^3$

**Answer: B. 24,000  $\text{cm}^3$**

**Q16** Similar Figures · Area Scale Factor

■ **QUICK RECALL** AREA scales by the SQUARE of the side ratio: sides 3:5 → areas 9:25

Two similar triangles have sides in ratio 3:5.

The smaller has area 27  $\text{cm}^2$ . Find the area of the larger triangle.

A. 45 $\text{cm}^2$	B. 75 $\text{cm}^2$
C. 81 $\text{cm}^2$	D. 135 $\text{cm}^2$

**Answer: B. 75  $\text{cm}^2$**

**Q17** Parallel Lines & Transversals

■ **QUICK RECALL** ALTERNATE interior angles = EQUAL · CO-INTERIOR (same-side) angles =  $180^\circ$

Two parallel lines are cut by a transversal.

Co-interior angles:  $(5x - 10)^\circ$  and  $(3x + 30)^\circ$ . Find  $x$ .

A. $x = 10$	B. $x = 15$
C. $x = 20$	D. $x = 25$

**Answer: C.  $x = 20$**

**Q18** Perimeter of Composite (L-Shape) Figures

■ **QUICK RECALL** L-shape perimeter = FULL rectangle perimeter! The cut removes 2 sides, adds 2 equal sides.

An L-shape is made by removing a 3 m × 4 m corner from a 10 m × 8 m rectangle.

What is the perimeter of the L-shape?

A. 36 m	B. 42 m
C. 46 m	D. 30 m

**Answer: A. 36 m**

**Q19** Coordinate Geometry · Distance Formula

■ **QUICK RECALL** Distance =  $\sqrt{[(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2]}$  – Pythagorean Theorem on a grid

**Find the distance between A(1, 2) and B(4, 6).**

A. 3	B. 4
C. 5	D. 7

**Answer: C. 5**

**Q20** Surface Area of a Cylinder

■ **QUICK RECALL** SA =  $2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh$  → 2 circles (top+bottom) + 1 rectangle (lateral face)

A cylindrical can has radius 4 cm and height 10 cm.

What is the total surface area? ( $\pi \approx 3.14$ )

A. 100.48 cm <sup>2</sup>	B. 251.20 cm <sup>2</sup>
C. 351.68 cm <sup>2</sup>	D. 502.40 cm <sup>2</sup>

**Answer: C. 351.68 cm<sup>2</sup>**