

Math Mastery Worksheet

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ALGEBRA 2

UNIT 1 · QUADRATICS & POLYNOMIALS

A-01 Quadratic Formula — Discriminant Trap

Solve: $2x^2 - 5x + 4 = 0$. How many real solutions does this equation have?

- A) Two real solutions
- B) One real solution
- C) No real solutions
- D) $x = 5/4$

* Memory: $DISC = b^2 - 4ac$ · Positive=2 real Zero=1 real Negative=0 real

A-02 Polynomial Division — Remainder Theorem Trick

If $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x - 5$, what is the remainder when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x - 2)$?

- A) -5
- B) -1
- C) 3
- D) 0

* Memory: PLUG IN · Remainder = $f(\text{divisor root})$ · No long division needed!

UNIT 2 · EXPONENTIAL & LOGARITHMIC FUNCTIONS

A-03 Logarithms — Log Rules Mastery

Simplify: $\log_3(81) - \log_3(9)$

- A) 1
- B) 2
- C) 3
- D) 9

* Memory: $SUBTRACT LOG = DIVIDE$ · $\log(a/b) = \log a - \log b$

A-04 Exponential Equations — Same Base Strategy

Solve for x : $4^{(x+1)} = 8^{(x-1)}$

- A) $x = 1$
- B) $x = 5$
- C) $x = 7$
- D) $x = 3$

* Memory: SAME BASE · Convert both to base 2, then set exponents equal

UNIT 3 · RATIONAL FUNCTIONS & COMPLEX NUMBERS

A-05 Rational Functions — Vertical Asymptote Hunt

Find the vertical asymptote(s) of: $f(x) = (x^2 - 4) / (x^2 - x - 6)$

[Warning: Factor first — holes vs. asymptotes!]

- A) $x = 2$ and $x = -3$

- B) $x = -2$ and $x = 3$
- C) $x = 3$ only
- D) $x = -3$ only

* Memory: CANCEL=HOLE REMAIN=ASYMPTOTE · Factor top AND bottom first!

A-06 Complex Numbers — Powers of i

Simplify: i^{47}

- A) 1
- B) -1
- C) i
- D) $-i$

* Memory: CYCLE 4 · $i^1=i$, $i^2=-1$, $i^3=-i$, $i^4=1$ · Divide exponent by 4, use remainder

UNIT 4 · SEQUENCES, SERIES & PROBABILITY

A-07 Geometric Series — Infinite Sum Trap

Find the sum of the infinite geometric series: $3 + 1 + 1/3 + 1/9 + \dots$

- A) $9/2$
- B) 4
- C) $3/2$
- D) Does not converge

* Memory: $S = a/(1-r)$ · Works ONLY when $|r| < 1$ · $r = (2nd)/(1st)$

A-08 Binomial Theorem — Specific Term Finder

What is the coefficient of x^3 in the expansion of $(2x + 1)^5$?

- A) 40
- B) 80
- C) 10
- D) 160

* Memory: $nCr \cdot a^r \cdot b^{(n-r)}$ · Term with x^k : use $r=k$

A-09 Systems of Equations — Nonlinear System

How many solutions does this system have?

$$y = x^2 - 3 \text{ and } y = 2x$$

- A) No solutions
- B) Exactly one solution
- C) Two solutions
- D) Infinitely many

* Memory: SUBSTITUTION → DISCRIMINANT · Set equal, form quadratic, check disc

A-10 Inverse Functions — Composition Trap

If $f(x) = 3x - 7$, find $f^{-1}(f^{-1}(2))$.

[Warning: Apply inverse TWICE — don't skip steps!]

- A) $9/3$
- B) $16/3$
- C) $34/9$
- D) $9/2$

* Memory: SWAP x, y THEN SOLVE · $f^{-1}(x) = (x+7)/3$ · Apply twice!

GEOMETRY 2

UNIT 1 · CIRCLES & ARC THEOREMS

G-01 Circle Theorems — Inscribed Angle Rule

An inscribed angle intercepts an arc of 140 degrees. What is the measure of the inscribed angle?

- A) 140°
- B) 70°
- C) 280°
- D) 35°

** Memory: INSCRIBED = HALF ARC · Inscribed angle = $1/2 \times$ intercepted arc*

G-02 Tangent Lines — Tangent-Radius Angle

A tangent and a radius meet at point P on a circle. What is the angle between them?

- A) 45°
- B) 60°
- C) 90°
- D) 180°

** Memory: TANGENT PERPENDICULAR RADIUS · Always 90 degrees at point of tangency!*

UNIT 2 · SIMILARITY, PROOFS & TRIGONOMETRY

G-03 Similar Triangles — Proportionality Trap

Two similar triangles have perimeters 18 and 30. If the area of the smaller triangle is 27, what is the area of the larger triangle?

- A) 45
- B) 75
- C) 108
- D) 54

** Memory: LENGTH:AREA = $k:k^2$ · Scale ratio squared for area, cubed for volume!*

G-04 Trigonometry — Law of Sines Shortcut

In triangle ABC: angle A = 30° , angle B = 45° , and a = 6. Find side b.

- A) $6\sqrt{2}$
- B) $3\sqrt{6}$
- C) $4\sqrt{2}$
- D) $6\sqrt{3}$

** Memory: $a/\sin A = b/\sin B$ · OPPOSITE sides and angles pair up!*

UNIT 3 · COORDINATE GEOMETRY & 3D SOLIDS

G-05 Coordinate Geometry — Perpendicular Bisector

Find the equation of the perpendicular bisector of the segment joining A(2, 4) and B(8, -2).

- A) $y = x - 2$
- B) $y = -x + 9$
- C) $y = x + 3$
- D) $y = -x + 5$

** Memory: MIDPOINT + FLIP SLOPE · Find midpoint, negate-reciprocal slope, write line*

G-06 Volume of Solids — Cone vs Cylinder

A cone and a cylinder share the same radius $r = 3$ and height $h = 8$.

What is the ratio of cone's volume to cylinder's volume?

- A) $1/4$
- B) $1/3$
- C) $1/2$
- D) $2/3$

* Memory: $\text{CONE} = 1/3 \text{ CYLINDER}$ · Same base, same height \rightarrow cone is always exactly $1/3!$

UNIT 4 · TRANSFORMATIONS, QUADRILATERALS & PARALLEL LINES

G-07 Transformations — Rotation Rules

Point $P(3, -5)$ is rotated 90 degrees counterclockwise about the origin.

What are the new coordinates?

- A) $(5, 3)$
- B) $(-3, 5)$
- C) $(5, -3)$
- D) $(-5, -3)$

* Memory: $\text{CCW } 90: (x,y) \rightarrow (-y,x)$ $\text{CCW } 180: (-x,-y)$ $\text{CCW } 270: (y,-x)$

G-08 Parallel Lines — Angle Pair Confusion

Two parallel lines cut by a transversal. One angle is $(3x+20)$ degrees and its co-interior angle is $(2x+10)$ degrees. Find x .

- A) $x = 20$
- B) $x = 30$
- C) $x = 25$
- D) $x = 10$

* Memory: $\text{CO-INTERIOR} = 180$ (supplementary) $\text{ALTERNATE} = \text{EQUAL}$ $\text{CORRESPONDING} = \text{EQUAL}$

G-09 Quadrilaterals — Special Parallelogram

In a rhombus, one diagonal has length 16 and the other has length 12.

What is the perimeter of the rhombus?

- A) 40
- B) 56
- C) 80
- D) 28

* Memory: $\text{RHOMBUS DIAG PERPENDICULAR BISECT}$ · Use Pythagorean theorem on half-diagonals!

G-10 Circle Equations — Standard Form Conversion

What is the center and radius of the circle: $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 4y - 3 = 0$?

[Warning: Complete the square for BOTH variables!]

- A) Center $(3,-2)$, $r=4$
- B) Center $(-3,2)$, $r=4$
- C) Center $(3,-2)$, $r=16$
- D) Center $(6,-4)$, $r=4$

* Memory: $\text{COMPLETE THE SQUARE}$ · Group x 's and y 's Add $(b/2)^2$ to both sides!

ANSWER KEY

Q	Topic	Ans	Q	Topic	Ans
A-01	Quadratic Formula	C	G-01	Inscribed Angle	B
A-02	Remainder Theorem	A	G-02	Tangent-Radius	C
A-03	Logarithms	B	G-03	Similar Triangles	B
A-04	Exponential Eq.	B	G-04	Law of Sines	A
A-05	Rational Functions	C	G-05	Perp. Bisector	A
A-06	Powers of i	D	G-06	Cone vs Cylinder	B
A-07	Geometric Series	A	G-07	Rotation Rules	A
A-08	Binomial Theorem	B	G-08	Parallel Lines	B
A-09	Nonlinear System	C	G-09	Rhombus	A
A-10	Inverse Functions	B*	G-10	Circle Equation	A

* A-10 Note: $f^{-1}(x) = (x+7)/3$ | Step 1: $f^{-1}(2) = 3$ | Step 2: $f^{-1}(3) = 10/3$