

1996 AMC 8

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1. How many positive factors of 36 are also multiples of 4?

A 2

B 3

C 4

D 5

E 6

2. José, Thuy, and Kareem each start with the number 10. José subtracts 1 from the number 10, doubles his answer, and then adds 2. Thuy doubles the number 10, subtracts 1 from her answer, and then adds 2. Kareem subtracts 1 from the number 10, adds 2 to his answer, and then doubles the result. Who gets the largest final answer?

A José

B Thuy

C Kareem

D José and Thuy

E Thuy and Kareem

3. The 64 whole numbers from 1 through 64 are written, one per square, on a checkerboard (an 8 by 8 array of 64 squares). The first 8 numbers are written in order across the first row, the next 8 across the second row, and so on. After all 64 numbers are written, the sum of the numbers in the four corners will be

A 130

B 131

C 132

D 133

E 134

4. What is the value of the following expression?

$$\frac{2 + 4 + 6 + \cdots + 34}{3 + 6 + 9 + \cdots + 51}$$

A $\frac{1}{3}$

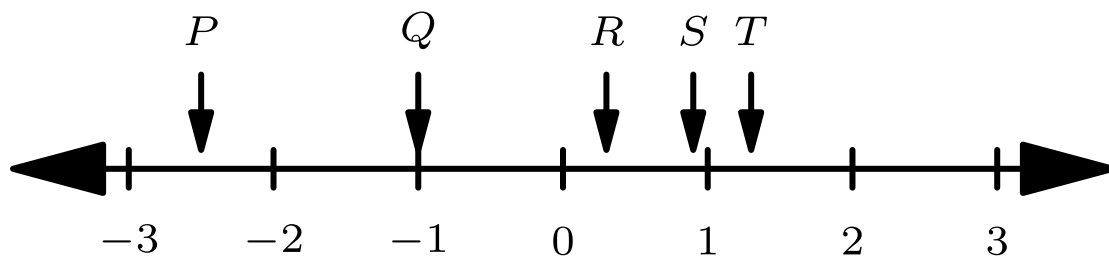
B $\frac{2}{3}$

C $\frac{3}{2}$

D $\frac{17}{3}$

E $\frac{34}{3}$

5. The letters P , Q , R , S , and T represent numbers located on the number line as shown.



Which of the following expressions represents a negative number?

- A $P - Q$
- B $P \cdot Q$
- C $\frac{S}{Q} \cdot P$
- D $\frac{R}{P \cdot Q}$
- E $\frac{S + T}{R}$
6. What is the smallest result that can be obtained by the following process? Choose three different numbers from the set $\{3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17\}$, add two of them, then multiply their sum by the third number.

A 15

B 30

C 36

D 50

E 56

7. Brent has goldfish that quadruple (become four times as many) every month, and Gretel has goldfish that double every month. If Brent has 4 goldfish at the same time that Gretel has 128 goldfish, then in how many months from that time will they have the same number of goldfish?

- ☐ A 4
- ☐ B 5
- ☐ C 6
- ☐ D 7
- ☐ E 8

8. Points A and B are 10 units apart. Points B and C are 4 units apart. Points C and D are 3 units apart. If A and D are as close as possible, then the number of units between them is

- ☐ A 0
- ☐ B 3
- ☐ C 9
- ☐ D 11
- ☐ E 17

9. If 5 times a number is 2, then 100 times the reciprocal of the number is

A 2.5

B 40

C 50

D 250

E 500

10. When Walter drove up to the gasoline pump, he noticed that his gasoline tank was $\frac{1}{8}$ full. He purchased 7.5 gallons of gasoline for \$10. With this additional gasoline, his gasoline tank was then $\frac{5}{8}$ full. The number of gallons of gasoline his tank holds when it is full is

A 8.75

B 10

C 11.5

D 15

E 22.5

11. Let x be the number

$$0.\underbrace{0000 \dots 00001}_{1996 \text{ zeros}},$$

where there are 1996 zeros after the decimal point. Which of the following expressions represents the largest number?

A $3 + x$

B $3 - x$

C $3 \cdot x$

D $\frac{3}{x}$

E $\frac{x}{3}$

12. What number should be removed from the list

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

so that the average of the remaining numbers is 6.1?

A 4

B 5

C 6

D 7

E 8

- 13.** In the fall of 1996, a total of 800 students participated in an annual school clean-up day. The organizers of the event expect that in each of the years 1997, 1998, and 1999, participation will increase by 50% over the previous year. The number of participants the organizers expect in the fall of 1999 is

A 1200

B 1500

C 2000

D 2400

E 2700

- 14.** Six different digits from the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ are placed in a figure made of a vertical column of three squares and a horizontal row of four squares that overlap in one shared square, so that the sum of the three entries in the vertical column is 23 and the sum of the four entries in the horizontal row is 12. The sum of the six digits used is

A 27

B 29

C 31

D 33

E 35

15. The remainder when the product $1492 \cdot 1776 \cdot 1812 \cdot 1996$ is divided by 5 is

A 0

B 1

C 2

D 3

E 4

16. What is the value of the following expression?

$$\begin{aligned} &1 - 2 - 3 + 4 + 5 - 6 - 7 \\ &\quad + 8 + 9 - 10 - 11 + 12 \\ &\quad + 13 - \cdots + 1992 \\ &\quad + 1993 - 1994 \\ &\quad - 1995 + 1996 \end{aligned}$$

A -998

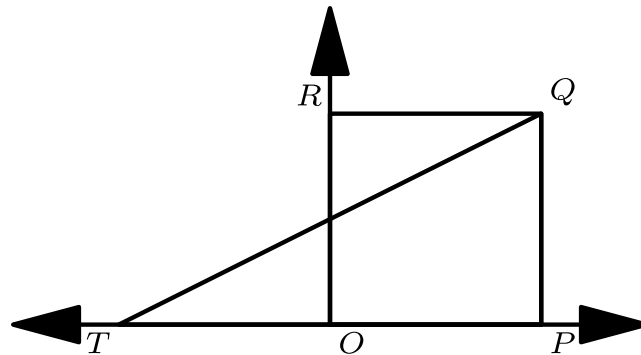
B -1

C 0

D 1

E 998

17. Figure $OPQR$ is a square. Point O is the origin, and point Q has coordinates $(2, 2)$. What are the coordinates for T so that the area of triangle PQT equals the area of square $OPQR$?



- A $(-6, 0)$
- B $(-4, 0)$
- C $(-2, 0)$
- D $(2, 0)$
- E $(4, 0)$
18. Ana's monthly salary was \$2000 in May. In June she received a 20% raise. In July she received a 20% pay cut. After the two changes in June and July, Ana's monthly salary was
- A \$1920
- B \$1980
- C \$2000
- D \$2020
- E \$2040

19. The percent of students who prefer golf, bowling, or tennis at East Junior High School and West Middle School is as follows. At East (2000 students): golf 30%, bowling 48%, tennis 22%. At West (2500 students): golf 24%, bowling 36%, tennis 40%. In the two schools combined, the percent of students who prefer tennis is

A 30%

B 31%

C 32%

D 33%

E 34%

20. Suppose there is a special key on a calculator that replaces the number x currently displayed with the number given by the formula $\frac{1}{1-x}$. For example, if the calculator is displaying 2 and the special key is pressed, then the calculator will display -1 since $\frac{1}{1-2} = -1$. Now suppose that the calculator is displaying 5. After the special key is pressed 100 times in a row, the calculator will display

A -0.25

B 0

C 0.8

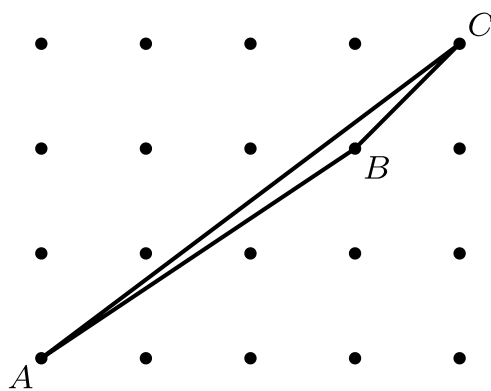
D 1.25

E 5

21. How many subsets containing three different numbers can be selected from the set $\{89, 95, 99, 132, 166, 173\}$ so that the sum of the three numbers is even?

- A 6
- B 8
- C 10
- D 12
- E 24

22. The horizontal and vertical distances between adjacent points equal 1 unit. The area of triangle ABC is



- A $\frac{1}{4}$
- B $\frac{1}{2}$
- C $\frac{3}{4}$
- D 1
- E $\frac{5}{4}$

23. The manager of a company planned to distribute a \$50 bonus to each employee from the company fund, but the fund contained \$5 less than what was needed. Instead the manager gave each employee a \$45 bonus and kept the remaining \$95 in the company fund. The amount of money in the company fund before any bonuses were paid was

A \$945

B \$950

C \$955

D \$990

E \$995

24. The measure of angle ABC is 50° . $\overline{AD}$ bisects angle BAC , and $\overline{DC}$ bisects angle BCA . The measure of angle ADC is

A 90°

B 100°

C 115°

D 122.5°

E 125°

25. A point is chosen at random from within a circular region. What is the probability that the point is closer to the center of the region than it is to the boundary of the region?

A $\frac{1}{4}$

B $\frac{1}{3}$

C $\frac{1}{2}$

D $\frac{2}{3}$

E $\frac{3}{4}$

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