

# Alabama Statewide Math Contest - Round 1

## Division Two

University of Alabama Birmingham

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## Scoring

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0:00 - 0:30 10 points

0:31 - 1:00 8 points

1:01 - 1:30 6 points

1:31 - 2:00 4 points

If the first person to answer is correct, they receive  
2 Bonus Points.

## Rules

# Rules

1. Answers must be in answer box provided to be counted. Units such as cm, in, etc. are **not** necessary.
2. Fractions must be reduced. Improper fractions are acceptable.
3. The numbers  $\pi$  and  $e$  must be left as such.
4. Complex numbers must be put into  $a + bi$  form.

## Rules

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5. Answers with radicals must be simplified. Denominators must be rationalized.
6. Exponents should be positive.
7. Answers involving trigonometric functions should be simplified as much as possible.
8.  $\log(x)$  means  $\log_{10}(x)$  and  $\ln(x)$  means  $\log_e(x)$ .
9. The time limit for **all** problems is 2 minutes.

# Sample Problem # 1

## Sample Problem

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Solve for  $x$  in the equation

$$x^2 - 6x - 3 = 0$$

## Sample Problem

Answer:

## Sample Problem

Answer:  $3 + 2\sqrt{3}$  and  $3 - 2\sqrt{3}$ .

# Round 1

## Geometry

# Geometry Question # 1

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What is the perimeter of an isosceles right triangle with a hypotenuse of 5?

# Geometry Question # 1

Answer:

## Geometry Question # 1

Answer:  $5\sqrt{2} + 5$

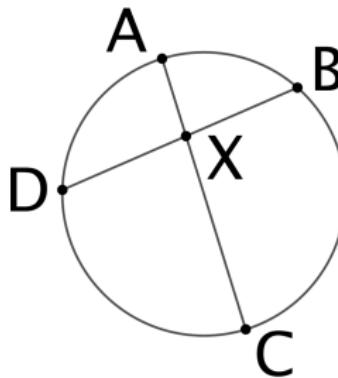
# Geometry Question # 2

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In the figure, points  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$  lie on the circle of radius 10.5, and chords  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{BD}$  cross at point  $X$ . If  $\overline{AC}$  is a diameter,  $AX = 6$ , and  $DX$  is one unit longer than  $BX$ , what is the length of  $BD$ ?



## Geometry Question # 2

Answer:

## Geometry Question # 2

Answer: 19

# Round 1

# Algebra II

# Algebra II Question # 3

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What is the sum of the solutions to the equation  
 $|2x - 1| = |4x + 9|$ ?

# Algebra II Question # 3

**Answer:**

## Algebra II Question # 3

Answer:  $-\frac{19}{3}$

# Algebra II Question # 4

## Algebra II Question # 4

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A particular polynomial has roots at  $x = -1$ ,  $x = 0$  and  $x = 5$ , and a minimum value at  $x \approx 3.5$ . What is the smallest possible degree of this polynomial?

# Algebra II Question # 4

Answer:

# Algebra II Question # 4

Answer: 4

# Round 1

## Comprehensive Part 1

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## Question # 5

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Find the solution to  $(x^2 - x + 4)^{3/4} - x^{3/2} = 0$ .

# Comprehensive Part 1 Question # 5

**Answer:**

# Comprehensive Part 1 Question # 5

Answer: 4

# Comprehensive Part 1

# Question # 6

## Comprehensive Part 1 Question # 6

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A pile of cards has two red cards and three black cards. If you draw two cards at random without replacement, what is the probability they are the same color?

# Comprehensive Part 1 Question # 6

Answer:

# Comprehensive Part 1 Question # 6

Answer:  $\frac{2}{5}$

# Round 1

## Comprehensive Part 2

# Comprehensive Part 2

## Question # 7

## Comprehensive Part 2 Question # 7

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The distance from a point  $(x, -3)$  to  $(9, x)$  is  $4\sqrt{5}$ . What is the sum of all possible values of  $x$ ?

# Comprehensive Part 2 Question # 7

**Answer:**

# Comprehensive Part 2 Question # 7

Answer: 6

# Comprehensive Part 2

## Question # 8

## Comprehensive Part 2 Question # 8

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The polynomial  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 17x - 12$  has a root at  $x = -1$ . Find the largest remaining root.

## Comprehensive Part 2 Question # 8

Answer:

## Comprehensive Part 2 Question # 8

Answer: 4

# Round 1

## Team

# Team Question # 9

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Let  $r$  be the radius of the circle given by the equation  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 6y - 12 = 0$ , let  $m$  be the mean of the two roots of the function  $y = x^2 - 7x + 9$ , and let  $n$  be the number of solutions to the equation  $\sin(2x) + 2 \cos x = 0$  on  $[0, 2\pi)$ . Find the product  $rmn$ .

## Team Question # 9

Answer:

## Team Question # 9

Answer: 35

# Team Question # 10

## Team Question # 10

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An integer is called square-free if its prime decomposition has no repeated factors. For example,  $70 = 2 \times 5 \times 7$  is square free, but  $75 = 3 \times 5 \times 5$  is not.

How many values of  $x$  are square-free numbers such that  
 $10 \leq x \leq 30$ ?

# Team Question # 10

Answer:

# Team Question # 10

Answer: 13

# End of Round 1