
AMC 10

SET 3

HALF-LENGTH PRACTICE

TIME ALLOWED

30 : 00

10 QUESTIONS • 30 MINUTES • 60 POINTS • MIDDLE BAND (PROBLEMS 10--20)

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Name _____

Date _____

Start _____

Finish _____

All 10 problems come from positions 10–20 of past AMC 10 contests (2000–2019) and appear in their original wording, in order of their original position. Problems © Mathematical Association of America.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to begin.
2. This is a 10-question multiple-choice test. Every problem was originally problem 10 to 20 of an AMC 10 — the middle band of the paper, where scores are decided. They appear in order of their original position, so the difficulty rises from the first problem to the last.
3. Each question is followed by answers marked (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E). Only one of these is correct. Mark your answers on the answer sheet at the back of this booklet.
4. **Scoring:** 6 points for each correct answer, 1.5 points for each problem left unanswered, 0 points for each incorrect answer. A random guess is worth less, on average, than a blank.
5. Only scratch paper, graph paper, rulers, compasses, protractors and erasers are allowed. No calculators, smartwatches, phones or computing devices.
6. Figures are not necessarily drawn to scale.
7. You will have **30 minutes**. Note your start time on the cover and stop the moment the time is up.

Pacing guide

Three minutes per problem is the pace of the real test in this band: problems 1–5 in about 13 minutes, problems 6–10 in the remaining 17. If a problem has taken three minutes with no plan in sight, move on and come back.

1. How many ordered pairs of positive integers (M, N) satisfy the equation

$$\frac{M}{6} = \frac{6}{N}?$$

(A) 6 (B) 7 (C) 8 (D) 9 (E) 10

2. While Steve and LeRoy are fishing 1 mile from shore, their boat springs a leak, and water comes in at a constant rate of 10 gallons per minute. The boat will sink if it takes in more than 30 gallons of water. Steve starts rowing toward the shore at a constant rate of 4 miles per hour while LeRoy bails water out of the boat. What is the slowest rate, in gallons per minute, at which LeRoy can bail if they are to reach the shore without sinking?

(A) 2 (B) 4 (C) 6 (D) 8 (E) 10

3. Logan is constructing a scaled model of his town. The city's water tower stands 40 meters high, and the top portion is a sphere that holds 100,000 liters of water. Logan's miniature water tower holds 0.1 liters. How tall, in meters, should Logan make his tower?

(A) 0.04 (B) $\frac{0.4}{\pi}$ (C) 0.4 (D) $\frac{4}{\pi}$ (E) 4

4. Claudia has 12 coins, each of which is a 5-cent coin or a 10-cent coin. There are exactly 17 different values that can be obtained as combinations of one or more of her coins. How many 10-cent coins does Claudia have?

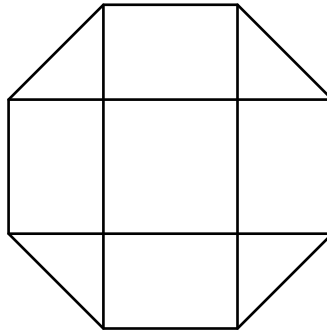
(A) 3 (B) 4 (C) 5 (D) 6 (E) 7

5. Let a , b , and c be three distinct one-digit numbers. What is the maximum value of the sum of the roots of the equation

$$(x - a)(x - b) + (x - b)(x - c) = 0?$$

(A) 15 (B) 15.5 (C) 16 (D) 16.5 (E) 17

6. A dart board is a regular octagon divided into regions as shown. Suppose that a dart thrown at the board is equally likely to land anywhere on the board. What is the probability that the dart lands within the center square?

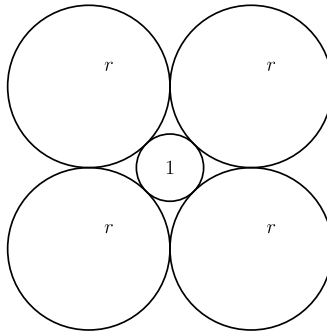


- (A) $\frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{2}$ (B) $\frac{1}{4}$ (C) $\frac{2-\sqrt{2}}{2}$ (D) $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}$ (E) $2-\sqrt{2}$

7. In the eight term sequence A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H , the value of C is 5 and the sum of any three consecutive terms is 30. What is $A + H$?

- (A) 17 (B) 18 (C) 25 (D) 26 (E) 43

8. A circle of radius 1 is surrounded by 4 circles of radius r as shown. What is r ?



- (A) $\sqrt{2}$ (B) $1 + \sqrt{2}$ (C) $\sqrt{6}$ (D) 3 (E) $2 + \sqrt{2}$

9. Pat wants to buy four donuts from an ample supply of three types of donuts: glazed, chocolate, and powdered. How many different selections are possible?

- (A) 6 (B) 9 (C) 12 (D) 15 (E) 18

- 10.** Suppose that the number a satisfies the equation $4 = a + a^{-1}$. What is the value of $a^4 + a^{-4}$?
- (A) 164 (B) 172 (C) 192 (D) 194 (E) 212

END OF EXAMINATION

ANSWER SHEET

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1 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

2 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

3 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

4 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

5 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

6 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

7 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

8 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

9 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

10 ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E

Fill in one circle per question. Leave the row empty to skip.

Correct	Blank	Wrong	Score
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