



MONTGOMERY COUNTY MATHEMATICS LEAGUE

Individual for Contest # 2

(No Calculators)

2015-2016

Time: 10 minutes

1. If $|x - a| = |x - b|$, and if $a \neq b$, find the value of x in terms of a and b .
2. Let $P(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + 7x + 2$. Find the real number c such that $P(x+c)$ has no x^2 term.



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3. For all values of x and y , the function satisfies the equation: $f(xy) = f(x) + f(y)$. If $f(2) = a$, and $f(3) = b$, find the value of $f(72)$ explicitly in terms of a and b .
4. If a square and a regular hexagon have equal areas, then the ratio of their respective perimeters is: $\sqrt[4]{k}:1$. Find k .



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Team for Contest # 2 (Calculators NOT Permitted) 2015-2016

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1. A right circular cone of *diameter* k and height 12 rests on the bottom base of a right circular cylinder of *radius* k (their bases lie in the same plane) and is contained within the cylinder. The cylinder is filled with water to a height of 12. If the cone is then removed, compute the height to which the water will fall.

2. Two rays begin at point A and form an angle of 43° with one another. Lines $l, m, \text{ and } n$, no two of which are parallel, each form an isosceles triangle with the original rays. Compute the largest angle of the triangle formed by lines $l, m, \text{ and } n$.

3. Compute this “cross-number puzzle” by putting the proper digit into each box. All answers to clues are 3-digit numbers (thus no answer begins with a zero).

a	b	c
d	e	f
g	h	i

Across

Down

1. A prime

1. An integral power of 5

2. A composite

2. An integral power of 2

3. A square

3. An integral power of 3

4. A square and an equilateral triangle share a common side but lie in perpendicular planes. The center of the square is A and the centroid of the triangle is B ; segment AB is drawn. If a new equilateral triangle ABC is drawn, compute the ratio of the area of triangle ABC to the area of the original equilateral triangle.

5. In triangle ABC, $(b \sin C)(b \cos C + c \cos B) = 42$. Compute the area of triangle ABC.