

**EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE
MATH 115 (ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA) FINAL EXAM SAMPLE
SPRING 2007**

**NAME:
VERSION:
INSTRUCTOR:
SECTION:**

TIME: 120 MINUTES THE SAMPLE IS LONGER THAN THE ACTUAL FINAL EXAM

Direction: A scientific calculator (not a graphing calculator) is allowed during test. Please write your answer in the answer blanks and show all work to get full credits.

Solve.

1) $7x - (4x - 1) = 2$

1) _____

2) $-5.2q + 1.6 = -27.1 - 1.1q$

2) _____

3) $-5x + 3(3x - 7) = -13 - 4x$

3) _____

4) $\frac{1}{5}(4x - 8) = \frac{1}{4}(20x - 10)$

4) _____

Solve the equation for the indicated variable.

5) $P = 2L + 2W$; L

5) _____

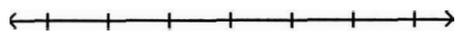
6) $A = P(1 + nr)$; r

6) _____

Solve and graph. Write the solution set in interval notation.

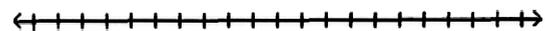
7) $8 - 3z + 1 \geq -4z + 6$

7) _____



8) $-2(y - 2) \geq 4(y + 1)$

8) _____



Solve the problem.

9) If Gloria received a 10 percent raise and is now making \$27,500 a year, what was her salary before the raise? Round to the nearest dollar if necessary. 9) _____

10) The difference between two positive integers is 60. One integer is three times as great as the other. Find the integers. 10) _____

Solve.

11) Find the length of a rectangular lot with a perimeter of 126 meters if the length is 7 meters more than the width. 11) _____

12) If two planes leave an airport at the same time with one flying west at 640 miles per hour and the other flying east at 210 miles per hour, how long will it take them to be 3400 miles apart? 12) _____

Set up the Equation(s) and Solve.

- 13) A car traveling 67 miles per hour passes a bus traveling 61 miles per hour in the same direction on the highway. If they maintain their speeds, how long will it take them to be 21 miles apart? 13) _____

Solve.

- 14) A writer received \$37,000 as royalty for her book. She invested part of the money in bonds paying 6% interest annually. The rest she invested in a life insurance policy paying 8% interest annually. If the total interest from the investments after 1 year is \$2720, how much did she invest in bonds? 14) _____

Write the equation of a line connecting the given points in slope-intercept form.

- 15) $(-8, 3), (1, -2)$ 15) _____

Write the equation of a line that passes through the given point and is parallel to the given line in slope-intercept form.

16) $(1, -5); y = 2x - 3$

16) _____

Write the equation of a line that passes through the given point and is perpendicular to the given line in slope-intercept form.

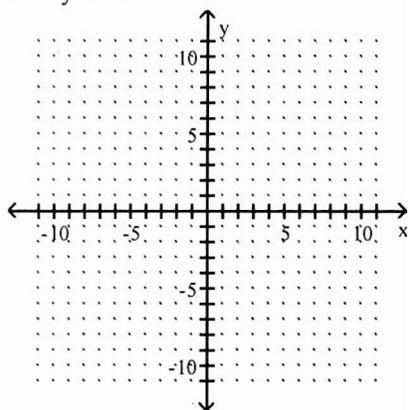
17) $(-4, -6); y = \frac{1}{2}x + 13$

17) _____

Graph the linear inequality.

18) $2x + y \leq -2$

18) _____



Subtract and write the resulting polynomial in descending order.

19) $(9p^2 + 12p + 8) - (5p^2 + 4p - 2)$

19) _____

Subtract.

20) Subtract $(5x - 29xy - 25y)$ from $(23x + 12xy - 9y)$

20) _____

Multiply.

21) $(x + 11)(-4x - 9)$

21) _____

Multiply.

22) $(x + 3)(x^2 - x + 8)$

22) _____

Multiply.

23) $(4a - 11)^2$

23) _____

Simplify. Write the answer with positive exponents.

24) $\left(\frac{3x^2}{z^4}\right)^{-3}$

24) _____

Divide.

25) $\frac{10x^4 - 6x^3 - 5x^2}{x^2}$

25) _____

(8 POINTS) Use long division to divide the polynomials.

$$26) \frac{8x^2 + 4x - 7}{4x - 2}$$

26) _____

Use long division to divide the polynomials.

$$27) \frac{z^3 - 8}{z - 2}$$

27) _____

Factor.

$$28) 2x^3 - 8x^2 - 6x + 24$$

28) _____

Factor.

$$29) x^2 + 2x - 99$$

29) _____

$$30) 15x^2 + 19x + 6$$

30) _____

31) $10x^2 + 19x + 6$

31) _____

32) $25x^2 - 81$

32) _____

Factor completely.

33) $y^3 - 27$

33) _____

Factor completely.

34) $x^2 - 4xy - 12y^2$

34) _____

Solve.

35) $4x^2 - 20x + 24 = 0$

35) _____

36) $r(r - 18) = -81$

36) _____

Multiply.

$$37) \frac{x^2 + 81}{x^2 - 2x + 1} \cdot \frac{x + 1}{x - 9}$$

37) _____

Divide.

$$38) \frac{z^2 + 10z + 24}{z^2 + 11z + 30} \div \frac{z^2 + 4z}{z^2 + 2z - 15}$$

38) _____

Solve and check.

$$39) \frac{3}{x + 3} = \frac{5}{x - 5}$$

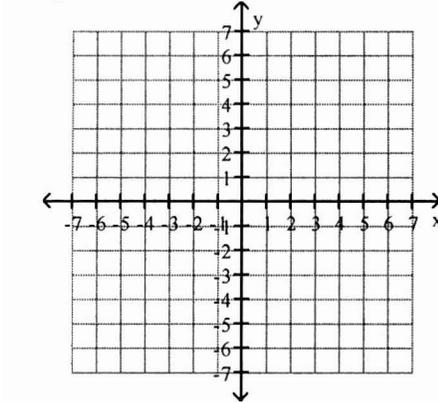
39) _____

$$40) \frac{x + 2}{x^2 - 1} + \frac{x - 3}{x^2 + 2x - 3} = \frac{2x - 3}{x^2 + 4x + 3}$$

40) _____

Solve the system graphically.

$$41) \begin{cases} 2x - y = 4 \\ y = -3x + 1 \end{cases}$$



41) _____

Solve the system of equations using substitution.

$$42) \begin{cases} x - 7y = -59 \\ 6x - 8y = -48 \end{cases}$$

42) _____

Solve the system of equations using the elimination method.

$$43) \begin{cases} 9x - 7y = -35 \\ 2x - 4y = -20 \end{cases}$$

43) _____

Solve using the quadratic formula.

44) $2x^2 + 10x + 6 = 0$

44) _____

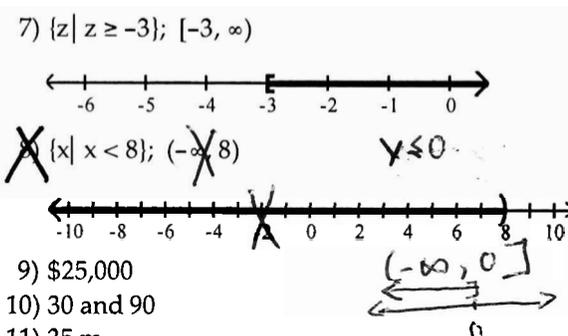
45) $2x^2 + 8x = -7$

45) _____

Answer Key

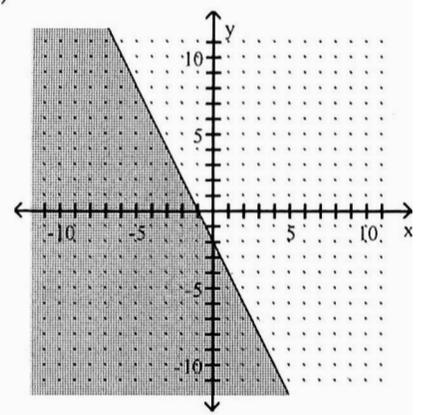
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- 1) $\frac{1}{3}$
- 2) 7
- 3) 1
- ~~4) -1~~ $\frac{3}{14}$
- 5) $L = \frac{P - 2W}{2}$
- 6) $r = \frac{A - P}{Pn}$



- 9) \$25,000
- 10) 30 and 90
- 11) 35 m
- 12) 4 hr.
- 13) 3.5 hr.
- 14) \$12,000

- 15) $y = -\frac{5}{9}x - \frac{13}{9}$
- 16) $y = 2x - 7$
 $2x - y = 7$
- 17) $y = -2x - 14$
 $2x + y = -14$
- 18)



- 19) $4p^2 + 8p + 10$
- 20) $18x + 41xy + 16y$
- 21) $-4x^2 - 53x - 99$
- 22) $x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x + 24$
- 23) $16a^2 - 88a + 121$

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- ~~24) $\frac{1}{y^{18}} = \frac{z^{12}}{27 \times 6}$~~
- 25) $10x^2 - 6x - 5$
- ~~26) $2x + 2 = 2x + 2 - \frac{3}{4x - 2}$~~
- 27) $z^2 + 2z + 4$
- 28) $(x - 4)(2x^2 - 6)$
- 29) $(x + 11)(x - 9)$
- 30) $(3x + 2)(5x + 3)$
- 31) $(2x + 3)(5x + 2)$
- 32) $(5x + 9)(5x - 9)$
- 33) $(y - 3)(y^2 + 3y + 9)$
- 34) $(x - 6y)(x + 2y)$
- 35) 2, 3
- 36) 9
- 37) $\frac{(x^2 + 81)(x + 1)}{(x - 1)^2(x - 9)}$
- 38) $\frac{z - 3}{z}$
- 39) -15
- 40) 0
- ~~41) (-3, 5) (1, -2)~~
- 42) (4, 9)
- 43) (0, 5)
- 44) $\frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2}$
- 45) $\frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{2}}{2}$