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Studio College Algebra – Exam 2 – October 2016

Directions: You will find 16 problems listed below. SHOW ALL WORK!! Each problem is worth 5 points. No notes/books/friends are allowed. Graphing calculator models above the level of a TI-84 plus are not allowed (in particular, calculators with a built in CAS and/or QWERTY keyboard are not allowed). You have one hour to complete this exam.

1. Solve $x^2 - 19x + 70 = 0$.

$$(x-14)(x-5) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x = 14 \text{ or } x = 5}$$

OR using $a=1$, $b=-19$, $c=70$,

$$x = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{(-19)^2 - 4(1)(70)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{81}}{2} = \frac{19 \pm 9}{2} ; \quad x = \frac{19+9}{2} = 14 ;$$

$$x = \frac{19-9}{2} = 5.$$

2. Write $x^2 - 10x + 5$ in the form $a(x-h)^2 + k$.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 10x + 5 &= x^2 - 10x + 0 + 5 \\ &= x^2 - 10x + 25 - 25 + 5 \\ &= \boxed{(x-5)^2 - 20} \end{aligned}$$

OR: $h = \frac{-b}{2a}$; $h = \frac{-(-10)}{2(1)} = 5$; $k = 5^2 - 10(5) + 5$
 $= -20$

$$\Rightarrow 1(x-5)^2 - 20.$$

3. A parabola has vertex at $(3, -4)$ and passes through the point $(1, 7)$. What is the equation of the parabola? Write your answer in the form $y = a(x - h)^2 + k$ (DO NOT MULTIPLY OUT).

$$y = a(x - h)^2 + k$$

$$7 = a(1 - 3)^2 - 4$$

$$7 = a(4) - 4$$

$$11 = 4a$$

$$a = \frac{11}{4};$$

$$y = \frac{11}{4}(x - 3)^2 - 4$$

4. The height of a ball in the air off the ground in meters, t seconds after it is thrown, is given by the equation $s(t) = -4.9t^2 + 12t + 20$. Answer the questions that follow.)

- (a) Find $s(0)$ and describe its practical meaning.

$$s(0) = 20$$

At time $t = 0$, the initial height of the ball is 20 meters.

- (b) What is the practical meaning of solving $s(t) = 0$? (DO NOT SOLVE!).

This solution represents when ball hits the ground.

5. Given $h(x) = 14 - x^2$ and $k(x) = x^2 - 7x$, compute $k(x) - h(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} k(x) - h(x) &= x^2 - 7x - (14 - x^2) \\ &= x^2 - 7x - 14 + x^2 \\ &= \underline{2x^2 - 7x - 14} \end{aligned}$$

6. Given $r(x) = 3x - 10$ and $m(x) = x^3 - 4x$, compute $r(x)m(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} r(x)m(x) &= (3x - 10)(x^3 - 4x) \\ &= 3x^4 - 12x^2 - 10x^3 + 40x \end{aligned}$$

7. Consider the functions, $f(x) = x - 5$ and $g(x) = x + 8$:

(a) Using the functions above, find $f(-2) + g(-2)$.

$$f(-2) + g(-2) = (-7) + (6) = \boxed{-1}$$

(b) Using the functions above, find $f(g(f(4)))$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(f(4))) &= f(g(-1)) \\ &= f(7) \\ &= \boxed{2} \end{aligned}$$

8. Solve the quadratic inequality $x^2 - 3x < 18$. (Hint: Use either a case analysis, graphing, or number line method discussed in lecture.)

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 3x - 18 &< 0 \\ (x-6)(x+3) &< 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$x-6 > 0 \text{ AND } x+3 < 0$$

$$x > 6 \text{ AND } x < -3$$

(No such x exists)

OR

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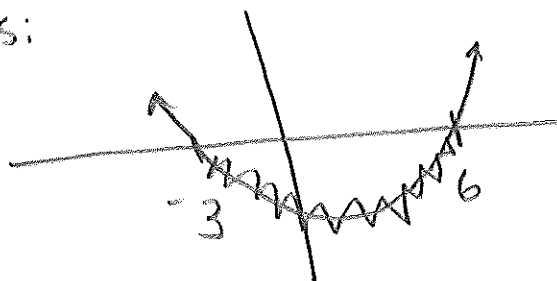
$$x-6 < 0 \text{ AND } x+3 > 0$$

$$x < 6 \text{ AND } x > -3$$

$$\boxed{-3 < x < 6}$$

Solution

With Graphs:



Number line
method also
fine.

9. Given $g(t) = \frac{t+5}{t}$, find $g^{-1}(t)$.

$$y = \frac{t+5}{t}$$

Solve for t :

$$ty = t+5$$

$$ty - t = 5$$

$$t(y-1) = 5$$

$$t = \frac{5}{y-1}$$

$$g^{-1}(t) = \frac{5}{t-1}$$

10. Solve and check: $x - 6 = \sqrt{x}$

$$x^2 - 12x + 36 = x$$

$$x^2 - 13x + 36 = 0$$

$$(x-9)(x-4) = 0$$

Check $x = 9$:

$$9 - 6 = \sqrt{9} \quad \checkmark$$

$$3 = 3$$

Check $x = 4$:

$$4 - 6 \neq \sqrt{4}$$

$$-2 \neq 2$$

$$\boxed{\text{Only } x = 9}$$

11. The profit function for selling x units of a certain product is given by $P(x) = -x^2 + 900x - 160,000$. Answer the following questions.

(a) For what number of units is maximum profit achieved? Include appropriate units in your answer.

Find vertex: $h = \frac{-b}{2a}$, $h = \frac{-900}{2(-1)} = 450$

450 units

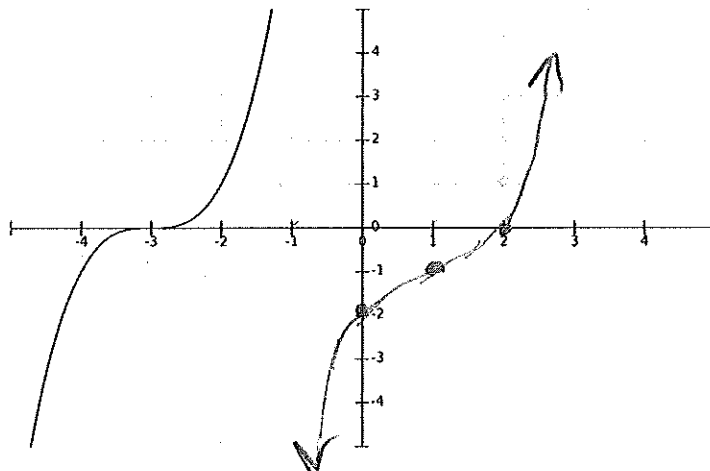
(b) What is the maximum profit in this situation? Remember to include appropriate labels (units) in your answer.

$$K = P(450) = -450^2 + 900(450) - 160000$$
$$= \boxed{\$42500}$$

12. A 3-dimensional cartoon portrays an expanding sphere that grows in volume according to the function $V(r) = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$, where r is the radius of the sphere, in millimeters. If the radius grows according to the function $r(t) = 3t$, where t is measured in seconds, find $V(r(t))$.

$$V(r(t)) = V(3t)$$
$$= \frac{4}{3}\pi (3t)^3 = \frac{4}{3}\pi (27t^3)$$
$$= \underline{\underline{36\pi t^3}}$$

13. Given the graph of $f(x)$ below, graph $f(x - 4) - 1$.



14. Insect resting metabolic rate (RMR) has been found to be scaled positively with body mass (M) according to the equation $RMR = 4.14(M^{0.66})$, where M is measured in mg and RMR is measured in mm^3O_2 per hour. Find the RMR of an insect weighing 1.4 grams.

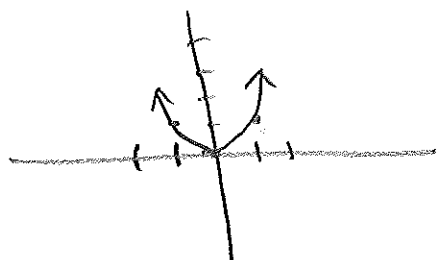
$$RMR = 4.14(1400^{0.66})$$

Conver g to mg.

$$= 493.679 \text{ mm}^3\text{O}_2/\text{hr}$$

15. Consider the function $f(x) = x^2$. Is this a one-to-one function? Explain your reasoning clearly.

No; the graph doesn't pass the
HORIZONTAL LINE TEST.



16. Consider the following piecewise function. Write TRUE or FALSE beside each of the statements given below.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \leq -3 \\ x^3 + 1, & -3 < x \leq 2 \\ -x - 6, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

(a) $f(2) = 9$. ✓ True

(b) $f(2) = -4$. False

(c) $f(-3) = 1$. True

(d) $f(-3) = -26$. False

(e) $f(-3) = -9$. False