ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA

Suggested time – 40 minutes 35 Questions

<u>Directions</u>: In this section solve each problem. Then decide which is the best of the choices given.

1. Which of the following is greater than -6?

$$(A) -7$$

$$(B) -6.3$$

$$(C) -2$$

(D)
$$-9$$

2.
$$5(x + 3) =$$

(A)
$$5x + 3$$

(B)
$$5x + 15$$

(C)
$$5x + 8$$

(D)
$$x + 15$$

3.
$$\frac{21-(-7)}{7}=$$

4.
$$12x - 16y - 5x + y =$$

(A)
$$7x^2 - 15y^2$$

(B)
$$17x - 17y$$

(C)
$$7x - 15y$$

(D)
$$7 - 15y$$

5. 8
$$-\frac{1}{8}$$

$$(A) -1$$

(C)
$$\frac{7}{8}$$

(D)
$$7\frac{7}{8}$$

6. If
$$c = -3$$
, then $4c^2 + 5c - 2 =$

$$(A) -53$$

7. Which of the following numbers is least?

(A)
$$-\frac{1}{4}$$

8.
$$\sqrt{36x^6} =$$

(A)
$$18x^4$$

(B)
$$18x^3$$

(C)
$$6x^4$$

(D)
$$6x^3$$

9. If 2x - 5 = -7, then x =

$$(B) -1$$

$$(D) -6$$

10.
$$(2x-3)(2x+3) =$$

(A)
$$2x^2 - 9$$

(B)
$$4x^2 - 9$$

(C)
$$4x^2 + 9$$

(D)
$$4x^2 - 6x - 9$$

11.
$$\frac{15x^2}{3x}$$

(A)
$$5x$$

(B)
$$5x^2$$

(D)
$$\frac{5}{x}$$

- **12**. $(2x^2y)^3$
- (A) $6x^6y^3$

(B) $8x^5y^3$

(C) $8x^6y^3$

(D) $9x^6y^3$

13. On Monday, Dave drove exactly m miles. On Tuesday, he drove 112 fewer miles than he drove on Monday. Which of the following expressions represents the total number of miles Dave drove on both days?

- (A) m 112
- (B) 112 m
- (C) 112 2m
- (D) 2m 112

14. 3x - (5x - 4) =

- (A) 8x 4
- (B) -2x 4
- (C) -2x + 4
- (D) 3x 1

15. If 4x = 12 - 7x, then x =

(A) -3

(C) $\frac{11}{12}$

(D) $-\frac{12}{11}$

16. Of the following, which is a factor of $4x^3 - 2x^2 + 4x$?

(A) 2x

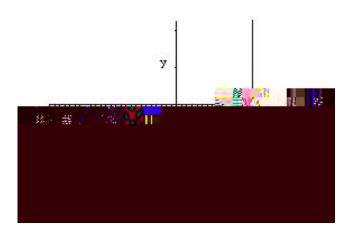
(B) 4x

(C) 8x

(D) $2x^2$

17. $4x^2 - 9y^2 =$

- (A) (4x + 3y)(4x 3y) (B) (2x + 3y)(2x 3y) (C) (4x 9y)(x + y)
- (D) $(2x 3y)^2$



18. Which if the following is an equation of the graph above?

(A) y = x

(B) y = 3

(C) x = -3

(D) x = 3

19. If $\frac{5}{2}x + 2 = 10$, then x =

(A) $\frac{16}{5}$

(B) 8

(C) $\frac{24}{5}$

(D) 20

20. $\frac{4}{x} - \frac{4}{y} =$

(D) 0

21.
$$(a - 2b)^2 =$$

(A) $a^2 - 4ab + 4b^2$

(B)
$$a^2 - 2ab + 4b^2$$

(C)
$$a^2 + 4b^2$$

(D)
$$a^2 - 4b^2$$

22. All the following points are on the graph of y = 3x + 1, EXCEPT

$$(A)(-2, -5)$$

23.
$$\frac{2s}{5r}$$
 $\frac{10r}{6s^2}$ =

(B)
$$\frac{2r}{3s}$$

(C)
$$\frac{2}{3s}$$

(D)
$$\frac{12s^3}{50r^2}$$

$$x + 2y = 15$$
$$x - y = 3$$

24. For the system of equations above, what is the value of x?

25. Given x = -|5| + |6|, y = |-5 + 6|, and z = |-5| + |6|, which one of the following is true about the numbers x, y, and z?

(A)
$$x = y$$

(B)
$$y = z$$

(C)
$$x = y = z$$

(D)
$$x < y$$

26. Which of the following is a factor of $x^2 - 5x - 6$?

(A)
$$x - 2$$

(B)
$$x - 3$$

(C)
$$x - 6$$

(D)
$$x - 1$$

27. The equation $\frac{N}{2} - 1 = 5$ could be used to represent which of the following sentences?

- (A) 1 less than half a number N equals 5.
- (B) Half a number N less than 1 equals 5.
- (C) A number N minus 1 divided by 2 equals 5.
- (D) Two times a number N minus 1 equals 5.

28. If 8 is $\frac{3}{4}$ of a number N, then N =

(C)
$$\frac{32}{3}$$

6 15

(D)

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$$32. \ \frac{10}{3 + \frac{2}{x}} =$$

(B)
$$\frac{10}{3x+2}$$

(C)
$$\frac{10x}{3x+2}$$

(D)
$$\frac{10}{3} + \frac{2}{x}$$

33. In a certain school there were 5 more seniors than juniors. In one marking period, 12 percent of the juniors and 10 percent of the seniors were on the honor roll. If the total of juniors and seniors on the honor roll was 17, how many seniors were there in the school in that marking period?