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1. DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL TOLD TO DO SO BY YOUR PROCTOR.
2. This is a 15-question, 3-hour examination. All answers are integers ranging from 000 to 999, inclusive. Your score will be the number of correct answers; i.e., there is neither partial credit nor a penalty for wrong answers.
3. No aids other than scratch paper, graph paper, ruler, compass, and protractor are permitted. In particular, calculators are not permitted.
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6. A combination of the AIME and AHSME scores is used to determine eligibility for participation in the U.S.A. Mathematical Olympiad (USAMO). The USAMO will be given on THURSDAY, May 2, 1996.
7. Record all your answers, and certain other information, on the AIME answer form. Only the answer form and this cover will be collected from you.

1. In a *magic square*, the sum of the three entries in any row, column, or diagonal is the same value. The figure shows four of the entries of a magic square. Find x .

x	19	96
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2. For each real number x , let $[x]$ denote the greatest integer that does not exceed x . For how many positive integers n is it true that $n < 1000$ and that $[\log_2 n]$ is a positive even integer?
3. Find the smallest positive integer n for which the expansion of $(xy - 3x + 7y - 21)^n$, after like terms have been collected, has at least 1996 terms.
4. A wooden cube, whose edges are one centimeter long, rests on a horizontal surface. Illuminated by a point source of light that is x centimeters directly above an upper vertex, the cube casts a shadow on the horizontal surface. The area of the shadow, which does not include the area beneath the cube, is 48 square centimeters. Find the greatest integer that does not exceed $1000x$.
5. Suppose that the roots of $x^3 + 3x^2 + 4x - 11 = 0$ are a , b , and c , and that the roots of $x^3 + rx^2 + sx + t = 0$ are $a + b$, $b + c$, and $c + a$. Find t .
6. In a five-team tournament, each team plays one game with every other team. Each team has a 50% chance of winning any game it plays. (There are no ties.) Let m/n be the probability that the tournament will produce neither an undefeated team nor a winless team, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find $m + n$.
7. Two of the squares of a 7×7 checkerboard are painted yellow, and the rest are painted green. Two color schemes are equivalent if one can be obtained from the other by applying a rotation in the plane of the board. How many inequivalent color schemes are possible?
8. The *harmonic mean* of two positive numbers is the reciprocal of the arithmetic mean of their reciprocals. For how many ordered pairs of positive integers (x, y) with $x < y$ is the harmonic mean of x and y equal to 6^{20} ?

9. A bored student walks down a hall that contains a row of closed lockers, numbered 1 to 1024. He opens the locker numbered 1, and then alternates between skipping and opening each closed locker thereafter. When he reaches the end of the hall, the student turns around and starts back. He opens the first closed locker he encounters, and then alternates between skipping and opening each closed locker thereafter. The student continues wandering back and forth in this manner until every locker is open. What is the number of the last locker he opens?

10. Find the smallest positive integer solution to $\tan 19x^\circ = \frac{\cos 96^\circ + \sin 96^\circ}{\cos 96^\circ - \sin 96^\circ}$.
11. Let P be the product of those roots of $z^6 + z^4 + z^3 + z^2 + 1 = 0$ that have positive imaginary part, and suppose that $P = r(\cos \theta^\circ + i \sin \theta^\circ)$, where $0 < r$ and $0 \leq \theta < 360$. Find θ .

12. For each permutation $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{10}$ of the integers $1, 2, 3, \dots, 10$, form the sum

$$|a_1 - a_2| + |a_3 - a_4| + |a_5 - a_6| + |a_7 - a_8| + |a_9 - a_{10}|.$$

The average value of all such sums can be written in the form p/q , where p and q are relatively prime positive integers. Find $p + q$.

13. In triangle ABC , $AB = \sqrt{30}$, $AC = \sqrt{6}$, and $BC = \sqrt{15}$. There is a point D for which \overline{AD} bisects \overline{BC} and $\angle ADB$ is a right angle. The ratio

$$\frac{\text{Area}(\triangle ADB)}{\text{Area}(\triangle ABC)}$$

can be written in the form m/n , where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find $m + n$.

14. A $150 \times 324 \times 375$ rectangular solid is made by gluing together $1 \times 1 \times 1$ cubes. An internal diagonal of this solid passes through the interiors of how many of the $1 \times 1 \times 1$ cubes?
15. In parallelogram $ABCD$, let O be the intersection of diagonals \overline{AC} and \overline{BD} . Angles CAB and DBC are each twice as large as angle DBA , and angle ACB is r times as large as angle AOB . Find the greatest integer that does not exceed $1000r$.

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