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60<sup>th</sup> Annual American Mathematics Contest 12

# AMC 12 CONTEST A



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1. DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL YOUR PROCTOR GIVES THE SIGNAL TO BEGIN.
2. This is a 25-question, multiple choice test. Each question is followed by answers marked A, B, C, D and E. Only one of these is correct.
3. Mark your answer to each problem on the AMC 12 Answer Form with a #2 pencil. Check the blackened circles for accuracy and erase errors and stray marks completely. Only answers properly marked on the answer form will be graded.
4. SCORING: You will receive 6 points for each correct answer, 1.5 points for each problem left unanswered, and 0 points for each incorrect answer.
5. No aids are permitted other than scratch paper, graph paper, ruler, compass, protractor, and erasers. No calculators are allowed. No problems on the test will *require* the use of a calculator.
6. Figures are not necessarily drawn to scale.
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8. When you finish the exam, *sign your name* in the space provided on the Answer Form.

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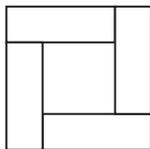
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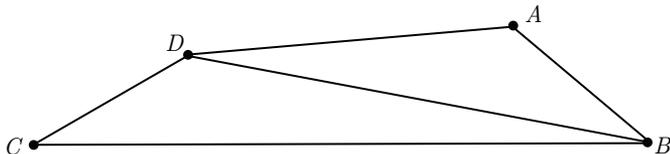
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1. Kim's flight took off from Newark at 10:34 AM and landed in Miami at 1:18 PM. Both cities are in the same time zone. If her flight took  $h$  hours and  $m$  minutes, with  $0 \leq m < 60$ , what is  $h + m$ ?
- (A) 46      (B) 47      (C) 50      (D) 53      (E) 54
2. Which of the following is equal to  $1 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1+1}}$ ?
- (A)  $\frac{5}{4}$       (B)  $\frac{3}{2}$       (C)  $\frac{5}{3}$       (D) 2      (E) 3
3. What number is one third of the way from  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$ ?
- (A)  $\frac{1}{3}$       (B)  $\frac{5}{12}$       (C)  $\frac{1}{2}$       (D)  $\frac{7}{12}$       (E)  $\frac{2}{3}$
4. Four coins are picked out of a piggy bank that contains a collection of pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters. Which of the following could *not* be the total value of the four coins, in cents?
- (A) 15      (B) 25      (C) 35      (D) 45      (E) 55
5. One dimension of a cube is increased by 1, another is decreased by 1, and the third is left unchanged. The volume of the new rectangular solid is 5 less than that of the cube. What was the volume of the cube?
- (A) 8      (B) 27      (C) 64      (D) 125      (E) 216
6. Suppose that  $P = 2^m$  and  $Q = 3^n$ . Which of the following is equal to  $12^{mn}$  for every pair of integers  $(m, n)$ ?
- (A)  $P^2Q$       (B)  $P^nQ^m$       (C)  $P^nQ^{2m}$       (D)  $P^{2m}Q^n$       (E)  $P^{2n}Q^m$
7. The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are  $2x - 3$ ,  $5x - 11$ , and  $3x + 1$  respectively. The  $n$ th term of the sequence is 2009. What is  $n$ ?
- (A) 255      (B) 502      (C) 1004      (D) 1506      (E) 8037

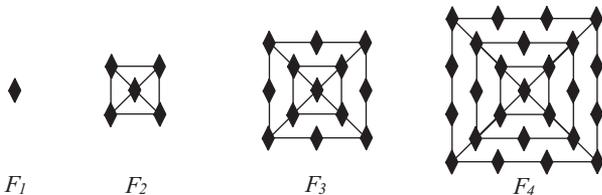
8. Four congruent rectangles are placed as shown. The area of the outer square is 4 times that of the inner square. What is the ratio of the length of the longer side of each rectangle to the length of its shorter side?



- (A) 3      (B)  $\sqrt{10}$       (C)  $2 + \sqrt{2}$       (D)  $2\sqrt{3}$       (E) 4
9. Suppose that  $f(x+3) = 3x^2 + 7x + 4$  and  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ . What is  $a+b+c$ ?
- (A)  $-1$       (B) 0      (C) 1      (D) 2      (E) 3
10. In quadrilateral  $ABCD$ ,  $AB = 5$ ,  $BC = 17$ ,  $CD = 5$ ,  $DA = 9$ , and  $BD$  is an integer. What is  $BD$ ?

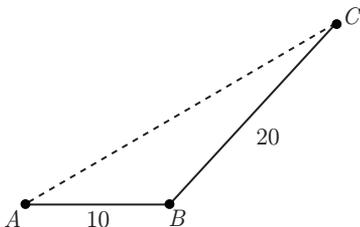


- (A) 11      (B) 12      (C) 13      (D) 14      (E) 15
11. The figures  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$ ,  $F_3$  and  $F_4$  shown are the first in a sequence of figures. For  $n \geq 3$ ,  $F_n$  is constructed from  $F_{n-1}$  by surrounding it with a square and placing one more diamond on each side of the new square than  $F_{n-1}$  had on each side of its outside square. For example, figure  $F_3$  has 13 diamonds. How many diamonds are there in figure  $F_{20}$ ?



- (A) 401      (B) 485      (C) 585      (D) 626      (E) 761

12. How many positive integers less than 1000 are 6 times the sum of their digits?  
(A) 0    (B) 1    (C) 2    (D) 4    (E) 12
13. A ship sails 10 miles in a straight line from  $A$  to  $B$ , turns through an angle between  $45^\circ$  and  $60^\circ$ , and then sails another 20 miles to  $C$ . Let  $AC$  be measured in miles. Which of the following intervals contains  $AC^2$ ?



- (A) [400, 500]    (B) [500, 600]    (C) [600, 700]    (D) [700, 800]  
(E) [800, 900]
14. A triangle has vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 1)$ , and  $(6m, 0)$ , and the line  $y = mx$  divides the triangle into two triangles of equal area. What is the sum of all possible values of  $m$ ?
- (A)  $-\frac{1}{3}$     (B)  $-\frac{1}{6}$     (C)  $\frac{1}{6}$     (D)  $\frac{1}{3}$     (E)  $\frac{1}{2}$
15. For what value of  $n$  is  $i + 2i^2 + 3i^3 + \cdots + ni^n = 48 + 49i$ ?  
Note: here  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ .
- (A) 24    (B) 48    (C) 49    (D) 97    (E) 98
16. A circle with center  $C$  is tangent to the positive  $x$ - and  $y$ -axes and externally tangent to the circle centered at  $(3, 0)$  with radius 1. What is the sum of all possible radii of the circle with center  $C$ ?
- (A) 3    (B) 4    (C) 6    (D) 8    (E) 9
17. Let  $a + ar_1 + ar_1^2 + ar_1^3 + \cdots$  and  $a + ar_2 + ar_2^2 + ar_2^3 + \cdots$  be two different infinite geometric series of positive numbers with the same first term. The sum of the first series is  $r_1$ , and the sum of the second series is  $r_2$ . What is  $r_1 + r_2$ ?

- (A) 0    (B)  $\frac{1}{2}$     (C) 1    (D)  $\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$     (E) 2

18. For  $k > 0$ , let  $I_k = 10 \dots 064$ , where there are  $k$  zeros between the 1 and the 6. Let  $N(k)$  be the number of factors of 2 in the prime factorization of  $I_k$ . What is the maximum value of  $N(k)$ ?

(A) 6      (B) 7      (C) 8      (D) 9      (E) 10

19. Andrea inscribed a circle inside a regular pentagon, circumscribed a circle around the pentagon, and calculated the area of the region between the two circles. Bethany did the same with a regular heptagon (7 sides). The areas of the two regions were  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively. Each polygon had a side length of 2. Which of the following is true?

(A)  $A = \frac{25}{49}B$       (B)  $A = \frac{5}{7}B$       (C)  $A = B$       (D)  $A = \frac{7}{5}B$       (E)  $A = \frac{49}{25}B$

20. Convex quadrilateral  $ABCD$  has  $AB = 9$  and  $CD = 12$ . Diagonals  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{BD}$  intersect at  $E$ ,  $AC = 14$ , and  $\triangle AED$  and  $\triangle BEC$  have equal areas. What is  $AE$ ?

(A)  $\frac{9}{2}$       (B)  $\frac{50}{11}$       (C)  $\frac{21}{4}$       (D)  $\frac{17}{3}$       (E) 6

21. Let  $p(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are complex numbers. Suppose that

$$p(2009 + 9002\pi i) = p(2009) = p(9002) = 0.$$

What is the number of nonreal zeros of  $x^{12} + ax^8 + bx^4 + c$ ?

(A) 4      (B) 6      (C) 8      (D) 10      (E) 12

22. A regular octahedron has side length 1. A plane parallel to two of its opposite faces cuts the octahedron into two congruent solids. The polygon formed by the intersection of the plane and the octahedron has area  $\frac{a\sqrt{b}}{c}$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are positive integers,  $a$  and  $c$  are relatively prime, and  $b$  is not divisible by the square of any prime. What is  $a + b + c$ ?

(A) 10      (B) 11      (C) 12      (D) 13      (E) 14

23. Functions  $f$  and  $g$  are quadratic,  $g(x) = -f(100 - x)$ , and the graph of  $g$  contains the vertex of the graph of  $f$ . The four  $x$ -intercepts on the two graphs have  $x$ -coordinates  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ , and  $x_4$ , in increasing order, and  $x_3 - x_2 = 150$ . The value of  $x_4 - x_1$  is  $m + n\sqrt{p}$ , where  $m$ ,  $n$ , and  $p$  are positive integers, and  $p$  is not divisible by the square of any prime. What is  $m + n + p$ ?

(A) 602      (B) 652      (C) 702      (D) 752      (E) 802

24. The *tower function of twos* is defined recursively as follows:  $T(1) = 2$  and  $T(n + 1) = 2^{T(n)}$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Let  $A = (T(2009))^{T(2009)}$  and  $B = (T(2009))^A$ . What is the largest integer  $k$  such that

$$\underbrace{\log_2 \log_2 \log_2 \dots \log_2 B}_{k \text{ times}}$$

is defined?

- (A) 2009      (B) 2010      (C) 2011      (D) 2012      (E) 2013

25. The first two terms of a sequence are  $a_1 = 1$  and  $a_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ . For  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$a_{n+2} = \frac{a_n + a_{n+1}}{1 - a_n a_{n+1}}.$$

What is  $|a_{2009}|$ ?

- (A) 0      (B)  $2 - \sqrt{3}$       (C)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$       (D) 1      (E)  $2 + \sqrt{3}$

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