

**Math 3: Unit 1 Test
SAMPLE**

100 points

Name: _____

- **A photo ID should be out, on your desk.**
- **You will not be allowed to leave the room during the exam unless it is an emergency.**
- **Phones must be silent and put away. Any visible phone (smart watch, headphones, ipad etc.) will result in a grade F. Hands must remain in view during the exam.**
- **No graphing calculator.**
- **No credit will be given for solutions if clear work is not shown.**

On all problems containing exponents, express answer using only positive exponents

CIRCLE T FOR TRUE, F FOR FALSE. (2 points each)

T F (1) $\sqrt{81} = \pm 9$ *radical notation mean just the positive root*

F (2) $(12a^7b)(-2a^{-2}b^{-8}) = \frac{-24a^5}{b^7}$

T F (3) $\sqrt{a^2 + b^4} = a + b^2$ *cannot square root terms individually*

T F (4) Simplifying, $\frac{x^3 + 3x^2}{x^3 + 2} = \frac{x^3 + 3x^2}{x^3 + 2} = \frac{3x^2}{2}$ *Terms don't divide out*

F (5) Dividing, $\frac{2+3i}{1-i} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{5}{2}i$ *$\frac{2+3i}{1-i} \cdot \frac{1+i}{1+i} = \frac{2+5i-3}{1-i^2} = \frac{-1+5i}{2}$*

Fill in the blanks.

(6) Simplify completely: $(-2a^6b^{-1})^4$ $\frac{16a^{24}}{b^4}$

(7) Simplify. $\frac{12x^5y^2}{18x^{-3}y^7} \cdot \frac{2x^8}{3y^5}$

(8) Factor completely: $x^3 - 64$ $(x-4)(x^2+4x+16)$

(9) Multiply and simplify: $y^{-2/3}(y^{2/3} + 5y^{8/3})$ $y^0 + 5y^{6/3} = 1 + 5y^2$

(10) $16^{-3/4} = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\frac{1}{16^{3/4}} = \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^{3/4} = \frac{1}{2^3}$

(11) Simplify: (4 points each)

(a) $\left(\frac{2x^{-3}y^{3/2}}{6x^2\sqrt{y}}\right)^{-1/3}$
 $\left(\frac{y}{3x^5}\right)^{-1/3} = \left(\frac{3x^5}{y}\right)^{1/3}$
 $= \frac{\sqrt[3]{3} x^{5/3}}{y^{1/3}}$

(b) $(\sqrt{x} + 3y)^2 = (\sqrt{x} + 3y)(\sqrt{x} + 3y)$
 $x + 6y\sqrt{x} + 9y^2$

(12) Factor Completely: (5 points each)

(a) $15x^2 - 7x - 2$

$(5x+1)(3x-2)$

(c) $2x^4 - 162$

$2(x^4 - 81)$

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

$2(x-3)(x+3)(x^2+9)$

Factor out smallest power

(b) $20x^{-5/3} + 5x^{1/3} + 20x^{-2/3}$

$5x^{-5/3}(4+x^2+4x)$
 $5x^{-5/3}(x^2+4x+4)$

$\frac{5(x+2)^2}{x^{5/3}}$

$-\frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{3}$
 $-\frac{2}{3} - \frac{5-3}{3} = -1$

To determine the power the the x's remaining, subtract power that was factored out from power that's there
 $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{5}{3}$
 $= -\frac{4}{3}$
 $\frac{6}{3} = 2$

(d) $3x^2\sqrt{5x-1} + \frac{1}{2}x^3(5x-1)^{-1/2}(5)$

$x^2(5x-1)^{-1/2}(3(5x-1) + \frac{5}{2}x)$

$\frac{x^2(35x-3)}{(5x-1)^{1/2}}$ OR

$\frac{x^2(35x-6)}{2(5x-1)^{1/2}}$

(13) Simplify: (6 points each)

(a)
$$\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{2}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{3}{x^2-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{2}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{3}{(x-1)(x+1)}$$
 LCM $(x-1)(x+1)^2$

$$= \frac{1}{x+1} \cdot \frac{(x-1)(x+1)}{(x-1)(x+1)} - \frac{2}{(x+1)^2} \cdot \frac{(x-1)}{(x-1)} + \frac{3}{(x-1)(x+1)} \cdot \frac{(x+1)}{(x+1)}$$

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

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

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

(b)
$$\frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}}{\frac{2}{\sqrt{x}}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x+2}}{2\sqrt{x+2}}$$
 (rationalize denom)

$$= \frac{\sqrt{x}\sqrt{x+2} - (x+2)}{2(x+2)}$$

(14) Solve. Express answer in interval notation. Show all work. No credit given for improper method. (6 points each)

(a) $|5x-3| < 4$

"distance less than"

$-4 < 5x-3 < 4$

$-1 < 5x < 7$

$-\frac{1}{5} < x < \frac{7}{5}$

$(-\frac{1}{5}, \frac{7}{5})$

(b) $3+10x-8x^2 \geq 0$

$(3-2x)(1+4x) \geq 0$

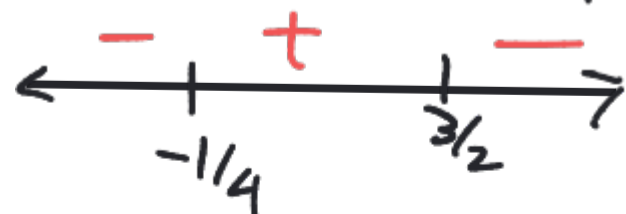
Consider equation

$(3-2x)(1+4x) = 0$

$3-2x=0$ $1+4x=0$

$3=2x$ $4x=-1$

$x=3/2$ $x=-1/4$



$[-1/4, 3/2]$

(15). Find all the solutions of the following equations (real or complex) (7 points each)

(a) $2 + \sqrt{2x-1} = x$

** must check*

$$\sqrt{2x-1} = x-2$$

$$(\sqrt{2x-1})^2 = (x-2)^2$$

$$2x-1 = x^2 - 4x + 4$$

$$0 = x^2 - 6x + 5$$

$$0 = (x-5)(x-1)$$

$x=5$ ~~$x=1$~~

does not check

(c) $\frac{3}{x} - \frac{2}{x-3} = \frac{-12}{x^2-9}$

x must check

$$x(x+3)(x-3) \left(\frac{3}{x} - \frac{2}{x-3} \right) = \frac{-12}{(x+3)(x-3)} (x(x+3)(x-3))$$

$$3(x+3)(x-3) - 2x(x+3) = -12x$$

$$3(x^2-9) - 2x^2 - 6x = -12x$$

$$3x^2 - 27 - 2x^2 - 6x + 12x = 0$$

$$x^2 + 6x - 27 = 0$$

$$(x+9)(x-3) = 0$$

$x = -9, 3$

does not check

(b) $2x-3 = 2x^2$

$$0 = 2x^2 - 2x + 3$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-24}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-20}}{4} = \frac{2 \pm i\sqrt{20}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm i2\sqrt{5}}{4} = \frac{1 \pm i\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

(d) $x^4 - 5x^2 + 36 = 0$

Quadratic form

$$u = x^2$$

$$u^2 - 5u + 36 = 0$$

$$(u-9)(u+4) = 0$$

$$u = 9 \quad u = -4$$

$$x^2 = 9 \quad x^2 = -4$$

$$x = \pm 3 \quad x = \pm \sqrt{-4}$$

$$= \pm 2i$$