

2006 Hoover HS Math Tournament  
Algebra I Ciphering

Practice: Simplify:  $\left[(m^{-2})(n^{-6})\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{mn^3}$

1.1 The sum of an integer and its square is 240. Find the positive integer. 15

1.2 Solve.  $\frac{3x}{2} + \frac{5x}{3} - \frac{13x}{6} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} - \frac{3}{2}$

1.3 What is the remainder of  $\frac{a^3+1}{a+1}$  ? 0

1.4 Louise can trim the shrubbery in 6 hours working alone. Her father can do it in 5 hours. They worked together until dinner but trimmed only  $\frac{11}{15}$  of the shrubbery. How long did they work? 2 hours

1.5 Simplify  $\frac{1}{(a-b)(a-c)} + \frac{1}{(b-c)(b-a)} + \frac{1}{(c-a)(c-b)}$  0

2.1 For the sequence, find the next three terms: 3, 7, 15, 31, ... 63, 127, 255

2.2 Simplify:  $9^{\frac{3}{2}} + 4^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{55}{2}$

2.3 Solve for x:  $30 - 4x - \pi x = 0$   $\frac{30}{4+\pi}$

2.4 Find  $(2n^3)^2$  if  $(n+2)(n+3) = (4-n)(12-n)$  256

2.5 Given the equation of the line in standard form, find the sum of the intercepts.  $\frac{1}{2}x - 3y = -16$   $-\frac{80}{3}$

3.1 Simplify.  $\frac{(-8)^{-2}(8-8^0)}{2^{-6}}$  7

3.2 If  $g(x) = \frac{x^2 - 7x + 10}{x - 5}$ , find  $\frac{g(1) + g(-2)}{g(-1)}$   $\frac{5}{3}$

3.3 Find the area of the shape enclosed by the x-axis, the y-axis and the line  $2x + 3y = 7$   $\frac{49}{12}$

3.4 Simplify:  $3x(4x^2x)^3\left(\frac{1}{2}x^3\right)^2$   $48x^{16}$

3.5 Solve for x.  $\frac{x^2}{x+2} + \frac{2x}{x+2} = -x$  0

4.1 Combine like terms:  $3\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} - 5\sqrt{15} + \sqrt{60}$   $\frac{-12\sqrt{15}}{5}$

4.2 The greater of the two consecutive integers is 10 more than twice the lesser. Find the greater integer. -8

4.3 Simplify:  $-\{[-(-(-(-3))^2)^3]\}$  729

4.4 If  $w = \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta$  and  $\sin^2 \theta = 1 - \cos^2 \theta$ . Find  $\frac{3w}{2}$ .  $\frac{3}{2}$

4.5 Three numbers who sum is 230 are in the ratio 2:5:3. What is the median number? 69

E.1 Write as one fraction:  $1 + \frac{3}{x-5}$   $\frac{x-2}{x-5}$

E.2 Simplify.  $[(2x-1)^2 - 1]^2$   $16x^4 - 32x^3 + 16x^2$