

Nassau County Interscholastic Mathematics League

Contest #3 Answers must be integers from 0 to 999, inclusive. 2014 – 2015

No calculators are allowed.

Time: 10 minutes

- 1) What two-digit number is exactly twice the sum of its digits?
 - 2) Sides \overline{AB} and \overline{CD} of regular hexagon $ABCDEF$ are extended to meet in point G . If $AB = 2$ and $EG = a\sqrt{b}$, where \sqrt{b} is in simplest form, compute $a + b$.
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- 3) If Isaac walks to school and returns by bus, the entire trip takes 90 minutes. If he takes the bus both ways it takes him 30 minutes. Isaac walks at a constant rate and the bus rides at a constant rate. How many minutes will it take Isaac to walk both ways?
 - 4) In a circle, parallel chords with lengths of 8 and 12 inches are 10 inches apart. The center of the circle is between the chords. If the radius of the circle is \sqrt{k} , compute k .
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- 5) For how many pairs (x, y) of positive integers does $x^2 - y^2 = 315$?
- 6) If $x > 0$ and $y > 0$ and $x^2 + y^2 = 98xy$, then $\log(x + y)$ can be expressed as $A \log x + B \log y + C$, where A, B , and C are real numbers, and all logarithms are base-ten logarithms. Compute $100ABC$.

Solutions for Contest #3

- 1) If t is the tens digit and u is the ones digit, then $10t + u = 2(t + u) \rightarrow u = 8t$. The maximum possible value for t is 1. Therefore, $u = 8$ and the required number is **18**.
- 2) Extend \overline{ED} through point D and drop a perpendicular from point G to meet \overline{ED} at point H . Now, $m\angle CBG = m\angle BCG = m\angle BGC = m\angle HDG = 60^\circ$. So, $\triangle BGC$ is equilateral and $GC = 2$, making $GD = 4$, and in 30° - 60° - 90° $\triangle GDH$, $GH = 2\sqrt{3}$. Now, in right $\triangle GEH$, $(EG)^2 = (GH)^2 + (HE)^2 = (2\sqrt{3})^2 + 4^2 = 28$. So, $EG = 2\sqrt{7}$ and the required sum is **9**.
Alternate solution: Draw \overline{EG} , and use the Law of Cosines in $\triangle EDG$:
 $(EG)^2 = (ED)^2 + (DG)^2 - 2(ED)(DG) \cos 120^\circ = 2^2 + 4^2 - 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 4 \cdot (-1/2) = 28 \rightarrow EG = 2\sqrt{7}$, so the required sum is 9.

- 3) Let d be the distance from home to school, r_w be Isaac's walking rate, and r_b be the bus' rate. In minutes, $\frac{d}{r_w} + \frac{d}{r_b} = 90$ and $\frac{2d}{r_b} = 30 \rightarrow \frac{d}{r_b} = 15 \rightarrow \frac{d}{r_w} = 75 \rightarrow \frac{2d}{r_w} = \mathbf{150}$ minutes.

Alternate solution: If a two-way bus trip takes 30 minutes, a one-way trip must take 15 minutes. Thus Isaac takes $90 - 15 = 75$ minutes to walk to school one way, so a two-way trip would take 150 minutes.

- 4) Without loss of generality, name the shorter chord \overline{AB} and the longer chord \overline{CD} in circle O . Draw radii \overline{OA} and \overline{OC} , each with length r . Drop perpendiculars from point O to point M in chord \overline{CD} and to point N in chord \overline{AB} . Let $OM = x$ and $ON = 10 - x$. In the right triangles, we have $16 + (10 - x)^2 = r^2$ and $36 + x^2 = r^2$. Solving simultaneously yields $x = 4$ and $r^2 = 52$. The required answer is **52**.
- 5) When factored in pairs, $315 = 1 \cdot 315 = 3 \cdot 105 = 5 \cdot 63 = 7 \cdot 45 = 9 \cdot 35 = 15 \cdot 21$. If, for example, $x - y = 1$ and $x + y = 315$, then $(x, y) = (158, 157)$. Proceeding in a similar manner with the other products, $(x, y) = (54, 51), (34, 29), (26, 19), (22, 13),$ or $(18, 3)$. There are **6** such ordered pairs.
- 6) Complete the square on the left side of the original equation and re-write as the square of a binomial: $(x + y)^2 = 100xy \rightarrow 2 \log(x + y) = 2 + \log x + \log y \rightarrow \log(x + y) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \log x + \frac{1}{2} \log y$. So, $100ABC = 100 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \mathbf{25}$

