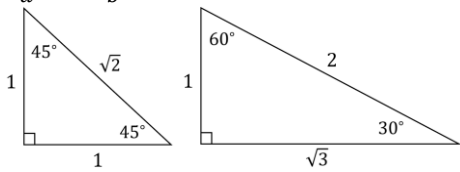


PC11 Core Review Solutions

$$y = a(x \pm b)^2 \pm c. \quad x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}, \quad x = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b}, \quad c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C.$$



1. Is $\sqrt{49}$ rational or irrational?

$$\frac{7}{1} \text{ (rational)}$$

2. Evaluate $(5x^3)^2$
 $25x^6$

3. Evaluate 2^{-4}
 $\frac{1}{2^4} = \frac{1}{16}$

4. Evaluate $9^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 $\sqrt{9} = 3$

5. Evaluate $1^{-\frac{3}{2}}$
 1

6. Simplify $\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{7}$
 $\sqrt{35}$

7. Expand and simplify $(\sqrt{2} - 2)^2$
 $2 - 4\sqrt{2} + 4 = 6 - 4\sqrt{2}$

8. Order from least to greatest:

$$7, 2\sqrt{7}, -5, \frac{7}{2}, \sqrt{50}$$

$$\sqrt{49}, \sqrt{28}, -5, 3.5, \sqrt{50}$$

$$-5, \frac{7}{2}, 2\sqrt{7}, 7, \sqrt{50}$$

9. Simplify $6\sqrt{27} \div (2\sqrt{3}) - \sqrt{3}$

$$\frac{18\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3}} - \sqrt{3}$$

$$9 - \sqrt{3}$$

10. Solve $\sqrt{x+1} = 3$

$$x + 1 = 9$$

$$x = 8$$

11. $\sqrt{x-4} = 6-x$

a. What is the x-value of the extraneous root?

$$x-4 = (6-x)^2$$

$$x-4 = 36-12x+x^2$$

$$0 = x^2-13x+40$$

$$0 = (x-5)(x-8)$$

$$x = 5 \text{ (reject } x = 8)$$

b. What is the y-value of the extraneous root?

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12. What is the GCF of $27x^9y^2$ and $9x^5y^6$?

$$3x^5y^2$$

13. Factor $x^2 + 3x - 28$

$$(x+7)(x-4)$$

14. Factor $w^2 - 64$

$$(w+8)(w-8)$$

15. Factor $9a^2 - 16b^2$

$$(3a+4b)(3a-4b)$$

16. Simplify $\frac{x-3}{2x^2-5x-3} \div \frac{3}{2x+1}$

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

17. Write as a single term $\frac{x-3}{4} - \frac{2x+1}{3}$

$$\frac{3(x-3)}{4(3)} - \frac{4(2x+1)}{3(4)}$$

$$\frac{3x-9-8x-4}{12} = \frac{-5x-13}{12}$$

18. $y = \frac{x+1}{x^2-4}$. What are the non-permissible values?

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

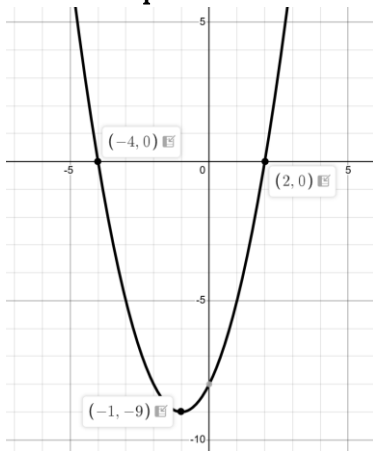
$$x = \pm 2$$

19. $y = (x+1)^2 - 9$

a. (x, y) coordinates of the vertex?

$$(-1, -9)$$

b. Sketch the parabola.



c. Domain?

$$x \in \mathbb{R}$$

d. Range?

$$y \geq -9$$

e. Equation of the line of symmetry?

$$x = -1$$

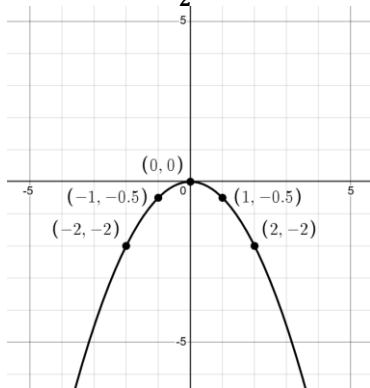
f. Find the y-intercept

$$y = -8$$

g. Find the x-intercepts

$$-4, 2$$

20. Sketch $y = -\frac{1}{2}x^2$ and label 3 points.



21. $y = x^2 + 2x - 8$

a. Complete the square on this quadratic.

$$y = (x + 1)^2 - 1 - 8$$

$$y = (x + 1)^2 - 9$$

b. Find the exact value of the x-intercepts.

$$x = -4, 2$$

22. You own a rectangular plot of land. You have a total of 60 feet of fence.
What x and y dimensions should you choose in order to maximize area?

$$A = xy \quad [1]$$

$$60 = 2x + 2y \quad [2]$$

$$30 = x + y$$

$$30 - x = y \quad (\text{now substitute into [1]})$$

$$A = x(30 - x) = -x^2 + 30x$$

$$A = -(x - 15)^2 + 225$$

$$x = 15$$

$$\text{When } x = 15, y = 30 - x = 30 - 15 = 15$$

23. Solve $3x - 2 > -5$

$$3x > -3$$

$$x > -1$$

24. Solve $x^2 < 25$

$$-5 < x < 5$$

25. Solve $x^2 - 10x + 21 \leq 0$

$$(x - 3)(x - 7) \leq 0$$

$$-3 \leq x \leq 7$$

26. Write $x \leq -3$ in interval notation using square or rounded brackets.

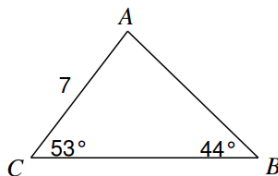
$$(-\infty, -3]$$

27. Write $-3 < x < \infty$ in interval notation using square or rounded brackets.

$$x > -3$$

28. Find AB in the triangle below:

2) Find AB



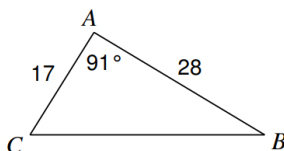
$$\text{Let } AB = c$$

$$\frac{c}{\sin 53^\circ} = \frac{7}{\sin 44^\circ}$$

$$c \approx 8.05$$

29. Find BC in the triangle below:

3) Find BC



$$\text{Let } BC = a$$

$$a^2 = 17^2 + 28^2 - 2(17)(28) \cos 91^\circ$$

$$a \approx 33.0$$

30. Find the two possible values of $\angle B$ given

$$\angle A = 35^\circ, a = 5 \text{ and } b = 7$$

$$\frac{\sin B}{7} = \frac{\sin 35^\circ}{5}$$

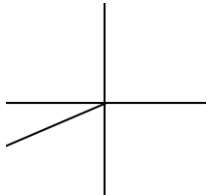
$$\sin B \approx 0.803$$

$$B_1 \approx 53.4^\circ$$

$$B_2 \approx 126.6^\circ$$

31. $\theta = 210^\circ$

a. Sketch in standard position.



b. Find the reference angle.

$$30^\circ$$

c. Find a positive co-terminal angle.

$$390^\circ$$

32. Evaluate $\cos 60^\circ$

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

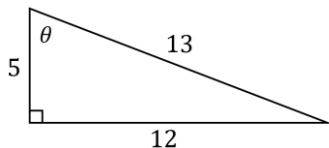
33. Evaluate $\tan 135^\circ$

$$-1$$

34. What is the equation of the unit circle?

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1$$

35. Find $\cos \theta$ in the triangle below:



$$\cos \theta = \frac{5}{13}$$

36. Solve $\sin A = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$

$$A_1 = 135^\circ$$

$$A_2 = 225^\circ$$

37. $A = P \left(1 + \frac{i}{n} \right)^{nt}$ is the compound interest formula. You invest \$5,000 in student loans. How much do you have in 10 years if the annual interest rate of 8% is compounded daily?
Plug in the values only. No not evaluate the answer.

$$5000 \left(1 + \frac{0.10}{365} \right)^{365(10)} \approx \$13,589.55$$