

The answer choice “NOTA” stands for “None of the Above”. Good luck, and have fun!

- Gemini is Aditi’s favorite competition at Nationals, and she studies for it every other day religiously. She prefers to sit on stairs while she studies, and the number of steps in the staircase she chooses to sit in affects her productivity. If the number of steps in the staircase she chooses to sit in today has stair equal to $\sqrt[3]{9 - 4\sqrt{5}} + \sqrt[3]{9 + 4\sqrt{5}}$, then how many steps are there?
A. $2\sqrt[3]{3}$ B. 3 C. $2\sqrt{5}$ D. 4 E. NOTA
- Navya and Anjana like to hide donuts to surprise people, and decide to hide donuts in Albert’s hotel room. Since Albert is busy watching SpongeBob, he is not paying attention and the girls are able to hide the donuts in x minutes if $x_7 = 12_6$. What is x ?
A. 8 B. 9 C. 10 D. 11 E. NOTA
- If $z = \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{5}$, then what is the value of $(1 - z)(1 - z^2)(1 - z^3)(1 - z^4)$?
A. 25 B. 10 C. 5 D. 0 E. NOTA
- Tony and Jeremy like to run, and they decide to have a 100 unit race. If Tony’s speed is governed by $T = \sqrt{20 - \sqrt{20 - \dots}}$, and Jeremy’s speed is governed by $J = \sqrt{20 + \sqrt{20 + \dots}}$, who won the race by how much time?
A. Tony, 5 B. Jeremy, 5 C. Tony, 10 D. Jeremy, 10 E. NOTA
- The graph of $(x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 4y + 5)(x^2 + y^2 + 4x + 2y + 5) = 0$ consists of two points. Find the distance between the two points.
A. $3\sqrt{2}$ B. $2\sqrt{5}$ C. $\sqrt{10}$ D. 5 E. NOTA
- Find the sum of the reciprocals of the positive integral factors of 28.
A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4 E. NOTA

11. A square is formed by connecting (in consecutive order) the midpoints of alternating sides of a regular octagon. Find the ratio of the area enclosed by the square to the area enclosed by the regular octagon.
- A. $\frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{4}$ B. $\frac{2+2\sqrt{2}}{8}$ C. $\frac{5}{8}$ D. $\frac{3+4\sqrt{2}}{8}$ E. NOTA
12. Find the sum of all positive integers n that make $\frac{(1-\sqrt{3}i)^{24}}{(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{2}i)^n}$ an integer.
- A. 84 B. 60 C. 156 D. 48 E. NOTA
13. Aditi is going to study for Gemini again, and is climbing a 17-step staircase to sit on. How many ways (“way” being sequence of stair numbers she steps on) can Aditi get to the 17th step if she only goes up two or three stairs at a time?
- A. 4 B. 25 C. 49 D. 64 E. NOTA
14. Navya and Angela have come back from their walk, so they decide to have a karaoke session. While both are incredibly talented singers, Shivi still gets a headache from their singing, and they agree to stop singing if Shivi can solve the following problem: If a, b, c are positive real numbers such that $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc$, what is the value of $\frac{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{abc}$? Assuming Shivi gets the correct answer, what does she get?
- A. 6 B. 2 C. 4 D. 8 E. NOTA
15. If the cross product of the two vectors $a = \langle 4, -11, 10 \rangle$ and $b = \langle x, -2x, -3x \rangle$ satisfies $a \times b = \langle y, 154, z \rangle$, what is $a \cdot b$?
- A. 0 B. 217 C. -28 D. -63 E. NOTA
16. Evaluate the following limit: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{5x}}{2 - \frac{2}{3x}}$
- A. $\frac{10}{3}$ B. $\frac{1}{2}$ C. $\frac{15}{2}$ D. DNE E. NOTA

17. Michael likes to speak Spanish but has not taken a Spanish class in years. This results in his Spanish abilities deteriorating at a rate of 4 units of knowledge per night while he sleeps. Not able to fathom this, he frantically begins to watch Spanish YouTube videos during the day at a rate of 5 videos per day (assume one video is equivalent to one unit of knowledge) to recover his level of fluency. If his knowledge has already decreased by 100 units, how many days will it take him for him to first recover his abilities?
- A. 95 B. 96 C. 85 D. 86 E. NOTA
18. What is the axis of symmetry of the parabola defined by the parametric equations $x = \frac{t+4}{3}$ $y = \frac{t^2}{2} - t$?
- A. $x = -1$ B. $x = \frac{5}{3}$ C. $x = \frac{5}{6}$ D. $x = \frac{4}{3}$ E. NOTA
19. Isa, Eddie, Bach, and Saber love to play video games, but they are relatively novice and only play until 10pm. They decide to take advice from some older math teamers on how to play video games later in the night without falling asleep and getting caught in Mr. Frazer's class (Mr. Frazer is very experienced in catching videogame-induced-lack-of-sleep). They are advised to follow this ratio for hours of videogame and hours of sleep to not get caught: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$. What is the ratio?
- A. 1 B. e^n C. n^e D. e E. NOTA
20. Simplify (where defined): $\frac{\sec(x)\csc(x) - \tan(x)\csc(x)}{(\sec(x) - \tan(x))^2 + 1}$
- A. $\frac{\cos(x)}{2}$ B. $\frac{\csc(x)}{2}$ C. $\frac{\tan(x)}{2}$ D. $\frac{\cot(x)}{2}$ E. NOTA
21. Aditi and Kevin are very social people. They often compare the number of friends they have with each other to see who has more. Aditi currently has 350 friends, and Kevin currently has 700, and the rates that they make friends are 7 friends per day and 3.5 friends per day, respectively. How many days will it take Aditi to have the same number of friends as Kevin?
- A. 250 B. 200 C. 100 D. 50 E. NOTA

22. What is $33_9 \times 44_9 = ?$
A. 5500_9 B. 1573_9 C. 1563_9 D. 1543_9 E. NOTA
23. An open-top rectangular box has height 6, and a square base. The volume of the box is 72. What is the total area of all exposed surfaces (assume that the thickness of the walls is 0)?
A. $144\sqrt{3} + 24$ B. $96\sqrt{3} + 24$ C. $48\sqrt{3} + 72$ D. $72\sqrt{3} + 48$ E. NOTA
24. Mr. Lu is incredibly knowledgeable, and Amy and Navya are not nearly as knowledgeable as Mr. Lu is. In fact, to increase their knowledge, the two of them like to ask Mr. Lu discrete mathematics questions. One of the questions they asked him was this: If Sylvia flips a fair two-sided coin repeatedly, and gets 18 heads and 2 tails, what is the chance that she gets tails on the next flip? Mr. Lu taught them how to do it, arriving at the final answer of
A. 0.1 B. 0.2 C. 0.5 D. 0.9 E. NOTA
25. The sum of Chloe's two favorite numbers is 54 and their product is 704. What is the positive difference between these two numbers?
A. 40 B. 20 C. 30 D. 10 E. NOTA
26. Abhiram paints the outside of a cube with side length 8 blue. Since Eric does not like blue, he cuts it into 512 congruent cubes with side length 1. This upsets Abhiram, but to make him feel better Robert tells him to find the number of smaller cubes that have exactly two blue faces. Assuming Abhiram gets the answer correct, what does he answer?
A. 188 B. 72 C. 216 D. 64 E. NOTA
27. Given that $\ln 5 = n$. What is the value of $\ln(-5)$ assuming the principal argument? (Assume logarithms have complex domain and range)
A. $ni\pi$ B. $n + i\pi$ C. $-ni\pi$ D. $i\pi - n$ E. NOTA

28. Devika and Erick have a very similar sense of humor, and often complete each other's jokes. Timmy is skeptical of this, and says that if they really do think similarly, then they should be able to solve this problem accurately:

When $\sqrt{15 \cdot 17 \cdot 19 \cdot 21 + 16}$ is simplified, it is a three-digit integer. What is the sum of the digits?

They remember doing this problem in 2019, and correctly tell Timmy the answer. What did they tell Timmy?

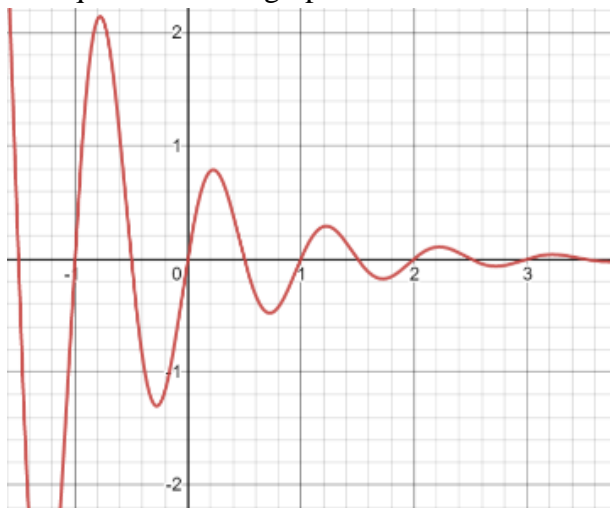
- A. 7 B. 11 C. 13 D. 15 E. NOTA

29. Find the value for $\theta \in [0, \pi)$ that satisfies the given equation:

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\tan \frac{5\pi}{36} - 1}{\tan \frac{\pi}{9} - 1}$$

- A. $\frac{2\pi}{9}$ B. $\frac{\pi}{36}$ C. $\frac{\pi}{3}$ D. $\frac{\pi}{4}$ E. NOTA

30. Good job on making it this far! Here is a graph of one of my favorite equations. Given that the equation for the graph below is listed as an answer choice, which one is it?



(graph from *desmos.com*)

- A. $f(x) = e^{-x} \sin(2\pi x)$ B. $f(x) = e^{-x} \cos(4\pi x)$
 C. $f(x) = e^{-x} \cos(2\pi x)$ D. $f(x) = e^{-x} \sin(4\pi x)$
 E. $f(x) = e^x \sin(2\pi x)$