- 1. D  $2023 = 7 \cdot 17^2$ , so the sum of its factors is  $(1+7)(1+17+289) = 8 \cdot 307 = 2456$ .
- 2. B  $\varphi(2023) = \varphi(7 \cdot 17^2) = \varphi(7)\varphi(17^2) = 6 \cdot 17\varphi(17) = 6 \cdot 17 \cdot 16 = 1632$ .
- 3. C It is easy to confirm 461 is prime, so  $\varphi(461) = \varphi(2 \cdot 461) = 460$ . Additionally, 10 and 46 are both 1 less than primes, so  $\varphi(11 \cdot 47) = \varphi(507) = \varphi(1114) = 460$  for a total of 4 values of n.
- 4. D By the Chinese Remainder Theorem, there is a unique value of  $A \mod 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 = 385$ . Investigation of the first pair yields  $A \equiv 12 \mod 35$ . Further investigation shows  $A \equiv 257 \mod 385$ . The smallest solution to 2023 < A = 385n + 257 is for n = 5, giving A = 2182. This is 16 mod 19.
- 5. D Note that  $27 = 5^2 + 2$ , so  $27 \cdot 25$  is 1 greater than a perfect square. A = 26 and B = 5. AB = 130, which is 16 mod 19.
- B Bezout's theorem states that the integers of the form 12x + 16y are the ones of the form kGCD(12,16) = 4k. The sum of the multiples of 4 less than 100 is equal to  $4\sum_{i=1}^{25} i = 2 \cdot 25 \cdot 26 = 1300$ .
- B In base b, if the sum of the digits of an integer is divisible by b-1, then the number is divisible by b-1; furthermore, the sum of digits is equivalent to the number modulo b-1. Thus, we are looking for a choice whose sum of digits is equivalent to 0 or 9 mod 18. By inspection, B+I+G+H+E+A+D=11+18+16+17+14+10+13=99, which satisfies the condition. For completeness's sake,  $BIGHEAD_{19}=564281469=9\cdot62697941$ .
- 8 D It is easy to confirm that 3 is not a quadratic residue of p = 5. Choices A through C are the Law of Quadratic Reciprocity and two of its supplements (D gives the negative value of the Legendre symbol).
- 9 A  $\left(\frac{50}{83}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{83}\right)\left(\frac{5^2}{83}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{83}\right) = -1$ , since  $83 \equiv 3 \mod 8$ .  $\left(\frac{29}{37}\right) = \left(\frac{-8}{37}\right) = \left(\frac{-1}{37}\right)\left(\frac{2}{37}\right)\left(\frac{2^2}{37}\right) = 1 \cdot -1 = -1$ , since  $37 \equiv -3 \mod 8 \equiv 1 \mod 4$ .  $\left(\frac{2023}{19}\right) = \left(\frac{9}{19}\right) = \left(\frac{3^2}{19}\right) = 1$ . -9 - 3 + 1 = -11.
- 10 D The solution to  $3x \equiv 1 \mod 26$  is  $x \equiv 9 \mod 26$ . Thus, the inverse of  $3n + 2 \mod 26$  is 9(n-2) = 9n 18. As a set, this is the transformation  $\{18,13,10,7\} \rightarrow \{144,99,72,45\} \equiv \{14,21,20,19\} \mod 26$ , representing the word NUTS. 14 + 21 + 20 + 19 = 74.
- 11. C  $12! = 2^{10}3^55^27^111^1$ . The number of positive integer factors this has is equal to  $11 \cdot 6 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 792$
- 12. A  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{2023}{2^n} \right\rfloor = 1011 + 505 + 252 + 126 + 63 + 31 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 = 2019.$   $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{2023}{3^n} \right\rfloor = 674 + 224 + 74 + 24 + 8 + 2 + 1 = 1007.$  The largest factor of 8 that divides 2023! is  $\left\lfloor \frac{2019}{3} \right\rfloor = 673$ . The largest factor of 9 that divides 2023! is  $\left\lfloor \frac{1007}{2} \right\rfloor = 503$ .
- 13. A The number of digits is  $1 + \lfloor \log_{10} 5^{23} \rfloor = 1 + \lfloor 23 \log_{10} 5 \rfloor \approx 1 + \lfloor 23 \cdot 0.699 \rfloor = 1 + 16 = 17$ .

- 14. B This is equivalent to finding the number of solutions in the whole numbers to 3x + 14y + 15z = 420 3 14 15 = 388. 3x + 14y + 15z = 14y + 3(x + 5z) = 14y + 3n. The cases this makes are  $3n = \{360,318,276,234,192,150,108,66,24\}$ , so  $x + 5z = \{120,106,92,78,64,50,36,22,8\}$ . The number of solutions in each case is 1 plus the floor of each case divided by 5, which is  $\{25,22,19,16,13,11,8,5,2\}$  for a total of 121 solutions.
- 15. C By Fermat's Little Theorem,  $19^{22} \equiv 1 \mod 23$ .  $2023 \equiv -1 \mod 23$ , so we are looking for the inverse of 19 (or -4) modulo 23. -68 = 1 + (-69), so this inverse is 17, and indeed,  $19 \cdot 17 = 323 \equiv 1 \mod 23$ .
- 16. B In the sum of factors function,  $31^1$  in the factorization would contribute 1 + 31 = 32 to the product. Note that the sum of the factors of  $16 = \frac{32}{2}$  is 1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + 16 = 31. Therefore,  $31 \cdot 16 = 496$  is a perfect number, and there are no smaller ones divisible by 31.4 + 9 + 6 = 19. Generally, if  $2^p 1$  is prime, then  $2^{p-1}(2^p 1)$  is perfect.
- 17. A The recursion is homogeneous, and the characteristic polynomial is  $x^2 5x + 6 = 0$ . The roots of this are 2 and 3, so  $a_n = p2^n + q3^n$ . Solving the system of equations  $\{p + q = -7, 2p + 3q = -12\}$  gives the solution p = -9, q = 2. Matching this with the given expression yields A = 2, B = 3, C = 9, D = 2.  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 9 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 4 27 = -23$ .
- 18. D Let the exponents of 2, 3, and 5 in the prime factorization of N be a, b, and c in some  $1 \mod 2 \mod 2 \mod 2 \mod 2$  order. We have the congruencies  $a \equiv 0 \mod 3$ ,  $b \equiv 2 \mod 3$ ,  $c \equiv 0 \mod 3$ . The  $0 \mod 5 \mod 5 \mod 5 \mod 5$  primitive solutions to these, respectively, are 15, 20, and 24. Thus,  $N = 2^{24}3^{20}5^{15}$ . Since  $2^3 \equiv 1 \mod 7$ ,  $3^2 \equiv 2 \mod 7$ , and  $5^3 \equiv -1 \mod 7$ , this is equivalent to  $1^82^{10}(-1)^5 \mod 7$ , which simplifies to  $-2^{10}$  and subsequently  $-2 \equiv 5 \mod 7$ .
- 19. B 219 is divisible by 3, so the mystery product is divisible by 9 and its sum of digits is a multiple of 9. The given digits sum to 49, so a 5 is missing.
- 20. C The given product is  $2^{48}3^{31}5^{7}7^{8}$ , which has  $\left[1 + \frac{48}{3}\right] \left[1 + \frac{31}{3}\right] \left[1 + \frac{7}{3}\right] \left[1 + \frac{8}{3}\right] = 17 \cdot 11 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 = 1683$  cube factors.
- 21. C The denominator factors to (2n + 5)(n 3). The odd factors of 336 are -21, -7, -3, -1, 1, 3, 7, and 21. Setting 2n + 5 equal to these gives  $n = \{-13, -6, -4, -3, -2, -1, 1, 8\}$ , corresponding to  $n 3 = \{-16, -9, -7, -6, -5, -4, -2, 5\}$ . 5 of these are factors of 336.
- 22. A x = 480n + 80 = 120(4n) + 80. Counterexamples to II and III are x = 80 and x = 560 respectively. Only I is true.
- 23. C By Euler's theorem,  $a^{\varphi(2023)} \equiv 1 \mod 2023$ . It has previously been established that  $\varphi(2023) = 1632$ , so  $2^{1632} \equiv 1 \mod 2023$ .  $2^{1632} = 4^{816}$ . We are looking for  $4^{4096} \mod 2023$ . By taking  $(4^{816})^5$ , we have  $4^{4080} \equiv 1 \mod 2023$  and would only need to find  $4^{16} \mod 2023$ .  $4^{16} = 2^{32}$ , so N = 5.
- 24. B The last digit of a fifth power is identical to the last digit of the integer taken to the fifth power to obtain it. Noting that  $200^5 = 320,000,000,000$ , N = 2A7 for some digit A.  $N \equiv 1 \mod 9$ . The only value of A such that  $2A7^5 \equiv 1 \mod 9$  is 1.2 + 1 + 7 = 10
- 25. B The iterations of  $\{b\}$  are shown here.  $\{5,5,5\}$   $\{5,5,6,30\}$

{5,6,6,30,30} {5,6,7,30,30,42} {5,6,7,30,31,42,930}

The sum of these numbers is 1051.  $\frac{3}{5} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{10}$  can be found with other algorithms.  $12^8 = 2^{16}3^8$ ,  $14^{23} = 2^{23}7^{23}$ , and  $21^{12} = 3^{12}7^{12}$ . The number of factors of these

- 26. E  $12^8 = 2^{16}3^8$ ,  $14^{23} = 2^{23}7^{23}$ , and  $21^{12} = 3^{12}7^{12}$ . The number of factors of these numbers individually are  $17 \cdot 9 = 153$ ,  $24 \cdot 24 = 576$ , and  $13 \cdot 13 = 169$  respectively, for a total of 898 factors. However, by the Principal of Inclusion and Exclusion, there is double counting.  $GCF(12^8, 14^{23}) = 2^{16}$ ,  $GCF(14^{23}, 21^{12}) = 7^{12}$ , and  $GCF(21^{12}, 12^8) = 3^8$ . 17 + 13 + 9 = 39 factors must be removed to bring the total to 859. However, also by PIE, there is triple counting, as the factor 1 was removed thrice and must be re-counted to make for 860 unique divisors.
- 27. A By inspection,  $17 = 1^3 + 4^2 = 2^3 + 3^2$  is the smallest. 1 + 7 = 8.
- 28. E 2023 = 2187 243 + 81 3 + 1, or +0 +00 + in balanced ternary.
- 29. C WLOG, let a < b < c < d. Either a + b + c = d or a + b + c = 2d. Consider the first case. a|b + c + d, so a, b, c|2d. Let 2d = ax = by = cz, where 2 < z < y < x. Then  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{2}$ . If z = 3, then  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{6}$ , giving the solutions  $(x, y) = \{(42,7), (24,8), (18,9), (15,10)\}$ . This generates the solution sets  $\{(k, 6k, 14k, 21k), (k, 3k, 8k, 12k), (k, 2k, 6k, 9k), (2k, 3k, 10k, 15k)\}$ . If z = 4, then  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{4}$ , giving the solutions  $(x, y) = \{(20,5), (12,6)\}$  and the solution sets  $\{k, 4k, 5k, 10k\}$  and  $\{k, 2k, 3k, 6k\}$ . There are no solutions for z = 5, and  $z \ge 6$  would make it impossible to find denominators that sum to  $\frac{1}{2}$ . If a + b + c = 2d, then  $a, b, c \mid 3d$  and 3d = ax = by = cz for 3 < z < y < x.  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = \frac{2}{3}$ . However,  $x \ge 4$ ,  $y \ge 5$ , and  $z \ge 6$ , so the maximum value of  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = \frac{37}{60} < \frac{2}{3}$  and there are no solutions. k = 2 gives 5 solutions from the sets obtained, and k = 1 gives 3 solutions for a total of 8. For completeness's sake, the sets are  $\{1,2,3,6\}$ ,  $\{1,2,6,9\}$ ,  $\{2,3,10,15\}$ ,  $\{2,4,6,12\}$ ,  $\{2,4,12,18\}$ ,  $\{2,6,16,24\}$ ,  $\{2,8,10,20\}$ , and  $\{2,12,28,42\}$ .
- 30. A If the number has at least four distinct prime divisors, then its value is at least  $2^{14}3^15^17^1 > 9999$ . If it has three distinct prime divisors, these must be 2, 3, and 5. The possible values are  $2^83^15^1 = 3840$ ,  $2^73^25^1 = 5760$ ,  $2^63^35^1 = 8640$ , and  $2^73^15^2 = 9600$ . If it has two distinct prime divisors, 7 is a possible prime factor. The possible values are  $2^45^3 = 2000$ ,  $2^35^4 = 5000$ ,  $2^87^1 = 1792$ , and  $2^77^2 = 6272$ . If it has one prime factor, the possible value is  $5^5 = 3125$ . This is a total of 9 solutions.