- 1. There are 12 letters, but N is counted twice. So, there are 12! ways to order, but you must divide by 2 to account for the N's. So, the answer is C.
- 2. B After giving the hard-working student 3 problems and the other five students one problem. We must split 4 problems between 6 students. There are 9 stars and 5 bars, and $\binom{9}{5}$ = 126. So, the answer is B.
- A $\binom{12}{3} * (2x^3)^3 * (\frac{1}{x})^9 = \binom{12}{3} * 8x^9 * (\frac{1}{x})^9$, x^9 cancel, leaving $8 * \binom{12}{3}$ or 1760. So, 3. the answer is A.
- D Using stars and bars, we have to split 9 between 4. There are 3 bars and 9 stars, 4. $\binom{12}{3}$ = 220. So, the answer is D.
- A There are 7! Ways to order the keys, but we must divide by 7 and 2 to account for 5.
- rotations and flips. 7! / (7*2) = 360. So, the answer is A. Using Pascal's rule, $\binom{81}{3} + \binom{81}{4} = \binom{82}{4}$. 85320 + 1663740 = 1749060. So, the 6. answer is E.
- The number of squares is $\frac{10*11*21}{6}$ which is 385. The number of rectangles is $\binom{11}{2}^2$, 7. or 3025. 3025 + 385 = 3410. So, the answer is D.
- 8. C Since there are 8 elements, and each can either be in the subset or out, there are 28 possible subsets. So, the answer is C.
- D There are $\binom{50}{2}$ handshakes between the children and $\binom{40}{2}$ between the parents, $\binom{50}{2}$ 9. $+\binom{40}{2} = 2005$. So, the answer is D.
- We can use complementary counting by subtraction the total ways to arrange 10. BALLOON by the ways that have the first and last letters the same. The total number is 7! / 2!2! or 1260, The number that have the first and last letters the same is (2*5!) / 2! or 120. 1260 - 120=1140. So, the answer is B.
- A His alphabet has 20-3 or 17 consonants and 3 vowels. He has 17 choices for the first letter, 3 for the next, and 17 for the last. 17*17*3=867. So, the answer is A.
- There is a total of $\binom{36}{3}$ ways to select a committee of 3, or 7140 ways. Then, we can 12. complementary counting and subtract the total number of ways by the number of ways only 1 party is represented. Then later can be found by add $\binom{13}{3}$, $\binom{12}{3}$, and $\binom{11}{3}$. This is 671 and so the number of ways at least two parties are represented is 7140-671. This is 6469. So, the answer is B.
- The six boys can be move into a super-person then there are 4 people, and the super-13. person has 6! Ways to be ordered, 6! * 4! = 17,280. So, the answer is E.
- A There is only one way to order any 6 distinct digits in decreasing order. $\binom{10}{6} = 210$. 14. So, the answer is A.
- There is only one way to order any 3 distinct digits in strictly increasing order. 15. However, 0 cannot be a digit. So, we do $\binom{9}{4}$ which is 126. So, the answer is B.
- D There are 8 choices for bread, $\binom{5}{2}$ choices for meats and 4 choices for vegetables. 16. 8*4*10=320. So, the answer is D.
- 17. A There are 6 ways to get to (2,6) from (1,1). There are $\binom{8}{2}$ ways to get to (4,12) from (2,6). $\binom{6}{1} * \binom{8}{2} = 168$. So, the answer is A.

- 18. C Using the chicken McNuggets Theorem, the largest amount unobtainable is m * n m n, 9 * 7 9 7 = 47. So, the answer is C.
- 19. B 30 = 2*3*5. We must find how many 5's is in 2020! (2020/5) + (2020/25) + (2020/125) + (2020/625) = 404 + 80 + 16 + 3 = 503. So, the answer is B.
- 20. C The number of ways to choose a committee is $\binom{10}{4}$ or 210. If they are both in the committee, there are $\binom{8}{2}$ to assign the last two spots. If they are both out, there is $\binom{8}{4}$ ways to assign the 4 spots. $\binom{8}{2} + \binom{8}{4} = 98$. 98/210 = 7/15. So, the answer is C.
- 21. A The last digit either has to be 5 or 0. If it is 5, we have 8*8*7 numbers, and if it is 0, we have 9*8*7 numbers. 9*8*7+8*8*7=952. So, the answer is A.
- 22. B Every circle can intersect another circle twice, every line can intersect another line once, and every line can intersect every circle twice. There are $\binom{12}{2}$ pairs of circles, $\binom{9}{2}$ pairs of lines, and 9*12 pairs of lines and circles. $2*\binom{12}{2}+\binom{9}{2}+2*9*12=216+132+36=384$. So, the answer is B.
- 216+132+36 = 384. So, the answer is B. 23. E The x^3 term is $\binom{7}{6} * (3x)^6 * (1/x^3) = 7 * 3^6 * x^6 * 1/x^3 = 5103x^3$. So, the answer is E.
- 24. A Timmy and Jake can become a super-person and so can Edward and Samuel. There are 2*2 ways to order the super-people, then there are only 5 people left to order. There are 4! Ways to order 5 people around a circle. 4! * 4 = 96. So, the answer is A.
- 25. B There is $\binom{8}{4}$ ways to get 4 heads and 4 tails, or 70 ways. 256-70 = 186. 186/2=93. There are 93 cases with more tails than heads. $\binom{8}{6}$ = 28, meaning that there are 28 cases with 6 tails. So, the answer is B.
- 26. D We can use the formula for principle of inclusion exclusion. 18 + 33 + 40 23 16 5 + 3 = 50. So, the answer is D.
- 27. B We can do casework or a + b + c = 9, a + b + c = 5, all the way to a + b + c = 0. For a + b + c = 9, we can do stars and bars with a star and 2 bars, making $\binom{11}{2}$, for a + b + c = 8, we can do stars and bars with 8 stars and 2 bars, making $\binom{10}{2}$. We can do this continuously until $\binom{2}{2}$, and $\binom{11}{2} + \binom{10}{2} + \cdots + \binom{2}{2} \binom{12}{3}$ by the hockey stick identity. $\binom{12}{3} = 220$. So, the answer is B.
- 28. A The sum of the 60th row is 2⁶⁰. 2⁶⁰=1 mod 61 because of Fermat's little theorem. So, the answer is A.
- 29. C Every match eliminates 1 player. The winner is determined when there is one player left. 64-1=63. So, the answer is C.
- 30. A The only distinct ways to assign them are (4,0,0,0), (3,1,0,0), (2,2,0,0), (2,1,1,0), and (1,1,1,1). So, the answer is A.