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Complex Numbers Topic Test – Alpha Division

1. Which of the following are subsets of the irrational numbers?
I. The real numbers
II. The complex numbers
III. The imaginary numbers
- (A) I only (B) II only (C) III only (D) II & III only (E) NOTA
2. Which of the following are pure imaginary numbers?
I. -4
II. $-4 + 2i$
III. $\sqrt{-7}$
IV. $3 - i\sqrt{7}$
- (A) II only (B) III only
(C) II & III only (D) II, III, & IV only (E) NOTA
3. Fill in the blanks: $-1 + 3i$ graphed in the complex plane lies 3 units _____ the origin and 1 unit _____ the origin.
- (A) above, to the left of (B) to the right of, below
(C) above, to the right of (D) to the left of, below (E) NOTA
4. Evaluate: $25 + \frac{3i + 2}{6} - \frac{i}{2}$
- (A) $i + 26$ (B) $\frac{i + 76}{3}$ (C) $\frac{76}{3}$ (D) 27 (E) NOTA
5. Evaluate: $\sum_{n=1}^{12} (-2i)^n$
- (A) $2098 - 1476i$ (B) $-2548 + 1586i$
(C) $3276 + 1638i$ (D) $3688 - 1826i$ (E) NOTA
6. Evaluate: $(3\sqrt{2} - i)(-2 + 5i\sqrt{2})$
- (A) $8\sqrt{2} + 28i\sqrt{2}$ (B) $-8\sqrt{2} + 28i$
(C) $32i - \sqrt{2}$ (D) $28i - 11\sqrt{2}$ (E) NOTA

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7. Solve for b : $2 - \frac{b}{4+i\sqrt{3}} + \frac{b}{4-i\sqrt{3}} = 0$
- (A) $\frac{4+16i\sqrt{3}}{5}$ (B) $\frac{16i+1}{19}$ (C) $\frac{19i\sqrt{3}}{3}$ (D) $\frac{4i\sqrt{3}}{13}$ (E) NOTA
8. Evaluate: $\overline{3+4i} - |i|$
- (A) $-4 - 4i$ (B) 4 (C) $5 - i$ (D) $2 - 4i$ (E) NOTA
9. Determine the sum of A and B in the system of equations.
- $$4A - 3B = 4 - 3i$$
- $$2A - 5B = 2 + 6i$$
- (A) $\frac{9+5i}{14}$ (B) $1+4i$ (C) $\frac{2-9i}{2}$ (D) $6+3i$ (E) NOTA
10. Find the determinant of $\begin{bmatrix} i & -2 \\ 1-i & i+1 \end{bmatrix}$
- (A) $-3+3i$ (B) $1-i$ (C) $-3-i$ (D) $1+3i$ (E) NOTA
11. The reciprocal of a number is squared and added to half of one half. If the result is zero, which of the following is a possible value for the number?
- (A) $-i\sqrt{2}$ (B) -2 (C) $\sqrt{2}$ (D) $2i$ (E) NOTA
12. Convert $2i - 1$ to polar form. Give your answer in the form (r, θ) .
- (A) $(\sqrt{5}, -\text{Arctan}(\frac{1}{2}))$ (B) $(\sqrt{5}, \pi - \text{Arctan}(2))$
 (C) $(\sqrt{5}, \text{Arctan}(\frac{1}{2}))$ (D) $(\sqrt{5}, \frac{\pi}{2} + \text{Arctan}(2))$ (E) NOTA
13. Which of the following is not equal to $4e^{-\frac{5\pi}{4}}$?
- (A) $-2\sqrt{2} + 2i\sqrt{2}$ (B) $4e^{\frac{3\pi}{4}}$ (C) $4 \text{ cis } 120^\circ$ (D) $4e^{-\frac{13\pi}{4}}$ (E) NOTA

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14. Simplify: $\frac{e^{\frac{2\pi}{3i}} \times 4e^{\frac{\pi}{2}}}{6e^{\frac{3\pi}{4}}}$

- (A) $e^{\frac{13\pi}{12}}$ (B) $\frac{2e^{\frac{5\pi}{6}}}{3}$ (C) $\frac{e^{\frac{11\pi}{12}}}{3}$ (D) $\frac{2e^{\frac{11\pi}{12}}}{3}$ (E) NOTA

15. Evaluate: $\left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^{47}$

- (A) $-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ (B) 1 (C) $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ (D) $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ (E) NOTA

16. Find all solutions to $x^2 + 2x + 8 = 0$

- (A) $1 \pm 3i$ (B) $-1 \pm i\sqrt{7}$ (C) $-1 \pm \sqrt{17}$ (D) $1 \pm \sqrt{7}$ (E) NOTA

17. How many complex roots does the equation $4x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x - 3 = 0$ have?

- (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3 (E) NOTA

18. What is the sum of the real roots of $x^3 + x^2 + 6x - 8 = 0$?

- (A) -1 (B) 1 (C) -8 (D) 8 (E) NOTA

19. What is the product of the complex roots of $3x^3 - x^2 + 7x - 4 = 0$?

- (A) $-\frac{3}{4}$ (B) $\frac{3}{4}$ (C) $\frac{4}{3}$ (D) 3 (E) NOTA

20. What is the sum of the squares of the roots of $x^2 - 6x + 11 = 0$?

- (A) 11 (B) 14 (C) 17 (D) 36 (E) NOTA

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21. Which of the following are complex fourth-roots of -1 ?
- I. $1+i$
 - II. $1-i$
 - III. $-1+i$
 - IV. $-1-i$
- (A) I & II only (B) I & III only (C) II & IV only (D) I, II, III, & IV (E) NOTA
22. Z_1 and Z_2 are distinct n th roots of 1 , where n is an integer. Which of the following is/are not necessarily an n th root of 1 ?
- I. Z_1Z_2
 - II. $\frac{Z_1}{Z_2}$
 - III. $Z_1 + Z_2$
 - IV. $Z_1 - Z_2$
- (A) II only (B) IV only (C) I & II only (D) III & IV only (E) NOTA
23. What is the product of the five fifth roots of $1-i$?
- (A) $i-1$ (B) $1-i$ (C) 1 (D) $-i\sqrt{2}$ (E) NOTA
24. Given that $x^2 = i$ and $y^2 = -i$, $x + y$ could equal which of the following?
- I. $i\sqrt{2}$
 - II. $-\sqrt{2}$
 - III. $\sqrt{2}$
- (A) III only (B) I & III only (C) II & III only (D) I, II, & III (E) NOTA
25. If the third term of a geometric sequence is 12 and the seventh term is 48 , which of the following are possible values for the fourth term?
- I. $24\sqrt{2}$
 - II. $24i$
 - III. $-12i\sqrt{2}$
- (A) I only (B) II only (C) III only (D) I & II only (E) NOTA

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26. Find the sum of the terms of the geometric sequence: $3i + 1, \frac{7i - 1}{5}, \frac{13i - 9}{25}, \dots$
- (A) $5i$ (B) $\frac{2+i}{5}$ (C) $2i + 1$ (D) diverges (E) NOTA
27. What is the limit of the real component of $y = e^{(-2+3i)x}$ as $x \in \Re$ increases to positive infinity?
- (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) $e^{\frac{3\pi i}{2}}$ (D) ∞ (E) NOTA
28. What real value(s) of b will ensure that $x^2 - bix - 2 = 0$ has a double root?
- (A) 0 (B) $\pm 2\sqrt{2}$ (C) $\sqrt{2}$ (D) no real value (E) NOTA
29. A quadratic equation with integer coefficients and leading coefficient of 1 has a root at $4 + 3i$. What is the value of its constant term?
- (A) 25 (B) -9 (C) 7 (D) -1 (E) NOTA
30. What is the polynomial with integer coefficients and leading coefficient of 1 of smallest degree that has roots of $2 - i$ and 4?
- (A) $x^3 - 8x^2 - 11x - 20 = 0$ (B) $x^3 - 6x^2 + 4x - 20 = 0$
(C) $x^2 - 6x + 4 = 0$ (D) $x^3 + 6x^2 - 4x + 20 = 0$ (E) NOTA
31. A cubic equation with integer coefficients and leading coefficient of 1 has roots of $i - 2$ and 7. What is the value of the coefficient of the quadratic term of the equation?
- (A) 7 (B) 3 (C) 1 (D) -3 (E) NOTA
32. Let be \vec{A} the position vector of the point $1 - 2i$ in the complex plane. When \vec{A} is rotated 150° counter-clockwise about the origin, it is the position vector of a new complex number, b . What is the value of b ?
- (A) $\frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2} + \left(\frac{1 + 2\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)i$ (B) $i\sqrt{5}$
(C) $1 + 2i$ (D) $\frac{5 - 2\sqrt{3}}{2} + \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{3}}{2}\right)i$ (E) NOTA

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33. What is the measure, in radians, of the smaller angle between the position vectors of $2 - 4i$ and $1 + 3i$ in the complex plane?

- (A) $\frac{\pi}{3}$ (B) $\frac{\pi}{2}$ (C) $\frac{2\pi}{3}$ (D) $\frac{3\pi}{4}$ (E) NOTA

34. A teacher placed an equation of the form $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ on the board to be solved. Joe miscopied the value of c and got $-1 \pm 3i$ as the roots. Jim miscopied the value of b , resulting in roots of $-5 \pm i$. Julie copied the problem down correctly... What will she get for roots?

- (A) $-1 \pm 5i$ (B) $1 \pm i\sqrt{5}$ (C) $\frac{3 \pm 3i}{2}$ (D) $1 \pm \frac{3i}{2}$ (E) NOTA

35. The roots of the quadratic equation $z^2 + pz + q = 0$ are $1 - i$ and $-2 + 2i$. Find the product of the complex numbers p and q .

- (A) $4 + 4i$ (B) $4i$ (C) $2 + 6i$ (D) $4 - i$ (E) NOTA

36. Solve the equation $z^2 + (3 + i)z + 3i = 0$ where z is an element of the complex numbers.

- (A) $z \in \{\pm 3i\}$ (B) $z \in \{-1, 3i\}$ (C) $z \in \{-1, -3i\}$ (D) $z \in \{-3, -i\}$ (E) NOTA

37. A complex number x has the following property: when it is raised to the fourth power it is $(-11 + 3i)$ greater than when it is raised to the sixth power. Let A be the number of complex numbers with this property. Let B be the sum of all the complex numbers with this property. Let C be the product of all the complex numbers with this property. Determine the sum $A + B + C$.

- (A) $-8 - i$ (B) $-5 + 3i$ (C) $4 - 2i$ (D) $\frac{5 - i}{3}$ (E) NOTA

38. Which of the following expressions is equivalent to Euler's number (e)?

- (A) $\cos 1 + i \sin 1$ (B) $e^{\pi} + 1$ (C) $(\cos 1 - i \sin 1)^i$ (D) $4 \arctan 1$ (E) NOTA

39. Evaluate: $\frac{3 + 7i}{1 + i}$

- (A) $\frac{-3 + 7i}{2}$ (B) $5 + 2i$ (C) $\frac{3 - 7i}{2}$ (D) $-2 + 10i$ (E) NOTA

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40. Which of the following is equal to $\ln(1+i\sqrt{3})$?

(A) $2e^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$

(B) $\frac{\pi i}{3} + \ln 2$

(C) $e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} + \ln 2$

(D) $e^{\frac{\pi}{3}} + e^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$

(E) NOTA