Answers:

- 1. A
- 2. E
- 3. D
- 4. C
- 5. B
- 6. B
- 7. A
- B
  B
- 10. C
- 11. A
- 12. E
- 13. B
- 14. E
- 15. A
- 16. D
- 17. B
- 18. D
- 19. A
- 20. E
- 21. C
- 22. D
- 23. C
- 24. E
- 25. D
- 26. B
- 27. C
- 28. B
- 29. C
- 30. B

Solutions:

1. 
$$m = \frac{3(2+27+65)-(1+3+5)(2+9+13)}{3(1+9+25)-(1+3+5)^2} = \frac{66}{24} = \frac{11}{4} \text{ and } b = 8 - \frac{11}{4}(3) = -\frac{1}{4}, \text{ so}$$
  
 $b - m = -\frac{1}{4} - \frac{11}{4} = -3$ 

2. 
$$x^4 + 8x^3 + 7x^2 - 72x - 144 = (x+3)(x-3)(x+4)^2$$
 which is positive when x is in  
 $(-\infty, -4) \cup (-4, -3) \cup (3, \infty)$ 

3. 
$$(17 \mod 4) - (20511 \mod 3)((449 \mod 7) - (9901 \mod 5)) = 1 - 0(1 - 1) = 1$$

4. For  $\lambda(16)$ , we must examine powers of odd integers less than 16. Also, 1 mod n=1for all integers  $n \ge 2$ . The smallest integer exponents are  $3^4 \mod 16 = 1$ ,  $5^4 \mod 16$  $= 25^2 \mod 16 = 9^2 \mod 16 = 1$ ,  $7^2 \mod 16 = 1$ ,  $9^2 \mod 16 = 1$ ,  $11^4 \mod 16$  $= 121^2 \mod 16 = 9^2 \mod 16 = 1$ ,  $13^4 \mod 16 = 169^2 \mod 16 = 9^2 \mod 16 = 1$ , and  $15^2 \mod 16 = 1$ . Since the smallest powers for these integers are all 2 or 4, and that  $x \mod 16 = 1 \Longrightarrow x^n \mod 16 = 1$ , we must have  $\lambda(16) = 4$ .

5. 
$$F\left(\frac{25}{4},\frac{16}{3}\right) = F\left(\frac{21}{4},\frac{13}{3}\right) + 2 = F\left(\frac{17}{4},\frac{10}{3}\right) + 4 = F\left(\frac{13}{4},\frac{7}{3}\right) + 6 = F\left(\frac{9}{4},\frac{4}{3}\right) + 8 = F\left(\frac{5}{4},\frac{1}{3}\right) + 10 = F\left(\frac{1}{4},\frac{1}{3}\right) + 11 = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3} + 11 = \frac{3}{12} - \frac{4}{12} + \frac{132}{12} = \frac{131}{12}$$

6. By Descartes' Rule of Signs, *w* has either 4 positive roots, 2 positive and 2 imaginary roots, or 4 imaginary roots. I is clearly false. II is false if the roots fall as in the first categorization of roots. III is true as in the third categorization of roots.

7. Plugging in 
$$x = 2$$
 gives  $f(2) + 2f(-1) = 2$ . Plugging in  $x = -1$  gives  $f(-1) + 2f(\frac{1}{2}) = -1$ . Plugging in  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  gives  $f(\frac{1}{2}) + 2f(2) = \frac{1}{2}$ . Adding these 3 equations together and dividing by 3 gives  $f(\frac{1}{2}) + f(2) + f(-1) = \frac{1}{2}$ , which when combined with the third equation makes  $f(2) = f(-1)$ , which when combined with the first equation makes  $f(2) = \frac{2}{3}$ .

8. 
$$h(n) = \log_2 n$$
, so  $h(2^k) = \log_2 2^k = k$ , meaning  $\sum_{k=2}^{10} h(2^k) = \sum_{k=2}^{10} k = \frac{10 \cdot 11}{2} - 1 = 54$ 

9. The range of the inverse is the domain of the function, which is  $(-\infty,3)\cup(3,\infty)$ .

10.  $Q(0) = Q(0+0) = Q(0)^2 \Rightarrow Q(0) = 0$  or Q(0) = 1. However, if Q(0) = 0, then for any x, Q(x) = Q(x+0) = Q(x)Q(0) = 0, which contradicts the given assumption. Therefore I is false. There is no reason III can't be true. Finally,  $Q(-2) \cdot Q(2) = Q(-2+2) = Q(0)$ = 1, so II is true.

11. 
$$0 = (x+3)^3 + 2(x+3)^2 - 8(x+3) = (x+3)((x+3)^2 + 2(x+3) - 8)$$
$$= (x+3)(x+3+4)(x+3-2), \text{ so the sum of the solutions is } -3-7-1 = -11$$

12. 
$$M(x) = (x^{2}+1)(x^{2}-2x+5)(x+3) = x^{5}+x^{4}+16x^{2}-x+15, \text{ so } (b-a)(c-e)$$
$$= (0-1)(16-15) = -1$$

- 13.  $|17-2x| > 4 \Rightarrow 17-2x > 4$  or  $17-2x < -4 \Rightarrow 2x < 13$  or  $2x > 21 \Rightarrow x < 6.5$  or x > 10.5, so a+b=6.5+10.5=17
- 14.  $0 = 4x^2 25y^2 24x 50y + 11 = 4(x-3)^2 25(y+1)^2$ , so the graph consists of two lines intersecting at the point (3,-1).
- 15. For this parabola,  $\frac{1}{4p} = |a| = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow 4p = 3$ , and since the latus lectum has length 4p, the sought length is 3.

16. 
$$C(P(4))=C\binom{4}{2}=C(6)=5!$$

17. 
$$P(C(4)) = P(3!) = P(6) = \binom{6}{2} = 15$$

18. 
$$y = \ln(g(x)) = \ln(ae^{bx}) = \ln a + bx$$
, which is a linear relationship

- 19.  $C = 1.8C + 32 \Longrightarrow 0.8C = -32 \Longrightarrow C = -40$ , so the sum of the digits of the absolute value is 4 + 0 = 4
- 20. I is neither even nor odd since the function is only valid for positive *x*-values. II is even since plugging in a positive or negative value with the same magnitudes gives the same value. III is neither even nor odd because only the cubed term would change signs when plugging in a negative value.

21. 
$$K = C + 273 = \frac{5}{9}(F - 32) + 273$$
, which is generated by an upward shift of 273 units

22. 
$$S(-1)+S(2)+S(7)=1+2^2+2\cdot 2+3+7^3-7=1+4+4+3+343-7=348$$

23. 
$$0 > \frac{x+1}{x-3} - 2 = \frac{x+1-2(x-3)}{x-3} = \frac{-x+7}{x-3}$$
, which holds for  $x < 3$  or  $x > 7$ . Therefore,  $b-a=7-3=4$ .

24. 
$$u(v(x)) = u(c\ln(dx)) = ae^{b(c\ln(dx))} = a(dx)^{bc} = ad^{bc}x^{bc}$$
 and  $v(u(x)) = v(ae^{bx})$ 

 $=c\ln(dae^{bx})=c\ln(da)+cbx$ . To make the two compositions equal, because the second composition is linear, we must have bc=1 to make the first linear. This makes the first composition adx and the second  $x+c\ln(da)$ . To make the coefficients of x equal, da=1 must also be true. This would make both compositions equal to x. So to have the two compositions equal, we must have bc=1=ad. The answer must be if and only if both conditions from B and C; D is not enough since that would include, for example, if bc and ad both equaled 2.

25. Since 
$$f(2x) = \log_2 x$$
,  $f(x) = \log_2 \frac{x}{2} = \log_2 x - \log_2 2 = -1 + \log_2 x$ .

26. Since the three roots form an arithmetic progression and their sum is 12, 4 must be a root. Therefore,  $0 = H(4) = 4^3 - 12(4)^2 + 37(4) + G = 64 - 192 + 148 + G = 20 + G$ , so G = -20.

27. Using long division, 
$$\frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x + 2} = x - 3 + \frac{4}{x + 2}$$
, so the oblique asymptote is  $y = x - 3$ .

28. In order for the two solutions to be distinct and real, we must have  $0 < (a-3)^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot a = a^2 - 10a + 9 = (a-1)(a-9)$ , so a < 1 or a > 9. For the roots to be positive, we must have that their sum and product are positive, meaning that a-3 < 0 and a > 0, so 0 < a < 3. The intersection of these two inequalities is 0 < a < 1.

29. 
$$f(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x}, \text{ so } 1 - \frac{1}{x} = f\left(g\left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)\right) = 1 + \frac{1}{g\left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)} \Longrightarrow -\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{g\left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right)}$$
$$\Rightarrow g\left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right) = -x$$

30. 
$$0 = \log_b \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - x^2}}{x} \right) \Longrightarrow 1 = b^0 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - x^2}}{x} \Longrightarrow x - 1 = \sqrt{1 - x^2} \Longrightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 = 1 - x^2$$

 $\Rightarrow 0 = 2x^2 - 2x = 2x(x-1)$ , so x = 1 or x = 0, but the second number is not in the domain, so we must have  $y^{-1}(0) = 1$ .