

Algebra 2 Hustle Solutions

1. $\sum_{k=1}^{20} (2k^2 - k) = \frac{2(20)(21)(41)}{6} - \frac{20(21)}{2} = 20(7)(41) - 10(21) = 5740 - 210 = \mathbf{5530}$

2. $\left(\frac{1}{9}\right)^x = 27^{x-2} = 3^{-2x} = 3^{3x-6} \rightarrow -2x = 3x - 6 \rightarrow \mathbf{6/5}$

3. $\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{1+i}}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{\frac{i}{i+1}}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{i+1}{i}} = \frac{1}{\frac{2i+1}{i}} = \frac{i}{2i+1} = \frac{-2-i}{-5} = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{i}{5}$

4. $\log_{3\sqrt{3}} 729 = \log_{3^{\frac{3}{2}}} 3^6 = \mathbf{4}$

5. $f(x) = \frac{-20}{225}(x-15)(x+15) \rightarrow f(6) = \frac{-20}{225}(-9)(21) = \mathbf{84/5}$

6. $A=13, C=\sqrt{5}, B=\sqrt{A^2-B^2}=\sqrt{164}=2\sqrt{41}$. Therefore, the area is $\pi ab = \mathbf{26\pi\sqrt{41}}$

7. $(4+i)(4-i)(-6) = 17(-6) = \mathbf{-102}$

8. Simplify $\frac{1}{ab} + \frac{1}{bc} + \frac{1}{ca}$ into $\frac{c+a+b}{abc}$ and use Vieta's to obtain $\frac{7}{23}$

9. $1 - \frac{\binom{45}{2}}{\binom{90}{2}} = 1 - \frac{22}{89} = \frac{67}{89}$

10. $f(x) = 6x^4 + 41x^3 + 88x^2 + 67x + 14$. $f(-1) = 0$ so -1 is a root. Use synthetic division to reduce fourth degree polynomial to $6x^3 + 35x^2 + 53x + 14$. This factors as $(x+2)(3x+1)(2x+7)$. Therefore, the four roots of this polynomial are $\mathbf{-1, -2, -\frac{1}{3}, \text{ and } -\frac{7}{2}}$

11. 720 is the product of $2^4 \times 3^2 \times 5$. Therefore, we have $5(3)(2) = \mathbf{30}$ factors

12. 699_{15} is equal to 1494 in base 10. Converting this to base 8, the answer becomes $\mathbf{2726_8}$

13. $7^1 = 7, 7^2 = 49, 7^3 = 343, 7^4 = 2401$. Tens digit is 0, 4, 4, 0, 0, 4, 4, 0, The tens digit of 7^{2018} is $\mathbf{4}$.

14. $.2 + .037 + .00037 + .0000037 + \dots = .2 + \frac{\frac{37}{1000}}{\frac{99}{100}} = \frac{47}{198}$

15. Using Remainder Theorem, the remainder will be $2(1) + 1 = \mathbf{3}$

16. $(x-1)^3 + x^3 + (x+1)^3 = (x+2)^3$ This rearranges to $0 = x^3 - 3x^2 - 3x - 4$, the only integer solution is $x = 4$, so the only set of consecutive integers is $\mathbf{\{3, 4, 5, 6\}}$

17. $S = \frac{9(A_1+A_9)}{2} = \frac{9(A_5+A_5)}{2} = 9 * A_5 = 9 * 2 = \mathbf{18}$

18. $\sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \dots}}} \rightarrow x = \sqrt{6+x} \rightarrow x^2 = 6+x \rightarrow x^2 - x - 6 = 0, (x-3)(x+2) = 0, \mathbf{x = 3}$

19. $(2x+y-z)^{12} \rightarrow (2(1)+1-1)^{12} = 2^{12} = \mathbf{4096}$

20. The parabola has its highest point at the vertex. The x-coordinate of the vertex is $\frac{-b}{2a} = \mathbf{1}$

21. $x^2 = 3x + 4 \rightarrow x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$. Solution is $\mathbf{x = 4}$ since $x = -1$ is extraneous

22. Matrix C is the identity matrix which is the product of A and B. Therefore matrix B is just the inverse of matrix A. The determinant of A is 12.

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{12} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{-1}{12} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} \end{bmatrix} \text{ The sum of these entries is } \frac{3}{4}$$

23. Eccentricity of hyperbola is given by $\sqrt{1 + \frac{b^2}{a^2}} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{13}{9}} = \frac{\sqrt{13}}{3}$

24. The sum of every four terms is $2 - 2i$. Therefore, the entire sum is $\mathbf{8 - 8i}$

25. The sum of the roots is -6 and the product of the roots is -45. The quadratic is $\mathbf{x^2 + 6x - 45}$.