

1. B.

2. C.

3. A.

4. A.

5. D.

6. B.

7. B.

8. C.

9. D.

10. D.

11. A.

12. E.

13. C.

14. C.

15. C.

16. C.

17. B.

18. D.

19. B.

20. A.

21. D.

22. D.

23. B.

24. E.

25. A.

26. A.

27. C.

28. A.

29. C.

30. B.

1. **B.** Euclid

2. **C.** *De Divine Proportione*

3. **A.** Phidias

4. **A.** Kepler

5. **D.** Binet

6. **B.**

Answer choice A is incorrect because  $f$  does not terminate. Answer choice B is the correct answer. Answer choice C is incorrect because it is the limit of the ratio rather than the ratio of two arbitrary successive Fibonacci numbers. Answer choice D is just flat out wrong.

7. **B.**

$f$  can be the root of a polynomial with rational coefficients if  $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$  is produced as a root (ex.  $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$ ), so the golden ratio is not transcendental. It is, however, irrational, complex, and real.

8. **C.**

The easiest way is to do the calculation the long way. Binet's formula would also work:

$$F_n = \frac{(1+\sqrt{5})^n - (1-\sqrt{5})^n}{2^n \sqrt{5}}.$$

9. **D.**  $A = \pi\phi^2 = \pi(1+\phi) = \pi\left(2 + \frac{1}{\phi}\right) = \pi\left(3 - \frac{1}{\phi^2}\right)$

10. **D.**

Golden rectangles have side lengths in proportion of  $f$ . Thus, the longer side has length

$$32\phi = 32\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \approx 32\left(\frac{1+9/4}{2}\right) = 52 \text{ meters.}$$

11. **A.**

Looking at where the pattern repeats, we arrive at  $y = \frac{1}{1+y}$ , which has roots at  $y = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$ .

Taking the positive solution,  $\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2} = f - 1 = \frac{1}{f}$ .

12. **E.** All vertices lie on the plane  $x + y = z$ . Therefore, the tetrahedron encloses no volume.

13. C. By plugging in answer choices and applying  $f^2 = f + 1$ :

$$f^{\left(\frac{f^2-1}{f}\right)} - \frac{1}{f} = 2 \rightarrow f^{(f+1-(f-1))} = 2 + \frac{1}{f} \rightarrow f^2 = 2 + \frac{1}{f} \rightarrow f+1 = 2 + \frac{1}{f} \rightarrow f^2 = f+1$$

$$\setminus x = 2$$

14. C.

First assume that the smallest squares have side length 1, representing the first 2 Fibonacci numbers. The largest square is the 9<sup>th</sup> Fibonacci number, which is 34. Thus, in this example, the side length we are looking for is  $(1234)(34) = 41,956$ .

15. C.

$$SA = (4)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(2)\left(\sqrt{1+f}\right) + 4 = 4f + 4$$

$$V = \frac{1}{3}Bh = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)(4)\left(\sqrt{f}\right) = \frac{4}{3}\sqrt{f}$$

$$\frac{SA}{V} = (4f + 4)\left(\frac{3}{4\sqrt{f}}\right) = 3\left(f^{1/2} + f^{-1/2}\right)$$

16. C.

i.  $.5 + .5 \times 5^5 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = \phi$

ii.  $\frac{5 + 5^5}{5 - .5} = 1.608 \approx 1 f$

iii.  $a = \left(\frac{5 + 5^5}{5 - 5^5}\right)^5 \rightarrow a^2 = \frac{5 + \sqrt{5}}{5 - \sqrt{5}} = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = \phi^2 \rightarrow a = \phi$

17. B.

Complete the chart:

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $F_{-8}$ | $F_{-7}$ | $F_{-6}$ | $F_{-5}$ | $F_{-4}$ | $F_{-3}$ | $F_{-2}$ | $F_{-1}$ | $F_0$ | $F_1$ | $F_2$ | $F_3$ | $F_4$ | $F_5$ | $F_6$ | $F_7$ | $F_8$ |
| -21      | 13       | -8       | 5        | -3       | 2        | -1       | 1        | 0     | 1     | 1     | 2     | 3     | 5     | 8     | 13    | 21    |

18. D.

Observe a pattern:

$$f(1) = 1 \rightarrow 1$$

$$f(2) = 1 + 1 = 2 \rightarrow 2$$

$$f(3) = 1 + 1 + 1 = 1 + 2 = 2 + 1 \rightarrow 3$$

$$f(4) = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 2 + 2 = 1 + 1 + 2 = 1 + 2 + 1 = 2 + 1 + 1 \rightarrow 5$$

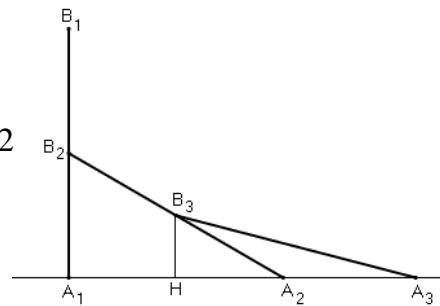
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$$f(n) = f(n-1) + f(n-2)$$

This is classic Fibonacci recursion. Therefore, in this problem, you are looking to find the 15<sup>th</sup> Fibonacci number, which is 610.

19. B.

Drop a perpendicular  $B_3H$  from  $B_3$  to  $A_1A_2$ . Because  $B_3H$  is a midline in  $A_1A_2B_2$ , its length is  $1/2$ . By Pythagorean theorem,  $A_3H = \sqrt{15}/2$  and  $A_1H = A_1A_2/2 = \sqrt{3}/2$ . Thus,  $A_1A_3 = \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{15}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}(1 + \sqrt{5})}{2} = f\sqrt{3}$ .



20. A.

As the index of the Fibonacci sequence approaches infinity, the ratio of each successive Fibonacci number approaches  $f$ . Thus,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_{n+a}}{F_n} = f^a$ . By definition (you could use an easy inductive pattern as well according to  $f^a = f^{a-1} + f^{a-2}$ ),  $f^a = F_a f + F_{a-1}$ .

21. D.  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1-x-x^2} \rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) = \frac{10}{89} \rightarrow F_n = 89 \rightarrow n = 11$

22. D.

i.  $\sqrt{\frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{2}} - 1 = \phi \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{2}} = \phi^2 \rightarrow \sqrt[4]{\frac{7+3\sqrt{5}}{2}} = \phi$  TRUE

ii. 21 and 47 are the 8<sup>th</sup> Fibonacci and Lucas numbers, not the 7<sup>th</sup> → FALSE

iii.  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{521+233\sqrt{5}}{2}} = \sqrt[5]{\frac{11+5\sqrt{5}}{2}} = \phi$  TRUE

23. B.

For some  $r, a > 0$ , the three sides could be written as  $a, ar,$  and  $ar^2$ , where  $a$  is irrelevant for this problem. Thus, for the triangle to exist,  $r$  must satisfy the following three inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 &< 1+r \\ r &< 1+r^2 \\ 1 &< r+r^2 \end{aligned}$$

The first one is equivalent to  $r^2 - 1 - r < 0$ , which has roots at  $f$  and  $-\frac{1}{f}$ . We find that  $r$  should satisfy  $0 < r < f$ . The second inequality is always true.

The third inequality is equivalent to  $r^2 + r - 1 > 0$ , which is satisfied when  $r > 0$  by  $r > \frac{1}{f}$ . Thus, the range for  $r$  that satisfies the three conditions is  $\frac{1}{f} < r < f$ . The length of this range is  $f - \frac{1}{f} = 1$ .

24. E.

Since BO is an angle bisector, O divides AC in the ratio of the sides  $\frac{AB}{BC}$ :

$$\frac{AO}{CO} = \frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{5}{3}$$

From here,  $AO = \frac{5}{2}$  and  $CO = \frac{3}{2}$ . Thus the circle's radius  $r$  is  $\frac{3}{2}$ . By the power of the point theorem  $BP \cdot NQ = BC^2$ :

$$\left(BO - \frac{3}{2}\right)\left(BO + \frac{3}{2}\right) = 3^2 \rightarrow BO = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

From which we find  $BP = \frac{3}{2}(\sqrt{5} - 1)$

$$\text{Finally, } \frac{PQ}{BP} = \frac{2r}{\left(\frac{3}{2}(\sqrt{5} - 1)\right)} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5} - 1} = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2} = f$$

### 25. A.

This expression for  $f(n)$  is showing that the  $n^{\text{th}}$  Fibonacci number is the sum of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  diagonal in Pascal's triangle. Thus,  $f(10) = F_{10} = 55$ .

If you did not see that right away, you can arrive at the same conclusion algebraically:

$$f(0) = \sum_{k=0}^0 \binom{-1-k}{k} = 0$$

$$f(1) = \sum_{k=0}^0 \binom{-k}{k} = \frac{0!}{0!0!} = 1$$

$$f(2) = \sum_{k=0}^0 \binom{1-k}{k} = \frac{1!}{1!0!} = 1$$

$$f(3) = \sum_{k=0}^1 \binom{2-k}{k} = \binom{2}{0} + \binom{1}{1} = 2$$

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$$f(n) = F_n$$

### 26. A.

Each interior angle of regular pentagon is  $\frac{3\rho}{5}$

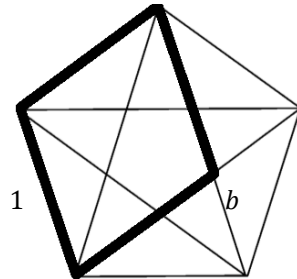
By Law of Cosines:

$$a^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 - 2(1)(1)\cos\left(\frac{3\rho}{5}\right), \text{ where } a \text{ is side of pentagram}$$

$$a = \sqrt{2 - 2\cos\left(\frac{3\rho}{5}\right)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(3 + \sqrt{5})} = \sqrt{f+1} = \sqrt{f^2} = f$$

Therefore, the planned amount of flowers to be planted is  $5a = 5f$

Notice how a rhombus of side length 1 is formed due to parallel sides:



Therefore,  $1 + b = f \rightarrow b = f - 1$

Planted flower perimeter =  $10b = 10(f - 1) = \frac{10}{f}$ , according to  $f^2 = 1 + f$

**27. C.**

Construct the following chart:

|       |   |    |    |    |    |    |     |
|-------|---|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| $t$   | 0 | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6   |
| $A_t$ | 8 | 13 | 21 | 34 | 55 | 89 | 144 |
| $C_t$ | 5 | 8  | 13 | 21 | 34 | 55 | 89  |

Notice how  $A_t$  follows the pattern of the Fibonacci sequence.

**28. A.**

Number of adult bunnies at time  $t$  in terms  $A$  of and  $C$ :

$$A_t = A_{t-1} + C_{t-1} + N$$

Number of child bunnies at time  $t$  in terms of  $A$ :

$$C_t = A_{t-1}$$

Consolidating...

$$A_t = A_{t-1} + A_{t-2} + N$$

**29. C.**

The number of adult and child bunnies at each timestep are each reduced by  $1 - a$ . Therefore, the snakes must target adult bunnies only, before they get the chance to procreate. If the species were *P. eatsalottus*, then the child bunnies,  $A_{t-2}$ , would be affected by a factor of  $a^2$ .

**30. B.**

$$a = 55$$

$$b = 34$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} b & a \\ a & a+b \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 34 & 55 \\ 55 & 89 \end{vmatrix} = 34 \cdot 89 - 55^2 = 1$$