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REGENTS HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION**

**ALGEBRA 2/  
TRIGONOMETRY**

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**SAMPLE RESPONSE SET**

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**Question 28**

**28** Show that  $\sec \theta \sin \theta \cot \theta = 1$  is an identity.

$$\frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{1} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = 1$$

$$1 = 1$$

**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 28**

28 Show that  $\sec \theta \sin \theta \cot \theta = 1$  is an identity.

$$\frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

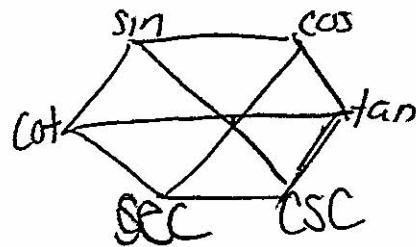
$$\frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{1} \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}$$

**Score 1:** The student made a substitution error by replacing  $\frac{1}{\tan \theta}$  with  $\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$ .

**Question 28**

28 Show that  $\sec \theta \sin \theta \cot \theta = 1$  is an identity.

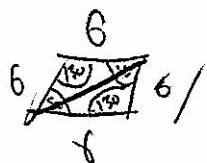
$$\frac{\cos \theta}{1} \cdot \frac{\csc \theta}{1} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = 1$$
$$\sec \theta \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \cot \theta = 1$$



**Score 0:** The student made multiple errors when substituting for  $\sec \theta$  and  $\sin \theta$ .

**Question 29**

- 29 Find, to the *nearest tenth of a square foot*, the area of a rhombus that has a side of 6 feet and an angle of  $50^\circ$ .



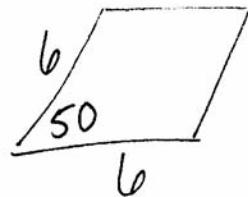
$$ab \sin C$$
$$36 \sin 130$$

27.6

**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 29**

- 29 Find, to the *nearest tenth of a square foot*, the area of a rhombus that has a side of 6 feet and an angle of  $50^\circ$ .



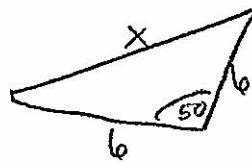
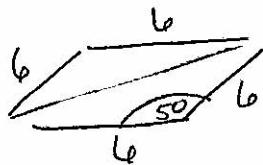
$$\text{Area} = 6 \cdot 6 \sin 50$$

$$\text{Area} = 27.6 \text{ feet}$$

**Score 1:** The student stated the wrong units.

**Question 29**

29 Find, to the *nearest tenth of a square foot*, the area of a rhombus that has a side of 6 feet and an angle of  $50^\circ$ .



$$K = \frac{1}{2} (6)(6)(\sin 50)$$

$$K = 3(6)(\sin 50)$$

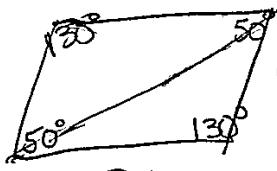
$$K = 18 \cdot \sin 50$$

$$\boxed{K = 13.8 \text{ ft}^2}$$

**Score 1:** The student made a conceptual error by not doubling the area of the triangle.

**Question 29**

- 29 Find, to the nearest tenth of a square foot, the area of a rhombus that has a side of 6 feet and an angle of  $50^\circ$ .



$$b = 6.00000046$$

$$6 = a$$

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B}$$

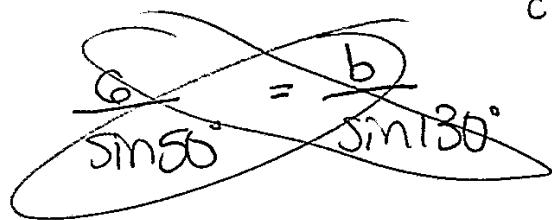
$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

$$6^2 + 6^2 = c^2$$

$$36 + 36 = c^2$$

$$72 = c^2$$

$$c \approx 8.4853$$



$$\frac{4.596267}{\sin 50^\circ} = \frac{\sin 50^\circ b}{\sin 50^\circ}$$

$$\frac{4.596267}{\sin 50^\circ} = b$$

$$\cdot 760444431$$

$$b = 6.00000046$$

T

2 sets of  
parallel  
lines

Supplementary  
consecutive angles

diagonals are =  
equal sides

$$A = \frac{1}{2}bh$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(6)(6)$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(36)$$

$$A = 18$$

$$18(2) = 36$$

$$A = 36 \text{ ft}$$

**Score 0:** The student made multiple conceptual errors, including the use of the Pythagorean Theorem and the incorrect use of the Law of Sines.

**Question 30**

- 30** The following is a list of the individual points scored by all twelve members of the Webster High School basketball team at a recent game:

2    2    3    4    6    7    9    10    10    11    12    14

Find the interquartile range for this set of data.

$$10.5 - 3.5 = \boxed{7}$$

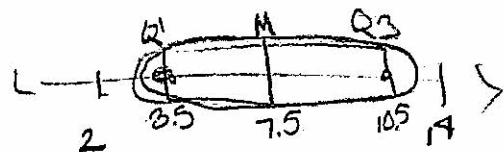
**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 30**

- 30 The following is a list of the individual points scored by all twelve members of the Webster High School basketball team at a recent game:

2    2    3    4    6    7    9    10    10    11    12    14

Find the interquartile range for this set of data.



$$3.5 \leq x \leq 10.5$$

**Score 1:** The student made a conceptual error by expressing the interquartile range as an interval.

**Question 30**

- 30** The following is a list of the individual points scored by all twelve members of the Webster High School basketball team at a recent game:

2    2    3    4    6    7    9    10    10    11    12    14

Find the interquartile range for this set of data.

2 2 3 4 6 7 | 9 10 10 11 12 14

$$\boxed{\{3, 11\}}$$

**Score 0:** The student made two conceptual errors. The quartiles were found incorrectly and the interquartile range was expressed as a set.

**Question 31**

- 31 Determine algebraically the  $x$ -coordinate of all points where the graphs of  $xy = 10$  and  $y = x + 3$  intersect.

$$\frac{xy=10}{x} \quad y = \frac{10}{x} \quad y = x + 3$$

$$x + 3 = \frac{10}{x}$$

$$x(x+3) = 10$$

$$x^2 + 3x = 10$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 10 = 0$$

$$(x+5)(x-2) = 0$$

$$x-2 = 0$$

$$+2 +2$$

$$\boxed{x = 2}$$

$$x+5 = 0$$

$$-5 -5$$

$$\boxed{x = -5}$$

2, 5.

-5, -2

**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 31**

- 31 Determine algebraically the  $x$ -coordinate of all points where the graphs of  $xy = 10$  and  $y = x + 3$  intersect.

$$x(x+3) = 10$$

$$(-5, -2), (2, 5)$$

$$x^2 + 3x = 10$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 10 = 0$$

$$(x+5)(x-2) = 0$$

$$x = -5, 2$$

$$y = -5 + 3 = -2$$

$$y = 2 + 3 = 5$$

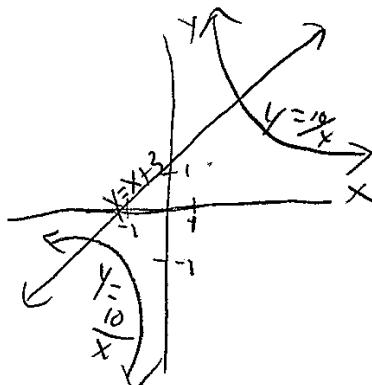
**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response, with correct work beyond the solutions.

**Question 31**

31 Determine algebraically the  $x$ -coordinate of all points where the graphs of  $xy = 10$  and  $y = x + 3$  intersect.

$$\frac{xy}{x} = \frac{10}{x}$$

$$y = \frac{10}{x}$$



$-5, -2$   
 $2, 5$

$x$	$y_1 = \frac{10}{x}$	$y_2 = x + 3$
-5	-2	-2
-4	-2.5	-1
-3	-3.33	0
-2	-5	1
-1	-10	2
0	Error	3
1	10	4
2	5	5

**Score 1:** The student correctly solved the system of equations graphically.

**Question 31**

- 31 Determine algebraically the  $x$ -coordinate of all points where the graphs of  $xy = 10$  and  $y = x + 3$  intersect.

$$\begin{aligned} xy &= 10 \\ \frac{y}{x} &= \frac{10}{x} \quad y = x + 3 \\ \frac{10}{x} &= x + 3 \\ \frac{10}{x} &= 5 \quad x + 3 = 5 \\ x &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

**Score 0:** The student correctly solved for  $y = \frac{10}{x}$ , but no further correct work is shown.  
The  $x$ -coordinate that the student wrote is incorrect.

**Question 32**

32 Solve  $| -4x + 5 | < 13$  algebraically for  $x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |-4x + 5| &< 13 \\ -4x + 5 &< 13 \quad -4x + 5 > -13 \\ -4x &< 13 - 5 \quad -4x > -13 - 5 \\ -4x &< 8 \quad -4x > -18 \\ \frac{-4x}{-4} &< \frac{8}{-4} \quad \frac{-4x}{-4} > \frac{-18}{-4} \\ x &> -2 \quad x < 4.5 \\ \boxed{\{x \mid -2 < x < 4.5\}} \end{aligned}$$

**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 32**

32 Solve  $| -4x + 5 | < 13$  algebraically for  $x$ .

$$-4x + 5 < 13$$

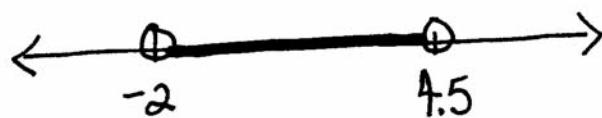
$$-4x < 8$$

$$x > -2$$

$$-4x + 5 > -13$$

$$-4x > -18$$

$$x < \frac{9}{2}$$



**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 32**

32 Solve  $|-4x + 5| < 13$  algebraically for  $x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |-4x + 5| &= 13 \\ -4x + 5 &= 13 \\ -8 &\quad -5 \\ \hline -4x &= 8 \\ -4 &\\ x &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4x - 8 &= 13 \\ +8 &+8 \\ \hline 4x &= 18 \\ 4 &\\ x &= \frac{9}{2} \end{aligned}$$

**Score 1:** The student correctly solved the absolute value inequality as an absolute value equation.  
This is considered a conceptual error.

**Question 32**

32 Solve  $| -4x + 5 | < 13$  algebraically for  $x$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} |-4x+5| < 13 & & \\ / \quad \backslash & & \\ -4x+5 < 13 & & -4x+5 > -13 \\ -4x < 8 & & -4x > -18 \\ \boxed{x > -2} & & \boxed{x < 4.5} \end{array}$$

**Score 1:** The answer is not expressed as a conjunction.

**Question 32**

32 Solve  $|-4x + 5| < 13$  algebraically for  $x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Left Case: } -4x + 5 < 13 \\ & \quad +5 \quad +5 \\ & \quad -4x < 18 \\ & \quad \cancel{-4} \quad \cancel{-4} \\ & \quad x < -4.5 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Right Case: } -4x + 5 > -13 \\ & \quad -5 \quad -5 \\ & \quad -4x > -18 \\ & \quad \cancel{-4} \quad \cancel{-4} \\ & \quad x < 4.5 \end{aligned}$$

**Score 0:** The student made more than one conceptual error.

**Question 33**

33 Express  $4xi + 5yi^8 + 6xi^3 + 2yi^4$  in simplest  $a + bi$  form.

$$4xi + 5yi^8 + 6xi^3 + 2yi^4$$

$$4xi - 6xi + 5y + 2y$$

$$-2xi + \cancel{5}y$$

$$\boxed{7y - 2xi}$$

**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 33**

33 Express  $4xi + 5yi^8 + 6xi^3 + 2yi^4$  in simplest  $a + bi$  form.

$$4x(\sqrt{-1}) + 5y(1) + 6x(-i) + 2y(1)$$

$$4x\sqrt{-1} + 5y - 6xi + 2y$$

$$\boxed{7y + 4x\sqrt{-1} - 6xi}$$

**Score 1:** The student did not express the answer in simplest form. The  $\sqrt{-1}$  should have been simplified to  $i$ .

**Question 33**

33 Express  $4xi + 5yi^8 + 6xi^3 + 2yi^4$  in simplest  $a + bi$  form.

$$\begin{aligned}-4xi + 5y - 6xi + 2y \\ -2xi + 7y\end{aligned}$$

**Score 1:** The student did not write the solution in  $a + bi$  form.

**Question 33**

33 Express  $4xi + 5yi^8 + 6xi^3 + 2yi^4$  in simplest  $a + bi$  form.

$$\begin{array}{r} 4xi - 5y + 6xi - 2y \\ 10xi - 7y \end{array}$$

**Score 0:** The student made one conceptual error in replacing  $i$  and did not put the answer in  $a + bi$  form.

**Question 34**

34 In an arithmetic sequence,  $a_4 = 19$  and  $a_7 = 31$ . Determine a formula for  $a_n$ , the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of this sequence.

$$d = 4$$

$$a_n = a_1 + (n-1)d$$
$$\boxed{a_n = 7 + (n-1)4}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 31 \\ - 19 \\ \hline 12 \end{array}$$

7 11 15 19 23 27 31

**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 34**

- 34 In an arithmetic sequence,  $a_4 = 19$  and  $a_7 = 31$ . Determine a formula for  $a_n$ , the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of this sequence.

$$7, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 31$$

$$a_n = \frac{n(a_1 + a_n)}{2}$$

$$a_n = 7 \left( \frac{7+4}{2} \right)$$

$$a_n = \frac{7(11)}{2} = \frac{77}{2} = \boxed{38.5}$$

**Score 1:** The student found the first term, 7, and the common difference of 4. No further correct work is shown.

**Question 34**

- 34 In an arithmetic sequence,  $a_4 = 19$  and  $a_7 = 31$ . Determine a formula for  $a_n$ , the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of this sequence.

$$a_n = \frac{n}{2} (19+1)$$

$$a_4 = 19$$

$$a_7 = 31$$

$$\underline{a_n} = \frac{n}{2} (18)$$

$$\therefore 31 = \underline{\frac{n}{2} (18)}$$

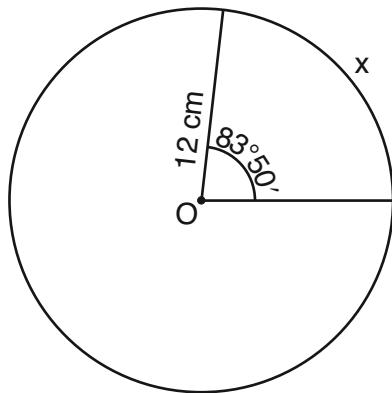
$$\frac{62}{18} = \frac{n(18)}{18}$$

$$3.44 = n$$

**Score 0:** The student response is completely incoherent.

**Question 35**

35 Circle  $O$  shown below has a radius of 12 centimeters. To the *nearest tenth of a centimeter*, determine the length of the arc,  $x$ , subtended by an angle of  $83^\circ 50'$ .



$$S = r\theta$$
$$S = 12 \left( \frac{83^\circ 50' \pi}{180} \right)$$

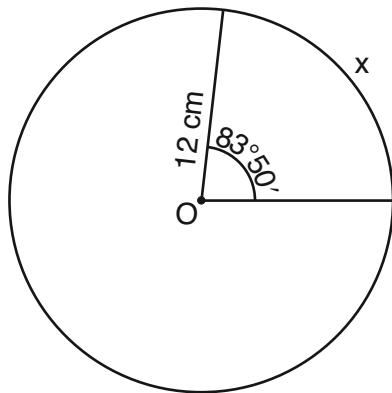
$$S = 17.55801228$$

$S = 17.6 \text{ cm}$

**Score 2:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 35**

35 Circle  $O$  shown below has a radius of 12 centimeters. To the *nearest tenth of a centimeter*, determine the length of the arc,  $x$ , subtended by an angle of  $83^\circ 50'$ .



$$\frac{83^\circ 50'}{360} = \frac{x}{144\pi}$$

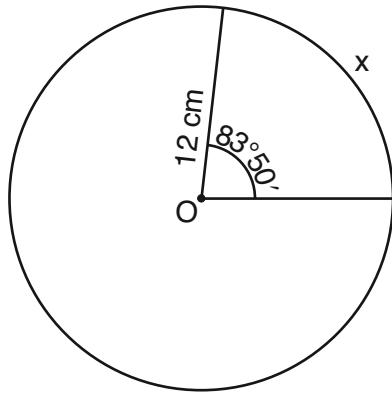
$$360x = 37925.30651$$

$$x = 105.3 \text{ cm}$$

**Score 1:** The student made a conceptual error by using the area of a circle rather than the circumference.

**Question 35**

35 Circle  $O$  shown below has a radius of 12 centimeters. To the *nearest tenth of a centimeter*, determine the length of the arc,  $x$ , subtended by an angle of  $83^\circ 50'$ .



$$C = 2\pi r$$

$$C = 2\pi(12)$$

$$\frac{83}{360} = \frac{50}{x}$$

$$C = 24\pi$$

$$\frac{83x}{360} = \frac{18000}{50}$$

$$x = 216.87$$

$$\frac{83}{360} = \frac{x}{2\pi}$$

**Score 0:** The student response is completely incoherent.

**Question 36**

36 Solve algebraically for all exact values of  $x$  in the interval  $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ :

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x - 3 = 0$$

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x - 3 = 0$$

$$(2 \sin x - 1)(\sin x + 3) = 0$$

$$2 \sin x - 1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \sin x + 3 = 0$$

$$2 \sin x = 1$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin x = -3$$

(impossible)

$$x = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$x = 30^\circ \quad x = 150^\circ$$

$$\frac{\pi}{6} \text{ and } \frac{5\pi}{6}$$

**Score 4:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 36**

36 Solve algebraically for all exact values of  $x$  in the interval  $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ :

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x - 3 = 0$$

$$2x^2 + 5x - 3 = 0$$

$$(2x-1)(x+3) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} 2x-1=0 & x+3=0 \\ +1 +1 & -3 -3 \\ \hline 2x = 1 & x = -3 \\ \hline x = \frac{1}{2} & \end{array}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin x = -3$$

$$x = 30^\circ$$

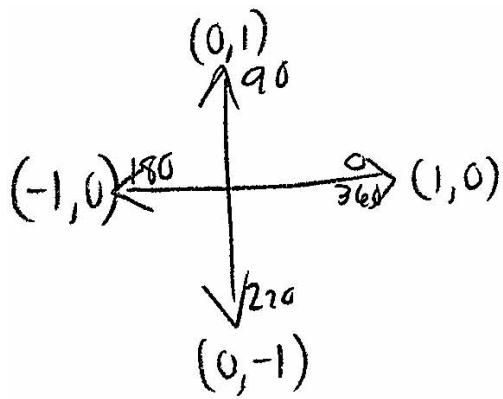
$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{\pi}{6} \\ \frac{5\pi}{6} \end{array}$$

**Score 4:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 36**

36 Solve algebraically for all exact values of  $x$  in the interval  $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ :

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x = 3$$



$$\begin{aligned}2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x - 3 &= 0 \\ \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x - 6 &= 0 \\ (\sin x + \frac{3}{2})(\sin x - 2) &= 0 \\ \sin x &\neq -\frac{3}{2} \quad \sin x = 1 \\ &90^\circ \\ \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} \right\}\end{aligned}$$

**Score 3:** The student made a factoring error.

**Question 36**

36 Solve algebraically for all exact values of  $x$  in the interval  $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ :

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned}2x^2 + 5x - 3 &= 0 \\(2x-1)(2x+6) &= 0 \\(2x-1)(x+3) &= 0 \\2x-1=0 &\quad x+3=0 \\+1 +1 &\quad -3 -3 \\2x=1 &\quad x=-3 \\2 &\quad 2 \\x=.5 &\end{aligned}$$

$\sin^{-1}(\sin x) = (.5)\sin^{-1}(\sin x) = (-3)\sin^{-1}$

$\boxed{30^\circ}$

**Score 2:** The student correctly found  $\sin x = 0.5$  and  $\sin x = -3$ .

**Question 36**

36 Solve algebraically for all exact values of  $x$  in the interval  $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ :

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x - 3 = 0$$

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x - 3 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 4(2)(-3)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{49}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm 7}{4}$$

$$\begin{cases} \sin x = 3 \\ \sin x = -5 \end{cases}$$

**Score 1:** A correct substitution into the quadratic formula is made, but no further correct work is shown.

**Question 36**

36 Solve algebraically for all exact values of  $x$  in the interval  $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ :

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x = 3$$

$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x - 3 = 0$$

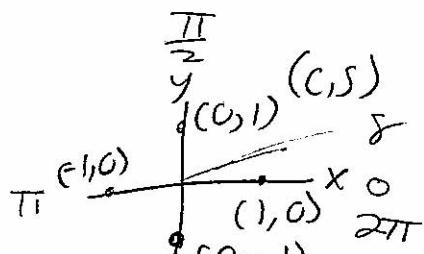
$$2 \sin^2 x + 5 \sin x = 3$$

$$\sin x (2 \sin x + 5) = 3$$

$\sin$



$$\frac{8\pi}{300} \boxed{\frac{\pi}{45}}$$



$$\sin x (2 \sin x + 5) = 3$$

$$\sin x (2 \sin x + 5) = 3$$

$$\frac{3\pi}{2}$$

~~$$\frac{-2}{300}$$~~

**Score 0:** The student made more than one conceptual error.

**Question 37**

- 37 Because Sam's backyard gets very little sunlight, the probability that a geranium planted there will flower is 0.28. Sam planted five geraniums. Determine the probability, to the *nearest thousandth*, that *at least* four geraniums will flower.

$n=5$   $p=.28$   $k=4$   
geraniums

$1 - \text{binomialGdf}(5, (.28), (3))$

.024

**Score 4:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 37**

- 37 Because Sam's backyard gets very little sunlight, the probability that a geranium planted there will flower is 0.28. Sam planted five geraniums. Determine the probability, to the *nearest thousandth*, that *at least* four geraniums will flower.

$${}_5C_4 (0.28)^4 (0.72)^1 + {}5C_5 (0.28)^5 (0.72)^0$$

$$0.024$$

**Score 4:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 37**

- 37 Because Sam's backyard gets very little sunlight, the probability that a geranium planted there will flower is 0.28. Sam planted five geraniums. Determine the probability, to the *nearest thousandth*, that *at least* four geraniums will flower.

$$5C_4 (.28)^4 (.72) + 5C_5 (.28)^5 (.72)^0 =$$

.0236486528

2.4%

**Score 4:** The student has a complete and correct response. The answer of 2.4% is mathematically equivalent to 0.024.

**Question 37**

- 37 Because Sam's backyard gets very little sunlight, the probability that a geranium planted there will flower is 0.28. Sam planted five geraniums. Determine the probability, to the *nearest thousandth*, that *at least* four geraniums will flower.

$$n = 5$$

$$r = 4, 5$$

$$s = .28$$

$$p = .72$$

$${}^5C_4 (.72)(.28)^4 = .022$$

$${}^5C_5 (.72)(.28)^5 = +.001$$

$$\underline{\underline{.023}}$$

**Score 3:** The student made one rounding error.

**Question 37**

- 37 Because Sam's backyard gets very little sunlight, the probability that a geranium planted there will flower is 0.28. Sam planted five geraniums. Determine the probability, to the *nearest thousandth*, that *at least* four geraniums will flower.

4 + 5

$$\begin{aligned} {}_5 C_4 (.28)^4 \times (.72)^1 &+ {}_5 C_5 (.28)^5 \times (.72)^0 \\ 0.022127616 &+ 0.0017210368 \\ = .023 &\% \end{aligned}$$

**Score 2:** The student made one rounding error and expressed the answer as a percent.

**Question 37**

37 Because Sam's backyard gets very little sunlight, the probability that a geranium planted there will flower is 0.28. Sam planted five geraniums. Determine the probability, to the *nearest thousandth*, that *at least* four geraniums will flower.

$$5 \subset 4 \quad (0.28)^4 (0.72)^1$$

$$5 \cdot .00614656 = .72$$

$$\boxed{.02}$$

**Score 1:** The student found a correct probability for exactly four out of five, and did not round to the *nearest thousandth*.

**Question 37**

- 37 Because Sam's backyard gets very little sunlight, the probability that a geranium planted there will flower is 0.28. Sam planted five geraniums. Determine the probability, to the *nearest thousandth*, that *at least* four geraniums will flower.

$$nCr \cdot p^r \cdot q^{n-r}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} & {}^5C_4 & (25)^4 & (18)^4 & {}^5C_3 & \\ & 5 & 4 & 3 & 3 & \\ & 5 & 3 & 2 & 2 & \\ & 5 & 2 & 1 & 1 & \\ & 5 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \end{array}$$

$${}^5C_4 (25)^4 (18)^3 = .01147$$

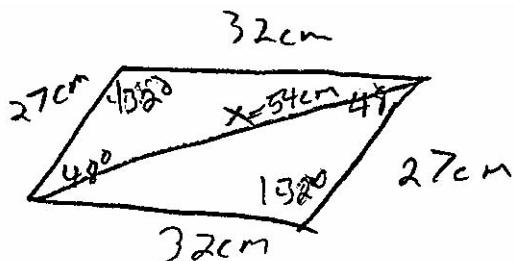
$${}^5C_5 (25)^5 (18)^0 =$$

$$\frac{247}{250}$$

**Score 0:** The student made two conceptual errors. Incorrect exponents were written, and then the student subtracted this answer from 1.

**Question 38**

- 38 Two sides of a parallelogram measure 27 cm and 32 cm. The included angle measures  $48^\circ$ . Find the length of the longer diagonal of the parallelogram, to the nearest centimeter.



$$x^2 = 32^2 + 27^2 - 2(32)(27) \cos 132^\circ$$

$$x^2 = 1024 + 729 - 1728 \cos 132^\circ$$

$$x^2 = 1753 - 1728 \cos 132^\circ$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{2909.257688}$$

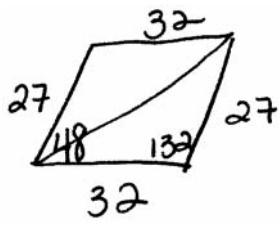
$$x = 53.9$$

$$\approx 54 \text{ cm}$$

**Score 4:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 38**

- 38 Two sides of a parallelogram measure 27 cm and 32 cm. The included angle measures  $48^\circ$ . Find the length of the longer diagonal of the parallelogram, to the nearest centimeter.



$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$a^2 = (27)^2 + (32)^2 - 2(27)(32) \cos(132)$$

$$a^2 = 27.44$$

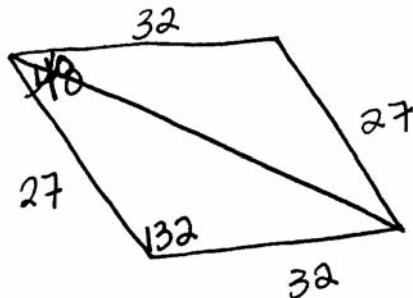
$$\sqrt{27.44} = 5.24$$

5 cm

**Score 3:** The student made one computational error by using radian mode.

**Question 38**

- 38 Two sides of a parallelogram measure 27 cm and 32 cm. The included angle measures  $48^\circ$ . Find the length of the longer diagonal of the parallelogram, to the nearest centimeter.



$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$a^2 = 27^2 + 32^2 - 2(27)(32) \cos 48^\circ$$

$$a^2 = 729 + 1024 - 2(27)(32) \cos 48^\circ$$

$$a^2 = 1753 - 2(27)(32) \cos 48^\circ$$

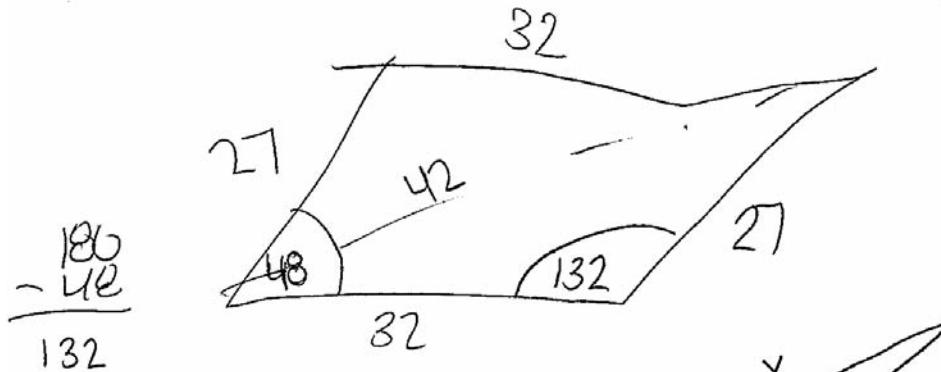
$$a^2 = 1753 - 1728 \cos 48^\circ$$

$$a^2 = 27.43655482$$

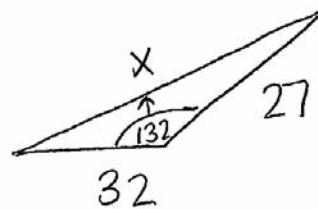
**Score 2:** The student made a correct substitution into the Law of Cosines.

**Question 38**

- 38 Two sides of a parallelogram measure 27 cm and 32 cm. The included angle measures  $48^\circ$ . Find the length of the longer diagonal of the parallelogram, to the nearest centimeter.



$$\begin{array}{r} 186 \\ - 142 \\ \hline 132 \end{array}$$



$$32^2 + 27^2 = x^2$$

$$1024 + 729 = x^2$$

$$\sqrt{1753} = \sqrt{x^2}$$

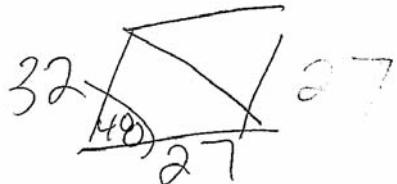
$$x = 41.86884283$$

$$x \approx 42 \text{ cm.}$$

**Score 1:** The student drew a correctly labeled diagram. The remainder of the work shown is incorrect.

**Question 38**

- 38 Two sides of a parallelogram measure 27 cm and 32 cm. The included angle measures  $48^\circ$ . Find the length of the longer diagonal of the parallelogram, to the nearest centimeter.



$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$
$$a^2 = (32)^2 + (27)^2 - 2(32)(27) \cos 48$$

$$a^2 = 1024 + 729 - 1728 \cos 48$$

$$a^2 = \frac{25 \cos 48}{\sqrt{a^2 - 16,728.26516}}$$

$$a = 4.090020191$$

$$a = 4.1 \text{ cm}$$

**Score 0:** The student made two conceptual errors by finding the shorter diagonal and combining terms incorrectly. There was also one rounding error.

**Question 39**

39 Solve algebraically for all values of  $x$ :

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x+3) + \log_{(x+3)}(x+5) = 2$$

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x+3)(x+5) = 2$$

$$(x+3)^2 = (2x+3)(x+5)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 6x + 9 = 2x^2 + 13x + 15 \\ -x^2 - 6x - 9 \quad -x^2 - 6x - 9 \\ \hline 0 = x^2 + 7x + 6 \end{array}$$

$$0 = (x+6)(x+1)$$

$$\begin{array}{l} x=6 \\ \text{reject} \end{array} \qquad \boxed{x=-1}$$

**Score 6:** The student has a complete and correct response.

**Question 39**

39 Solve algebraically for all values of  $x$ :

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x + 3) + \log_{(x+3)}(x + 5) = 2$$

$$\log_{10} 2 \stackrel{?}{=} x$$

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x^2 + 10x + 3x + 15) = 2$$

$$(x+3)^2 = 2x^2 + 10x + 3x + 15$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 6x + 9 = 2x^2 + 13x + 15 \\ -x^2 - 6x - 9 \hline -x^2 - 7x - 6 \end{array}$$

$$0 = x^2 + 7x + 6$$

$$0 = \frac{(x+6)(x+1)}{x+6=0 \quad | \quad x+1=0}$$

$$x = -6 \quad | \quad x = -1$$

$$\{-6, -1\}$$

**Score 5:** The student did not reject  $-6$ .

**Question 39**

39 Solve algebraically for all values of  $x$ :

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x+3) + \log_{(x+3)}(x+5) = 2$$

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x+3)(x+5) = 2$$

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x^2 + 10x + 15) = 2$$

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x^2 + 13x + 15) = 2$$

$$(x+3)^2 = 2x^2 + 13x + 15$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 9x + 9 = 2x^2 + 13x + 15 \\ -x^2 - 4x - 9 \quad -x^2 - 9x - 9 \\ \hline x^2 + 4x + 6 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$a=1 \quad b=4 \quad c=6$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(1)(6)}}{2(1)} = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 24}}{2} =$$

$$\frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{-8}}{2} = \frac{-4 \pm 2i\sqrt{2}}{2} = \boxed{-2 \pm i\sqrt{2}}$$

**Score 4:** The student made one computational error when squaring  $x + 3$ . The student also made an error in not discarding the imaginary solutions.

**Question 39**

39 Solve algebraically for all values of  $x$ :

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x+3) + \log_{(x+3)}(x+5) = 2$$

$$\frac{\log((2x+3)(x+5))}{\log(x+3)} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\boxed{\Sigma = 13}$$

$$(2x+3)(x+5) = 2x+6 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Check:} \\ \log_{(-1+3)}(2(-1)+3) + \log_{(-1+3)}(-1+5) = 2 \\ \log_{(2)}(1) + \log_{(2)}(4) = 2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$2x^2 + 13x + 15 = 2x + 6 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} -13x \\ -15 \\ \hline -6 \end{array} \right.$$

$$2x^2 + 11x + 9 = 0$$

$$(2x+9)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x \neq -\frac{9}{2}} \quad \boxed{x = -1}$$

$$2 = 2 \checkmark$$

$$\therefore x = -1$$

~~$$\log_{(\frac{9}{2}+3)}(2(\frac{9}{2}+3) + \log_{(\frac{9}{2}+3)}(-\frac{9}{2}+5) = 2$$~~

no solution

**Score 3:** The student made a conceptual error by canceling the logs.

**Question 39**

39 Solve algebraically for all values of  $x$ :

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x+3) + \log_{(x+3)}(x+5) = 2$$

$$(x+3)^2 = 2x+3 + x+5$$

$$(x+3)(x+3) = 3x+8$$

$$x^2 + 3x + 3x + 9$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 = 3x + 8$$
$$-3x - 8 \quad -3x - 8$$

$$x^2 + 3x + 1 = 0$$

$$a=1 \quad b=3 \quad c=1$$

$$\frac{-(b) \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4}}{2}$$

$$\frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

**Score 2:** The student made a conceptual error by adding the binomials. The student did not discard the solution outside the domain.

**Question 39**

39 Solve algebraically for all values of  $x$ :

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x + 3) + \log_{(x+3)}(x + 5) = 2$$

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x+3)(x+5) = 2$$

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x^2 + 10x + 3x + 15) = 2$$

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x^2 + 17x + 15) = 2$$

$$(2x^2 + 17x + 15) = (x+3)^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} (2x^2 + 17x + 15) = x^2 + 9 \\ - x^2 \\ \hline 2 + 17x + 15 = 9 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{17x + 17 - 17}{7} = \frac{-8}{7} \quad \boxed{x = -\frac{8}{7}}$$

**Score 1:** The student correctly wrote  $\log_{(x+3)}(2x+3)(x+5) = 2$ . The remainder of the work was incorrect.

**Question 39**

39 Solve algebraically for all values of  $x$ :

$$\log_{(x+3)}(2x + 3) + \log_{(x+3)}(x + 5) = 2$$

$$\cancel{\log_{(x+3)}} \frac{1}{2x} (2x + 3)(x + 5) = 2$$

$$2x^2 + 13x + 15 = 2$$

$$2x^2 + 13x + 13 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \cancel{2x^2} - 3 = (2x + 3) | (x + 5) = 2 \\ -3 = 2x \\ x = -\frac{3}{2} \end{array}$$

$x = -\frac{3}{2}, \quad x = -3$

**Score 0:** The student made multiple errors in attempting to solve the log equation.