

Math League SCASD

Meet #3

Arithmetic

2018 - Self-study Packet

Problem Categories for this Meet (in addition to topics of earlier meets):

1. Mystery: Problem solving
2. Geometry: Properties of Polygons, Pythagorean Theorem
3. Number Theory: Bases, Scientific Notation
- 4. Arithmetic: Integral Powers (positive, negative, and zero), roots up to the sixth**
5. Algebra: Absolute Value, Inequalities in one variable including interpreting line graphs

Important information you need to know about ARITHMETIC Integral Powers (Positive, Negative, and Zero), Roots up to the Sixth

- Anything to the power of zero is 1.
- A number to a negative power is the same thing as the reciprocal of that number to the opposite positive power.
- When multiplying two powers with the same base, keep the base and add the exponents.
- When dividing two powers with the same base, keep the base and subtract the exponents.

Laws of Exponents

$$a^b \times a^c = a^{b+c}$$

$$(ab)^c = a^c b^c$$

$$(a^b)^c = a^{bc}$$

$$\frac{a^b}{a^c} = a^{b-c}$$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^c = \frac{a^c}{b^c}$$

$$a^{-n} = \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^n$$

Common Powers worth Memorizing

(Focus on learning the squares and cubes and the higher powers of the numbers less than six)

x	x^2	x^3	x^4	x^5	x^6
1	1	1	1	1	1
2	4	8	16	32	64
3	9	27	81	243	729
4	16	64	256	1024	4096
5	25	125	625	3125	15,625
6	36	216	1296	7776	46,656
7	49	343	2401	16,807	117,649
8	64	512	4096	32,768	262,144
9	81	729	6561	59,049	531,441
10	100	1000	10,000	100,000	1,000,000

Squares of higher numbers:

$$11^2=121, 12^2=144, 13^2=169, 14^2=196, 15^2=225, 16^2=256, 17^2=289, 18^2=324, 19^2=361, 20^2=400$$

Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3 - January, 2019

1) If $3^N = 729$, then what is the value of N?

2) Evaluate: $\sqrt{36} + 4\sqrt[3]{125} - 3\sqrt[4]{16} + 7\sqrt[5]{100,000}$

3) What is the value of

$$\sqrt[3]{8\sqrt{121} + 2\sqrt{\sqrt[3]{1331} + \sqrt[6]{512}} + \sqrt{625}} ?$$

ANSWERS

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Solutions to Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3 - January, 2019

Answers

1) $3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 = 729$, so $N = 6$.

2) $\sqrt{36} + 4\sqrt[3]{125} - 3\sqrt[4]{16} + 7\sqrt[5]{100,000}$
 $= 6 + 4(5) - 3(2) + 7(10)$
 $= 6 + 20 - 6 + 70$
 $= 90$

1) 6

2) 90

3) 5

3) $\sqrt[3]{8\sqrt{121} + 2\sqrt{\sqrt[3]{1331} + \sqrt[6]{512}}} + \sqrt{625}$
 $= \sqrt[3]{8(11) + 2\sqrt{11 + 25} + 25}$
 $= \sqrt[3]{88 + 2\sqrt{36} + 25}$
 $= \sqrt[3]{88 + 2(6) + 25}$
 $= \sqrt[3]{88 + 12 + 25}$
 $= \sqrt[3]{125}$
 $= 5$

Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3 - January, 2017

1) Evaluate: $7^0 + 6^1 + 5^2 + 4^3 + 3^4 + 2^5 + 1^6 + 0^7$

2) If $72 + \sqrt{N-3} = 78$, then what is the value of $N^2 - 17$?

3) What is the value of $\left(\sqrt{\left(\sqrt[3]{26} \right)} \cdot \sqrt{3^4} \cdot \sqrt[6]{1^4} \right)^3$?

ANSWERS

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Solutions to Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3 - January, 2017

Answers

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \quad & 7^0 + 6^1 + 5^2 + 4^3 + 3^4 + 2^5 + 1^6 + 0^7 \\ & = 1 + 6 + 25 + 64 + 81 + 32 + 1 + 0 \\ & = 210 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2) \quad & 72 + \sqrt{N-3} = 78 \\ & \sqrt{N-3} = 6 \\ & N-3 = 36 \\ & N = 39 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } N^2 - 17 = (39)^2 - 17 = 1521 - 17 = 1504.$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3) \quad & \left(\sqrt{\sqrt[3]{26}} \cdot \sqrt{34} \cdot \sqrt[6]{14} \right)^3 \\ & = \left(\sqrt{2^{6/3} \times 9 \times 1} \right)^3 \\ & = \left(\sqrt{2^2 \times 9} \right)^3 \\ & = (2 \times 9)^3 \\ & = (18)^3 \\ & = 5832 \end{aligned}$$

1) 210

2) 1504

3) 5832

Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3 - January, 2015

1) Find the value of $8^0 + 7^1 + 6^2 + 5^3 + 4^4$

2) Evaluate $\left[\left(\sqrt[3]{\sqrt{64}}\right)^{-1}\right]^{-4}$

3) $\frac{B}{A^C}$ means $\sqrt[C]{A^B}$ or, equivalently, $\left(\sqrt[C]{A}\right)^B$

Find the value of $10,000^{\frac{3}{4}} - 64^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 32^{\frac{3}{5}}$

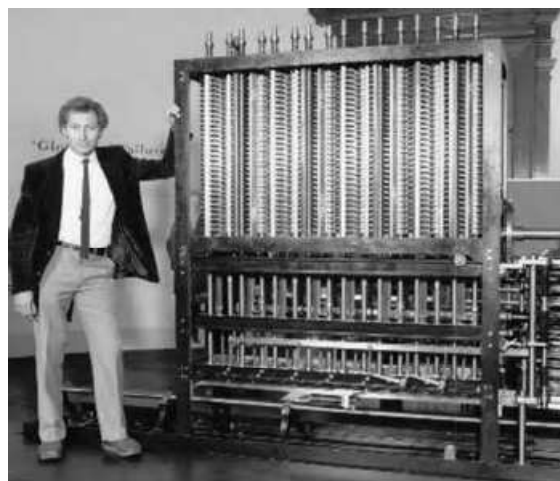
On this date, January 8, Charles Babbage patented the first computer in the year 1889.

ANSWERS

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____



**Solutions to Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3 - January, 2015**

Answers

1) 425

2) 16

3) 872

1) $8^0 + 7^1 + 6^2 + 5^3 + 4^4 = 1 + 7 + 36 + 125 + 256 = 425$

2) $\left(\left(\sqrt[3]{\sqrt{64}}\right)^{-1}\right)^{-4} = \left(\left(\sqrt[3]{8}\right)^{-1}\right)^{-4} = \left(2^{-1}\right)^{-4} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-4} = 2^4 = 16$

3) $10,000^{\frac{3}{4}} - 64^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 32^{\frac{3}{5}} = \left(\sqrt[4]{10,000}\right)^3 - \left(\sqrt[3]{64}\right)^2 \cdot \left(\sqrt[5]{32}\right)^3$
 $= 10^3 - 4^2 \times 2^3$
 $= 1000 - 16 \times 8$
 $= 1000 - 128$ (Multiply before subtracting!)
 $= 872$

Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3, January 2013

1. Evaluate the following expression. You should get a whole number.

$$\sqrt{3^2 + 3^3} + \sqrt{8^2 + 8^3}$$

2. Evaluate the expression below for $a = 18$ and $b = 24$. Express your answer as a mixed number in lowest terms.

$$\left(\frac{a^3}{b^2}\right)^0 + \left(\frac{a^{-3}}{b^{-2}}\right)^{-1}$$

3. How many whole numbers are there between $\sqrt[4]{1000}$ and $\sqrt{1000}$?

Answers

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____ whole numbers

Solutions to Category 4
 Arithmetic
 Meet #3, January 2013

Answers	
1.	30
2.	$11\frac{1}{8}$
3.	26 whole numbers

$$\sqrt{3^2 + 3^3} + \sqrt{8^2 + 8^3} =$$

1. $\sqrt{9 + 27} + \sqrt{64 + 512} =$
 $\sqrt{36} + \sqrt{576} = 6 + 24 = 30$

2. Notice that the first term in this expression is raised to the zero power, so it's value is 1. As for the second term, we substitute 18 for a and 24 for b , and evaluate as follows:

$$\left(\frac{a^{-3}}{b^{-2}}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{18^{-3}}{24^{-2}}\right)^{-1} = \frac{24^{-2}}{18^{-3}} = \frac{18^3}{24^2} = \frac{18 \times 18 \times 18}{24 \times 24} = \frac{3 \times 3 \times 9}{4 \times 2} = \frac{81}{8} = 10\frac{1}{8}$$

Putting the two terms together, we get $\left(\frac{a^3}{b^2}\right)^0 + \left(\frac{a^{-3}}{b^{-2}}\right)^{-1} = 1 + 10\frac{1}{8} = \mathbf{11\frac{1}{8}}$.

3. We need to find a perfect fourth power that is slightly less than 1000 and a perfect square that is slightly greater than 1000. The two short lists below can help. From the list on the left, we see that $\sqrt[4]{1000}$ must be greater than 5, but less than 6. From the list on the right, we see that $\sqrt{1000}$ must be greater than 31, but less than 32. There are 31 whole numbers less than 32, but we need to exclude 5 of these, so there are $31 - 5 = \mathbf{26 \text{ whole numbers}}$ between 5 and 32.

$4^4 = 256$	$30^2 = 900$
$5^4 = 625$	$31^2 = 961$
$6^4 = 1296$	$32^2 = 1024$

Category 4 – Arithmetic

1. Evaluate the following expression:

$$(3^3 - 2^5)^2 + \sqrt[3]{2^6} + \sqrt{9 \cdot 4^2}$$

2. N is a natural number that makes the equation below true. Find the value of N .

$$N^2 \cdot \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{5^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{144}}{\sqrt[3]{8}}\right)^2 \cdot \sqrt{81}$$

3. M is a natural number greater than 1 such that the difference between the 4th and 3rd powers of M is 4 times the difference between the 3rd and 2nd powers. What is the value of M ?

Answers	
1.	_____
2.	_____
3.	_____

Solutions to Category 4 - Arithmetic

$$1. (3^3 - 2^5)^2 + \sqrt[3]{2^6} + \sqrt{9 \cdot 4^2} =$$

$$(27 - 32)^2 + \sqrt[3]{64} + \sqrt{3^2 \cdot 4^2} =$$

$$(-5)^2 + 4 + 3 \cdot 4 = 25 + 4 + 12 = 41$$

Answers

1. 41

2. 6

3. 4

$$2. N^2 \cdot \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{5^{-1} \cdot \sqrt{144}}{\sqrt[3]{8}}\right)^2 \cdot \sqrt{81}$$

$$N^2 \cdot \frac{9}{25} = \left(\frac{12}{5 \cdot 2}\right)^2 \cdot 9$$

$$N^2 \cdot \frac{9}{25} = \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^2 \cdot 9 = 6^2 \cdot \frac{9}{25}$$

$N^2 = 6^2$ so the natural solution is $N = 6$

3. We know that $M^4 - M^3 = 4 \cdot (M^3 - M^2)$. Taking the common factors out in each side of the equation we get:

$M^3 \cdot (M - 1) = 4 \cdot M^2 \cdot (M - 1)$ so we can divide both sides by $M^2 \cdot (M - 1)$ to get $M = 4$.

Editor note: The original question did not have "greater than 1" and so $M=1$ was a debated but accepted answer since $0 = 4$ times 0 . Also accepted was $1,4$.

Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3, January 2009

1. What is the largest possible integer value of a if $3^a < 2^{13}$?

2. What is the value of the expression below? Express your answer as a common fraction.

$$\left(3\frac{1}{8}\right)^5 \times \left(1\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-7}$$

3. There are exactly 38 whole numbers that are greater than $\sqrt[3]{400}$ and less than \sqrt{n} . If n is a whole number, what is the largest possible value of n ?

Answers	
1.	_____
2.	_____
3.	_____

Solutions to Category 4
Arithmetic
Meet #3, January 2009

Answers 1. $2^{13} = 8192$. The largest power of 3 less than that is $3^8 = 6561$, so $a = 8$.

1. 8

2. $\frac{125}{2}$

3. 2116 2. $\left(3\frac{1}{8}\right)^5 \times \left(1\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-7} = \left(\frac{25}{8}\right)^5 \times \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-7} = \left(\frac{25}{8}\right)^5 \times \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^7 =$
$$\frac{25^5 \times 4^7}{8^5 \times 5^7} = \frac{5^{10} \times 2^{14}}{2^{15} \times 5^7} = \frac{5^3}{2} = \frac{125}{2}$$

3. $7^3 = 343$ and $8^3 = 512$, so $\sqrt[3]{400}$ is between 7 and 8. The first whole number greater than $\sqrt[3]{400}$ then is 8. The 38th whole number greater than $\sqrt[3]{400}$ is 45. Therefore \sqrt{n} must be larger than 45, but not larger than 46 or there would be 39 numbers between $\sqrt[3]{400}$ and \sqrt{n} . $45^2 = 2025$ while $46^2 = 2116$. So the largest whole number value of n would be 2116 as 45 is less than $\sqrt{2116}$ while 46 is not.