

## Elementary Algebra Level Practice Test For Accuplacer

### A. Operations with integers and rational numbers

1. What is the sum of  $-\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{7}{9}$ ?

a)  $\frac{6}{12}$

b)  $\frac{8}{12}$

c)  $\frac{4}{9}$

d)  $-\frac{4}{9}$

2. If  $-2$  is added to the sum of  $-18$  and  $12$ , what is the new sum?

a) 4

b)  $-8$

c) 8

d)  $-4$

3. Subtract  $-8$  from  $-3$ .

a)  $-11$

b) 5

c)  $-5$

d)  $-24$

4. Lisa baked a pie and Steve ate  $\frac{7}{15}$  of the pie. Later, Dave stopped by and ate  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the remaining pie. What fraction of the original pie is left over?

a)  $\frac{2}{3}$

b)  $\frac{3}{5}$

c)  $\frac{13}{20}$

d)  $\frac{1}{3}$

5. What is the product of  $\frac{-5}{12}$  and  $\frac{-1}{5}$ ?

a)  $\frac{-6}{17}$

b)  $\frac{-1}{12}$

c)  $\frac{1}{12}$

d)  $\frac{-37}{60}$

6. Simplify  $-56 \div (-7) \cdot (-3) \div (-3) \div (-2)$ .

a) 4

b)  $-4$

c)  $-16$

d) 16

7. If  $4x = \frac{7}{9}$ , then  $x$  equals?
- a)  $\frac{7}{13}$                       b)  $\frac{11}{9}$                       c)  $\frac{28}{9}$                       d)  $\frac{7}{36}$
8. If the area of a right triangle is  $10 \text{ cm}^2$  and the height is 5 cm, what is the base of the right triangle?
- a) 50 cm                      b) 4 cm                      c) 5 cm                      d) 2 cm
9. If  $x = \left| -3 - \left( -1\frac{3}{4} \right) \right|$ , find  $x$ .
- a)  $4\frac{3}{4}$                       b)  $2\frac{3}{4}$                       c)  $-1\frac{1}{4}$                       d)  $1\frac{1}{4}$
10. If a consumer price index for fuel changed from  $-1.8$  the first year to  $-0.4$  the following year, which of the following represent the absolute value of the change from the first year to the second year?
- a)  $|-1.8 - (-0.4)|$                       b)  $|-1.8 - 0.4|$                       c)  $|-0.4 - 1.8|$                       d)  $|0.4 - (-1.8)|$
11. Arrange the numbers  $\left\{ \frac{2}{3}, \frac{9}{10}, \frac{5}{6} \right\}$  in decreasing order.
- a)  $\left\{ \frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{9}{10} \right\}$                       b)  $\left\{ \frac{9}{10}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$                       c)  $\left\{ \frac{2}{3}, \frac{9}{10}, \frac{5}{6} \right\}$                       d)  $\left\{ \frac{5}{6}, \frac{9}{10}, \frac{2}{3} \right\}$
12. Sort the following numbers from least to greatest:  $\{7, -3, 12, 8, -4\}$ .
- a)  $\{-3, -4, 7, 8, 12\}$                       b)  $\{-4, -3, 7, 8, 12\}$                       c)  $\{12, 8, 7, -3, -4\}$                       d)  $\{12, 8, 7, -4, -3\}$

**B. Operations with algebraic expressions**

13. Evaluate the formula  $y = 3x - 4$  for  $y$  if  $x = 2$ .
- a)  $y = 6$                       b)  $y = 1$                       c)  $y = 2$                       d)  $y = -1$

14. Simplify  $3r - 2(r + 1) + r$ .

a)  $2r - 2$

b)  $4r - 1$

c)  $-2r + 2$

d)  $2r + 1$

15. Simplify the following expression  $2x + 7 - 3x^2 - 4x + 11 - 2x^2$ .

a)  $-5x^2 - 2x + 18$

b)  $-5x^4 - 2x^2 + 18$

c)  $5x^2 + 2x - 18$

d)  $-x^2 - 6x + 4$

16. Simplify the following expression  $(6x^3 - x^2 + 4) - (4x^3 - 2x^2 + 7x - 3)$ .

a)  $2x^3 - 3x^2 + 7x + 1$

b)  $10x^3 - 3x^2 + 7x + 1$

c)  $2x^3 + x^2 + 7x + 1$

d)  $2x^3 + x^2 - 7x + 7$

17. If  $3^{2x} = 9^x$ , which of the following could be the value of  $x$ ?

a) only 1

b) only 2

c) only 3

d) 1, 2 and 3

18. Which of the following is NOT equivalent to  $\sqrt[4]{6^8}$ ?

a)  $6^2$

b) 36

c)  $6^4$

d)  $6^{8/4}$

19. Simplify  $\frac{x^2 - 2x - 3}{x + 1}$  as much as possible.

a)  $x + 3$

b)  $x^2 - 4$

c)  $x - 3$

d)  $x^2 - 5$

20. Simplify  $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{2}{b}$  completely.

a)  $\frac{2}{ab}$

b)  $\frac{3}{ab}$

c)  $\frac{2a + b}{ab}$

d)  $\frac{3}{a + b}$

21. Simplify  $6x + x + y$ .

- a)  $6xy$                                       b)  $6x + y$                                       c)  $7x + y$                                       d)  $7(x + y)$

22. Find the product of  $(x - 4)(x + 3)$ .

- a)  $x^2 + 7x + 12$                                       b)  $x^2 + 12x - 1$                                       c)  $x^2 - x - 12$                                       d)  $x^2 - 7x - 7$

**C. Equation solving, inequalities and word problems.**

23. A family rented a car on a family vacation. The rental agency charged \$29 per day and 38 cents per mile. They rented the car for three days and the total rental cost was \$246.60. How many miles did they drive the rental car?

- a) about 572 miles                                      b) 420 miles                                      c) 4.2 miles                                      d) 855.4 miles

24. A rectangular football practice field is 2 times as long as it is wide. If the perimeter of the practice field is 300 yards, what are the field's dimensions?

- a) 75 yds by 150 yds                                      b) 50 yds by 100 yds                                      c) 150 yds by 150 yds                                      d) 100 yds by 200 yds

25. The diameter of a tire for a racing bike is about 70 centimeters. If the wheel is turning at a rate of 3 revolutions per second, which expression could be used to approximate how far, in meters, the racer goes in one minute?  
Hint: 100cm = 1m

- a)  $\frac{70\pi(3)(60)}{100}$                                       b)  $\frac{35\pi(3)(60)}{100}$                                       c)  $70\pi(3)(60)$                                       d)  $140\pi(3)(60)$

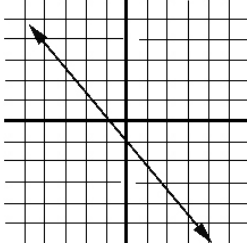
26. A town begins with 50 people in the year  $t = 0$  and grows at a rate of 10 people per year. Write an equation for the number of people,  $P$ , in the town for any time  $t$ .

- a)  $P = 50t + 10$                                       b)  $P = 10t - 50$                                       c)  $P = 50t - 10$                                       d)  $P = 10t + 50$

27. Write the word phrase, triple a number subtracted from 6, in symbols using variables.

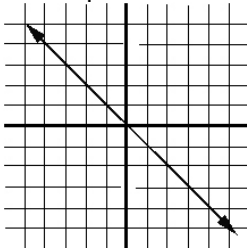
- a)  $6 - 3x$                                       b)  $3x - 6$                                       c)  $3(x - 2)$                                       d)  $(3 - 6x)$

28. What is the y-intercept of the line in the given graph?



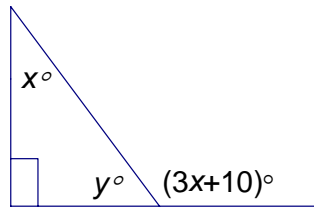
- a) (1,0)                      b) (-1,0)                      c) (0,1)                      d) (0,-1)

29. Which of the equations below describes the line in the picture?



- a)  $y = x + 1$                       b)  $y = -x$                       c)  $y = x$                       d)  $x = y - 1$

30. For the given figure, which of the following equations is NOT true.



- a)  $x = 40^\circ$                       b)  $(3x+10)^\circ + y^\circ = 180^\circ$                       c)  $x^\circ + y^\circ = 90^\circ$                       d)  $x^\circ = (3x+10)^\circ$