

COLLEGE ALGEBRA EXAM 1 DG R<sup>2</sup> NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SHOW ALL WORK ON THIS TEST OR ON SEPARATE PAPER. Circle answers.  
TURN IN ALL WORKSHEETS. GRAPHING CALCULATORS ARE REQUIRED ON THIS  
TEST. (WHEN CALCULATORS ARE USED, SKETCH THE GRAPH, DESCRIBE THE  
WINDOW, OR OTHERWISE INDICATE WHAT YOU DID!!) YOU MUST SHOW ALL WORK!!

In 1 - 3, factor completely and simplify if possible:

1.  $9a^3b - 16ab^3$

2.  $(X+Y)^2 + 5(X+Y) + 4$

3.  $(1 - X^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + X^2(1 - X^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

4a) Simplify:  $(1 + i)^4$

b) Divide (give answer in form using fractions)

$$\frac{6 - i}{4 + i}$$

5. Simplify the fraction: 6. Sketch and find the roots of

$$\frac{5}{X^2 - X - 2} - \frac{3}{X^2 - 5X + 6}$$

$$Y = X^3 - 5X^2 - 6X$$

In 7 - 9, simplify the radicals (rationalize denom). Give radical form:

7a)  $\sqrt{54X^6Y^{11}}$

8a)  $\frac{12}{\sqrt{2}}$

9.  $\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3}}$

b)  $\sqrt[3]{54X^6Y^{11}}$

b)  $\frac{12}{\sqrt[3]{2}}$

10. Simplify by using definitions or calculator:

a)  $8^{-\frac{2}{3}}$

b)  $-25^{\frac{3}{2}}$

In 11 - 18, solve for X:

11.  $P = \frac{XY}{X + Y}$

12.  $|3X - 6| = |2x + 9|$

In 13 - 16, give exact radical form (use complex numbers if necessary):

13.  $(X + 8)^2 = 27$

14.  $X(X - 6) = -2$

$$15. \quad x^2 + 6x + 13 = 0$$

$$16. \quad x^4 - 8x^2 - 9 = 0$$

$$17. \quad \sqrt{x+12} + \sqrt{x} = 6$$

$$18. \quad \frac{x-14}{x} + 16 \cdot \frac{x}{x-14} = 10$$

In 19 - 20, use the calculator to find the value. Round to nearest hundredth or give scientific notation.

$$19a) \quad 864,000 \times 980,000,000$$

$$20a) \quad \sqrt[5]{750}$$

$$b) \quad \left( \frac{127.3}{0.00025} \right)^7$$

$$b) \quad \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3}}$$

$$c) \quad \sqrt{\frac{6.2 \times 10^6}{9.6 \times 10^{-9}}}$$

$$c) \quad \frac{850}{\sqrt{0.00035}}$$

# COLLEGE ALGEBRA EXAM 1 DG Solutions

10.  $9a^3b - 16ab^3$

$$ab(9a^2 - 16b^2)$$

$$\cancel{ab} \quad \cancel{(3a - 4b)(3a + 4b)}$$

4.  $(1+i)^4$

CALCULATOR

a)  $\boxed{0}, 1, \boxed{9} 1, \boxed{1}, 4, \boxed{=}$   
 $(-4, 0)$  or  $\boxed{-4}$

b)  $\boxed{1}, 6, -1, \boxed{0} \boxed{\div}$

$\boxed{14}, \boxed{9}, 1, \boxed{1} \boxed{=}$

$(1.35294117647, -558\ldots)$

[CUSTOM], [FRAC], [ENTER]

$(\frac{23}{17}, -\frac{10}{17})$   $\boxed{\frac{23}{17} - \frac{10}{17} i}$

7(a)  $\sqrt{54x^6y^{11}} = \sqrt{9x^6y^{10}\sqrt{6y}}$   
 $= \boxed{3x^3y^5\sqrt{6y}}$

4)  $\sqrt[3]{54x^6y^{11}} = \sqrt[3]{27x^6y^9\sqrt[3]{2y^2}}$   
 $= \boxed{3x^2y^3\sqrt[3]{2y^2}}$

10a)  $8^{-\frac{2}{3}} = (\frac{3\sqrt{8}}{\sqrt{2}})^{-2}$

$$= 2^{-2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4}}$$

b)  $-25^{\frac{3}{2}} = -(\sqrt{25})^3$   
 $= -5^3 = \boxed{-125}$

13.  $(x+8)^2 = 27$

$x+8 = \pm\sqrt{27}$

$x+8 = \pm 3\sqrt{3}$

$x = -8 \pm 3\sqrt{3}$

11.  $P = \frac{xy}{x+y}$

$Px + Py = xy$

$Py = xy - Px$

$Py = \frac{x(y-P)}{y-P}$

$x = \frac{Py}{y-P}$

14.  $x(x-6) = -2$

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

Quadratic Formula or 14a

14. Complete the Square

$x^2 - 6x = -2$  - OR -  $x^2 - 6x + 9 = -2 + 9$

$(x-3)^2 = 7$

$x-3 = \pm\sqrt{7}$

$x = 3 \pm \sqrt{7}$

15. ALG.

$x^2 + 6x + 13 = 0$

$x^2 + 6x + 9 = -13 + 9$

$(x+3)^2 = -4$

$x+3 = \pm\sqrt{-4}$

$x = -3 \pm 2i$

CALCULATOR - See right side →

2.  $(x+y)^2 + 5(x+y) + 4$   
 $\boxed{[(x+y)+4][(x+y)+1]}$   
 $\boxed{(x+y+4)(x+y+1)}$

5.  $\frac{5}{(x-2)(x+1)} - \frac{3}{(x-2)(x-3)}$   
 $\frac{5(x-3) - 3(x+1)}{(x-2)(x+1)(x-3)}$

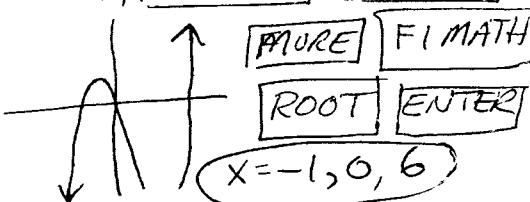
$$= \frac{5x-15 - 3x-3}{(x-2)(x+1)(x-3)}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{2x-18}{(x-2)(x+1)(x-3)}}$$

3.  $(1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x^2(1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$   
 $(1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} [(1-x^2) + x^2]$   
 $(1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} [1] \text{ or } \boxed{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}}$

6.  $y = x^3 - 5x^2 - 6x$

CALCULATOR:  
[GRAPH], [F1],  $y = x^3 - 5x^2 - 6x$   
[EXIT], [F3 ZOOM], [F4 ZSTD]



9.  $\frac{(\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{3})}$

4)  $\frac{12\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}} = \frac{12\sqrt{2}}{2} = \boxed{6\sqrt{2}}$

8(a)  $\frac{12\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}} = \frac{12\sqrt{2}}{2} = \boxed{6\sqrt{2}}$

4)  $\frac{12\sqrt[3]{4}}{\sqrt[3]{2}\sqrt[3]{4}} = \frac{12\sqrt[3]{4}}{2} = \boxed{6\sqrt[3]{4}} = \frac{6 - \sqrt[3]{18} - \sqrt[3]{18} + 3}{6 - 3} = \frac{9 - 2\sqrt[3]{18}}{3}$

12.  $|3x-6| = |2x+9| = \frac{9 - 6\sqrt{2}}{3} = \boxed{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}$

$3x-6 = 2x+9$

$x = 15$

OR -

$3x-6 = -2x-9$

$5x = -3$

$x = -\frac{3}{5}$

CALCULATOR:  $y_1 = \text{abs}(3x-6) - \text{abs}(2x+9)$

ROOTS:

$x = -6, 15$

(EXTEND  
Graph to right.)

15. CALCULATOR

ROOT: Does not work

Since no real roots,

2nd Poly,

Order = 2 Enter:

$a_2 = 1$  Enter

$a_1 = 6$  Enter

$a_0 = 13$  Solve:  $(-3, 2)$

$x = -3 \pm 2i$   $(-3, -2)$

QUAD. FORMULA

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

$$= \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4(1)(2)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{28}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{7}}{2}$$

$$= \boxed{3 \pm \sqrt{7}}$$

$$16. x^4 - 8x^2 - 9 = 0$$

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

$$x^2 = 9 \quad x^2 = -1$$

$$x = \pm 3 \quad x = \pm i$$

CALCULATOR: 2nd POLY

Order = 4

$$\begin{aligned}a_4 &= 1 \\a_3 &= 0 \\a_2 &= -8 \\a_1 &= 0 \\a_0 &= -9\end{aligned}$$

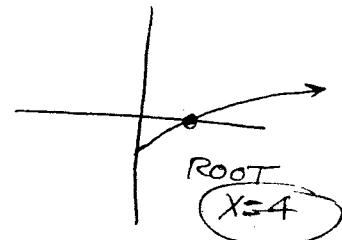
$$17. \sqrt{x+12} + \sqrt{x} = 6$$

$$(\sqrt{x+12})^2 = (6 - \sqrt{x})^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x+12 = 36 - 12\sqrt{x} + x \\ -x - 36 \quad -36 \\ \hline -24 = -12\sqrt{x} \\ -12 \quad -12 \\ 2 = \sqrt{x} \\ x = 4 \end{array}$$

Easier to use calculator:

$$y_1 = \sqrt{x+12} + \sqrt{x} - 6 = 0$$



$$18. \frac{x-14}{x} + \frac{16x}{x-14} = 10 \quad \text{or Calculator}$$

$$\text{let } u = \frac{x-14}{x} \quad \frac{1}{u} = \frac{x}{x-14}$$

$$u(u + 16\frac{1}{u}) = 10$$

$$u^2 + 16 = 10u$$

$$u^2 - 10u + 16 = 0$$

$$(u-8)(u-2) = 0$$

$$u=8 \quad u=2$$

$$\frac{x-14}{x} = 8 \quad \frac{x-14}{x} = 2$$

$$x-14 = 8x \quad x-14 = 2x$$

$$-2 = x \quad -14 = x$$

- OR -

$$\frac{x-14}{x} + 16 \cdot \frac{x}{x-14} = 10$$

$$\frac{x(x-14)}{x} + 16 \cdot \frac{x}{x-14} = 10$$

$$x^2 - 28x + 14^2 + 16x^2 = 10x^2 - 140x$$

$$17x^2 - 28x + 196 = 10x^2 - 140x$$

$$7x^2 + 112x + 196 = 0$$

$$7(x^2 + 16x + 28) = 0$$

$$(x+2)(x+14) = 0$$

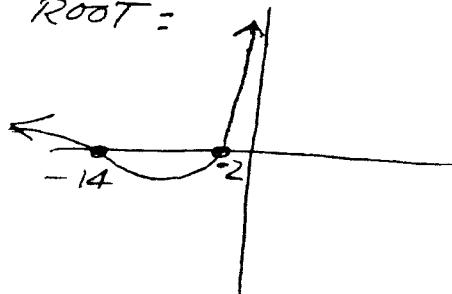
$$x = -2 \quad x = -14$$

$$y_1 = (x-14) \div x + 16x \div (x-14) - 10$$

use a large enough window!

Range  $x = -20$  to  $20$ .

MORE, MATH, ROOT =



$$19. a) 8.4672 \times 10^{14} \quad (8.47 \times 10^{14})$$

$$b) 8.87603 \times 10^{39} \quad (8.88 \times 10^{39})$$

$$c) 25413251.1366 \text{ or } (2.54 \times 10^7)$$

$$20. a) \sqrt[5]{750}$$

$$5 \sqrt[5]{750} = 3.76$$

$$b) \frac{(\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{3})} = 0.17$$

$$c) \frac{850}{\sqrt{0.00035}} = 45434.41$$