

ORDER OF OPERATIONS PRACTICE

Solve the following problems by using the correct order of operations.

(Parentheses/brackets, exponents, multiplication & division, addition & subtraction)

Level 1:

1) $3 \times 7 - 1$

2) $2 \times (7 - 2) + 3$

3) $(7 \times 2 - 1) \times 3$

4) $(12 - 2 \times 4) \div 2$

5) $2 + (6 \div 3 \times 8)$

Level 2:

1) $-2(7 - 4^2)$

2) $(2^3 - (5 - 2))^2$

3) $(9 - 1)^2 - 5^2 \times 2$

4) $6[-3(3 - 6)^2]$

5) $120 \div (9 - 3 \times 2^2)$

**Level 3:**

1) $3(3 \times 8 + 3)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

2) $2 \times ((5 - 3)^3 - 3)^2$

3) $\frac{33-3^3}{8-6 \div 3}$

4) $3\sqrt{(2^3 - 4)^2 - 12}$

5) $108 \div (9 - 3 \times 2^2)^2$



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SOLUTIONS:**Level 1:**

- 1) $3 \times 7 - 1$
 $= 21 - 1 = 20$
- 2) $2 \times (7 - 2) + 3$
 $= 2 \times 5 + 3$
 $= 10 + 3 = 13$
- 3) $(7 \times 2 - 1) \times 3$
 $= (14 - 1) \times 3$
 $= 13 \times 3 = 39$
- 4) $(12 - 2 \times 4) \div 2$
 $= (12 - 8) \div 2$
 $= 4 \div 2 = 2$
- 5) $2 + (6 \div 3 \times 8)$
 $= 2 + (2 \times 8)$
 $= 2 + 16 = 18$

Level 2:

- 1) $-2(7 - 4^2)$
 $= -2(7 - 16)$
 $= -2 \times (-9) = 18$
- 2) $(2^3 - (5 - 2))^2$
 $= (2^3 - 3)^2$
 $= (8 - 3)^2$
 $= 5^2 = 25$
- 3) $(9 - 1)^2 - 5^2 \times 2$
 $= 8^2 - 5^2 \times 2$
 $= 64 - 25 \times 2$
 $= 64 - 50 = 14$
- 4) $6[-3(3 - 6)^2]$
 $= 6[-3(-3)^2]$
 $= 6[-3 \times 9]$
 $= 6 \times (-27) = -162$
- 5) $120 \div (9 - 3 \times 2^2)$
 $= 120 \div (9 - 3 \times 4)$
 $= 120 \div (9 - 12)$
 $= 120 \div (-3) = -40$



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Level 3:

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \quad & 3(3 \times 8 + 3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ & = 3(24 + 3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ & = 3(27)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 3 \times \sqrt[3]{27} \\ & = 3 \times 3 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2) \quad & = 2 \times ((5 - 3)^3 - 3)^2 \\ & = 2 \times (2^3 - 3)^2 \\ & = 2 \times (8 - 3)^2 \\ & = 2 \times 5^2 \\ & = 2 \times 25 = 50 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3) \quad & \frac{33 - 3^3}{8 - 6 \div 3} \\ & = \frac{33 - 27}{8 - 6 \div 3} \\ & = \frac{33 - 27}{8 - 2} \\ & = \frac{6}{6} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4) \quad & 3\sqrt{(2^3 - 4)^2 - 12} \\ & = 3((2^3 - 4)^2 - 12)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & = 3((8 - 4)^2 - 12)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & = 3(4^2 - 12)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & = 3(16 - 12)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & = 3(4)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3\sqrt{4} \\ & = 3 \times 2 = 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 5) \quad & 108 \div (9 - 3 \times 2^2)^2 \\ & = 108 \div (9 - 3 \times 4)^2 \\ & = 108 \div (9 - 12)^2 \\ & = 108 \div (-3)^2 \\ & = 108 \div 9 = 12 \end{aligned}$$

