## Sample Practice Problems for Accuplacer Placement Exam

Solve the real-world application numerically or graphically.

- 1) An auto repair shop charged a customer \$369 to repair a car. The bill listed \$54 for parts and the remainder for labor. If the cost of labor is \$35 per hour, how many hours of labor did it take to repair the car?
- 1) \_\_\_\_\_

- A) 9.5 hours
- B) 9 hours
- C) 10 hours
- D) 8 hours

Evaluate the function.

- 2) Find f(2) when  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x 1$ .
  - A) -5

C) -3

- D) 13

- 3) Find f(0) when  $f(x) = x^2 + 5x 7$ .
  - A) 0

C) 7

D) 49

Solve.

- 4) -7x + 5 > -8x + 6
  - A)  $x \le 11$
- B) x > 1
- C)  $x \ge 11$
- D) x < 1

- 5) 24x 12 > 4(5x 2)
  - A) x < 1
- B)  $x \le 1$
- C) x > 1
- D)  $x \ge 1$

- 6) 2x + 7(3x 3) = 10 8x
  - A)  $-\frac{11}{15}$
- B) 1

C) 1

- D)  $-\frac{11}{31}$

- 7)  $4m^2 + 8m + 2 = 0$

- A)  $m = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2}}{8}$  B)  $m = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{6}}{2}$  C)  $m = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{2}}{2}$  D)  $m = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2}}{2}$
- 8) A vendor sells hot dogs and bags of potato chips. A customer buys 3 hot dogs and 2 bags of potato chips for \$10.50. Another customer buys 4 hot dogs and 3 bags of potato chips for \$14.50. Find the cost of each item.
  - 8)

- A) \$2.50 for a hot dog; \$1.75 for a bag of potato chips
- B) \$2.50 for a hot dog; \$1.50 for a bag of potato chips
- C) \$2.75 for a hot dog; \$1.75 for a bag of potato chips
- D) \$1.50 for a hot dog; \$2.50 for a bag of potato chips
- 9)  $\frac{a}{5} \frac{1}{5} = -3$

A) 16

- B) -14
- C) -16
- D) 14

10)  $\frac{p}{4} - \frac{3p}{8} = 2$ 

- A) p = 16
- B) p = -16
- C) p = 2
- D) p = -2
- 11) Jim has gotten scores of 60 and 96 on his first two tests. What score must he get on his third test to keep an average of 75 or better?
- 11) \_\_\_\_\_

- A) at least 78
- B) at least 69
- C) at least 77
- D) at least 67

Write an equation for the line in slope-intercept form.

12) Passing through 
$$(5, 2)$$
 and parallel to the line whose equation is  $y = -7x + 6$ .

A) 
$$y = -7x - 37$$
 B)  $y = 7x - 37$ 

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C) 
$$y = -\frac{1}{7}x - \frac{37}{7}$$
 D)  $y = -7x + 37$ 

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Factor completely.

13) 
$$u^2 - 3uv - 54v^2$$

A) does not factor B) 
$$(u - 6v)(u + 9v)$$
 C)  $(u - 6v)(u + v)$ 

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Evaluate, using the order of operations. If necessary, round your answer to the nearest thousandth.

14) 
$$\frac{32 + 9 \cdot 9}{8^2 - 8 \cdot 6 + -15 - 1^3}$$

14)

15)

16)

13)

12)

A) 
$$\frac{113}{40}$$

C) 
$$\frac{113}{88}$$

D) undefined

C) 61

Multiply.

16) 
$$(2x - 5y)^2$$

A) 
$$4x^2 + 25y^2$$

B) 
$$4x^2 - 20xy + 25y^2$$

C) 
$$2x^2 + 25y^2$$

D) 
$$2x^2 - 20xy + 25y^2$$

Use the general strategy to factor completely.

17) 
$$49k^3m + 42k^2m^2 + 9km^3$$

17) \_\_\_\_

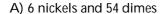
A) 
$$km(7k - 3m)^2$$

C) 
$$km(7k + 3m)^2$$

B) km(7k + 3m)(7k - 3m)

Write a system of equations for the application and solve using the elimination method.

18) Jamil always throws loose change into a pencil holder on his desk and takes it out every two weeks. 18) \_\_\_\_\_ This time it is all nickels and dimes. There are 9 times as many dimes as nickels, and the value of the dimes is \$5.95 more than the value of the nickels. How many nickels and dimes does Jamil have?



B) 63 nickels and 7 dimes

C) 7 nickels and 63 dimes

D) 8 nickels and 72 dimes

Solve the equation for y.

19) 
$$18x + 5y = 18$$

A) 
$$y = -\frac{18}{5}x + \frac{18}{5}$$
 B)  $y = 18x - 18$  C)  $y = \frac{18}{5}x - \frac{18}{5}$  D)  $y = \frac{18}{5}x + \frac{18}{5}$ 

C) 
$$y = \frac{18}{5}x - \frac{18}{5}$$

D) 
$$y = \frac{18}{5}x + \frac{18}{5}$$

Solve the formula for the specified variable.

20) 
$$P = 2L + 2W$$
 for W

20) \_\_\_\_\_

A) W = P - L B) W = 
$$\frac{P - 2L}{2}$$
 C) W = P - 2L

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$$W = P - 2L$$

D) W = 
$$\frac{P - L}{2}$$