



AP[®] Precalculus

Practice Exam: Section I Multiple-Choice Questions

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SECTION I, Part B

Time—40 minutes

Number of questions—12

A GRAPHING CALCULATOR IS REQUIRED FOR SOME QUESTIONS ON THIS PART OF THE EXAM.

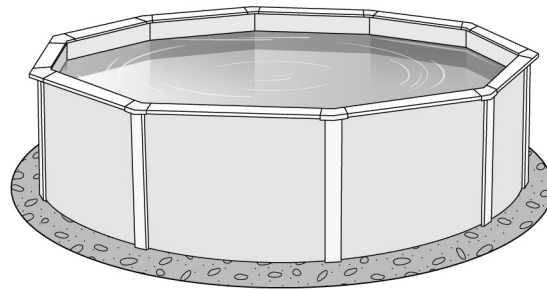
Directions: Solve each of the following problems, using the available space for scratch work. After examining the choices, decide which is the best of the choices given and fill in the corresponding circle on the answer sheet. No credit will be given for anything written in this exam booklet. Do not spend too much time on any one problem.

BE SURE YOU FILL IN THE CIRCLES ON THE ANSWER SHEET THAT CORRESPOND TO QUESTIONS NUMBERED 76–87.

YOU MAY NOT RETURN TO QUESTIONS NUMBERED 1–28.

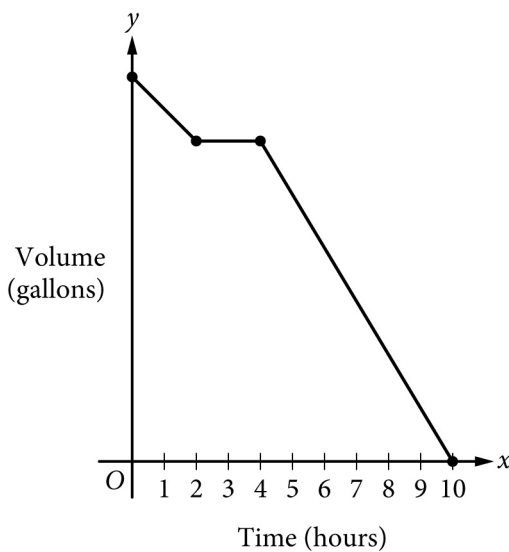
In this exam:

- (1) The exact numerical value of the correct answer does not always appear among the choices given. When this happens, select from among the choices the number that best approximates the exact numerical value.
- (2) Unless otherwise specified, the domain of a function f is assumed to be the set of all real numbers x for which $f(x)$ is a real number.
- (3) Angle measures for trigonometric functions are assumed to be in radians. **Make sure your calculator is in radian mode.**

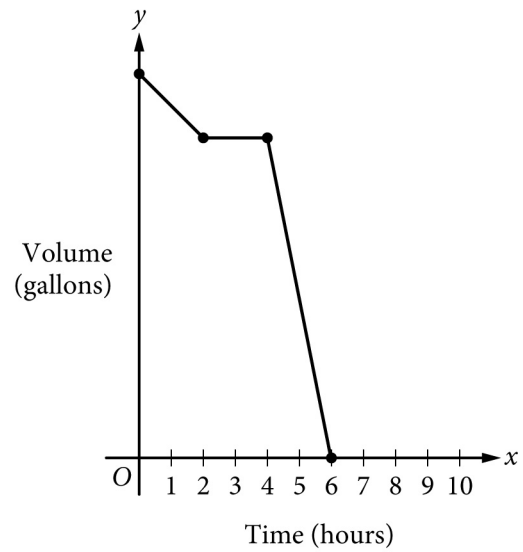


76. The figure shows a swimming pool filled with water. A pump is used to remove water from the pool until the pool is empty. When the pump is running, the rate at which the volume of water in the pool decreases is constant. During the first two hours, the pump works slower than usual due to a broken piece. Then the pump stops working. The broken piece is replaced, and the pump works at its usual rate until the pool is completely emptied of water. The entire process of emptying the pool takes six hours. Which of the following graphs could depict this situation, where time, in hours, is the independent variable, and the volume of water in the pool, in gallons, is the dependent variable?

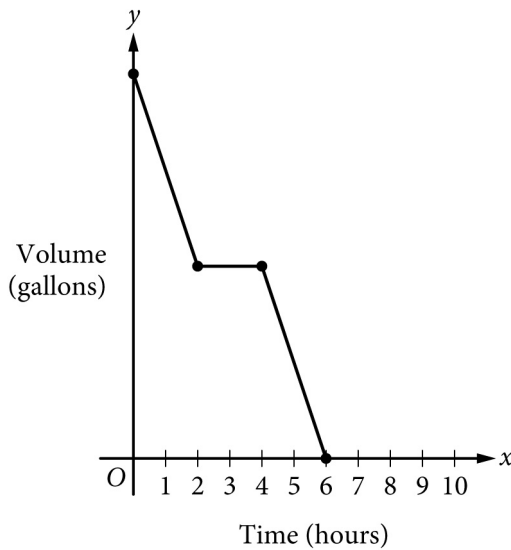
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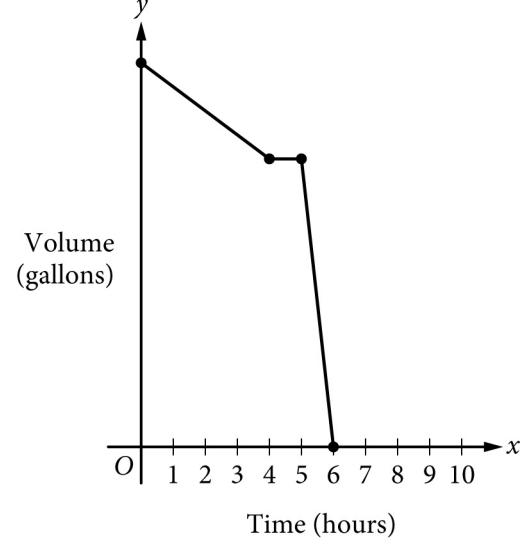
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(C)



(D)



77. In a certain simulation, the population of a bacteria colony can be modeled using a geometric sequence, where the first day of the simulation is day 1. The population on day 4 was 4,000 bacteria, and the population on day 8 was 49,000 bacteria. What was the population of the colony on day 6 based on the simulation?

- (A) 26,500
 - (B) 26,192
 - (C) 14,000
 - (D) 611
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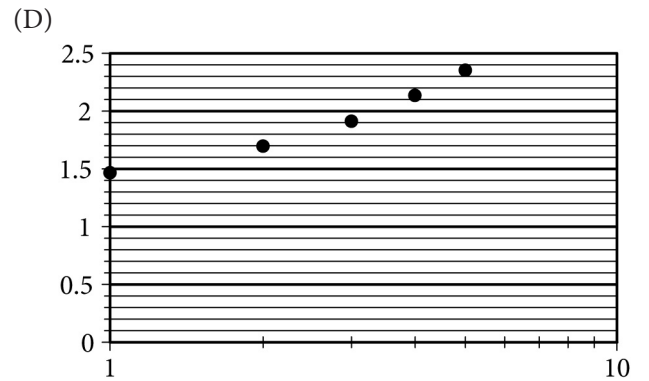
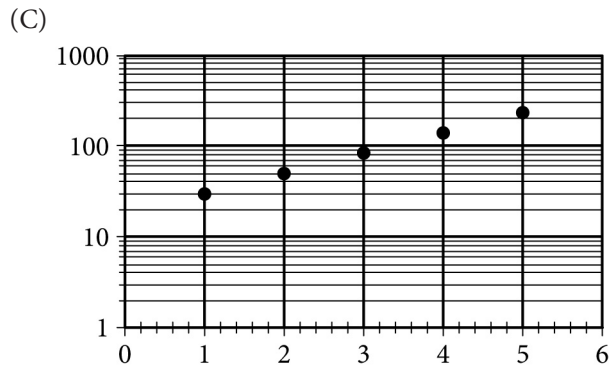
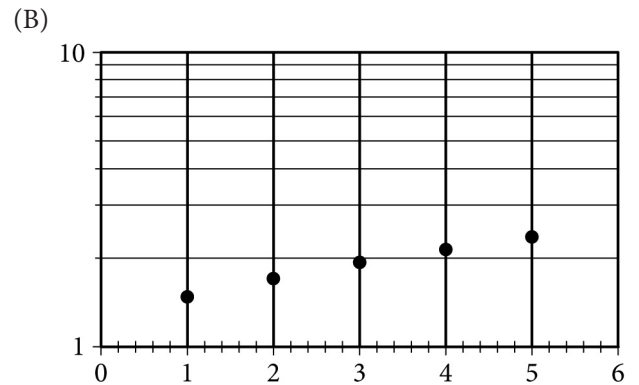
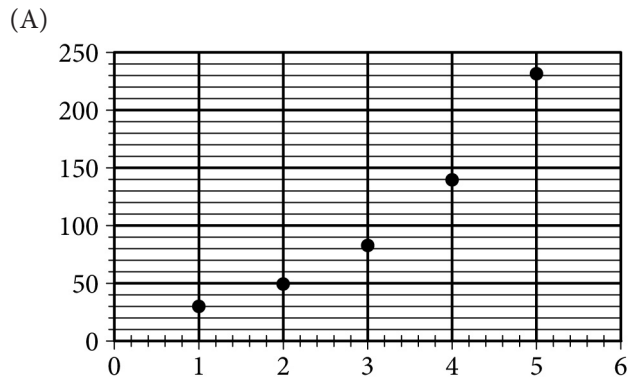
78. The rate of people entering a subway car on a particular day is modeled by the function R , where $R(t) = 0.03t^3 - 0.846t^2 + 6.587t + 1.428$ for $0 \leq t \leq 20$. $R(t)$ is measured in people per hour, and t is measured in hours since the subway began service for the day. Based on the model, at what value of t does the rate of people entering the subway car change from increasing to decreasing?

- (A) $t = 20$
- (B) $t = 17.056$
- (C) $t = 13.295$
- (D) $t = 5.505$

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t	1	2	3	4	5
$m(t)$	30	50	83	139	231

79. The table gives values for a function m at selected values of t . Which of the following graphs could represent these data in a semi-log plot, where the vertical axis is logarithmically scaled?



80. At a coastal city, the height of the tide, in feet (ft), is modeled by the function h , defined by

$$h(t) = 6.3\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}t\right) + 7.5 \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq 12 \text{ hours. Based on the model, which of the following is true?}$$

- (A) The maximum height of the tide is 13.8 ft.
 - (B) The maximum height of the tide occurs at $t = 6$ hours.
 - (C) The minimum height of the tide is 1 ft.
 - (D) The minimum height of the tide occurs at $t = 12$ hours.
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81. The function f is defined by $f(x) = a \sin(b(x+c)) + d$, for constants a , b , c , and d . In the xy -plane, the points $(2,2)$ and $(4,4)$ represent a minimum value and a maximum value, respectively, on the graph of f . What are the values of a and d ?

- (A) $a = 1$ and $d = 3$
- (B) $a = 1$ and $d = 2$
- (C) $a = 2$ and $d = 3$
- (D) $a = 2$ and $d = 2$

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82. The function S is given by $S(t) = \frac{500,000}{1+0.4e^{kt}}$, where k is a constant. If $S(4) = 300,000$, what is the value of $S(12)$?

(A) 175,325

(B) 214,772

(C) 343,764

(D) 357,143

83. Two function models k and m are constructed to represent the sales of a product at a group of grocery stores. Both $k(t)$ and $m(t)$ represent the sales of the product, in thousands of units, after t weeks for $t \geq 2$. If $k(t) = 14 - 2.885 \ln t$ and $m(t) = -t + 14$, what is the first time t that sales predicted by the logarithmic model will be 0.1 thousand units more than sales predicted by the linear model?

(A) $t = 6.318$

(B) $t = 4.324$

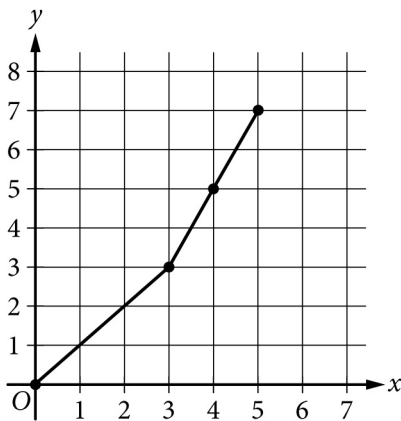
(C) $t = 3.577$

(D) $t = 2.289$

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84. The function f is given by $f(x) = 2\sin(4x) + \cos(2x)$. Using the period of f , which of the following is the number of complete cycles of the graph of f in the xy -plane on the interval $0 \leq x \leq 1000$?

- (A) 159
 - (B) 318
 - (C) 602
 - (D) 636
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Graph of f

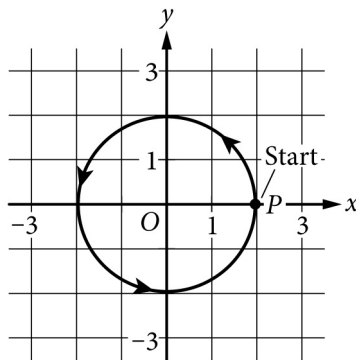
85. The graph of the piecewise-linear function f is shown in the figure. Let g be the inverse function of f . What is the maximum value of g ?

- (A) $\frac{1}{7}$
- (B) $\frac{1}{5}$
- (C) 5
- (D) 7

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86. The function f is given by $f(x) = \sin(2.25x + 0.2)$. The function g is given by $g(x) = f(x) + 0.5$. What are the zeros of g on the interval $0 \leq x \leq \pi$?

- (A) 1.085 and 2.481
- (B) 1.307 and 2.704
- (C) 1.540 and 2.471
- (D) 0.144, 1.075, and 2.936



87. A large wheel of radius 2 feet is rotated at a constant rate. The figure provides a representation of the wheel in the xy -plane with the direction of rotation indicated. At time $t = 0$ minutes, the wheel begins to rotate. Point P on the wheel is at the “Start” position in the figure. At time $t = 20$ minutes, 120 rotations of the wheel have been completed, and P is in the same position as it was at time $t = 0$. A sinusoidal function is used to model the y -coordinate of the position of P as a function of time t in minutes. Which of the following functions is an appropriate model for this situation?

- (A) $f(t) = 2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{10}t\right)$
- (B) $f(t) = 2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}t\right)$
- (C) $f(t) = 2\sin(6t)$
- (D) $f(t) = 2\sin(12\pi t)$

END OF SECTION I

**IF YOU FINISH BEFORE TIME IS CALLED,
YOU MAY CHECK YOUR WORK ON PART B ONLY.**

DO NOT GO ON TO SECTION II UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.

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Answer Key and Question Alignment to Course Framework

Multiple-Choice Question	Answer	Skill	Learning Objective	Essential Knowledge
1	D	1.A	1.5.A	1.5.A.3
2	D	1.B	2.4.A	2.4.A.2
3	A	2.A	1.1.B	1.1.B.4
4	B	3.A	1.6.A	1.6.A.3
5	A	1.B	2.12.A	2.12.A.2
6	A	3.A	1.5.A	1.5.A.1
7	D	1.C	1.9.A	1.9.A.1
8	C	2.A	3.7.A	3.7.A.1
9	A	1.C	1.12.A	1.12.A.5
10	D	3.C	2.3.A	2.3.A.1
11	C	1.B	2.7.B	2.7.B.2
12	D	3.C	1.3.B	1.3.B.2
13	A	1.B	3.12.B	3.12.B.3
14	B	2.B	2.14.A	2.14.A.2
15	A	1.B	3.13.A	3.13.A.4
16	D	3.C	3.2.A	3.2.A.3
17	B	3.C	1.12.A	1.12.A.3
18	A	2.A	2.7.A	2.7.A.2
19	D	3.A	1.12.A	1.12.A.5
20	C	2.B	3.6.A	3.6.A.6
21	C	2.A	1.11.A	1.11.A.1
22	D	1.C	2.5.A	2.5.A.4
23	B	3.A	1.5.A	1.5.A.4
24	A	1.A	2.13.A	2.13.A.2
25	B	1.A	3.10.A	3.10.A.1
26	D	3.A	3.14.A	3.14.A.2
27	D	1.C	3.7.A	3.7.A.2
28	A	3.C	3.15.A	3.15.A.1
76	B	2.B	1.1.B	1.1.B.2
77	C	3.B	2.2.B	2.2.B.3
78	D	3.B	1.4.A	1.4.A.2
79	C	2.B	2.15.A	2.15.A.1
80	A	3.A	3.7.A	3.7.A.5
81	A	2.A	3.7.A	3.7.A.2
82	A	3.B	2.13.A	2.13.A.1
83	B	3.B	2.14.A	2.14.A.6
84	B	3.B	3.7.A	3.7.A.1
85	C	2.A	2.8.B	2.8.B.3
86	C	1.A	3.10.A	3.10.A.2
87	D	1.C	3.7.A	3.7.A.1