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Objective and Essay Tests  
3 hours

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### Senior High School Certificate Examination

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This paper consists of two parts: Papers 1 and 2. Answer Paper 1 on your Objective Test Answer Sheet and Paper 2 in your Answer Booklet. Paper 1 will last for 1½ hours after which the answer sheet will be collected. Do not start Paper 2 until you are told to do so. Paper 2 will last for 1½ hours.

### PAPER 1

OBJECTIVE TEST

[40 marks]

1½ hours

- Use **2B** pencil throughout.
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**PAPER 1**  
**OBJECTIVE TEST**  
[ 40 marks ]

1½ hours

Answer **all** questions.

Paper 1 consists of **fifty** questions. Each question is followed by **four** options lettered **A** to **D**. Choose the correct option for each question and shade in **pencil** on your answer sheet the answer space which bears the same letter as the option you have chosen. Give only **one** answer to a question.

An example is given below.

If one inch equals 2.54 cm, how many centimeters tall is a 76 inch man?

- A. 20.28 cm
- B. 29.92 cm
- C. 193.04 cm
- D. 300.04 cm

The correct answer is **193.04**, which is lettered **C**, and therefore answer space **C** would be shaded.

[ A ]

[ B ]



[ D ]

Think carefully before you shade the answer spaces; erase completely any answers you wish to change.

Do all rough work on this question paper. Now answer the following questions:

1. What is the best estimate of the fraction

$$\frac{68.4 \times 123 \times 0.45}{7.19 \times 11.82} ?$$

- A. 500
- B. 300
- C. 50
- D. 30

2. A man paid \$31.60 sales tax when he purchased a new mower for \$395. What is the rate of sales?

- A. 6%
- B. 6½%
- C. 7%
- D. 8%

3. When the length of a rectangle is divided by 3 and the width is doubled, the area of the new rectangle is the area of the original one multiplied by

- A. 1/6.
- B. 2/3.
- C. 3/2.
- D. 5/2.

4. The expression  $|5x - 7| \leq 8$  is equivalent to

- A.  $-8 \leq 5x - 7 \leq 8$ .
- B.  $5x - 7 \geq 8$ .
- C.  $5x - 7 \leq 8$ .
- D.  $5x - 7 \leq 8$  or  $5x - 7 \geq 8$ .

5. Given the expression,  $s^2 = \pi r^2$ , make  $r$  the subject.

A.  $r = \frac{s}{\pi}$

B.  $r = \sqrt{\frac{s}{\pi}}$

C.  $r = \frac{s}{\sqrt{\pi}}$

D.  $r = \frac{\pi}{s}$

6. If  $x = 1 - \frac{1}{3}$ , solve for  $x$ .

- A.  $3/2$   
B.  $2/3$   
C.  $-1/2$   
D.  $-3/2$

$$x = 1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

7. Given that  $A = \begin{vmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$ ,

find the determinant of A.

- A.  $-3$   
B.  $-7$   
C.  $3$   
D.  $10$

$$-5 - 2 = -7$$

8. The fraction  $\frac{12}{3-\sqrt{5}}$  equals \_\_\_\_\_.

A.  $3 + \sqrt{5}$

$$\frac{12}{3-\sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{(3+\sqrt{5})}{(3+\sqrt{5})} = \frac{36+12\sqrt{5}}{2+5}$$

B.  $\frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{4}$

$$\frac{36+12\sqrt{5}}{7}$$

C.  $9 - 3\sqrt{5}$

$$9 + 1\sqrt{5} = 3\sqrt{5} + 5$$

D.  $9 + 3\sqrt{5}$

$$\frac{36+12\sqrt{5}}{7}$$

9. If  $d$ ,  $e$ , and  $f$  are consecutive integers, which of the following expressions is false?

- A.  $d + f$  is even  
B.  $d \times e \times f$  or  $def$  is even  
C.  $e + f$  is odd  
D.  $e \times f$  or  $ef$  is odd

10. Find  $f(g(1))$  when  $g(x) = \sqrt{2-x}$  and

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{2x-1}$$

- A.  $-1$   
B.  $0$   
C.  $1/2$   
D.  $1$

$$f(\sqrt{2-x}) = \frac{\sqrt{2-x}}{2\sqrt{2-x}-1}$$

$$x =$$

11. An artist plans to have the length of each wire in his mobile vary directly with the weight it supports. If a 10 cm wire holds a 36-g weight, how many centimeters of wire would hold a 54-g weight?

- A. 9  
B. 12  
C. 15  
D. 18

12. What is the value of  $a$  when  $\frac{1-3i}{1-i}$  is expressed in the form  $a + bi$ ?

- A. 2  
B. 1  
C.  $-1/2$   
D.  $-2$

$$\frac{1-3i}{1-i} \cdot \frac{(1+i)}{(1+i)} = \frac{1-2i-3(-1)}{1-(-1)} = \frac{1-2i+3}{2} = \frac{4-2i}{2} = 2-i$$

13. If operation  $\oplus$  is defined as:

$$a \oplus b = a^2b - ab^2, \text{ find the value of } 5 \oplus (-2).$$

- A. 70  
B. 30  
C.  $-30$   
D.  $-70$

14. Given  $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{y}{z} = \frac{3}{4}$ , find  $\frac{x}{z}$ .

- A.  $\frac{1}{2}y$   
B.  $\frac{8}{9}$   
C.  $\frac{1}{2}$   
D.  $\frac{8}{9}y$

$$\frac{2}{4}$$

15. Simplify:  $\sqrt{27} + \sqrt{48}$

- A.  $7\sqrt{3}$   
B.  $7\sqrt{6}$   
C.  $5\sqrt{3}$   
D.  $5\sqrt{6}$

$$3\sqrt{3} + 4\sqrt{3} = 7\sqrt{3}$$



16. If  $4x + 3yi = (6 - 4i)^2$  then  $x + y$  equals

A. -21.  
B. -16  
C. -11  
D. -10

$$(6 - 4i)(6 - 4i) \\ 36 - 8i + 16i^2 \\ 36 - 8i + 16$$

17. Simplify:  $\sqrt{\frac{9x^3y^5}{8x}}$

A.  $\frac{3x^2y^2\sqrt{2y}}{4}$   
B.  $\frac{3x^2y^2\sqrt{2y}}{8}$   
C.  $\frac{3xy^2\sqrt{2y}}{4}$   
D.  $\frac{3xy^2\sqrt{2y}}{8}$

$$\sqrt{\frac{9x^2y^4\sqrt{xy^2}}{2\sqrt{x}}}$$

18. If  $f(x) = 5x^4 - 3x^3 - x^2 + 2x + 5$ , find  $f(-1) - f(1)$ .

A. 0  
B. 1  
C. 2  
D. 3

19. In the formula  $A = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ , if  $r$  is doubled, then  $A$  will be

A. multiplied by 4.  
B. increased by 8.  
C. increased by 4.  
D. multiplied by 8.

20. If  $x^2 + y^2 - 8x + 6y = 0$  is the equation of a circle with center at  $C$  and radius  $r$ , then its center and radius are

A.  $C(4, -3)$  and  $r = 25$ .  
B.  $C(4, -3)$  and  $r = 5$ .  
C.  $C(-4, 3)$  and  $r = 25$ .  
D.  $C(-4, 3)$  and  $r = 5$ .

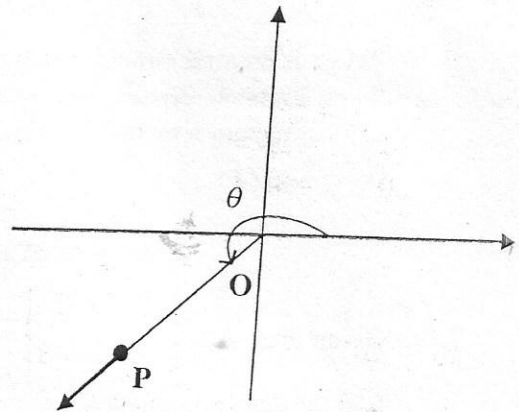
21. The demand ( $D$ ) for a product is given by  $D = 9,240 - 7p$ , and the supply ( $S$ ) of this product is given by  $S = 15p$ , where  $p$  is the price of the product, in dollars. If  $D = S$ , find  $p$ .

A. 205  
B. 420  
C. 616  
D. 715

$$9240 - 7p = 15p$$

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22. In the figure below,  $\vec{OP}$  passes through the point  $(-1, -1)$ . What could be the measure of angle  $\theta$ ?



A.  $125^\circ$   
B.  $150^\circ$   
C.  $195^\circ$   
D.  $225^\circ$

23. Which number **cannot** be the value of a probability of any event?

A. 0.01  
B. 0.05  
C. 1.00  
D. 1.05

24. What is the sum of the series

$$\sum_{j=6}^{10} (3j - 2)?$$

A. 82  
B. 110  
C. 120  
D. 135

$$3(6-2) + 3(7-2) \\ 12 + 12 + 12 + 12$$

25. If  $\cos A = 0.8$ , and  $0 < A < 90$ , what is the value of  $\tan A$ ?

A. 0.20  
B. 0.50  
C. 0.60  
D. 0.75



$$\frac{4}{4} \frac{0.6}{0.8}$$

26. Solve for  $x$  given  $0.003x + 0.4 = 2.05$ .

A. 670  
B. 550  
C. 650  
D. 530

$$-0.4 \quad -0.4$$

27. Find the area of a triangle with sides 8, 8, and 6 using Heron's formula.

A.  $2\sqrt{55}$   
 B.  $3\sqrt{55}$   
 C.  $4\sqrt{55}$   
 D.  $5\sqrt{55}$

28. Determine the slope  $m$  of the line through points  $(5, -7)$  and  $(-3, 9)$ .

A. -3  
 B. -2  
 C. 2  
 D. 3

$\frac{5-(-3)}{9-(-7)} = \frac{8}{16} = \frac{1}{2}$

29. The data below represent scores earned by students in a chemistry laboratory.

What is the median score?

10, 7, 5, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 5

A. 8  
 B. 7  
 C. 6  
 D. 5

5 5 5 6 7 7 9 10 10

5	6	7	7	9	10
3	1	1	1	1	1

30. In his will, Uncle Subah left \$5000.00 to be shared between his two nephews, Sumo and Mulbah. Sumo's share is to be \$500.00 less than Mulbah's share. How much should Mulbah receive?

A. \$2,000.00  
 B. \$2,250.00  
 C. \$2,550.50  
 D. \$2,750.00

31. Evaluate the function  $f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 7x}{5x - 3}$  when  $x = -2$ .

A. -22/13  
 B. -6/7  
 C. 6/13  
 D. 22/13

32. Solve for  $x$  in the expression  $\frac{3x}{2a} + b = 3b$ .

A.  $4ab/3$   
 B.  $3ab/4$   
 C.  $3ab/2$   
 D.  $2ab/3$

$$\frac{3x}{2a} + b = 3b$$

$$\frac{3x}{2a} = 3b - b$$

$$\frac{3x}{2a} = 2b$$

$$3x = 2a \cdot 2b$$

$$3x = 4ab$$

$$x = \frac{4ab}{3}$$

33. Factorize completely:  $x^2 - 2x + 1 - a^2$ .

A.  $(x - a + 1)(x - a - 1)$   
 B.  $(x + a + 1)(x - a - 1)$   
 C.  $(x + a - 1)(x - a + 1)$   
 D.  $(x + a - 1)(x - a - 1)$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 - a^2$$

$$(x-1)^2 - a^2$$

$$(x-1-a)(x-1+a)$$

$$(x-a-1)(x-a+1)$$

34. Add  $54_{\text{eight}}$  and  $67_{\text{eight}}$  giving the answer in base eight.

A. 113  
 B. 123  
 C. 143  
 D. 153

$$\begin{array}{r} 54 \\ + 67 \\ \hline 143 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 11 \\ \times 11 \\ \hline 11 \\ 11 \\ \hline 123 \end{array}$$

35. If  $\log_3 0.3 = x$ , find  $x$ .

A. 11  
 B. 1  
 C. -1  
 D. -11

$$0.3 = 3^{-1}$$

$$\log_3 3^{-1} = x$$

$$-1 = x$$

36. The stopping distance of a car after the brakes have been applied varies directly as the square of the speed  $v$ . If a car traveling 60mph can stop at 200ft., how fast can a car travel and still be able to stop at 72ft when the brakes are applied?

A. 10 mph  
 B. 12 mph  
 C. 25 mph  
 D. 36 mph

37. What is the **smallest** number by which  $3 \times 3 \times 7$  can be multiplied to make a perfect square?

A. 7  
 B. 4  
 C. 3  
 D. 2

38. If  $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$ , then  $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} =$

A. 3  
 B. 5  
 C. 7  
 D. 9

39. What is the fourth proportional to  $a^3$ ,  $ab$ , and  $5a^2b$ ?

A.  $5b$   
 B.  $5b^2$   
 C.  $5a^4$   
 D.  $5a^6b^2$

$$\frac{a^3}{ab} = \frac{ab}{5a^2b}$$

$$\frac{a^3}{ab} = \frac{1}{5a}$$

$$a^2 = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$5a^2 = \frac{1}{5}$$

40. A man borrowed \$800.00 and agreed to pay back \$960.00 in 5 years. What was his rate of interest?

A. 2.4%  
B. 4.0%  
C. 16.67%  
D. 24%

$$I = prt$$

$$960 = 800 \times r \times 5$$

41. Flomo sold his computer for \$2,700.00 and made 10% loss. What was his loss?

A. \$243.00  
B. \$270.00  
C. \$300.00  
D. \$400.00

$$LP = \frac{SP - 10\%}{100}$$

42. Given that  $x$  varies directly as the square of  $m$ , and  $x = 40$  when  $m = 5$ . Find  $x$  when  $m = 4$ .

A. 10  
B. 25.6  
C. 32  
D. 62.5

$$\frac{m_1^2}{m_2^2} = \frac{x_1}{x_2}$$

$$\frac{5^2}{4^2} = \frac{40}{x}$$

$$\frac{25}{16} = \frac{40}{x}$$

$$x = \frac{40 \times 16}{25} = 25.6$$

43. Simplify:  $\{7 - [3 + 2(1 - (5 - 3)) - 4] + 2\}$

A. -12  
B. -10  
C. 10  
D. 12

$$\{7 - [3 + 2(1 - (5 - 3)) - 4] + 2\}$$

$$= \{7 - [3 + 2(1 - 2) - 4] + 2\}$$

$$= \{7 - [3 + 2(-1) - 4] + 2\}$$

$$= \{7 - [3 - 2 - 4] + 2\}$$

$$= \{7 - [-3] + 2\}$$

$$= \{7 + 3 + 2\}$$

$$= 12$$

44. Musa is hired by Sarah to sell used shoes and he is paid on a commission basis. If he sells \$7,500.00 worth of shoes and receives 15% commission, what would be the net proceed?

A. \$1,125.00  
B. \$5,375.00  
C. \$6,375.00  
D. \$8,625.00

$$C = SP \times r$$

$$= 7500 \times 0.15$$

$$= 1125$$

45. Find the value of  $k$  so that when  $x^3 + kx^2 - 4x + (3 - k)$  is divided by  $x - 2$ , the remainder is zero.

A. -1  
B. -3  
C. 1  
D. 3

$$x - 2 \overline{) x^3 + kx^2 - 4x + (3 - k)}$$

$$\underline{x^3 - 2x^2}$$

$$k + 4x + 3 - k$$

$$\underline{2x - 4x}$$

$$k + 2x + 3 - k$$

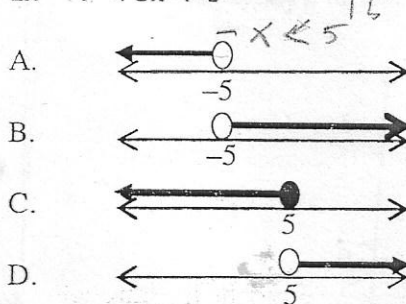
$$\underline{2x - 4x}$$

$$3 - k$$

$$3 - k = 0$$

$$k = 3$$

46. Find the graph of the solution set of  $2x - 7 < 5x + 8$ .



47. Find the last term of the sequence  $a, a + 4, a + 8, a + 12, \dots$ , to 15 terms.

A.  $a + 46$   
B.  $a + 56$   
C.  $a + 66$   
D.  $2a + 56$

$$a_n = (a_1 + (n-1)d)$$

48. Find the equation of the line passing through the point  $(2, -5)$  with slope equal to zero.

A.  $y = -5$   
B.  $y = 5$   
C.  $2x - 5y = 0$   
D.  $5x + 2y = 0$

49. How many different sets of 4 students can be chosen out of 17 qualified students to represent a school in a mathematics contest?

A. 2,380  
B. 5,712  
C. 23,800  
D. 57,120

50. Using  $45^\circ$  and  $30^\circ$ , find the value of  $\cos 15^\circ$  without using calculator.

A.  $\frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4}$   
B.  $\frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{2}$   
C.  $\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}$   
D.  $\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{2}$



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PAPER 2  
ESSAY  
[ 60 marks ]

1½ hours

Paper 2 consists of two sections, A & B. Section A has four compulsory questions and section B has three questions for which you are required to answer any two.

Write your answers in ink (blue or black) only.

For each question, all necessary details of working including diagrams must be shown with the answer.

The use of silent, cordless, non-programmable calculators is allowed:

Credit will be given for clarity of expression and orderly presentation of material.

SECTION A  
COMPULSORY  
[36 marks]

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{9}{1}$$

$9y = x$

Answer all the questions in this section.

1. (a) If  $x:y = 9:1$ , evaluate  $\frac{11x+y}{x+y}$ .

$$\frac{11x+y}{x+y} = \frac{9}{1}$$

$$9x + 9y = 11x + y$$

$$9x - 11x = y - 9y$$

$$-2x = -8y$$

(b) Solve for  $a$  in the equation  $\frac{1}{3-a} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{2a-5} = 0$ .

2. (a) Find the values of  $x$  and  $y$  if  $x^2 - y^2 = 15$  and  $x - y = 3$ .

(b) If  $x$  varies inversely as the square of  $y$ , and  $x = 4$  when  $y = \frac{1}{2}$ , what is  $y$  when  $x$  is 5

3. (a) A fair die is thrown. Find the probability of getting

(i) a four;

(ii) an even number; and

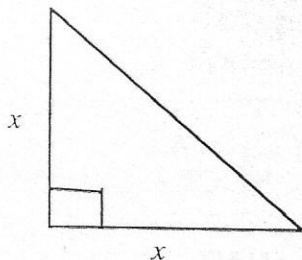
(iii) a number less than five.

(b) The ages of four members of a family are consecutive odd integers. If the average of their ages is 40, find the age of the youngest.

4. The perimeter of an isosceles triangle shown in the diagram below is  $(4 + 2\sqrt{2})$  cm.

(i) Calculate the measure of its hypotenuse.

(ii) Find the value of  $x$ .



$$\frac{1}{3-a} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{2a-5} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{3-a} \left( \frac{3}{3} \right) - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{3-a}{2-a} \right) +$$

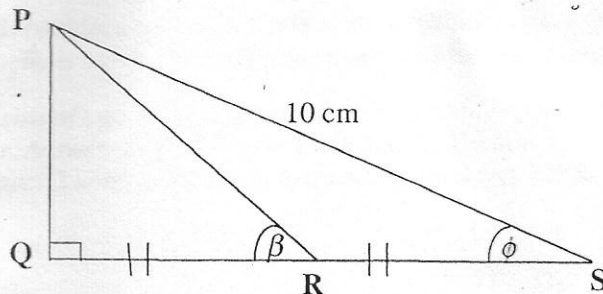
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SECTION B  
[24 marks]

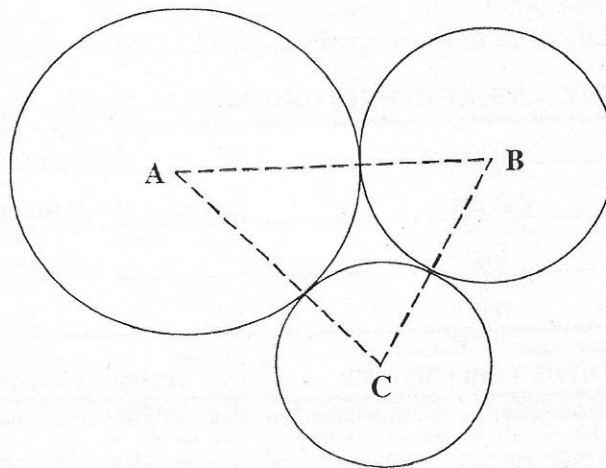
Answer any two questions in this section.

5. In the diagram below,  $\overline{QS}$  is a straight line,  $\overline{PS} = 10\text{cm}$  and  $\overline{QR} = \overline{RS}$ . Given that  $\sin \phi = \frac{3}{5}$  find
- (a)  $\overline{RS}$ ;
- (b)  $\sin \beta$ .



6. Siakor has a box with a volume of 48 cubic inches. The sides of the box are in the ratio 3:2:1 and form a rectangle. Calculate the
- (a) lengths of the three sides;
- (b) surface area of the box.

7. The diagram below shows three circles which touch each other externally. If the centers of the circles at points A, B, and C form a triangle with sides of length 9 cm, 7 cm and 6 cm, calculate the radii of the circles.



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