

Answer Key for 7th/8th grade Math Meet '09

Event 1: Part 1

- 1)  $2000 - ? = 110 \times 8 + 40$      $2000 - ? = 880 + 40$      $2000 - ? = 920$      $2000 - 1000 = 1000 - 80$   
so  $? = 1080$
- 2)  $.27 (45) = ?(81)$     divide by 9     $.03 (45) = ?(9)$     divide by 9 again     $.03 (5) = ?$     So, 15 or 15%
- 3)  $6/30 + 5/30 + 6/30 + 10/30 + x = 1$      $27/30 + x/30 = 1$      $3/30$  or  $1/10$
- 4)  $0.54/x = 9$      $54/9 = 6$  so  $x = 0.06$
- 5)  $21/56 = x/72$      $21/56$  is  $3/8$      $3/8 = x/72$     So multiply by  $9/9$      $x = 27$

Event 1: Part 2

- 1)  $1 \times (3-5) + 1 \times (3+5) = 1 \times -2 + 1 \times 8 = -2 + 8 = 6$
- 2)  $3 \times (0-1) + 3 \times (0+1) = -3 + 3 = 0$
- 3)  $2 \times (2-2) + 2 \times (2+2) = 2 \times 0 + 2 \times 4 = 8$
- 4)  $A \times (B-C) + A \times (B+C)$     Can try with sample numbers or  
 $A \times B - A \times C + A \times B + A \times C$   
 $A \times B + A \times B$  yes
- 5)  $A \times (B-C) + A \times (B+C)$  is  $A \times B + A \times B$  from #4    can also try with samples  
and  $B \times (A-C) + B \times (A+C)$   
 $B \times A - B \times C + B \times A + B \times C$  is  $B \times A + B \times A$  and by commutative property yes

Event 2 Part 1:

- 1)  $1 \text{ sq mile} \times 2.59 \text{ sq km/1 sq mile} = 2.59 \text{ sq km}$  so 1sq mile is bigger
- 2)  $14 \text{ ft} \times .3048\text{m/1ft} = 4.2672 \text{ meters}$  so 14 feet is bigger
- 3)  $6 \text{ miles} \times 1.609 \text{ km/1mile} = 9.654 \text{ km}$  so 6 miles is bigger
- 4)  $63 \text{ cm} \times 1\text{in}/2.54\text{cm} = 24.80 \text{ in}$  so 25 inches is bigger
- 5)  $38.75 \text{ sq ft} \times .0929 \text{ sq m/1 sq ft} = 3.60 \text{ sq m}$  so 38.75 sq ft is bigger

Event 2 Part 2:

- 6)  $63 \text{ cm} \times 1\text{in}/2.54 \text{ cm} \times 1 \text{ ft}/12 \text{ in} = 2.07 \text{ ft}$  so 63 cm is bigger
- 7)  $6.5 \text{ miles} \times 1.609 \text{ km} / 1 \text{ mile} \times 1000\text{m} / 1 \text{ km} = 10,458.5\text{m}$  so 6.5 miles is bigger
- 8)  $15840 \text{ ft} \times 1\text{yd}/3 \text{ feet} \times 1 \text{ mile}/1760 \text{ yd} \times 1.609 \text{ km} / 1 \text{ mile} = 4.827 \text{ km}$  so 15840 ft is bigger
- 9)  $14 \text{ sq yd} \times 9 \text{ sq ft}/1 \text{ sq yard} \times 0.0929 \text{ sq m}/ 1 \text{ sq ft} = 11.71 \text{ sq m}$  so 14 sq yard is bigger
- 10)  $2 \text{ sq ft} \times .0929 \text{ sq m}/1 \text{ sq ft} \times 10,000 \text{ sq cm} / 1 \text{ sq m} = 1858 \text{ sq cm}$  so 1860 sq cm is bigger

Event 3 Part 1:

You start with 4 friends. Can use equation  $y = x + 4$  so you are subtracting 4 friends to find out the number of handshakes or adding 4 to the number of handshakes to find the number of friends.

- 1)  $10 + 4 = 14$
- 2)  $20 + 4 = 24$
- 3)  $10 - 4 = 6$
- 4)  $50 - 4 = 46$

Event 3 Part 2:

The handshake problem can be solved in other ways but number of people x number of people - 1 take this result and divide by 2

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

- 5)  $8(7) / 2 = 28$
- 6)  $10(9) / 2 = 45$
- 7)  $20(19) / 2 = 190$
- 8)  $100(99) / 2 = 4950$

Event 4 : mental math

- 1)  $8 + 25 = 33$
- 2)  $16 + 14 + 15 - 18 - 30 - 3 = 27$
- 3)  $4(5) + 2(5) + 3(10) = 20 + 10 + 30 = 60$
- 4)  $7/3 + 10/6 = 14/6 + 10/6 = 24/6 = 4$
- 5)  $45 + 55 + 16 + 4 = 100 + 20 = 120 - 120/8 = 15$
- 6)  $1/12 + 4/12 + 2/12 = 7/12 - 4/12 = 1/3$
- 7) 3 because there are three 3's
- 8)  $6 + 9 + 5 + (3 + 4)$  is  $15 + 5 + 7 = 20 + 7 = 27$   
or  $1 + 5 + 2(2 + 4) + 3(3) = 6 + 12 + 9 = 27$
- 9)  $4 + 16 + 1 + 9 = 30 - 30/25 = 6/5$
- 10)  $16 + 4 + 27 + 8 + 9 = 20 + 35 + 9 = 55 + 9 = 64 - 64/16 = 4$

Event 5 Problem 1

- 1) 14 hours  $\times 1/3 = 14/3 = 4$  hours and  $2/3$  of an hour or  $20 + 20$  minutes = 4 hours 40 min
- 2) She slept  $1/2$  of #1 answer or 2 hours 20 minutes
- 3) 2 days = 48 hours  $48 \times 2/3 = 96/3 = 32$  hours
- 4)  $1/6 (32) = 32/6 = 5 1/3 = 5$  hours 20 min  
 $1/5 (32) = 32/5 = 6 2/5 = 6$  hours  $24/60 = 6$  hours 24 minutes  
 $32 - (5\text{hr} + 6\text{hr} + 20\text{min} + 24\text{min}) = 31\text{hr} + 60\text{min} - 11\text{hr} - 44\text{min} = 20\text{hr} 16\text{min}$
- 5) 4 days = 96 hours  
 $1/3 (96) = 32$  hours  
 $1/4 (96) = 24$  hours  
 $1/5 (96) = 19 1/5$  hours or 19 hours 12 min  
 $1/6 (96) = 16$  hours

total is 91 hours 12 min

time left is 95 hours - 91 hours + 60 min - 12 min = 4 hours 48 min

Event 5 Problem 2

- 1) 4 out of 5 is 80%
- 2)  $(.8)(.8) = .64 = 64\%$
- 3)  $(.8)(.8)(.8) = .512 = 51.2\%$  Use expanded form or raise it to a power
- 4)  $(.8)^5 = .32768 = 32.77\%$
- 5)  $(.8)^{10} = .10737 = 10.74\%$

using 1-5 to solve the rest subtracting them from 100%

- 6)  $100\% - 64\% = 36\%$
- 7)  $100\% - 51.2\% = 48.8\%$
- 8)  $100\% - 32.77\% = 67.23\%$
- 9)  $100\% - 10.74\% = 89.26\%$
- 10) 9 losers like problems 1-5 and 1 winner on the tenth pick  
 $(.8)^9 (.2) = 2.68\%$

Event 5 Problem 3

- 1)  $750 \text{ miles} \times 1 \text{ gal}/27 \text{ mil} = 27.78 \text{ gallons}$
- 2)  $27.78 \text{ gallons} \times \$1.83/\text{gallon} = \$50.84$
- 3)  $\$50 \times 1 \text{ gallon} / \$1.83 \times 27 \text{ miles}/1 \text{ gallon} = 737.70 \text{ miles}$
- 4)  $\frac{\$1.58 + ?}{2} = \text{the average (mean) } \$1.83$

Multiply both sides of the equation by 2 and subtract 1.58

$$1.58 + ? = 3.66$$

$$? = 3.66 - 1.58 = \$2.08/\text{gallon}$$

Since both stops fill the tank, ignore the 15 gallons. The mean is the sum divided by the amount of items (2). Since we are given the mean, 1.83, we need to work backwards to find the item.

- 5) Could try both prices:  $\$75 \times 1\text{gal}/1.83 \times 27 \text{ miles}/1 \text{ gallon} = 1106.56 \text{ miles}$   
 $\$75 \times 1\text{gal}/1.68 \times 27 \text{ miles}/1 \text{ gallon} = 1205.36 \text{ miles}$

This is a difference of 98.80 miles

Event 5 Problem 4

- 1)  $G = 7 \quad 1/7^7 = 1/(7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 7 \times 7) = 1 / 823543$
- 2)  $1^3 = 1 \quad 1/1 = 1$
- 3)  $4^E \quad Z = 26 \text{ so } E = 5 \quad 1/4^5 = 1/1024$
- 4)  $0^T = 0$  flipping it would put 0 in the denominator, so there is no solution  $1/0$  is undefined
- 5)  $2^{EE} \quad Z = 26 \text{ so counting forward EE is } 31 \quad 1/2^{31} = 1/2147483648$
- 6)  $-4^D = 1/-4^4 \quad 1/(-4 \times -4 \times -4 \times -4) = 1/256$
- 7)  $1/3^B \quad B = 2 \text{ so } 1/3^2 = 1/9 \quad 1/(1/9) = 9$