

GRE Algebra Practice Paper 3

Question 1

$$a > 0$$

$$\text{Quantity A: } (a + 5)(4a + 2)$$

$$\text{Quantity B: } (4a + 5)(a + 2)$$

Possible Answers:

The two quantities are the same.

The relationship cannot be determined.

Quantity B is greater.

Quantity A is greater.

Question 2

$$(a + b)^2 = 34$$

$$\frac{ab}{2} = 6$$

$$\text{Quantity A: } a^2 + b^2$$

$$\text{Quantity B: } 11$$

Possible Answers:

The relationship cannot be determined.

Quantity A is greater

The two quantities are equal.

Quantity B is greater

Question 3

Solve $|3 - 4x| < 0$.

Possible Answers:

$$x < \frac{3}{4}$$

$$x > \frac{4}{3}$$

No solutions

$$x < \frac{4}{3}$$

$$x > \frac{3}{4}$$

Question 4

Solve:

$$-3(2x - 5) = 9 - 6x$$

Possible Answers:

$$\frac{15}{9}$$

No Solution

9

Infinitely Many Solutions

15

Question 5

Solve:

$$3(2x - 6) + 2x = 7x - 12$$

Possible Answers:

-30

10

30

6

-6

Question 6

$$h(x) = \frac{28}{x + 4}$$

For which of the following values of x is the above function undefined?

Possible Answers:

-4

0

28

None of the other answers

4

Question 7

What value of x satisfies the equation below?

$$\frac{6}{4 + \left(\frac{x+3}{x}\right)} = \frac{12}{10}$$

Possible Answers:

1

-1/2

There is no solution

3

-3

Question 8

Which of the following values of x satisfies the equation

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

I. $x = 0$

II. $x = -1$

III. $x = 1$

Possible Answers:

III only

I only

II and III only

II only

I, II, and III

Question 9

Find the solution to the following equation if $x = 3$:

$$y = (4x^2 - 2)/(9 - x^2)$$

Possible Answers:

3

6

no possible solution

0

Question 10

Column A: $|x|$

Column B: x^3

Possible Answers:

Column A is greater.

Column B is greater.

The relationship cannot be determined.

The values are equal.

Question 11

$$y = 32$$

$$y = x^2 - 4$$

Quantity A: $\frac{y}{7}$

Quantity B: x

Possible Answers:

The relationship cannot be determined from the information given.

The two quantities are equal.

Quantity A is greater.

Quantity B is greater.

Question 12

$$2^{-5}$$

Possible Answers:

32

$\frac{1}{32}$

$-\frac{1}{32}$

2

-32

Question 13

Quantity A: $(-1)^{137}$

Quantity B: 0

Possible Answers:

The relationship cannot be determined from the information given.

The two quantities are equal.

Quantity B is greater.

Quantity A is greater.

Question 14

Quantitative Comparison: Compare Quantity A and Quantity B, using additional information centered above the two quantities if such information is given.

Quantity A Quantity B

4^3

3^4

Possible Answers:

Quantity A is greater.

The answer cannot be determined from the information given.

The two quantities are equal.

Quantity B is greater.

Question 15

Solve for x .

$$1024^x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Possible Answers:

-10

2

$\frac{1}{10}$

10

$-\frac{1}{10}$

Question 16

Solve for x .

$$1024^x = 2$$

Possible Answers:

$\frac{1}{10}$

10

-10

2

$-\frac{1}{10}$

Question 17

Solve for x .

$$4^{2x} = 16^6$$

Possible Answers:

6

4

10

8

12

Question 18

Solve for x .

$$5^x = 25^4$$

Possible Answers:

10

4

8

5

6

Question 19

Solve for x .

$$2^{x^2+4} = 32$$

Possible Answers:

-1, 1

5

-5

-1

1

Question 20

Solve for x .

$$2^{x+1} = 128$$

Possible Answers:

5

8

6

7

9