## Problems 1-10 (multiple choice) worth 6 points each, problems 11-14 are 10pts each. For problems 1-10, circle the correct answers.

- 1. Express the statement "The quotient of p and q is at most 7".

  - $a \frac{p}{q} \ge 7$   $b \frac{p}{q} < 7$   $c \frac{p}{q} \le 7$ 
    - $d \frac{\bar{p}}{q} > 7$
- 2. Rewrite the expression, |2-x| if x < 2 without using the absolute value.
  - a x-2
  - b 2 x
    - c x 2
    - d none of the above
- 3. Rewrite  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  using the rational exponent.
  - a x + y.
  - b  $(x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$ 
    - $\begin{array}{c} c \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} \\ d \frac{x^2 + y^2}{2} \end{array}$
- 4. Simplify  $(-2xy^2)^5 \left(\frac{x^7}{8y^3}\right)$ .
  - a  $4x^{12}y^7$

  - b  $-4x^{35}y^7$ c  $\frac{-4x^{12}}{y^7}$  d  $-4x^{12}y^7$
- 5. Simplify the expression and rationalize the denominator of  $\sqrt[4]{\frac{5x^8y^3}{27x^2}}$ .
  - a  $\frac{5x}{3} \sqrt[4]{15x^2y^3}$
  - b  $\frac{x}{3}\sqrt[4]{15x^2y^3}$ 
    - c  $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt[4]{15x^6y^3}$
    - d  $\frac{5}{3} \sqrt[4]{15x^6y^3}$
- 6. Express  $(x^2 + 2y)(x^2 2y)$  as a polynomial.
  - a  $x^4 4x^2y 4y^2$
  - b  $x^4 4y^2$ 
    - $x^4 + 4y^2$
    - $d 2x^2 4y^2$

- 7. Factor  $64x^3 + 27$ .
  - a  $(4x+3)(4x^2-12x+9)$
  - b  $(4x-3)(16x^2-12x+9)$
  - c  $(4x-3)(4x^2+12x+9)$
  - d  $(4x+3)(16x^2-12x+9)$
- 8. Rationalize the numerator of  $\frac{\sqrt{x+h}-\sqrt{x}}{h}$ ,  $(h \neq 0)$ .

  - a  $\frac{h}{\sqrt{x+h}-\sqrt{x}}$  b  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+h}+\sqrt{x}}$
- 9. Simplify the expression  $\frac{x+2}{2x-3} \div \frac{x^2-4}{2x^2-3x}$ .
- 10. Given the formula for the area of a trapezoid,  $A = \frac{1}{2}(b_1 + b_2)h$ , solve the equation for
  - a  $b_1 = \frac{2A b_2 h}{h}$ b  $b_1 = \frac{A b_2 h}{h}$ c  $b_1 = \frac{2A b_2}{h}$ d  $b_1 = \frac{2A b_2}{2h}$
- 11. With water from one hose, a swimming pool can be filled in 8 hours. A second, larger hose used alone can fill the pool in 5 hours. How long would it take to fill the pool if both hoses were used simultaneously.

**Solution** Let t be the number of hours for both hoses to fill the pool. Then

$$\frac{1}{t} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{5}.$$

Hence  $\frac{1}{t} = 13/40$  and  $t = 3\frac{1}{13}hrs$ .

12. Solve the following equation for x,  $\frac{2x}{x+3} + \frac{5}{x} - 4 = \frac{18}{x^2+3x}$ 

Solution

$$\frac{2x}{x+3} + \frac{5}{x} - 4 = \frac{18}{x^2 + 3x}$$
$$x(x+3)(\frac{2x}{x+3} + \frac{5}{x} - 4) = \frac{18}{x^2 + 3x}x(x+3)$$
$$2x^2 + 5(x+3) - 4x(x+3) = 18$$
$$2x^2 + 7x + 3 = 0$$
$$(2x+1)(x+3) = 0.$$

Now x=-3 does not satisfy the original equation, hence the solution is  $x=-\frac{1}{2}$ .

13. Simplify  $\frac{\frac{5}{x+1} + \frac{2x}{x+3}}{\frac{x}{x+1} + \frac{7}{x+3}}$ 

Solution

$$\frac{\frac{5}{x+1} + \frac{2x}{x+3}}{\frac{x}{x+1} + \frac{7}{x+3}} = \frac{\left(\frac{5}{x+1} + \frac{2x}{x+3}\right)(x+1)(x+3)}{\left(\frac{x}{x+1} + \frac{7}{x+3}\right)(x+1)(x+3)}$$
$$= \frac{5(x+3) + 2x(x+1)}{x(x+3) + 7(x+1)}$$
$$= \frac{2x^2 + 7x + 15}{x^2 + 10x + 7}$$

14.

a. Find the solutions of  $x^3 - 27 = 0$ .

b. Write  $\frac{2+9i}{1-i}$  in the form a+bi.

**Solutions** (a)  $x^3 - 27 = (x - 3)(x^2 + 3x + 9)$ , so x = 3 and using the quadratic formula, the solutions for  $x^2 + 3x + 9 = 0$  are  $\frac{-3 \pm 3\sqrt{3}i}{2}$ .

$$(b)_{1-i}^{2+9i} = \frac{(2+9i)(1+i)}{1-i)(1+i)} = \frac{-7+11i}{2}.$$

Bonus A couple does not wish to spend more than \$70 for dinner at a restaurant. If a sales tax of 6% is added to the bill and they plan to tip 15% after the tax has been added, what is the most they can spend for the meal?

**Solution** Let \$x\$ be the price of the meal. Then meal + tax = x + 0.06x = 1.06x and the tip = 0.15(1.06x). In total

$$1.06x + 0.15(1.06x) = $70,$$

or 1.15(1.06)x = \$70, solving for  $x, x \simeq 57.37$ .