

**Math 70**  
**Final Exam Solutions**

1. (a)  $\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{5}{6} = \frac{15}{24} = \boxed{\frac{5}{8}}$

(b)  $\frac{5}{6} + 1\frac{3}{8} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{11}{8} = \frac{20}{24} + \frac{33}{24} = \boxed{\frac{53}{24} \text{ or } 2\frac{5}{24}}$

(c)  $\frac{\frac{3}{4}}{\frac{8}{9}} = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{9}{8} = \boxed{\frac{27}{32}}$

(d)  $-4.4 - 1.38 = \boxed{-5.78}$

(e) (4 pts.)  $5 - 2(7 - 4)^2 = 5 - 2(3)^2 = 5 - 2(9) = 5 - 18 = \boxed{-13}$

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2.  $8.8 \text{ km} \times \frac{0.6 \text{ miles}}{1 \text{ km}} = \boxed{5.28 \text{ miles}}$

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3. (a)  $-7 + 10 = 5x + 18 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 3 = 5x + 18 \quad \Rightarrow \quad -15 = 5x \quad (\text{Subtr. } 18 \text{ from both sides})$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad \boxed{-3 = x}$

(b) Two Ways to do this:

- $5x + \frac{1}{2} = 2x + 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 5x = 2x + \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{Subtr. } \frac{1}{2} \text{ from both sides})$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad 3x = \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{Subtr. } 2x \text{ from both sides})$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad \boxed{x = \frac{1}{6}} \quad (\text{Div. both sides by } 3)$

- Multiply both sides by 2 to clear the fractions:  $10x + 1 = 4x + 2$

After subtracting 1 and  $4x$  from both sides, we have  $6x = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{x = \frac{1}{6}}$

(c)  $2(y + 3.5) + y = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2y + 7 + y = 1 \quad (\text{Distributing the } 2)$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad 3y + 7 = 1 \quad (\text{Combining like terms})$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad 3x = -6$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad \boxed{x = -2}$

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4. Tax = 8% of \$23,000 =  $0.08(23000) = 1840.00$  So, the total cost is \$23,000 + \$1,840 =  $\boxed{\$24,840}$ .

5. Since Bob answered 10 out of 80 incorrectly, to find the percentage, we need to get the decimal form of  $\frac{10}{80}$ . Since  $\frac{10}{80} = \frac{1}{8} = 0.125$  (dividing 1 by 8), Bob answered  $\boxed{12.5\%}$  of the questions incorrectly.
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6. (a)  $2^{-3} = \frac{1}{2^3} = \boxed{\frac{1}{8}}$

(b)  $(\frac{1}{5}x^3)^2 = (\frac{1}{5}x^3)(\frac{1}{5}x^3) = \boxed{\frac{1}{25}x^6}$

(c)  $\frac{3x^2y}{12x^2y^6} = \frac{1}{4}y^{-5} = \boxed{\frac{1}{4y^5}}$  (Note that  $\frac{x^2}{x^2} = 1$ )

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7. Since  $d = rt$  or  $t = \frac{d}{r}$ , the time spent on the ride =  $\frac{21.6}{9} = \boxed{2.4 \text{ hours.}}$
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8. (a) **Unknowns:** Width =  $w$ , Length =  $3x + 4$

**Equation:**  $w + w + 3x + 4 + 3w + 4 = 48$  (Perimeter is the sum of all the sidelengths)

$\Rightarrow 8w + 8 = 48 \Rightarrow w = 5$  (Subtr. 8 from both sides and then div. by 8)

**Solution:**  $\boxed{\text{The width is 5 feet and the length is 19 feet.}}$

- (b) **Unknowns:** Ann's rent =  $A$ , Betty's rent =  $A + 150$

**Equation:**  $A + A + 150 = 1100$

$\Rightarrow 2A + 150 = 1100 \Rightarrow A = 475$  (Subtr. 150 from both sides and then div. by 2)

**Solution:**  $\boxed{\text{Ann will pay \$475 and Betty will pay \$625.}}$

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9. (a)  $(7x^2 - 2x) - (-x^2 + 5x - 8) = 7x^2 - 2x + x^2 - 5x + 8$  (Distributing  $-1$ )  
 $= \boxed{8x^2 - 7x + 8}$

(b)  $(x - 3)(4x + 2) = 4x^2 + 2x - 12x - 6 = \boxed{4x^2 - 10x - 6}$

(c)  $2x(x^2 + 3x - 8) + x^2 = 2x^3 + 6x^2 - 16x + x^2 = \boxed{2x^3 + 7x^2 - 16x}$

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10. (5 pts.) Solve  $12x + 3y = 9$  for the variable  $y$ .

Subtracting  $12x$  from both sides:  $3y = 9 - 12x$

Dividing both sides by 3:  $y = 3 - 4x$

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11. (a)  $4.498 \times 10^9 = 4,498,000,000 \text{ km}$  (Move decimal right by 9 places)

(b)  $0.0000682 = 6.82 \times 10^{-5}$

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12. (a) i. Plugging in  $y = 4$  and solving for  $x$ :  $x + \frac{1}{2}(4) = 1 \Rightarrow x = -1$

ii. Plugging in  $x = 0$  and solving for  $y$ :  $0 + \frac{1}{2}y = 1 \Rightarrow y = 2$   
(Multiply both sides by 2 to solve for  $y$  OR divide both sides by  $\frac{1}{2}$ )

iii. Plugging in  $x = 2$  and solving for  $y$ :  $2 + \frac{1}{2}y = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}y = -1 \Rightarrow y = -2$

(b) You can use any three ordered pairs/points that satisfy  $2x + \frac{1}{2}y = 1$ , so I will use the ones from part (a).

(Note: I need to make a graph for this at home, so this solution set is incomplete! It will be complete by Saturday morning 12/11.)