



## Senior Mathematical Challenge

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<b>1.</b> One of the following numbers is prime. Which is it?						
A 2017 – 2	B 2017 – 1	C 2017	D 2017 + 1	E 2017 + 2		

2. Last year, an earthworm from Wigan named Dave wriggled into the record books as the largest found in the UK. Dave was 40 cm long and had a mass of 26 g.					
What was Dave's mass per unit length?					
A 0.6 g/cm E 1.75 g/cm	B 0.65 g/cm	C 0.75 g/cm	D 1.6 g/cm		

	<b>3.</b> The five integers 2, 5, 6, 9, 14 are arranged into a different order. In the new arrangement, the sum of the first three integers is equal to the sum of the last three integers.					
What is	What is the middle number in the new arrangement?					
A 2	B 5	C 6	D 9	E 14		

<b>4.</b> Which of the following	ng is equal to 2017	$7 - \frac{1}{2017}$ ?	
A $\frac{2017^2}{2016}$	B $\frac{2016}{2017}$	C $\frac{2018}{2017}$	D $\frac{4059}{2017}$
E $\frac{2018 \times 2016}{2017}$			

5. One light-year is nearly $6 \times 10^{12}$ miles. In 2016, the Hubble Space Telescope set a new cosmic record, observing a galaxy 13.4 thousand million light-years away.						
Roughly how many miles is that?						
A $8 \times 10^{20}$	B $8 \times 10^{21}$	C $8 \times 10^{22}$	D $8 \times 10^{23}$	E $8 \times 10^{24}$		

•	n the diagram y a line segme smallest numb	ent have differ	ent colours.	ny two circles	
A 2	B 3	C 4	D 5	E 6	<u> </u>

7. The positive integer k satisfies the equation $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{8} + \sqrt{18} = \sqrt{k}$ .					
What is the val	lue of k?				
A 28	B 36	C 72	D 128	E 288	

8. When evaluated, which of the following is not an integer?						
A 1 <sup>-1</sup>	B $4^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	C 6 <sup>0</sup>	D $8^{\frac{2}{3}}$	$E \ 16^{\frac{3}{4}}$		

9. The diagram shows an $n \times (n+1)$ rectangle tiled with $k \times (k+1)$ rectangles, where <i>n</i> and <i>k</i> are integers and <i>k</i> takes each value from 1 to 8 inclusive.					
What is the v	alue of <i>n</i> ?				
A 16	B 15	C 14	D 13	E 12	

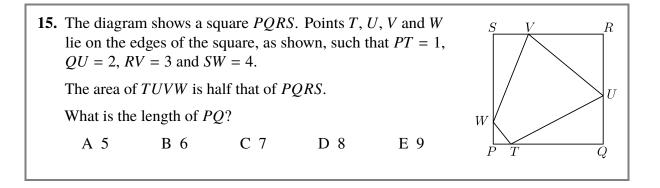
10.	A rectangle is div as shown.	t rectangles			
	Each smaller recta				
	In each of the four a longer side to th				
	A $2\sqrt{3}:1$	B 3:1	C 2:1	D $\sqrt{3}$ : 1	E $\sqrt{2}$ : 1

11.	1. The teenagers Sam and Jo notice the following facts about their ages:				
	The difference between the squares of their ages is four times the sum of their ages.				their ages.
	The sum of their ages is eight times the difference between their ages.				
	What is the age of the older of the two?				
	A 15	B 16	C 17	D 18	E 19

12.	The diagram shows share an edge. On meet an extended e What is the value o	e side of the squa dge of the decago	are is extended to		
	A 15	B 18	C 21	D 24	E 27

<b>13.</b> Isobel: "Josh is innocent"	Genotan: "Tegan is guilty"		
Josh: "Genotan is guilty"	Tegan: "Isobel is innocent"		
Only the guilty person is lying; all the others are telling the truth.			
Who is guilty?			
A Isobel B Josh E More information required	C Genotan D Tegan		

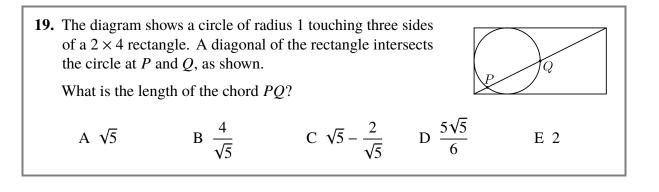
<b>14.</b> In the diagra angle marked What is the v	$1 x^{\circ}$ .	les marked •	• are equal in	size to the	
A 100	B 105	C 110	D 115	E 120	

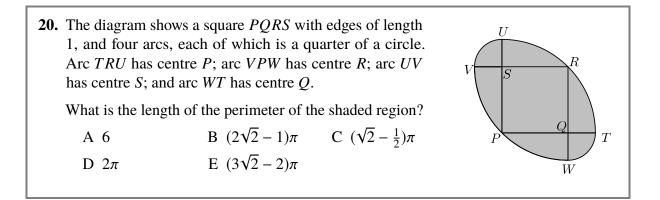


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A 142	B 146	C 150	D 154	E 158	

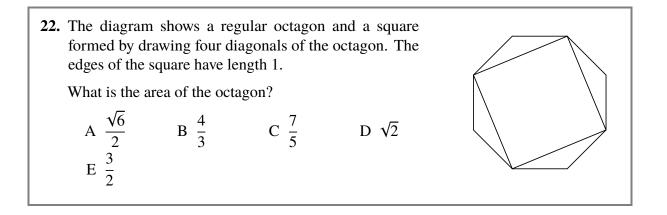
17.	7. Amy, Beth and Claire each has some sweets. Amy gives one third of her sweets to Beth Beth gives one third of all the sweets she now has to Claire. Then Claire gives one third of all the sweets she now has to Amy. All the girls end up having the same number of sweets.					
	Claire begins with 40 sweets.					
	How many sweets does Beth have originally?					
	A 20	B 30	C 40	D 50	E 60	

**18.** The arithmetic mean, *A*, of any two positive numbers *x* and *y* is defined to be  $A = \frac{1}{2}(x+y)$  and their geometric mean, *G*, is defined to be  $G = \sqrt{xy}$ . For two particular values *x* and *y*, with x > y, the ratio A : G = 5 : 4. For these values of *x* and *y*, what is the ratio x : y? A 5:4 B 2:1 C 5:2 D 7:2 E 4:1





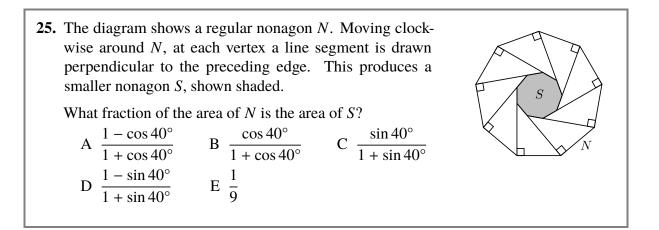
<b>21.</b> How many pairs $(x, y)$ of positive integers satisfy the equation $4^x = y^2 + 15$ ?					
A 0	B 1	C 2	D 4		
E an infinite	number				



**23.** The parabola with equation  $y = x^2$  is reflected in the line with equation y = x + 2. Which of the following is the equation of the reflected parabola?

A 
$$x = y^{2} + 4y + 2$$
  
D  $x = y^{2} - 4y - 2$   
B  $x = y^{2} + 4y - 2$   
E  $x = y^{2} - 4y + 2$   
E  $x = y^{2} + 2$ 

24. There is a set of straight lines in the plane such that each line intersects exactly ten others.
Which of the following could not be the number of lines in that set?
A 11
B 12
C 15
D 16
E 20





## **UK SENIOR MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE**

## **Tuesday 8 November 2016**

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## **RULES AND GUIDELINES** (to be read before starting)

- 1. Do not open the question paper until the invigilator tells you to do so.
- Time allowed: 90 minutes. No answers or personal details may be entered on the Answer Sheet after the 90 minutes are over.
- 3. The use of rough paper is allowed. Calculators, measuring instruments and squared paper are forbidden.
- 4. Candidates must be full-time students at secondary school or FE college, and must be in Year 13 or below (England & Wales); S6 or below (Scotland); Year 14 or below (Northern Ireland).
- 5. **Use B or HB pencil only**. Mark *at most one* of the options A, B, C, D, E on the Answer Sheet for each question. Do not mark more than one option.
- 6. Scoring rules: all candidates start out with 25 marks;

0 marks are awarded for each question left unanswered;

4 marks are awarded for each correct answer;

1 mark is deducted for each incorrect answer.

7. **Guessing**: Remember that there is a penalty for incorrect answers. Note also that later questions are deliberately intended to be harder than earlier questions. You are thus advised to concentrate first on solving as many as possible of the first 15-20 questions. Only then should you try later questions.

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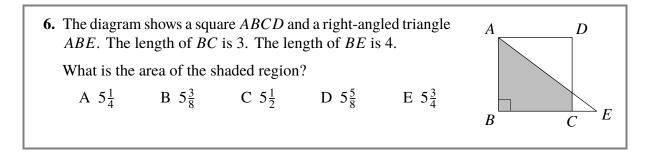
<b>1.</b> How many times does the digit 9 appear in the answer to $987654321 \times 9?$					
A 0	B 1	C 5	D 8	E 9	

2. On a Monday, all prices in Isla's shop are 10% more than normal. On Friday all prices in Isla's shop are 10% less than normal. James bought a book on Monday for £5.50. What would be the price of another copy of this book on Friday?
A £5.50 B £5.00 C £4.95 D £4.50 E £4.40

<b>3.</b> The diagram sh slipping around The circle rolls				
point.				
What distance does the centre of the circle travel?				
$\begin{array}{c} A  16 - 2\pi \\ E  20 \end{array}$	B 12	C $6 + \pi$	D 20 – $2\pi$	

4.	Alex draws a scalene triangle. One of the angles is 80°.						
	Which of the follow triangle?	ving could be the	difference betwee	n the other two an	gles in Alex's		
	A 0°	B 60°	C 80°	D 100°	E 120°		

<b>5.</b> All the digits 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 are placed in the grid, one in each cell, to form two three-digit numbers that are squares.					
Which digit	Which digit is placed in the centre of the grid?				
A 2	B 3	C 4	D 5	Ε6	



7. Which of these h	as the smallest val	ue?			
A 2016 <sup>-1</sup>	B 2016 <sup>-1/2</sup>	C 2016 <sup>0</sup>	D 2016 <sup>1/2</sup>	E 2016 <sup>1</sup>	

8. Points are drawn on the sides of a square, dividing each side into *n* equal parts (so, in the example shown, *n* = 4). The points are joined in the manner indicated, to form several small squares (24 in the example, shown shaded) and some triangles. How many small squares are formed when *n* = 7?
A 56 B 84 C 140 D 840 E 5040

**9.** A square has vertices at (0,0), (1,0), (1,1) and (0,1). Graphs of the following equations are drawn on the same set of axes as the square.

 $x^{2} + y^{2} = 1$ , y = x + 1,  $y = -x^{2} + 1$ , y = x,  $y = \frac{1}{x}$ 

How many of the graphs pass through exactly two of the vertices of the square?

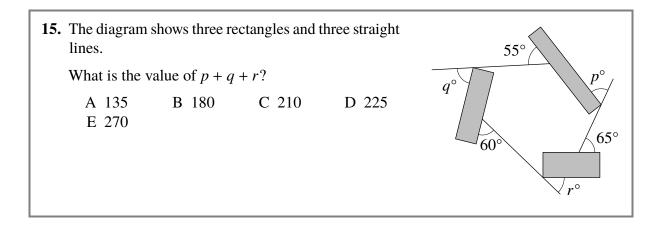
10.	The digits from 1 to $3 \times 3$ grid shown, o			lls of the		12
	The product of the	three digits in the	first row is 12.			112
	The product of the	2.				
	The product of the	6.	216 12			
	The product of the three digits in the second column is 12.					
	What is the product of the digits in the shaded cells?					
	A 24	B 30	C 36	D 48	E 140	

11. In the grid below each of the blank squares and the square marked X are to be filled by<br/>the mean of the two numbers in its adjacent squares.Which number should go in the square marked X?10X25A 15B 16C 17D 18E 19

<b>12.</b> Which is the smallest square that has 2016 as a factor?					
A 42 <sup>2</sup>	B 84 <sup>2</sup>	C 168 <sup>2</sup>	D 336 <sup>2</sup>	E 2016 <sup>2</sup>	

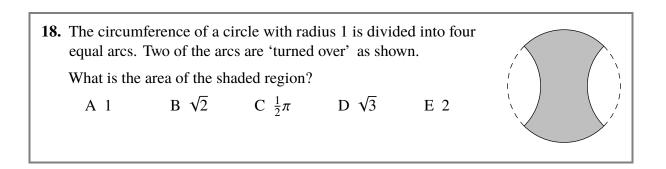
<b>13.</b> Five square tiles are put together side by side. A quarter circle is drawn on each tile to make a continuous curve as shown. Each of the smallest squares has side-length 1.					
What is the to	What is the total length of the curve?				
Α 6π Ε 8π	Β 6.5π	С 7π	D 7.5π		

14. Which of the following values of the positive integer <i>n</i> is a counterexample to the statement: "If <i>n</i> is not prime then $n - 2$ is not prime"?					
A 6	B 11	C 27	D 33	E 51	

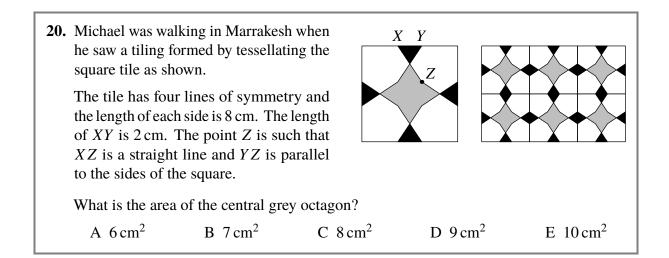


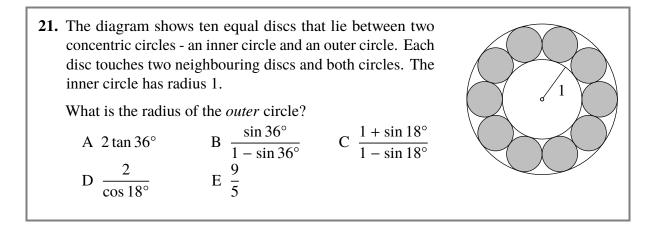
<b>16.</b> For which valu	the of k is $\sqrt{2016}$	+ $\sqrt{56}$ equal to 14	<sup>k</sup> ?		
A $\frac{1}{2}$	B $\frac{3}{4}$	$C \frac{5}{4}$	D $\frac{3}{2}$	$E \frac{5}{2}$	

Aaron has to choose to 9. To help him r order, for example 2	emember them, A		e	
How many such codes can be chosen?				
A 779	B 504	C 168	D 84	E 9



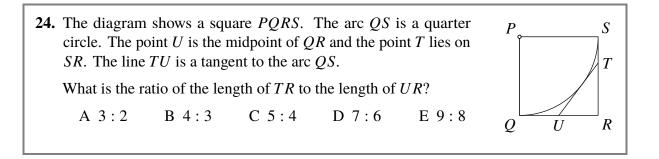
19. Let S be a set of five different positive integers, the largest of which is m. It is impossible to construct a quadrilateral with non-zero area, whose side-lengths are all distinct elements of S.
What is the smallest possible value of m?
A 2
B 4
C 9
D 11
E 12





22. Three friends make the following statements.
Ben says, "Exactly one of Dan and Cam is telling the truth."
Dan says, "Exactly one of Ben and Cam is telling the truth."
Cam says, "Neither Ben nor Dan is telling the truth."
Which of the three friends is lying?
A Just Ben
B Just Dan
C Just Cam
D Each of Ben and Cam

• A cuboid has sides of lengths 22, 2 and 10. It is contained within a sphere of the smallest possible radius.						
What is the side-length of the largest cube that will fit inside the same sphere?						
A 10	B 11	C 12	D 13	E 14		



<b>25.</b> Let <i>n</i> be the smallest integer for which $7n$ has 2016 digits.						
What is the units digit of <i>n</i> ?						
A 0	B 1	C 4	D 6	E 8		



## SENIOR MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE

## Thursday 5th November 2015

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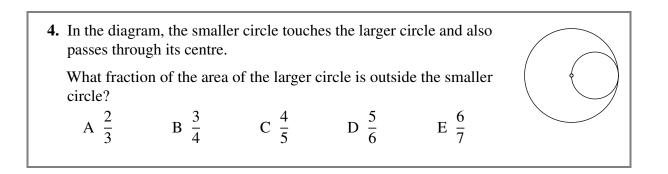
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<b>1.</b> What is 2015 <sup>2</sup> -	- 2016 × 2014?			
A -2015	B -1	<b>C</b> 0	D 1	E 2015

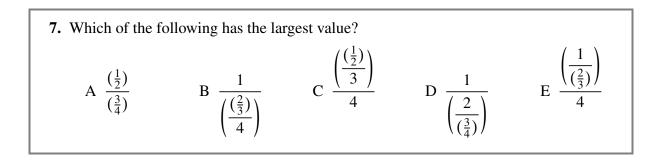
<b>2.</b> What is the su	um of all the soluti	ions of the equation	on $6x = \frac{150}{x}$ ?	
A 0	В 5	C 6	D 25	E 156

3. When Louise had her first car, 50 litres of petrol cost £40. When she filled up the other day, she noticed that 40 litres of petrol cost £50.
By approximately what percentage has the cost of petrol increased over this time?
A 50%
B 56%
C 67%
D 75%
E 80%



5. The integer $n$ is the mean of the three numbers 17, 23 and $2n$ .						
What is the sum of the digits of <i>n</i> ?						
A 4	B 5	C 6	D 7	E 8		

6.	in the diagr circles is a	rs 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1 am, so that the s prime number. Iber is placed in	sum of the nun The number 5	nbers in each pa is placed in th	air of touching	5
	A 6	B 7	C 8	D 9	E 10	

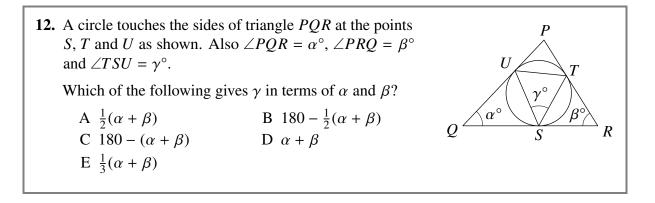


8.	<b>8.</b> The diagram shows eight small squares. Six of these squares are to be shaded so that the shaded squares form the net of a cube.					
	In how many different ways can this be done?					
	A 10	B 8	C 7	D 6	E 4	

9. Four different straight lines are drawn on a flat piece of paper. The number of points where two or more lines intersect is counted.
Which of the following could *not* be the number of such points?
A 1
B 2
C 3
D 4
E 5

1	<b>0.</b> The positive integer <i>n</i> is between 1 and 20. Milly adds up all the integers from 1 to <i>n</i> inclusive. Billy adds up all the integers from $n + 1$ to 20 inclusive. Their totals are the same.						
What is the val	What is the value of <i>n</i> ?						
A 11	B 12	C 13	D 14	E 15			

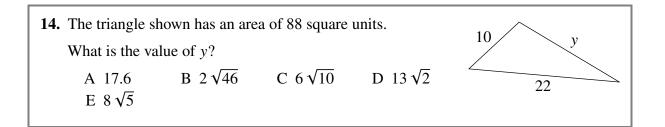
	1. Rahid has a large number of cubic building blocks. Each block has sides of length 4 cm, 6 cm or 10 cm. Rahid makes little towers built from three blocks stacked on top of each other.					
How many dif	How many different heights of tower can he make?					
A 6	B 8	C 9	D 12	E 27		



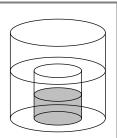
**13.** The Knave of Hearts tells only the truth on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. He tells only lies on all the other days. The Knave of Diamonds tells only the truth on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays. He tells only lies on all the other days. On one day last week, they both said, "Yesterday I told lies."

On which day of the week was that?

A Sunday	B Monday	C Tuesday	D Thursday	E Friday
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**15.** Two vases are cylindrical in shape. The larger vase has diameter 20 cm. The smaller vase has diameter 10 cm and height 16 cm. The larger vase is partially filled with water. Then the empty smaller vase, with the open end at the top, is slowly pushed down into the water, which flows over its rim. When the smaller vase is pushed right down, it is half full of water.



What was the original depth of the water in the larger vase?

A 10 cm B 12 cm C 14 cm D 16 cm E 18 cm

16. Fnargs are either red or blue and have 2, 3 or 4 heads. A group of six Fnargs consisting of one of each possible form is made to line up such that no immediate neighbours are the same colour nor have the same number of heads.
How many ways are there of lining them up from left to right?
A 12
B 24
C 60
D 120
E 720

**17.** The diagram shows eight circles of two different sizes. The circles are arranged in concentric pairs so that the centres form a square. Each larger circle touches one other larger circle and two smaller circles. The larger circles have radius 1. What is the radius of each smaller circle? A  $\frac{1}{3}$  B  $\frac{2}{5}$  C  $\sqrt{2} - 1$  D  $\frac{1}{2}$ E  $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}$ 

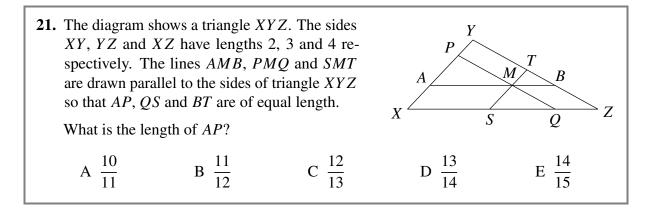
<b>18.</b> What is the largest integer k whose square $k^2$ is a factor of 10!?						
$[10! = 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1.]$						
A 6	B 256	C 360	D 720	E 5040		

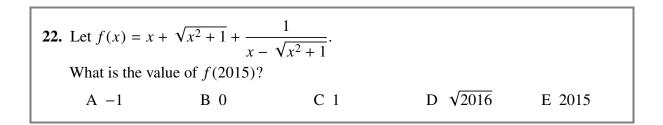
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A 2, 32	B 4, 42	C 4, 34	D 32, 40	E 34, 42

**20.** A square ink pad has sides of length 1 cm. It is covered in black ink and carefully placed in the middle of a piece of white paper. The square pad is then rotated 180° about one of its corners so that all of the pad remains in contact with the paper throughout the turn. The pad is then removed from the paper.

What area of paper, in cm<sup>2</sup>, is coloured black?

$A \mathcal{X} + Z$ $D \mathcal{Z} \mathcal{X} + I$ $C + D \mathcal{Z} \mathcal{X} + Z$ $L \mathcal{X} + I$	A $\pi + 2$	B $2\pi - 1$	C 4	D $2\pi - 2$	E $\pi + 1$
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23.	<b>3.</b> Given four different non-zero digits, it is possible to form 24 different four-digit numbers containing each of these four digits.					
	What is the largest prime factor of the sum of the 24 numbers?					
	A 23	B 93	C 97	D 101	E 113	

24.	<b>4.</b> Peter has 25 cards, each printed with a different integer from 1 to 25. He wishes to place <i>N</i> cards in a single row so that the numbers on every adjacent pair of cards have a prime factor in common.						
	What is the largest value of $N$ for which this is possible?						
	A 16	B 18	C 20	D 22	E 24		

	<b>25.</b> A function, defined on the set of positive integers, is such that $f(xy) = f(x) + f(y)$ for all x and y. It is known that $f(10) = 14$ and $f(40) = 20$ .					
What is the value of $f(500)$ ?						
A 29	B 30	C 39	D 48	E 50		



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<b>1.</b> What is $98 \times 10^{10}$	)2?			
A 200	B 9016	C 9996	D 998	E 99996

2. The diagram single colou colour.	e		e	to be painted a have the same	
What is the s	smallest numb	er of colours re	quired?		
A 2	B 3	C 4	D 5	E 6	

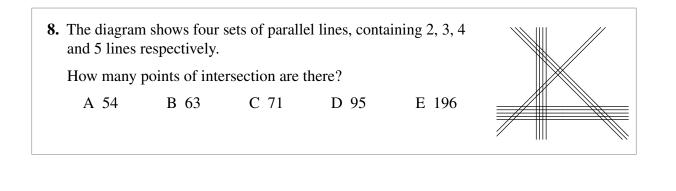
3. December 31st 1997 was a Wednesday.						
How many Wednesdays were there in 1997?						
A 12	B 51	C 52	D 53	E 365		

<b>4.</b> After I had spent $\frac{1}{5}$ of my money and then spent $\frac{1}{4}$ of what was left, I had £15 remaining.					
How much did	I start with?				
A £25	B £75	C £100	D £135	E £300	

5. How many int	egers between 1 an	d 2014 are multip	oles of both 20 and	14?	
A 7	B 10	C 14	D 20	E 28	

6. In the addition sum shown, each of the letters <i>T</i> , <i>H</i> , <i>I</i> and <i>S</i> represents a non-zero digit.					$+ \underbrace{\begin{array}{ccc} T H I S \\ I S \end{array}}_{}$
What is $T + T$	H + I + S?				2 0 1 4
A 34	B 22	C 15	D 9	E 7	

U	7. According to recent research, global sea levels could rise 36.8 cm by the year 2100 as a result of melting ice.					
Roughly how many millimetres is that per year?						
A 10	B 4	C 1	D 0.4	E 0.1		

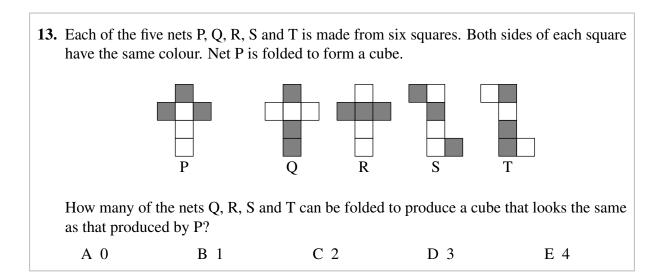


<b>9.</b> Which of the following is divisible by 9?							
A $10^{2014} + 5$ E $10^{2014} + 9$	B $10^{2014} + 6$	C $10^{2014} + 7$	D $10^{2014} + 8$				

<b>10.</b> A rectangle has area $120 \text{ cm}^2$ and perimeter 46 cm.						
Which of the following is the length of each of the diagonals?						
A 15 cm	B 16 cm	C 17 cm	D 18 cm	E 19 cm		

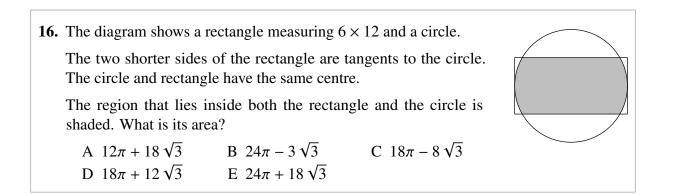
<b>11.</b> A Mersenne prime is a prime of the form $2^p - 1$ , where p is also a prime.							
	One of the following is <i>not</i> a Mersenne prime. Which one is it?						
	A $2^2 - 1$	B $2^3 - 1$	C $2^5 - 1$	D $2^7 - 1$	E $2^{11} - 1$		

	<b>12.</b> Karen has three times the number of cherries that Lionel has, and twice the number of cherries that Michael has. Michael has seven more cherries than Lionel.						
How many che	How many cherries do Karen, Lionel and Michael have altogether?						
A 12	B 42	C 60	D 77	E 84			



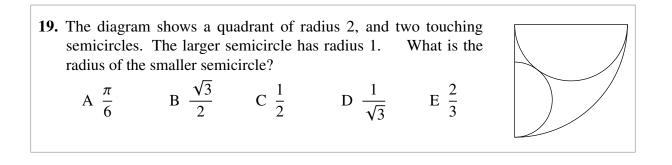
<b>14.</b> Given that $\frac{3x}{x}$	$\frac{y}{3y} = -1$ , what is	s the value of $\frac{x+3}{3x-3}$	$\frac{3y}{-y}$ ?		
A -1	B 2	C 4	D 5	E 7	

15.	5. The figure shown alongside is made from seven small squares. Some of these squares are to be shaded so that:								
	<ul><li>(i) at least two squares are shaded;</li><li>(ii) two squares meeting along an edge or at a corner are not both shaded.</li></ul>					e not both			
	How many ways are there to do this?								
	А	4	B 8	C 10	D 14	E 18			



**17.** An oil tanker is 100 km due north of a cruise liner. The tanker sails SE at a speed of 20 kilometres per hour and the liner sails NW at a speed of 10 kilometres per hour.What is the shortest distance between the two boats during the subsequent motion?A 100 kmB 80 kmC  $50\sqrt{2}$  kmD 60 kmE  $33\frac{1}{3}$  km

**18.** Beatrix decorates the faces of a cube, whose edges have length 2. For each face, she either leaves it blank, or draws a single straight line on it. Every line joins the midpoints of two edges, either opposite or adjacent, as shown. What is the length of the longest unbroken line that Beatrix can draw on the cube? A 8 B  $4+4\sqrt{2}$  C  $6+3\sqrt{2}$  D  $8+2\sqrt{2}$ E 12



20.	The diagram a edge.	shows six squar	res with sic	les of length 2 plac	ed edge-to-	
	What is the ra	dius of the sma	allest circle	e containing all six	squares?	
	A $2\sqrt{5}$	B $2\sqrt{6}$	C 5	D $\sqrt{26}$	E 2√7	

<b>21.</b> Fiona wants to draw a 2-dimensiter passes through all of the point grid of squares shown.	1 1		Q			R	
Which of the following can she	draw?						
<ul><li>(i) A circle</li><li>(ii) An equilateral triangle</li><li>(iii) A square</li></ul>		P					S
A only (i) and (ii) D all of (i), (ii) and (iii)	<ul><li>B only (ii) and (iii)</li><li>E none of (i), (ii) and (iii)</li></ul>	C	on	ly (i	) and	d (iii	)

22. A bag contains m blue and n yellow marbles. One marble is selected at random from the bag and its colour is noted. It is then returned to the bag along with k other marbles of the same colour. A second marble is now selected at random from the bag.

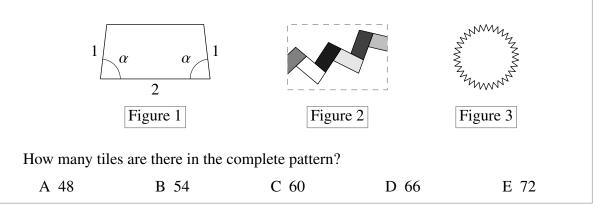
What is the probability that the second marble is blue?

A 
$$\frac{m}{m+n}$$
 B  $\frac{n}{m+n}$  C  $\frac{m}{m+n+k}$  D  $\frac{m+k}{m+n+k}$   
E  $\frac{m+n}{m+n+k}$ 

<b>23.</b> Which of the following have no real solutions?						
(i) $2x < 2^x < x^2$ (v) $2^x < 2x < x^2$	(ii) $x^2 < 2x < 2^x$ (vi) $2x < x^2 < 2^x$	(iii) $2^x < x^2 < 2x$	(iv) $x^2 < 2^x < 2x$			
A (i) and (iii) E (iii) and (v)	B (i) and (iv)	C (ii) and (iv)	D (ii) and (v)			

<b>24.</b> Which of the following is smallest?								
A $10 - 3\sqrt{11}$ E $7 - 4\sqrt{3}$	$B 8 - 3\sqrt{7}$	C $5-2\sqrt{6}$	D 9 – 4 $\sqrt{5}$					

**25.** Figure 1 shows a tile in the form of a trapezium, where  $\alpha = 83\frac{1}{3}^{\circ}$ . Several copies of the tile are placed together to form a symmetrical pattern, part of which is shown in Figure 2. The outer border of the complete pattern is a regular 'star polygon'. Figure 3 shows an example of a regular 'star polygon'.





## SENIOR MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE

## Thursday 7 November 2013

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1. Which of these is the largest number?							
A $2 + 0 + 1 + 3$ E $2 \times 0 \times 1 \times 3$	B $2 \times 0 + 1 + 3$	C $2 + 0 \times 1 + 3$	D $2 + 0 + 1 \times 3$				

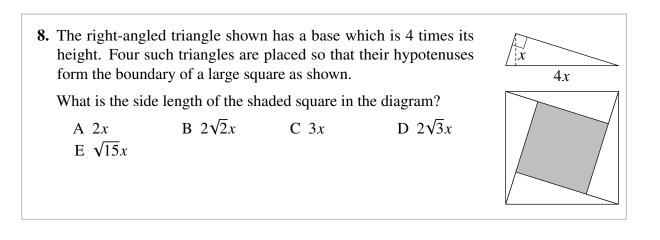
2. Little John claims he is 2 m 8 cm and 3 mm tall.						
What is this height in metres?						
A 2.83 m	B 2.803 m	C 2.083 m	D 2.0803 m	E 2.0083 m		

<b>3.</b> What is the 't	ens' digit of 2013 <sup>2</sup>	$2^{2}-2013?$			
A 0	<b>B</b> 1	C 4	D 5	E 6	

<b>4.</b> A route on t step is from	Т				
How many different routes are there from square S to square T which pass through every other square exactly once?					S
A 0	B 1	C 2	D 3	E 4	

6. Rebecca went swimming yesterday. After a while she had covered one fifth of her intended distance. After swimming six more lengths of the pool, she had covered one quarter of her intended distance.
How many lengths of the pool did she intend to complete?
A 40
B 72
C 80
D 100
E 120

<ol> <li>In a 'ninety nine' shop all items cost a number of pounds and 99 pence. Susanna spent £65.76.</li> </ol>					
How many ite	ms did she buy?				
A 23	B 24	C 65	D 66	E 76	



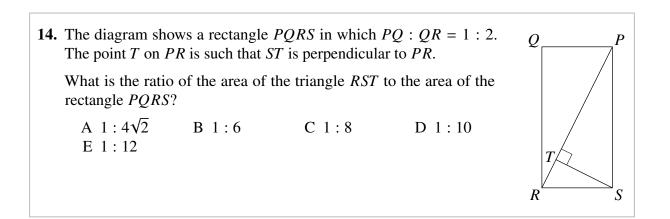
9. According to a headline 'Glaciers in the French Alps have lost a quarter of their area in the past 40 years'.
What is the approximate percentage reduction in the length of the side of a square when it loses one quarter of its area, thereby becoming a smaller square?
A 13% B 25% C 38% D 50% E 65%

10.	Frank's teacher ask than the mean, and median is 10.		•			
	What is the smallest possible integer that he could include in his list?					
	A 3	B 4	C 5	D 6	E 7	

11.	1. The diagram shows a circle with centre <i>O</i> and a triangle <i>OPQ</i> . Side <i>PQ</i> is a tangent to the circle. The area of the circle is equal to the area of the triangle.		P			
	What is the ratio of the length of $PQ$ to the circumference of the circle?					
	A 1:1	B 2:3	C 2:π	D 3:2	Ε π:2	

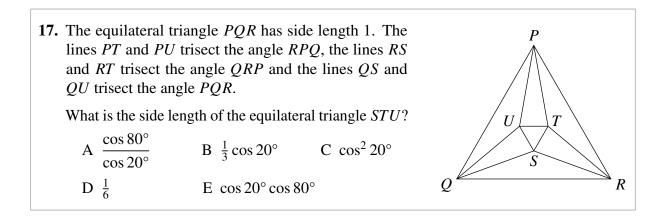
12.	2. As a special treat, Sammy is allowed to eat five sweets from his very large jar which contains many sweets of each of three flavours – Lemon, Orange and Strawberry. He wants to eat his five sweets in such a way that no two consecutive sweets have the same flavour.				
	In how many ways	can he do this?			
	A 32	B 48	C 72	D 108	E 162

13. Two entrants in a school's sponsored run adopt different tactics. Angus walks for half the time and runs for the other half, whilst Bruce walks for half the distance and runs for the other half. Both competitors walk at 3 mph and run at 6 mph. Angus takes 40 minutes to complete the course.
How many minutes does Bruce take?
A 30
B 35
C 40
D 45
E 50



<b>15.</b> For how many positive integers $n$ is $4^n - 1$ a prime number?						
A 0	<b>B</b> 1	C 2	D 3			
E infinitely n	nany					

16.	• And rew states that every composite number of the form $8n + 3$ , where <i>n</i> is an integer, has a prime factor of the same form.				
		se numbers is an exa	1 0		
	A 19	B 33	C 85	D 91	E 99

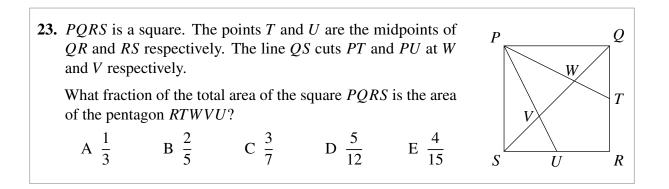


	<b>18.</b> The numbers 2, 3, 12, 14, 15, 20, 21 may be divided into two sets so that the product of the numbers in each set is the same.					
What is this pro	duct?					
A 420	B 1260	C 2520	D 6720	E 6350400		

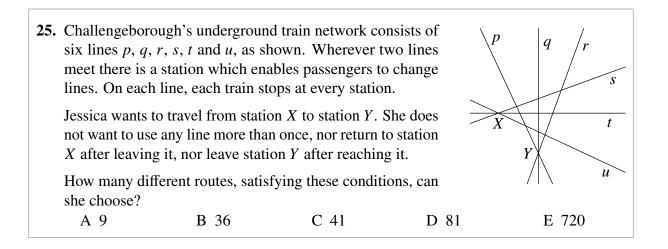
19.	The 16 small 1 unit.	squares shown	n in the diagran	n each have a s	side length of	
	How many pairs of vertices are there in the diagram whose distance apart is an integer number of units?					
	A 40	B 64	C 108	D 132	E 16	

**20.** The ratio of two positive numbers equals the ratio of their sum to their difference. What is this ratio? A  $(1 + \sqrt{3}) : 2$  B  $\sqrt{2} : 1$  C  $(1 + \sqrt{5}) : 2$  D  $(2 + \sqrt{2}) : 1$ E  $(1 + \sqrt{2}) : 1$  21. The shaded design shown in the diagram is made by drawing eight circular arcs, all with the same radius. The centres of four arcs are the vertices of the square; the centres of the four touching arcs are the midpoints of the sides of the square. The diagonals of the square have length 1. What is the total length of the border of the shaded design? A  $2\pi$  B  $\frac{5}{2}\pi$  C  $3\pi$  D  $\frac{7}{2}\pi$  E  $4\pi$ 

number 'grime	22. Consider numbers of the form $10n + 1$ , where <i>n</i> is a positive integer. We shall call such a number 'grime' if it cannot be expressed as the product of two smaller numbers, possibly equal, both of which are of the form $10k + 1$ , where <i>k</i> is a positive integer.				
How many 'grime numbers' are there in the sequence 11, 21, 31, 41,, 981, 991?					
A 0	B 8	C 87	D 92	E 99	



	he diagram shows t O.	wo straight lines	PR and QS crossing	x
W	That is the value of x	c?		4 10
	A $7\sqrt{2}$	B $2\sqrt{29}$	C $14\sqrt{2}$	4 3
	D $7(1+\sqrt{13})$	E $9\sqrt{2}$		8





## UK SENIOR MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE November 6th 2012

1.	Which of	Which of the following cannot be written as the sum of two prime numbers?						
	A 5	В 7	C 9	D 10	E 11			

2.	•		uilateral triang n vertex. What	· •	l a regular pentagon $\theta$ ?	$\theta^{\circ}$
	A 98	B 102	C 106	D 110	E 112	

3.	In four of thos	e years it has leap	pt up by 5p each	year, whilst in the	bunds over the past te the other six years it l much does it cost no	nas
	A £0.77	B £0.90	C £0.92	D £1.02	E £1.05	

4.	•				illion galaxies in the universe stars is that altogether?	,
	A 10 <sup>13</sup>	B 10 <sup>22</sup>	$C \ 10^{100}$	D 10 <sup>120</sup>	E 10 <sup>121</sup>	

5.	All six digits of	three 2-digit num	bers are different. W	What is the largest p	ossible sum of three
	such numbers?				
	A 237	B 246	C 255	D 264	E 273

6.		ne sum of the digits of Palindromic numbers i	••••		
	A 18	B 20	C 24	D 30	E 36

7. Given that $x + y$	+ z = 1, x + y - z =	= 2 and $x - y - z$ =	= 3, what is the value	ue of <i>xyz</i> ?	
A -2	B $-\frac{1}{2}$	C 0	$D \frac{1}{2}$	E 2	

8.	equilateral triang	les. For how many	es of tile, each of wh of these types of til overlaps, to make a	le can we place th	nree identical copies
	A 0	B 1	C 2	D 3	E 4

9.	Ratna said	l, "Just one of us is , "What Qadr says l, "What Sven says	is not true".	· /	Pierre says is not true". Ratna says is not true".
	How many	of them were tellin	ng the truth?		
	A 0	B 1	C 2	D 3	E 4

10.	Let N be the sma digit of $N + 1$ ?	llest positive intege	er whose digits add	up to 2012. What is	the first
	A 2	В 3	C 4	D 5	E 6

11.	The circumference which in turn is e	ce of the base of equal to the radi mum number of	a circular piece of f each hat equals it us of the piece of c f hats that Coco ca	s slant height, cardboard.	
	A 3	B 4	C 5	D 6	E 7

12.	The number 3 can be expressed as the sum of one or more positive integers in four different ways:					
		3;	1+2;	2+1;	1+1+1.	
	In how many way	ys can th	e number 5	be so expr	essed?	
	A 8	B 10		C 12	D 14	E 16

13.			on square 1 in the r e square with no over	-	5	6	7	8	9
	upper face of the cube is covered in wet paint. The cube is							21	10
		-	aves paint on all of t	-	3	18	25	22	11
	*	*	ace lands, but on no		2	17	24	23	12
	The cube is removed on reaching the square 25. What is the sum of the numbers on the squares which are now marked						15	14	13
	with paint? A 78 B 80 C 82 D 169							25	

14.	14. Six students who share a house all speak exactly two languages. Helga speaks only English										
	and German; Ina speaks only German and Spanish; Jean-Pierre speaks only French and										
	Spanish; Karim speaks only German and French; Lionel speaks only French and English										
	whilst Mary speaks only Spanish and English. If two of the students are chosen at random,										
	what is the probability that they speak a common language?										
	A $\frac{1}{2}$	B $\frac{2}{3}$	$C = \frac{3}{4}$	D $\frac{4}{5}$	$E = \frac{5}{6}$						
	$\Lambda \frac{1}{2}$	$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{3}$	$C = \frac{1}{4}$	$D = \frac{1}{5}$	$\mathbf{L} = \frac{1}{6}$						

15. Professor Rosseforp runs to work every day. On Thursday he ran 10% faster than his usual average speed. As a result, his journey time was reduced by x minutes. How many minutes did the journey take on Wednesday?

A 11*x* B 10*x* C 9*x* D 8*x* E 5*x* 

16.	$x^2 + y^2 -$ at points A	xy + x - 4y 4 and <i>C</i> and 6	= 12. The cucuts the <i>x</i> -ax	ose equation arve cuts the is at points <i>B</i> adrilateral <i>A</i>	y-axis 8 and <i>D</i> .	
	A 28	B 36	C 42	D 48	E 56	

17.	The diagram shows a pattern found on a floor tile in the cathedral in Spoleto, Umbria. A circle of radius 1 surrounds four quarter circles, also of radius 1, which enclose a square. The pattern has four axes of symmetry. What is the side length of the square?	
	A $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ B $2 - \sqrt{2}$ C $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ D $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\sqrt{2} - 1$	

18.	The diagra	m shows two	squares, wit	th sides of len	gth $\frac{1}{2}$ ,	
	-		-		he value of <i>x</i> ?	1 2α/1
	A $\cos \alpha$	$B \frac{1}{\cos \alpha}$	$C \sin \alpha$	$D \frac{1}{\sin \alpha}$	E $\tan \alpha$	2

di ro	iagram sho w equals 2	wn so that the sum 21 and the sum of t	are to be placed, one of the four numbers he four numbers in the ifferent ways can the	s in the horizontal the vertical column	
А	. 0	B 2	C 36	D 48	E 72

20.	All four si	des of PQRS	S are tangent	to a circle wit	parallel to <i>RQ</i> . h centre <i>C</i> . The	s s
	area of the	trapezium i	s 600 cm <sup>2</sup> . W	/hat is the rad	ius of the circle?	Λ·
	A 7.5cm	B 8cm	C 9cm	D 10cm	E 12cm	$R \xrightarrow{C}$

21.	21. Which of the following numbers does <i>not</i> have a square root in the form $x + y\sqrt{2}$ , where x									
	and y are positive	e integers?								
	A $17 + 12\sqrt{2}$	B $22 + 12\sqrt{2}$	C $38 + 12\sqrt{2}$	D 54+12 $\sqrt{2}$	E 73 + $12\sqrt{2}$					

22.	diameter <i>UW</i> . point <i>X</i> , such An arc of the drawn so that	circle with centre X the line XY is a tan		U V	W X
	A $\frac{4r^2}{9}$	B $\frac{2r^2}{3}$	$C r^2$	D $\frac{4r^2}{3}$	$E 2r^2$

23.	one player hi	ts the target and the	Tom and Geri have a competition. Initially, each player has one attempt at hitting a target. If one player hits the target and the other does not then the successful player wins. If both players hit the target, or if both players miss the target, then each has another attempt, with								
	the same rules applying. If the probability of Tom hitting the target is always $\frac{4}{5}$ and the										
	probability o competition?	-	rget is always $\frac{2}{3}$ , w	what is the probability	ity that Tom wins the						
	A $\frac{4}{15}$	$B \frac{8}{15}$	$C \frac{2}{3}$	D $\frac{4}{5}$	$E \frac{13}{15}$						

24.	The top diagram on the right shows a shape that tiles the plane, as shown in the lower diagram. The tile has nine sides, six of which have length 1. It may be divided into three congruent quadrilaterals as shown. What is the area of the tile?	
	A $\frac{1+2\sqrt{3}}{2}$ B $\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}$ C $\sqrt{6}$ D $\frac{3+4\sqrt{3}}{4}$ E $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$	

25.	How many	distinct pairs $(x, y)$ of	f real numbers satis	sfy the equation $(x$	$(+ y)^{2} = (x + 4)(y - 4)?$
	A 0	B 1	C 2	D 3	E 4



## UK SENIOR MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE November 8th 2011

1.	Which of the nu	mbers below is not	a whole number?		
	A $\frac{2011+0}{1}$	B $\frac{2011+1}{2}$	C $\frac{2011+2}{3}$	D $\frac{2011+3}{4}$	E $\frac{2011+4}{5}$

2.	Jack and Jill	Jack and Jill went up the hill to fetch a pail of water. Having filled the pail to the full, Jack fell						
	down spilling	down spilling $\frac{2}{3}$ of the water, before Jill caught the pail. She then tumbled down the hill,						
	spilling $\frac{2}{5}$ of the remainder.							
	What fraction	n of the pail does th	e remaining water	fill?				
	A $\frac{11}{15}$ B $\frac{1}{3}$ C $\frac{4}{15}$ D $\frac{1}{5}$ E $\frac{1}{15}$							

3.	The robot Lumber9 moves along the number line. Lumber9 starts at 0, takes 1 step forward (to						
	1), then 2 steps backwards (to $-1$ ), then 3 steps forward, 4 steps back, and so on, moving						
	alternately forwards and backwards, one more step each time. At what number is Lumber9 after						
	2011 steps?	2011 steps?					
	A 1006	B 27	C 11	D 0	E -18		

4.	What is the last d	igit of 3 <sup>2011</sup> ?			
	A 1	В 3	C 5	D 7	E 9

5.	The diagra	<u> </u>				
	What is the					
	A 90 <sup>0</sup>	B 120 <sup>0</sup>	C 150 <sup>0</sup>	D 180 <sup>0</sup>	E 210 <sup>0</sup>	

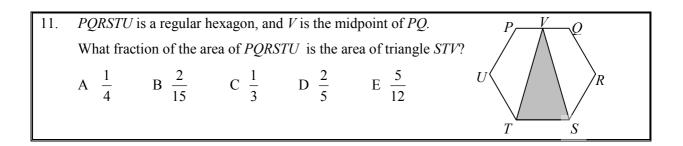
6.	Granny and h	er granddaughter (	Gill both had their b	oirthday yesterday.	Today, Granny's age ir	1
	years is an even number and 15 times that of Gill. In 4 year's time Granny's age in years will					
	be the square	of Gill's age in ye	ars. How many yea	rs older than Gill is	Granny today?	
	A 42	B 49	C 56	D 60	E 64	

7.	Two sides of a triangle have lengths 4cm and 5cm. The third side has length x cm, where x is a					
	positive integer. How many different values can x have?					
	A 4	B 5	C 6	D 7	E 8	

Γ	8.	A $2 \times 3$ g	rid of square	es can be div	vided into		
		$1 \times 2$ rect	angles in thr	ee different	ways.		
		How man	ny ways are	there of divi			
		into $1 \times 2$	rectangles?				
		A 1	B 4	C 6	D 7	E 8	

9.	Sam has a large c	ollection of $1 \times 1 \times$	1 cubes, each of whi	ich is either red or y	vellow. Sam makes a
	$3 \times 3 \times 3$ block from twenty-seven cubes, so that no cubes of the same colour meet face-to-face.				
	What is the differ	ence between the l	argest number of re	d cubes that Sam ca	an use and the
	smallest number?				
	A 0	B 1	C 2	D 3	E 4

10.	A triangle has two edges of length 5. What length should be chosen for the third edge of the					
	triangle so as	to maximize the ar	ea within the tria	ngle?		
	A 5	B 6	C $5\sqrt{2}$	D 8	E $5\sqrt{3}$	



12.	The <i>primorial</i> of a number is the product of all the prime numbers less than or equal to that					
	number. For example, the primorial of 6 is $2 \times 3 \times 5 = 30$ . How many different whole numbers					
	have a primorial	of 210?				
	A 1	B 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	

13.	The diagra	am represents	a maze. Give	n that you ca	an only move	
	horizontal	ly and vertica				
	square, how many different routes are there through the maze?					
	A 16	B 12	C 10	D 8	E 6	

14.	An equilateral tria	angle of side	length 4 cm is divided	up into smaller e	equilateral triangles, all of
	which have side length equal to a whole number of centimetres. Which of the following cannot				
	be the number of smaller triangles obtained?				
	A 4	B 8	C 12	D 13	E 16

15.	The equation $x^2$ -	+ax+b=0, where	a and $b$ are different base of $b$ are different base of $b$ and $b$ are different base of $b$ are different base of $b$ and $b$ are different base of	ent, has solutions $x$	=a and $x=b$ .	
	How many such equations are there?					
	A 0	B 1	C 3	D 4	E an infinity	

16.	PQRS is a rec	tangle. The area of	f triangle QRT is $\frac{1}{5}$	of the area	
	of PQRS, and t	T			
	What fraction of	trea of the	P U S		
	triangle QTU?				
	A $\frac{27}{40}$	$B  \frac{21}{40}$	$C \frac{1}{2}$	D $\frac{19}{40}$	$E  \frac{23}{60}$

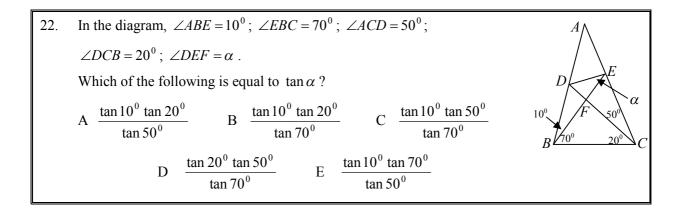
17.	Jamie conducted a survey on the food preferences of pupils at a school and discovered that					
	70% of the pupils like pears, 75% like oranges, 80% like bananas and 85% like apples. What is					
	the smallest possible percentage of pupils who like all four of these fruits?					
	A at least 10%	B at least 15%	C at least 20%	D at least 25%	E at least 70%	

18.	Two numbers x and y are such that $x + y = 20$ and $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{2}$ .					
	What is the value of $x^2y + xy^2$ ?					
	A 80	B 200	C 400	D 640	E 800	

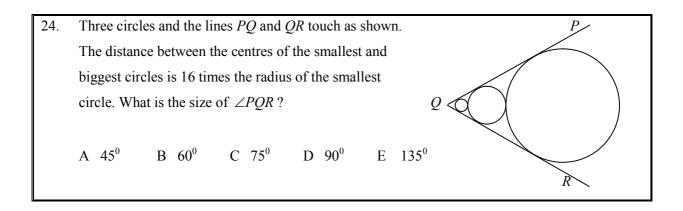
19.	The diagram shows a	small regular o	ctagram (an eight	-sided star)		
	surrounded by eight squares (dark grey) and eight kites (light					
	grey) to make a large	regular octagra	am. Each square h	as area 1.		
	What is the area of one of the light grey kites?					
	A 2 B	$\sqrt{2} + 1$	$C  \frac{21}{8}$	D $4\sqrt{2}-3$	$E \frac{11}{4}$	

20.	Positive integers	x and $y$ satisfy	the equation $\sqrt{x}$ –	$\sqrt{11} = \sqrt{y} \; .$			
	What is the maximum possible value of $\frac{x}{y}$ ?						
	A 2	B 4	C 8	D 11	E 44		

21.	21. Each of the Four Musketeers made a statement about the four of them, as follows:					
	d'Artagnan: "Exactly one is lying."					
	Athos: "Exactly two of us are lying."					
	Porthos: "An odd number of us is lying."					
	Aramis: "An even number of us is lying."					
	How many of them were lying (with the others telling the truth)?					
	A one	B one or two	C two or three	D three	E four	



23.	What is the minimum value of $x^2 + y^2 + 2xy + 6x + 6y + 4$ ?					
	A -7	B -5	C -4	D -1	E 4	



25.	A solid sculpture	e consists of a	$4 \times 4 \times 4$ cube with a	$3 \times 3 \times 3$ cube	
	sticking out as sh				
	edges of the large				
	What is the total				
	A 79	B 81	C 82	D 84	E 85