

#1. Answer

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#2. Answer

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#3. Answer

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#4. Answer

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#5. Answer

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#6. Answer

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#8. Answer

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#9. Answer

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#10. Answer

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#11. Answer

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#12. Answer

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#1. Solution:

$$\text{Let } y = 2^x. y^2 = y + 6 y^2 - y - 6 = 0 \quad (y - 3)(y + 2) = 0 \quad y = 3 \quad 2^x = 3 \quad x = \log_2(3) \quad N = 3$$

#2. Solution:

$$(2b + 4)^2 = 6b^2 + 4b + 2. \quad 4b^2 + 16b + 16 = 6b^2 + 4b + 2. \quad 2b^2 - 12b - 14 = 0 \quad b^2 - 6b - 7 = 0. \quad (b - 7)(b + 1) = 0. \\ b = 7.$$

#3. Solution:

Notice that $25 = 10^{\log(25)}$. $25^{\frac{1}{\log(25)}} = \left(10^{\log(25)}\right)^{\frac{1}{\log(25)}} = 10^1 = 10$.

#4. Solution:

$$f'(x) = e^x(x^2 + 2x). \quad f''(x) = e^x(x^2 + 4x + 2) \quad a \text{ and } b \text{ are the 2 roots of } x^2 + 4x + 2 = 0. \quad \text{The product is } a \cdot b = 2.$$

#5. Solution:

The divisors are: 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, and 100. The product is: $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 \cdot 2 \cdot 10 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10$.
 $= 2^4 \cdot 5^4 \cdot 10^5 = 10^4 \cdot 10^5 = 10^9$.

#6. Solution:

Let x be the fraction of girls and y the fraction of boys. $90x + 84y = 88$ and $x + y = 1$. $90(1 - y) + 84y = 88$.
 $90 - 90y + 84y = 88$. $6y = 2$ or $y = \frac{1}{3}$. $N = 3$

#7. Solution:

$$6! = 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 2^4 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 2 \cdot \log(6!) = \log(2^4 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5) = \log(2^4) + \log(3^2) + \log(5) \\ = 4 \log(2) + 2 \log(3) + \log(5). \quad a + b + c = 4 + 2 + 1 = 7.$$

#8. Solution:

If $x > -3$, then $x^2 + 1 = 5x + 15$. $x^2 - 5x - 14 = 0$. $(x - 7)(x + 2) = 0$. $x = 7$ or -2 . If $x < -3$, then $x^2 + 1 = -5(x + 3)$. $x^2 + 5x + 16 = 0$. No real roots. $7 - 2 = 5$.

#9. Solution:

Let $y = 4^x - 8$ and $z = 8^x - 4$. $y^2 + z^2 = (y + z)^2$. $y^2 + z^2 = y^2 + 2yz + z^2$. $y = 0$ or $z = 0$.
 $4^x - 8 = 0$ or $8^x - 4 = 0$. $4^x = 8$ or $8^x = 4$. $2^{2x} = 2^3$ or $2^{3x} = 2^2$. $x = \frac{3}{2}$ or $x = \frac{2}{3}$. $\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = 1$.

#10. Solution:

$x^2 + x = 3x + 4$. $x^2 - 2x - 4 = 0$. $x = 1 \pm \sqrt{5}$. The points of intersection are $(1 + \sqrt{5}, 7 + 3\sqrt{5})$ and $(1 - \sqrt{5}, 7 - 3\sqrt{5})$. The distance between these points is $\sqrt{(2\sqrt{5})^2 + (6\sqrt{5})^2} = \sqrt{20 + 180} = 10\sqrt{2}$.

#11. Solution:

The terms are: 3, 7, 4, -3, -7, -4, 3, 7, ... The numbers repeat every 6 terms. 2023 divided by 6 has a remainder of 1, so $a_{2023} = a_1 = 3$.

#12. Solution:

By Fermat's Little Theorem, $2^{12} \equiv 1, \text{ mod } 13$. Since $100 = 12 \cdot 8 + 4$, $2^{100} = (2^{12})^8 \cdot 2^4$. The remainder is $2^4 = 16 \equiv 3, \text{ mod } 13$.