



## Level 3: Expressions and Equations Mid-Test

### Question 1:

Carl has a cake decorating business. He is frosting a rectangular cake that is 8 inches longer than it is wide. The width of the cake is represented by the variable  $w$ . The perimeter of the cake is  $2w + 2(w + 8)$ .

Write an equivalent expression for the perimeter without parentheses and with the fewest possible terms.

### Question 2:

A movie theater charges adults \$10 for admission and children \$5. The manager of the theater can calculate the overall expected amount for admission using the expression  $10x + 5y$ .

Which of the following is equivalent to  $10x + 5y$ ?

- a.  $5(2x + y)$
- b.  $5(5x + y)$
- c.  $10(x + 2y)$
- d.  $10(x + 5y)$

### Question 3:

An industrial engineer is working on a project to improve generator performance. In her work she uses the expression  $-2(1 - x)$ .

Write an equivalent expression with two terms and no parentheses.



**Question 4:**

The director of a non-profit organization is raising money through an outdoor event. It costs the organization \$120 to reserve the space for the event. The director can calculate the amount raised with the expression  $3x - 120 + 6y$ .

Which of the following is equivalent?

- a.  $3(x - 40 + 6y)$
- b.  $3(x - 40 + 2y)$
- c.  $3(x - 120 + 6y)$
- d.  $3(x - 120 + 2y)$

**Question 5:**

A computer analyst uses the following expression in the code for a new phone app.

$$-3(2a - 5) - 4a + 1$$

Which expression is equivalent?

- a.  $-10a - 14$
- b.  $-10a - 4$
- c.  $-10a + 11$
- d.  $-10a + 16$

**Question 6:**

A network communication analyst is working to optimize an office computer network. She uses the following expression in her analysis:

$$\frac{2}{3}(x + 3y) + x - y.$$

Which expression is equivalent?

- a.  $\frac{5}{3}x + y$
- b.  $\frac{4x+y}{3}$
- c.  $\frac{5x-y}{3}$
- d.  $\frac{5}{3}x + 2y$

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**Question 7:**

A financial analyst uses the following expression to estimate the return on a client's investment.

$$6x + 15y - 30z$$

Which of the following is equivalent to this expression?

- a.  $3(2x + 5y - 10z)$
- b.  $3(2x - 5y + 10z)$
- c.  $6(x + 9y - 24z)$
- d.  $60(x + y + z)$

**Question 8:**

Two police officers collected traffic data in different parts of the city. The variable  $c$  represents the number of cars observed and  $t$  represents the number of trucks observed. The officer in the business section of town uses the expression  $2c + t$  to estimate the total number of passengers in the vehicles. The officer in the residential section of town uses the expression  $5c + 2t$ .

Write an expression with two terms to estimate the total number of passengers combined.

**Question 9:**

A journalist for a sports magazine is writing an article about a new statistic for a sport. He calculates the statistic using the expression  $\frac{2}{3}w - l + 2(w + 3l)$ .

Which of the following is equivalent?

- a.  $\frac{4}{3}w + 5l$
- b.  $\frac{4}{3}w + 4l$
- c.  $\frac{8}{3}w + 5l$
- d.  $\frac{8}{3}w + 4l$

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**Question 10:**

A scientist is determining the intensity of a tornado. She enters data into the expression:

$$\frac{8}{9}v + 4t - \frac{2}{3}v + 2t$$

Which of the following is equivalent to this expression?

- a.  $\frac{2}{3}v + 6t$
- b.  $\frac{2}{9}v + 6t$
- c.  $\frac{2}{3}v + 2t$
- d.  $\frac{2}{9}v + 2t$

**Question 11:**

An insurance agent uses the following expression to calculate the cost of insurance for a new business.

$$8a + 12b - 6c$$

Which expression is equivalent?

- a.  $2(4a - 6b + 3c)$
- b.  $2(4a + 6b - 3c)$
- c.  $6(2a - 6b + c)$
- d.  $6(2a + 6b - c)$

**Question 12:**

A registered nurse is calculating the recommended dosage of a drug for a patient. She uses the expression  $120x - 3x + 7y$  to estimate the dosage.

Write an equivalent expression without repeating variables.



**Question 13:**

An environmental protection technician collects data from two locations. He uses slightly different expressions to estimate the oxygen content from the two locations to adjust for the difference in altitude.

Location 1:  $3x - 9y$

Location 2:  $4x - 8y$

The technician subtracts the second expression from the first.

Write an expression with two terms to show the difference.

**Question 14:**

A municipal tax examiner uses the following expression to assess the values of properties in town.

$$\frac{2}{5}(a - p) + a - 2p$$

Which of the following is equivalent to this expression?

- a.  $\frac{7}{5}a - 3p$
- b.  $\frac{3}{5}a - 3p$
- c.  $\frac{7}{5}a - \frac{12}{5}p$
- d.  $\frac{3}{5}a - \frac{12}{5}p$

**Question 15:**

The gaming supervisor for a state uses the following expression to find the likelihood of a jackpot winner.

$$300(p - 6b) + 80p$$

Write an equivalent expression without parentheses.



**Question 16:**

A personal financial advisor is estimating the retirement income of a client. She uses the expression:

$$0.05(s + 4y) - 1.5(2s - y)$$

Which of the following is equivalent to this expression?

- a.  $1.7y + 3.05s$
- b.  $1.52y + 3.05s$
- c.  $1.7y - 2.95s$
- d.  $1.52y - 2.95s$

**Question 17:**

A refinery operator uses the following expression to calculate the rate of gasoline production at the facility.

$$9x + 21y - 30z$$

Which expression is equivalent?

- a.  $9(x - 2y + 3z)$
- b.  $6(3x + 15y - 5z)$
- c.  $3(3x + 7y - 10z)$
- d.  $3(6x + 18x - 27z)$

**Question 18:**

A wholesale marketing representative is estimating the profit of expanding to a new geographic region. She uses the expression  $5(w + 0.5s) - 2w$  in her calculations.

Write an equivalent expression without parentheses and without repeating variables.



**Question 19:**

An analyst with a marketing firm is estimating the expenses for selling their products at two store locations. Let  $x$  represent the number of the first product and  $y$  represent the number of the second product sold. The following expressions are used for the estimation of expenses.

Location A:  $3x + 4y$

Location B:  $8x + y$

Which of the following can be described by the expression  $5y$ ?

- a. The difference between overall expenses at the two locations.
- b. The difference between expenses associated with product  $y$  at the two locations.
- c. The sum of overall expenses at the two locations.
- d. The sum of expenses associated with product  $y$  at the two locations.

**Question 20:**

A farmer pays  $f$  dollars per pound of fertilizer and  $s$  dollars per pound of seed. An expression for the cost of seed and fertilizer combined is  $1000(f + 2s)$ .

What is the relationship between the amount of fertilizer and seed purchased?

- a. There is 1000 times more seed than fertilizer.
- b. There is 2000 times more seed than fertilizer.
- c. There is half as much fertilizer as seed.
- d. There is twice as much fertilizer as seed.

**Question 21:**

A food service manager at a hotel is preparing meals for a business meeting. Each attendee will receive one main dish, two drinks and four side choices. He uses the expression  $120x + 60y + 30z$  to calculate the total cost of the meal. In the expression,  $x$  is the cost of sides,  $y$  is the cost of drinks and  $z$  is the cost of meals. The co-efficients are the numbers of each needed.

How many attendees are expected?

attendees

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**Question 22:**

An urban planner compares two locations for a new water treatment facility. She uses two expressions for the cost of the project depending on distance from city center  $c$  and distance from water supply  $w$ .

Location A:  $12c - 4w$

Location B:  $5c - 2w$

Which expression describes the overall cost difference between these two locations?

- a.  $7c - 2w$
- b.  $7c - 6w$
- c.  $7c + 2w$
- d.  $7c + 6w$

**Question 23:**

A pilot uses the following expression to estimate fuel requirements for an upcoming flight.

$$4d + 8w + 6(d - w)$$

The variable  $d$  represents the distance to be traveled and  $w$  represents the net effect of wind during the trip.

What is the ratio of the coefficient of  $d$  to the coefficient of  $w$  once this expression is simplified?

**Question 24:**

The manager of the theater snack bar uses the following expression to calculate revenue.

$$7.5p + 3s + 10c$$

The variable  $p$  represents the number of popcorn orders sold,  $s$  represents the number of sodas sold, and  $c$  is the number of combo orders sold. A combo order consists of one soda and one popcorn,  $c = p + s$ .

If the variable for combo orders ( $c$ ) is replaced by its equivalent expression ( $p + s$ ), which expression shows the total popcorn revenue?

- a.  $20.5p$
- b.  $17.5p$
- c.  $12.5p$
- d.  $7.5p$

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**Question 25:**

The sales manager of a newspaper advertising department uses the expression below to find the number of advertising deals closed in a month.

$$6 + 3n + 2n - n$$

He uses  $n$  to represent the number of clients.

After simplifying the expression, what is the overall effect of each client on the number of deals in a month?

- a. Each client increases the number of deals by 3.
- b. Each client increases the number of deals by 4.
- c. Each client decreases the number of deals by 1.
- d. Each client decreases the number of deals by 4.