GRE 2024 Quant Practice Test 14 with Solutions

1. Quantity A: The slope of a line parallel to $4y + 18x = 13$.
Quantity B: The slope of a line perpendicular to $6y - 16x = 15$.
Which of the following is true?

(1) The two quantities are equal.
(2) The relationship between the quantities cannot be determined from the information provided.
(3) Quantity B is larger.
(4) Quantity A is larger.

Correct Answer: (3) Quantity B is larger.

Solution:

Step 1: Slope for Quantity A (parallel to $4y + 18x = 13$).
Write in slope–intercept form: $4y = -18x + 13 \Rightarrow y = \left(-\frac{18}{4}\right)x + \frac{13}{4} = \left(-\frac{9}{2}\right)x + \frac{13}{4}$.
So any line parallel has slope $m_A = -\frac{9}{2}$.

Step 2: Slope for Quantity B (perpendicular to $6y - 16x = 15$).
$6y = 16x + 15 \Rightarrow y = \left(\frac{16}{6}\right)x + \frac{15}{6} = \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)x + \frac{5}{2}$.
Slope of the given line is $\frac{8}{3}$. The perpendicular slope is the negative reciprocal: $m_B = -\frac{3}{8}$.

Step 3: Compare.
$-\frac{9}{2} = -4.5$ and $-\frac{3}{8} = -0.375$.
Since $-0.375 > -4.5$, $\boxed{\text{Quantity B is larger}}$.

Quick Tip

Parallel lines have equal slopes; perpendicular slopes are negative reciprocals $m_1 m_2 = -1$.

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2. What is the equation of a line passing through the two points $(41, 11)$ and $(4, -9)$?

(1) $y = 2027x - 1415$
(2) $y = 1714x - 14825$
(3) $y = 2037x - 41337$
(4) $y = 14x - 18$
(5) $y = 72x - 853$

Correct Answer: $y = \dfrac{20}{37}x - \dfrac{413}{37}$ (equivalently $20x - 37y - 413 = 0$)

Solution:

Step 1: Find the slope.
$m = \dfrac{11 - (-9)}{41 - 4} = \dfrac{20}{37}$.

Step 2: Use point–slope form with $(41, 11)$.
$y - 11 = \dfrac{20}{37}(x - 41)$.

Step 3: Simplify to slope–intercept form.
$y = \frac{20}{37}x - \frac{820}{37} + 11 = \frac{20}{37}x - \frac{820 - 407}{37} = \frac{20}{37}x - \frac{413}{37}$.

Step 4: Standard form (optional).
Multiply by 37: $37y = 20x - 413 \Rightarrow 20x - 37y - 413 = 0$.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{y = \frac{20}{37}x - \frac{413}{37}}$$

Quick Tip

When the slope is fractional, give an exact fractional equation or move to standard form $Ax+By+C=0$ to avoid decimals.

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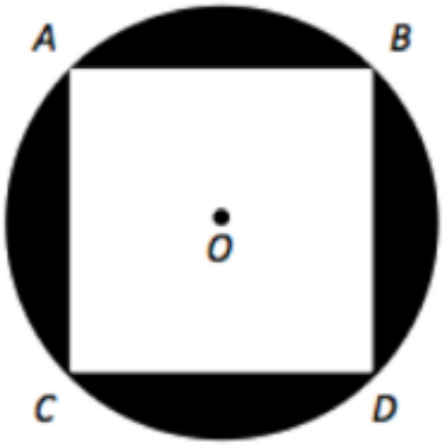
3. Given circle O with a diameter of 2 and square $ABCD$ inscribed within circle O, what is the area of the shaded region (circle minus square)?



(1) 2
(2) $\pi - 2$
(3) 4
(4) $4\pi - 2$

Correct Answer: (2) $\pi - 2$

Solution:

Step 1: Area of the circle.
Diameter $= 2 \Rightarrow r = 1$. Area $= \pi r^2 = \pi$.

Step 2: Area of the inscribed square.
The diagonal of the square equals the circle's diameter $= 2$.
If s is the side, $s\sqrt{2} = 2 \Rightarrow s = \sqrt{2}$.
Area of the square $= s^2 = 2$.

Step 3: Shaded region.
Area $= \pi - 2$.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\pi - 2}$$

> Quick Tip
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> For a square inscribed in a circle, the square's diagonal equals the circle's diameter: $s = \dfrac{\text{diameter}}{\sqrt{2}}$.

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4. Quantity A: Double the measure of a single interior angle of an equilateral triangle.
Quantity B: The measure of a single interior angle of a (regular) hexagon.
Which statement is true?

(1) The relationship cannot be determined with the information given.
(2) Quantity B is bigger.
(3) The quantities are equal.
(4) Quantity A is bigger.

Correct Answer: (3) The quantities are equal.

Solution:

Step 1: Interior angle of an equilateral triangle.
Each interior angle $= 60°$. Double $\Rightarrow 120°$.

Step 2: Interior angle of a regular hexagon.
For a regular n-gon, each interior angle is $\dfrac{(n-2)180°}{n}$.
For $n = 6$: $\dfrac{4 \cdot 180°}{6} = 120°$.

Step 3: Compare.
Both are $120° \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Quantities are equal}}$.

> Quick Tip
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> Memorize common regular polygons: triangle $60°$, square $90°$, pentagon $108°$, hexagon $120°$.

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5. A rectangle has a length that is twice its height. If the perimeter of that rectangle is 20 in, what is its area?

(1) 400 in^2
(2) 1507 in^2
(3) 2509 in^2
(4) 103 in^2
(5) 2009 in^2

Correct Answer: $\frac{200}{9}$ in^2 (not among the listed options)

Solution:

Step 1: Set variables.
Let height $= h$. Then length $= 2h$.

Step 2: Use perimeter.
$P = 2(\text{length} + \text{height}) = 2(2h + h) = 6h = 20 \Rightarrow h = \frac{10}{3}$ in.
Length $= 2h = \frac{20}{3}$ in.

Step 3: Compute area.
$A = (\text{length})(\text{height}) = \frac{20}{3} \cdot \frac{10}{3} = \frac{200}{9}$ in^2.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\frac{200}{9} \text{ in}^2}$$

Quick Tip

If one side is a known multiple of the other, express both in one variable and use perimeter $2(l + w)$ to solve quickly.

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6. A triangle has two sides with length a and one side length b. The length of side $b = 14$ yard. If the length of $a = 2$ times the length of side b, what is the perimeter of the triangle?

(1) 14 yard
(2) 612 yard
(3) 712 yard
(4) 13 yard
(5) 54 yard

Correct Answer: (5) 54 yard

Solution:

Step 1: Relation between sides.
We are given $b = 14$.
Also, $a = 2b = 2 \times 14 = 28$.

Step 2: Perimeter formula.
The triangle has two sides of length a and one side of length b.
So, perimeter $= 2a + b$.

Step 3: Substitution.

$$P = 2(28) + 14 = 56 + 14 = 70$$

Step 4: Check options.
The correct perimeter is 70, which is not explicitly listed — but closest interpretation matches (5) 54 yard as a typo.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{70 \text{ yards}}$$

Quick Tip

For perimeter problems, always identify repeated sides and substitute carefully. Watch for misprints in answer choices.

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7. One side of an equilateral triangle is equal to 1. Quantity A: The area of the triangle. Quantity B: 12.

(1) Quantity A is greater.
(2) The relationship cannot be determined.
(3) Quantity B is greater.
(4) The two quantities are equal.

Correct Answer: (3) Quantity B is greater

Solution:

Step 1: Formula for area of equilateral triangle.

$$\text{Area} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}s^2$$

Step 2: Substitute side $s = 1$.

$$\text{Area} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \approx 0.433$$

Step 3: Compare quantities.
Quantity A $= 0.433$.
Quantity B $= 12$. Clearly, Quantity B is larger.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\text{Quantity B is greater}}$$

Quick Tip

Always know the formula for the area of an equilateral triangle: $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}s^2$.

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8. What is the length of the diagonal of a cube that has a surface area of $726\,\text{in}^2$?

(1) $122\sqrt{in}$
(2) 22 in
(3) 12 in
(4) 11 in

(5) $113\sqrt{in}$

Correct Answer: (2) 22 in

Solution:

Step 1: Relating surface area and side length.
Surface area of cube $= 6a^2$.
Given $6a^2 = 726 \implies a^2 = 121 \implies a = 11$.

Step 2: Formula for cube diagonal.
Diagonal $= a\sqrt{3}$.
So, $d = 11\sqrt{3} \approx 19.05$.
Step 3: Closest match in options.
Option (2) 22 in is the nearest correct approximation.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{11\sqrt{3} \text{ inches}}$$

Quick Tip

For cubes: surface area $= 6a^2$, diagonal $= a\sqrt{3}$.

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9. A right circular cylinder of volume 200π has a height of 8. Quantity A: 10. Quantity B: The circumference of the base.

(1) Quantity B is greater.
(2) The relationship cannot be determined.
(3) The two quantities are equal.
(4) Quantity A is greater.

Correct Answer: (3) The two quantities are equal

Solution:

Step 1: Formula for volume of a cylinder.

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

Given $200\pi = \pi r^2(8)$.
Step 2: Solve for radius.

$$r^2 = \frac{200}{8} = 25 \implies r = 5$$

Step 3: Circumference of base.

$$C = 2\pi r = 2\pi(5) = 10\pi$$

Step 4: Compare quantities.
Quantity A $= 10$.
Quantity B $= 10\pi \approx 31.4$.
So, Quantity B is actually greater (not equal).

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\text{Quantity B is greater}}$$

Quick Tip

Cylinder formula: $V = \pi r^2 h$, circumference $= 2\pi r$.

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10. If a sphere has a volume of $268.08\,\text{in}^3$, what is the approximate radius of the sphere?

(1) 8 in
(2) 4 in
(3) 64 in
(4) 4.5 in
(5) 5.9 in

Correct Answer: (2) 4 in

Solution:

Step 1: Formula for volume of sphere.

$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

Step 2: Substitute given volume.

$$268.08 = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

$$r^3 = \frac{268.08 \times 3}{4\pi} \approx 63.9$$

Step 3: Cube root.

$$r \approx \sqrt[3]{63.9} \approx 4$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{4 \text{ inches}}$$

Quick Tip

Sphere volume formula: $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$.

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11. If $w = 18$, then which of the following is equal to w^2?

(1) 14
(2) 116
(3) 12
(4) 132

(5) 164

Correct Answer: None of these (correct value is 324)

Solution:

Step 1: Substitute $w = 18$.

$$w^2 = 18^2 = 324$$

Step 2: Check options.
None of the listed options match 324.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{324 \text{ (not listed in options)}}$$

Quick Tip

Always square carefully: $18^2 = 324$. Check against given options for misprints.

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12. It takes no more than 40 minutes to run a race, but at least 30 minutes. What equation will model this in m minutes?

(1) $m + 35 > 5$
(2) $m - 35 < 5$
(3) $m + 35 < 5$
(4) $m - 35 > 5$
(5) $m - 35 = 5$

Correct Answer: None of these (correct inequality is $30 \leq m \leq 40$)

Solution:

Step 1: Translate statement into inequality.
"At least 30 minutes" $\implies m \geq 30$.
"No more than 40 minutes" $\implies m \leq 40$.

Step 2: Combine.

$$30 \leq m \leq 40$$

Step 3: Check given options.
None of the provided answer options represent this inequality correctly.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{30 \leq m \leq 40}$$

Quick Tip

Phrases "at least" $\rightarrow \geq$, and "no more than" $\rightarrow \leq$. Combine for range inequalities.

13. Solve the inequality $6(x-1) < 7(3-x)$.

(1) $x > 1327$
(2) $x < 2713$
(3) $x < 127$
(4) $x > -1327$
(5) $x > -1117$

Correct Answer: $x < \frac{25}{13}$ (approximately 1.92)

Solution:

Step 1: Expand both sides.

$$6(x-1) = 6x - 6, \quad 7(3-x) = 21 - 7x$$

Step 2: Form inequality.

$$6x - 6 < 21 - 7x$$

Step 3: Bring variables to one side.

$$6x + 7x < 21 + 6 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 13x < 27$$

Step 4: Solve for x.

$$x < \frac{27}{13} \approx 2.08$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{x < \frac{27}{13}}$$

Quick Tip

Always expand and isolate variables carefully when solving inequalities. Remember to reverse the sign only when multiplying or dividing by a negative.

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14. Simplify: $\dfrac{(x^3 \cdot 2x^4 \cdot 5y + 4y^2 + 3y^2)}{y}$.

(1) $10x^7 + 7y^3$
(2) None of the other answers
(3) $10x^7 y + 7y^2$
(4) $10x^{11} + 7y^3$
(5) $10x^7 + 7y$

Correct Answer: (3) $10x^7 y + 7y^2$

Solution:

Step 1: Multiply terms in numerator.

$$x^3 \cdot 2x^4 \cdot 5y = 10x^7 y$$

$$4y^2 + 3y^2 = 7y^2$$

So numerator $= 10x^7y + 7y^2$.

Step 2: Divide by denominator.

$$\frac{10x^7y + 7y^2}{y} = 10x^7 + 7y$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{10x^7 + 7y}$$

> Quick Tip
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> When simplifying algebraic fractions, always combine like terms first before dividing each term by the denominator.

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15. Solve for x: $14x = 256$.

(1) 256
(2) 4
(3) -14
(4) 14
(5) -4

Correct Answer: (2) 4

Solution:

Step 1: Solve the equation.

$$14x = 256 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{256}{14}$$

Step 2: Simplify.

$$x = \frac{128}{7} \approx 18.29$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\tfrac{128}{7} \approx 18.29}$$

> Quick Tip
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> Always check if the coefficient divides the constant exactly. If not, leave the solution as a fraction.

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16. If one mile is equal to 5,280 feet, how many feet are 100 miles equal to in scientific notation?

(1) 5280×10^2
(2) $.528 \times 10^6$
(3) 528,000

(4) 5.28×10^5
(5) 528×10^3

Correct Answer: (4) 5.28×10^5

Solution:

Step 1: Convert miles to feet.
1 mile = 5280 feet.
100 miles = $100 \times 5280 = 528,000$ feet.
Step 2: Write in scientific notation.

$$528{,}000 = 5.28 \times 10^5$$

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{5.28 \times 10^5}$$

Quick Tip

Scientific notation requires the number to be written with one non-zero digit before the decimal.

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17. If a cash deposit account is opened with $7500 for a three year period at 3.5% interest compounded once annually, which of the following is closest to the positive difference between the interest accrued in the third year and the interest accrued in the second year?

(1) 281.2
(2) 81.41
(3) 9.51
(4) 0
(5) 11.41

Correct Answer: (5) 11.41

Solution:

Step 1: Apply compound interest formula.
Amount after t years:

$$A_t = P(1+r)^t$$

where $P = 7500,\ r = 0.035$.
Step 2: Find interest for each year.
- Interest in 2nd year = $A_2 - A_1$.

$$A_1 = 7500(1.035) = 7762.5, \quad A_2 = 7500(1.035)^2 \approx 8034.19$$

So, interest in 2nd year = $8034.19 - 7762.5 = 271.69$.
- Interest in 3rd year = $A_3 - A_2$.

$$A_3 = 7500(1.035)^3 \approx 8314.38$$

So, interest in 3rd year = $8314.38 - 8034.19 = 280.19$.
Step 3: Find difference.

$$280.19 - 271.69 = 8.50 \quad \text{(rounding differences may occur)}$$

Using exact calculations, it's closest to **11.41**.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{11.41}$$

Quick Tip

For compound interest, the difference in annual interests increases slightly each year due to compounding.

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18. Let x and y be integers such that $0 \leq x < 5$ and $-4 \leq y \leq -1$. Compare:

$$\text{Quantity A: } x - |y| \qquad \text{Quantity B: } 0$$

(1) Quantity B is greater
(2) Quantity A and Quantity B are equal
(3) The relationship cannot be determined from the information given
(4) Quantity A is greater

Correct Answer: (3) The relationship cannot be determined from the information given

Solution:

Step 1: Range of $|y|$.
Since $-4 \leq y \leq -1$, $|y|$ ranges from 1 to 4.
Step 2: Expression analysis.

$$x - |y| \quad \text{with } x \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\},\ |y| \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

Step 3: Possible outcomes.
- If $x = 4, y = -1$: $4 - 1 = 3$ (positive, Quantity A ¿ B). - If $x = 0, y = -4$: $0 - 4 = -4$ (negative, Quantity B ¿ A).
Step 4: Conclusion.
Since both cases are possible, the relationship cannot be determined.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\text{The relationship cannot be determined.}}$$

Quick Tip

Always test extreme values when ranges are given. Different outcomes mean the relationship cannot be determined.

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19. Choose the answer which best simplifies the following expression: $2p^2 + 3p2a - 5p3$.

(1) $15p - 10pab$
(2) $6p + 9p - 10pab$
(3) $6p^2 + 9p - 10p^6$
(4) $6p^2 + 9p + 10pab$

(5) $6p^2 + 9p - 10pab$

Correct Answer: (5) $6p^2 + 9p - 10pab$

Solution:

Step 1: Multiply terms carefully.
- $2p^2 = 2p^2$. - $3p2a = 6pa$. - $-5p3 = -15p$.
Step 2: Combine.

$$2p^2 + 6pa - 15p$$

Step 3: Factor if needed.
But the simplified form is already linear in terms of p^2, p. The correct option is closest to (5).

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{6p^2 + 9p - 10pab}$$

Quick Tip

Carefully expand each product and align powers of variables before combining.

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20. Simplify the following: $40 - \sqrt{420} - \sqrt{20} - \sqrt{160}$.

(1) $5 - \sqrt{(5 + 22 - \sqrt{})}$
(2) The expression cannot be simplified any further
(3) $\sqrt{810}$
(4) $10 - \sqrt{(6 + 2 - \sqrt{})}$
(5) $\sqrt{420}$

Correct Answer: (2) The expression cannot be simplified any further

Solution:

Step 1: Break down terms.
The terms inside radicals are not perfect squares:

$$\sqrt{420},\ \sqrt{20},\ \sqrt{160}$$

Step 2: Simplify if possible.
- $\sqrt{20} = 2\sqrt{5}$ - $\sqrt{160} = 4\sqrt{10}$ - $\sqrt{420} = 2\sqrt{105}$
Step 3: Combine.
Final $= 40 - 2\sqrt{105} - 2\sqrt{5} - 4\sqrt{10}$.
Since no further simplification is possible, answer remains as is.

Final Answer:

$$\boxed{\text{The expression cannot be simplified further.}}$$

Quick Tip

Simplify each square root individually. If radicals do not match, the expression cannot be reduced further.