MC20 Diagnostic Exam



Students should be able to solve at least 8 out of 10 problems within two attempts on the following page to demonstrate readiness for the MC20 level. This exam doesn't necessarily show readiness for the next level.

This exam evaluates **familiarity** in the following key areas:

(A) Numbers

- Arithmetic operations involving integers, decimals, fractions, and percents
- Converting between integers, decimals, fractions, and percents
- Solving arithmetic problems with these using the order of operations

(B) Ratios and Proportions

• Solving basic word problems using ratios and proportions

(C) Variables

- Evaluating and simplifying expressions with variables
- Translating word problems into single-variable linear equations
- Solving single-variable linear equations

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- 1. Simplify the expression $(-3) + 8 \div 2$.
- 2. Simplify the expression $\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{6}$. Express your answer as a common fraction in simplest form.
- 3. A marathon is 26.2 miles long. Sally ran one fifth of the marathon. How many miles did she run? Express your answer as a decimal.
- 4. What percent of 80 is 32?
- 5. Order the numbers 70%, $\frac{2}{3}$, and 0.55 in increasing order.

(A)
$$0.55 < 70\% < \frac{2}{3}$$

(B)
$$70\% < 0.55 < \frac{2}{3}$$

(C)
$$0.55 < \frac{2}{3} < 70\%$$

(D)
$$\frac{2}{3} < 0.55 < 70\%$$

- 6. Sarah ate $\frac{1}{4}$ of a large pizza for lunch and then $\frac{1}{2}$ of the remaining pizza for dinner. What fraction of the pizza is left after dinner?
- 7. Maria needs to buy balloons for a school event. Five balloons cost \$3. How many dollars will it cost her to buy 30 balloons?
- 8. What is the value of 3x + 2y 7 when x = 5 and y = 2?
- 9. Solve 3x + 5 = 17 for x. (Don't type " $x = \dots$ "; only type the value of x)
- 10. Liam is saving money to buy a \$415 bicycle. He has already saved \$75, and plans to save \$20 each week. Which equation can be used to find the number of weeks w it will take for Liam to afford the bicycle?

(A)
$$(75 + 20)w = 415$$

(B)
$$75w + 20 = 415$$

(C)
$$20(75+w)=415$$

(D)
$$75 + 20w = 415$$