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### College Algebra

#### Preliminary Assessment #2

**Directions:** Provide complete responses to each question. Make sure to show your work.

1. Simplify the following expressions (leave in common radical form):

a.  $\sqrt{50} + \sqrt{32} \Rightarrow \sqrt{50} = \sqrt{25 \cdot 2} = 5\sqrt{2}$ ,

$\sqrt{32} = \sqrt{16 \cdot 2} \Rightarrow 4\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\therefore 5\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow \sqrt{2(5+4)}$   
 $9\sqrt{2} =$

b.  $\sqrt{27} + \sqrt{300}$

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{27} = \sqrt{9 \cdot 3} \Rightarrow 3\sqrt{3}$

$\sqrt{300} \Rightarrow \sqrt{10^2 \cdot 3} \Rightarrow 10\sqrt{3}$

$\Rightarrow 3\sqrt{3} + 10\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \sqrt{3(3+10)} \Rightarrow 13\sqrt{3}$

c.  $\sqrt{500} + \sqrt{45} - \sqrt{180}$

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{10^2 \cdot 5} + \sqrt{9 \cdot 5} - \sqrt{36 \cdot 5} \Rightarrow 10\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{5} - 6\sqrt{5}$

$\Rightarrow 13\sqrt{5} - 6\sqrt{5} \Rightarrow 7\sqrt{5}$ ,

d.  $\frac{\sqrt{36} - \sqrt{16}}{2}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{6^2} - \sqrt{4^2}}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{6 - 4}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$

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2. Evaluate each expression:

a.  $(12 - 4) + 8$

$$12 - 4 + 8$$
$$8 + 8 = \underline{\underline{16}}$$

b.  $[(1 - 9) + 8]^3 \Rightarrow [-8 + 8]^3$

$$-8^3 + 8^3 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{0}}$$

c.  $\frac{(4)(7) - 4}{3 \times 2^2} \Rightarrow \frac{28 - 4}{3 \times 4} \Rightarrow \frac{24^2}{12} = \underline{\underline{2}}$

d.  $\frac{6(9 - 2(7 + 6))}{3} = \frac{6(9 - 14 - 12)}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{54 - 84 - 72}{3}$

$$\frac{54 - 156}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{-102}{3} = \underline{\underline{-34}}$$

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3. Factor each expression completely:

a.  $x^2 + 12x + 36 \Rightarrow$  use sum product pattern

$$x^2 + 6x + 6x + 36$$

$$x(x+6) + 6(x+6)$$

$$(x+6)(x+6) \Rightarrow (x+6)^2$$

b.  $2x^2 - 17x + 36 \Rightarrow 2x^2 - 8x - 9x + 36$

$$2x(x-4) - 9(x-4) \Rightarrow \text{Rewrite } 2x(x-4) - 9(x-4)$$

$$\underline{(2x-9)(x-4)}$$

c.  $x^3 + x^2 - 6x \Rightarrow x(x^2 - x - 6)$

$$x(x-3)(x+2)$$

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d.  $x^2 - 36$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 36 \Rightarrow x^2 + 6x - 6x - 36$$

$$x(x+6) - 6(x+6)$$

$$(x-6)(x+6)$$

$$\underline{\underline{\text{Ans } (x-6)(x+6)}}$$

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4. Evaluate each of the following fractional operations:

$$\text{a. } \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1+3}{2} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

$$\text{b. } 1\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} - 3 \Rightarrow \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2} - 3 \Rightarrow \frac{3+3-6}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{6-6}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{0}{2} = 0$$

$$\text{c. } \frac{2}{3} \div \frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{6}{12} + \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{6+3}{12} = \frac{9}{12}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{9}^3}{\cancel{12}_4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{d. } \frac{2}{3} \div \frac{4}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{6}{12} + \frac{3}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{12+9}{24} = \frac{\cancel{24}^7}{\cancel{24}_8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

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5. Solve for the given variable:

$$\text{a. } 5x - 20 = 25 \Rightarrow 5x = 25 + 20$$

$$5x = 45$$

$$x = \frac{45}{5} = \underline{9}$$

$$\text{b. } 2x + 6(x - 2) = 20 \Rightarrow 2x + 6x - 12 = 20$$

$$8x - 12 = 20$$

$$8x = 20 + 12$$

$$8x = 32$$

$$x = \frac{32}{8}$$

$$x = \underline{4}$$

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c.  $\frac{46}{x} - \frac{10}{x} = 6 \Rightarrow$  multiplying each term by  $x$ ,

$$x \times \frac{46}{x} - \frac{10}{x} \times x = 6 \times x$$

$$46 - 10 = 6x$$

$$\frac{36}{6} = \frac{6x}{6}$$

$$6 = x \therefore x = \underline{\underline{6}}$$

d.  $x - \frac{3}{x} = 2 \Rightarrow$  multiplying each by  $x$

$$x \times x - \frac{3}{x} \times x = 2 \times x$$

$$x \times x - \frac{3}{x} \times x = 2 \times x$$

$$x^2 - 3 = 2x$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$\therefore x(x+1) - 3(x+1) = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 3 \text{ and}$$

$$x+1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1$$

$$\text{Ans} = x = 3, -1$$