

Pre-Algebra PRACTICE Test (Chapters 1-3)

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Instructions: Show work clearly. Circle final answer.
NO CALCULATOR ALLOWED.

Write each as an algebraic expression. Use the variable "n" to describe the number. Do NOT evaluate. (2 points each)

1) the difference of m and 9

$m - 9$

2) the quotient of q and 4 is 12

$\frac{q}{4} = 12$

3) v cubed is greater than 10

$v^3 > 10$

Evaluate each expression. (2 points each) **CLEARLY SHOW WORK**

4) $-12 \div ((5 - 8) \cdot -1)$

-4

$$\begin{aligned} -12 \div (-3 \cdot -1) &= \\ -12 \div 3 &= \\ -4 & \end{aligned}$$

5) $(3 + 2 - (-9 + 4)) \div 5$

2

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| Order of ops |
| 1) ()'s |
| IN → OUT |
| 2) EXPONENTS |
| 3) X, ÷ L → R |
| 4) +, - L → R |

Evaluate each using the values given. (4 points each)

6) $y = 5z \div 5$; use $y = 5$, and $z = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} 6 &\hookrightarrow 5 - 5(-1) \div 5 = \\ &5 + 5 \div 5 = \\ &5 + 1 = 6 \end{aligned}$$

Show substitution
(USE ()'s FOR -II's)

Evaluate each expression. (2 points each)

7) $(-8) + 2 + (-4) - (-4)$

$$\begin{aligned} -12 + 6 &= \\ -6 & \end{aligned}$$

Tip:
Add - #'s
the + #'s

8) $-5 \cdot -2 \cdot 2 \cdot -10$

-200

Rule

① MULT ODD # OF -'s
↪ ANSWER -#

② MULT EVEN # OF -'s
↪ ANSWER +#

9) $\frac{16}{0}$

undefined

10) $\pm\sqrt{400}$

$$\begin{aligned} \pm 20 & \text{ OR} \\ 20, -20 & \end{aligned}$$

11) $|-4 \times 3|$

Do inside || 1ST

$$|-12| = 12$$

Variable term is 1ST
AND THE CONSTANT IS LAST

Simplify each expression. Write in standard form with the variable term first and the constant last. (4 points each)

12) $7(x - 4) - 2(8x - 2)$

$$7x - 28 - 16x + 4 = \\ \boxed{-9x - 24}$$

13) $-2 - (1 - 7n) - 9n = \\ -2n - 3$

$$-2 - 1 + 7n - 9n \\ \boxed{-2n - 3}$$

Solve each equation. And Check. (6 points each)

14) $-29 - 4n = n + 6(6n + 2)$

$x = -1$; C: $-25 = -25$

$$\begin{aligned} -29 - 4n &= n + 36n + 12 \\ -4n - 29 &= 37n + 12 \\ +4n &+ 4n \\ \hline -29 &= 41n + 12 \\ -12 &- 12 \\ \hline -41 &= 41n \\ -41 &\cancel{41} \\ \hline N &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

C: $-29 - 4(-1) = -1 + 6(6(-1) + 2)$
 $-29 + 4 = -1 - 24$
 $-25 = -25$

16) $3n + 7 - 3n = -5(6 - 4n) - 4(5n + 3)$
 $7 = -30 + 20n - 20n - 12$
 $7 \neq -42 \leftarrow \text{show work step!}$

No solution.

15) $-4(x - 4) - x = -4(3x - 4)$

$x = 0$; C: $16 = 16$

$$\begin{aligned} -4x + 16 - x &= -12x + 16 \\ -5x + 16 &= -12x + 16 \\ +12x &+ 12x \\ \hline 7x + 16 &= 16 \\ -16 &- 16 \\ \hline 7x &= 0 \\ \frac{7x}{7} &= 0 \\ X &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

C: $-4(0 - 4) - 0 = -4(3(0) - 4)$
 $16 = -4(-4)$
 $16 = 16$ ✓

17) $-6(-x + 6) - 8x = -6(x + 4)$
 $x = 3$; C: $-42 = -42$

$6x - 36 - 8x = -6x - 24$

$$\begin{aligned} -2x - 36 &= -6x - 24 \\ +6x &+ 6x \\ \hline 4x - 36 &= -24 \\ +36 &+ 36 \\ \hline 4x &= 12 \end{aligned}$$

$\frac{4x}{4} = \frac{12}{4}$

$x = 3$

C: $-6(-3 + 6) - 8(3) = -6(3 + 4)$
 $-6(3) - 24 = -42$
 $-42 = -42$ ✓

No Solution — Variables drop out
AND THE CONSTANTS ARE
NOT EQUAL

All Real #'s Variables drop out
AND THE CONSTANTS ARE
EQUAL