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ASVAB Section Six : Mathematics Knowledge

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## QUESTION 1

If $\mathrm{y}=6$, then $2 \mathrm{y} x \mathrm{y}=$ $\qquad$ .
A. 12
B. 72
C. 18
D. 242

Correct Answer: B

Explanation:
Substitute 6 for y the equation: $2(6) \times 6=12 \times 6=72$.

## QUESTION 2

A room is 19 feet long, 10 feet wide, and 8 feet high
If you want to paint the walls and ceiling, how many square feet of surface will you have to cover with paint?
A. 232 square feet
B. 422 square feet
C. 464 square feet
D. 654 square feet

Correct Answer: D

Explanation:
First, find the area (surface) of the ceiling. Since it is opposite the floor, it has the same length and width A $=\mathrm{lw}) .19$ feet $\times 10$ feet $=190$ square feet (ceiling).

Next find the combined area of two matching (opposite) walls. Start with the walls formed by the length and height of the room. (Clear the decimal in the divisor.) 19 feet $\times 8$ feet $=152$ square feet (first wall). 152 feet $x 2=304$ square feet (matching walls).

Then find the area of the walls formed by the width and height of the room. 10 feet x 8 feet $=80$ square feet (second wall). 80 feet $\times 2=160$ square feet (matching walls).

Finally, combine all surfaces to be painted.
$190+304+160=654$ square feet

## QUESTION 3

What is the value of $(+2)(-5 x+3)(-3)$ ?
A. +90
B. +60
C. -13
D. -3

Correct Answer: A
Explanation:
To find the product of more than two numbers, work on only two numbers at a time. If both of these numbers have plus signs ( + ), their product has a plus sign, to both have minus signs $(-)$, their product has a plus (not a minus) sign. Bui if their signs are different, the product has a minus sign.
$(+2)(-5)(+3)(-3)$
$=(-10)(+3)(-3)$
$=(-30)(-3)$
$=+90$

## QUESTION 4

How much water must be added to 1 liter of a $5 \%$ saline solution to get a $2 \%$ saline solution?
A. 1 L
B. 1.5 L
C. 2 L
D. 2.5 L

Correct Answer: B
Explanation:
Use the equation $(0.05)(1)=(0.02) \mathrm{x}$ :
the left side represents $5 \%$ of 1 liter; the right side represents $2 \%$ of some amount of water.
From the equation, $x=2.5$.
Subtracting the 1 liter of water already present in the $5 \%$ solution, you will find that 1.5 liters need to be
added.

## QUESTION 5

Solve the following equation. $\mathrm{y} 3 \mathrm{xy4}=$ $\qquad$ .
A. y 7
B. y 12
C. 2 y 7
D. $2 y 12$

Correct Answer: A
Explanation:
When multiplying two powers with the same base, you keep the base and add the exponents.
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