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GRADE 1

International Spirit of Math® Contest 2026

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. You have **30 minutes** to write the contest
2. The contest is multiple-choice with four choices for each question.
3. Write the **CAPITAL** letter of the answer you choose on the line to the right of each question and fill in the corresponding circle on the **Contest Answer Sheet**.
4. Each question answered correctly is worth one mark, and the sum of the correct answers is the score.
5. Marks are not taken off for wrong answers.
6. **No calculators** or other counting tools are allowed.

Student Name: _____ **Score:** /20

1) $5 + 2 + 5 + 3 = ?$

A) 10 B) 12 C) 13 D) 15 ____

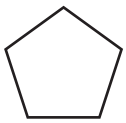
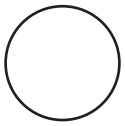
2) Which month comes right before July?

A) August B) June C) May D) September ____

3) Which digit is in the hundreds place in the number 7326?

A) 2 B) 3 C) 6 D) 7 ____

4) Which of these shapes is a pentagon?

A)  B)  C)  D)  ____

5) My sister is four years younger than me. I am 10 years old. How old is my sister?

A) 4 B) 6 C) 10 D) 14 ____

6) Ana, Akshara, and Alex ran a race. Ana was the fastest runner and Alex was not the slowest. Who came in third place?

A) Akshara B) Alex C) Alia D) Ana ____

7) What number comes next in this pattern: 1, 2, 4, 8, __ ?

A) 9 B) 10 C) 12 D) 16 ____

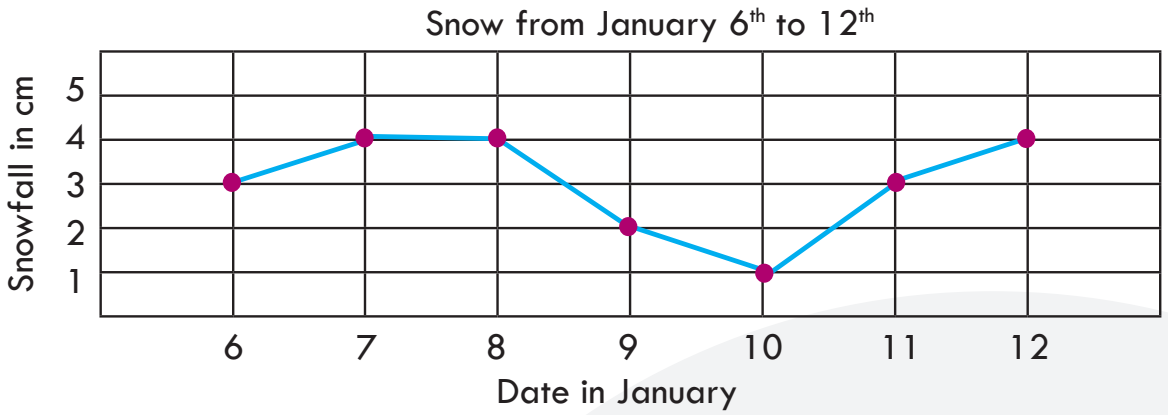
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8) Ms. Tsang checks three math tests every day. How many tests does she check in one week?

A) 10 B) 15 C) 20 D) 21 _____

9) This past winter, Jack recorded the amount of snowfall during one week in January. On which day did it snow the least?



A) January 6th B) January 9th C) January 10th D) January 12th _____

10) Yoshi has six cookies. All but two of them have chocolate chips. How many cookies have chocolate chips?

A) 2 B) 4 C) 5 D) 6 _____

11) A squirrel and a bird are sitting in a tree. One of them is not a squirrel. Which is the other one?



A) Bird B) Squirrel C) Tree D) Neither _____

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12) 5^3 is the same as:

A) $5 + 5 + 5$ B) $5 \times 5 \times 5$ C) $3 \times 3 \times 3$ D) $3 + 3 + 3$ ____

13) What is one half of one half of 400?

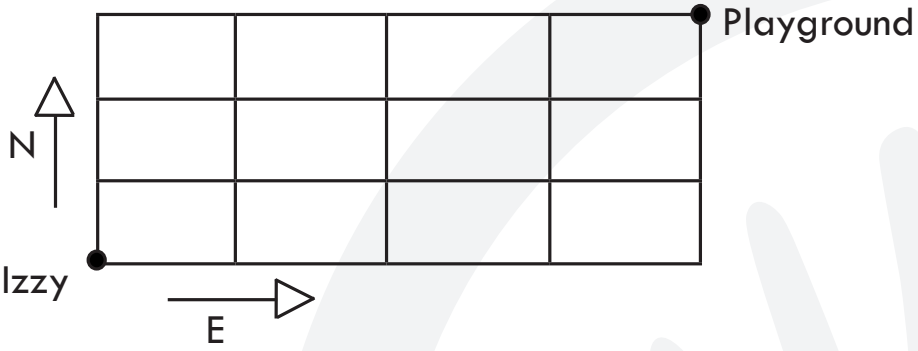
A) 40 B) 50 C) 100 D) 200 ____

14) All 18 students in Mr. Mark's class like fruit. Twelve like strawberries and eight like apples. How many students like both?



A) 0 B) 2 C) 4 D) 10 ____

15) Izzy wants to go to the playground to meet her friends. If she can only travel North and East, how many pathways could she take?



A) 15 B) 20 C) 21 D) 35 ____

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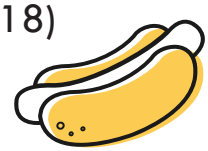
16) Josh, Jack, and James have collected some candy and want to share it equally. Josh has 12 candies, Jack has 8 candies, and James has 10 candies. How many candies will each person get?



A) 8 B) 10 C) 11 D) 12 _____

17) Samir's math exam is three days after, eight days before, two days after March 18th. When is his math exam?

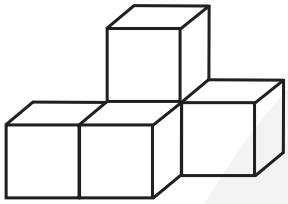
A) March 15th B) March 18th C) March 21st D) March 24th _____

18) 

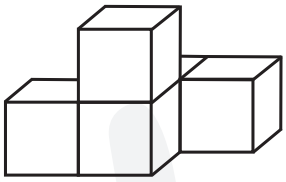
Buddy the dog is celebrating his birthday and wants to share a hot dog with five other dogs. If each dog gets two pieces, how many parallel cuts does Buddy need to make?

A) 5 B) 6 C) 11 D) 12 _____

19) How many blocks are in this figure?



Front view



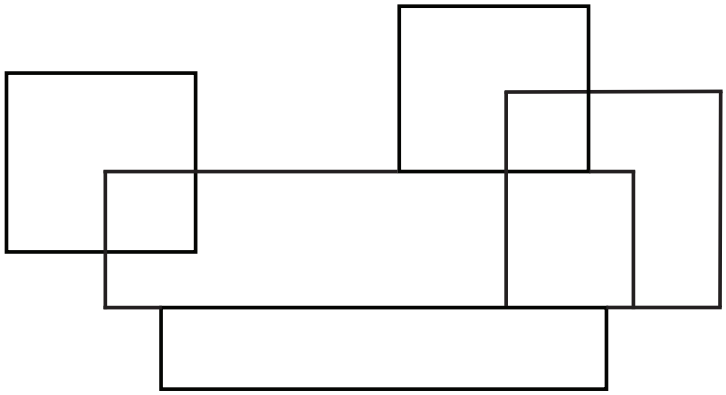
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A) 3 B) 4 C) 5 D) 6 _____

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20) How many rectangles of all sizes are in this diagram?



A) 4 B) 8 C) 9 D) 11 ____

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