

Alpha nationals Bowl solutions 2019

$$Q1 - 2x^2 = 288 \rightarrow x^2 = 144 \rightarrow x = \pm 12 \rightarrow (12, 5), (12, -5), (-12, 5), (-12, -5)$$

A 24 B. -10

$$\frac{15}{x} - \frac{6}{y} = 15$$

$$\frac{-8}{x} + \frac{6}{y} = 6 \rightarrow \frac{7}{x} = 21 \rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3} \rightarrow y = \frac{1}{5} \rightarrow \frac{1}{15}$$

$$(24 - 10)15 = 210$$

Q2

R-Expansion begins with $(9x)^{1/2} + (1/2)(9x)^{-1/2} (-y) - (1/8)(9x)^{-3/2} (-y)^2$. The third term therefore has a coefficient of $-1/216$.

$$M \quad 2^6 = 64$$

P Go to the 6th row of Pascal's triangle and then add up the last 4 numbers $20+15+6+1=42$

$$RMP = \frac{64 \bullet 42}{-216} = \frac{-112}{9} \quad \frac{-112}{9} = -12\frac{4}{9}$$

Q3

$$Z. \frac{x+1}{x-1} \left[x^2 - 1 + \frac{x-1}{x+1} \right] = (x+1)^2 + 1 \rightarrow x^2 + 2x + 2$$

$$L. \frac{(x+2)^3(x^2+4x+3)(x^2-6x+8)(4)}{(x^2+x-2-x^2+x+6)(x^2+x-2+x^2-x-6)(x+1)(x+2)(x+3)}$$

$$\frac{(x+2)^3(x+1)(x+3)(x-4)(x-2)4}{2(x+2)2(x-2)(x+2)(x+1)(x+2)(x+3)} \rightarrow x-4$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{(x^2 - 4y^2 + 4y - 1)(4y^2 - x^2)}{(x^2 - x - 4y^2 + 2y)(x^2 + 2y + x - 4y^2)} = \\
 \text{U.} \quad & \frac{\left[x^2 - (4y^2 - 4y + 1) \right] (2y + x)(2y - x)}{(x^2 - 4y^2 - x + 2y)(x^2 - 4y^2 + x + 2y)} = \\
 & \frac{-1(x - 2y + 1)(x + 2y - 1)(x + 2y)(x - 2y)}{(x - 2y)(x + 2y - 1)(x + 2y)(x - 2y + 1)} = -1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 2 + x - 4 - 1 = x^2 + 3x - 3 \quad -3 - 3 = -6$$

Q4

$$\text{J} \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+4+9+25+\dots+k^2}{(k-1)^3} = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6(k-1)^3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{W} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x+4} - \frac{1}{4}}{x} = \frac{4 - (x+4)}{4x(x+4)} = \frac{-1}{4(x+4)} = \frac{-1}{16}$$

$$\text{I} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} \frac{x-2}{\sqrt{x^2-4}} = \frac{(x-2)\sqrt{x^2-4}}{x^2-4} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2-4}}{x+2} = 0$$

$$\text{G} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 7^-} \frac{|8x-56|}{7-x} = \frac{8|x-7|}{7-x} = \frac{8(7-x)}{7-x} = 8$$

$$8 \div \frac{-1}{48} + 0 = -384$$

Q5

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{S} \quad & \frac{c}{a} = \frac{5}{4} \rightarrow 19 - 1 = 20 = 2c \rightarrow c = 10 \rightarrow a = 8 \\
 & b^2 = 100 - 64 = 36 \rightarrow b = 6 \rightarrow 2b = 12
 \end{aligned}$$

$$L \quad 3(x^2 + 2x + 1) - 4(y^2 - 2y + 1) = -L + 3 - 4 \rightarrow L = -1$$

$$H \quad \begin{aligned} x^2 - 6x + 9 &= 12y + 51 + 9 \\ (x-3)^2 &= 12(y+5) \rightarrow 4p = 12 \end{aligned}$$

$$12-1+12=23$$

Q6

$$Z \quad 31 + 31\sqrt{2} = \frac{a_1(\sqrt{2}^{10} - 1)}{\sqrt{2} - 1} \rightarrow 31 = a_1(32 - 1) \rightarrow a_1 = 1 \rightarrow a_3 = 2$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} L & 1 & 6 & 25 & 70 & 153 & 286 \\ & 5 & 19 & 45 & 83 & 133 & \\ & 14 & 26 & 38 & 50 & & \\ & 12 & 12 & 12 & & & 286 \end{array}$$

$$U \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{-1}{(n-2)(n-3)} &= \frac{A}{n-2} + \frac{B}{n-3} \rightarrow -1 = A(n-3) + B(n-2) \rightarrow A = 1, B = -1 \\ \frac{1}{n-2} - \frac{1}{n-3} &= \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \dots = -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$2+286-1=287$$

Q7

$$W \quad \frac{3}{4} \bullet \frac{8!}{2! \bullet 2!} = 7560$$

$$J \quad \begin{aligned} 2019 \div 7 &= 288 \rightarrow 288 \div 7 = 41 \rightarrow 41 \div 7 = 5 \\ 288 + 41 + 5 &= 334 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{2019}{7} > \frac{x+y}{x} > \frac{2019}{8}$$

F $288\frac{3}{7} > 1 + \frac{y}{x} > 252\frac{3}{8} \rightarrow 287\frac{3}{7} > \frac{y}{x} > 251\frac{3}{8}$
 $[252, 287] \rightarrow 36$

$$7560+334+36=7930$$

Q8

w $x^5 = 1 \rightarrow x^5 - 1 = 0$ so sum =0 and therefore the rest equal -1

$$5-12i = (a+bi)^2 = a^2 - b^2 + 2abi$$

| $a^2 - b^2 = 5 \rightarrow 2ab = -12 \rightarrow ab = -6$
 $3-2i, -3+2i \rightarrow (3)(-2)(-3)(2) = 36$

J $(x-2+i)(x-2-i) = x^2 - 4x + 5$
 $x^4 - 2x^3 - 6x^2 + 22x - 15 = (x^2 - 4x + 5)(x^2 + 2x - 3)$ sum of reals is 1-3=-2

$$(-1)(36)(-2) = 72$$

Q9

Z $\log_{18} 4 + \log_{18} 6 + 5 \log_{18} 3 = \log_{18} (24 \bullet 3^5) = 3$

L $(\log x)^2 - 2 \log x < 0 \rightarrow (\log x)(\log x - 2) < 0$
 $1 < x < 100 \rightarrow [2, 99] \rightarrow 98$

$$\log_4(x+1)^2 + \log_8(x-3)^3 - \log_{16}12^4 = 0$$

$$\log_2(x+1) + \log_2(x-3) - \log_2 12 = 0$$

U $\log_2 \left(\frac{(x+1)(x-3)}{12} \right) = 0 \rightarrow (x+1)(x-3) = 12$
 $(x-5)(x+3) = 0 \rightarrow 5, -3 \rightarrow 5$

$$3+98+5=106$$

Q10

$$M = \frac{1}{12-18} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -9 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -4 & 5 \\ -2 & 7 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{-1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -48 \\ 0 & 18 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow 4$$

$$A = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & -3 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -5 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & -3 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 \\ -5 & 0 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 3 \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -5 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 3(6+5) = 33$$

$$0 \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ y & x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ y & x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = 5 \rightarrow 2xy = 4$$

$$(1,2)(2,1)(-1,-2)(-2,-1) \rightarrow 4$$

$$4+4+33=41$$

Q11

$$W \quad \sin x + 1 - 2 \sin^2 x \rightarrow \frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} + 1 - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{9}{8}$$

$$J \quad \frac{J}{377} = \left(\frac{21}{29}\right)\left(\frac{12}{13}\right) - \left(\frac{5}{13}\right)\left(\frac{20}{29}\right) = \frac{152}{377} \rightarrow 152$$

$$F \quad \frac{\tan x + \tan y}{1 - \tan x \tan y} = \frac{\frac{5}{12} - \frac{3}{4}}{1 - \left(\frac{5}{12}\right)\left(\frac{-3}{4}\right)} = \frac{20 - 36}{48 + 15} = \frac{-16}{63} \rightarrow -16$$

$$\frac{9}{8} \bullet -16 + 152 = 134$$

Q12

M

	Lu-it is yes	Lu-it is no	total
Test + yes	.049	.095	.144
Test + no	.001	.855	.856
total	.05	.95	1.

$$\frac{.049}{.144} = \frac{49}{144}$$

A

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	x				x			
2		x		x				
3			x					
4		x		x				
5	x				x			
6						x		

$$\frac{10}{48} = \frac{5}{24}$$

O The child options are: BB, GB, BG, and GG. The condition one is a boy leaves: BB, GB, and BG. Only 1 of these 3 satisfies the problem. so $\frac{1}{3}$

$$\frac{49}{144} + \frac{5}{24} \div \frac{1}{3} = \frac{49+30}{144} \bullet 3 = \frac{79}{48} = 1\frac{31}{48}$$

Q13

$$1 + \tan^2 x - 2 \tan x - 4 = 0$$

J $\tan^2 x - 2 \tan x - 3 = 0$

$$(\tan x - 3)(\tan x + 1) = 0 \rightarrow 4$$

$$\cot x (\cos^2 x - 1) = 0$$

P $\cot x (-\sin^2 x) = 0$ watch for extraneous solution with $\sin x = 0$

$$0 + 2\pi = 2\pi$$

$$F \quad \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \frac{-\pi}{3}$$

$$R \quad -1136 + 4(360) = 314$$

$$\frac{4(2\pi)}{-\pi} + 314 = -24 + 314 = 290$$

Q14

$$\frac{12}{b-2} + \frac{12}{b+2} = \frac{25}{b} \rightarrow b = 10$$

$$\frac{260}{r+13} + 1 = \frac{260}{r} \rightarrow r = 52$$

$$AB = (10)(52) = 520$$

Answers:

1. 210

2. $\frac{-112}{9} = -12\frac{4}{9}$

3. -6

4. -384

5. 23

6. 287

7. 7930

8. 72

9. 106

10. 41

11. 134

12. $\frac{79}{48} = 1\frac{31}{48}$

13. 290

14. 520