

# #1 Theta Ciphering

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$$\mathbf{M} = (\sqrt{13} + \sqrt{14} + \sqrt{15})(\sqrt{13} + \sqrt{14} - \sqrt{15})$$

$$\mathbf{U} = (\sqrt{13} - \sqrt{14} + \sqrt{15})(-\sqrt{13} + \sqrt{14} + \sqrt{15})$$

What is the value of  $\mathbf{MU}$ ?

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Wiggie chooses 3 integers without replacement from between 1 and 10 inclusive. The probability they can be arranged to form an arithmetic

sequence is  $\frac{J}{120}$ . What is J?

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In a geometric series of real numbers, the sum of the first two terms is 7 and the sum of the first six terms is 91. If  $r$  is the common ratio, what is the value of  $r^2$ ?

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${}_nC_1, {}_nC_2$ , and  ${}_nC_3$  forms an arithmetic sequence with  $n > 3$ . What is the value of  $n$ ?

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Through a point on the hypotenuse of a right triangle, Lines are drawn parallel to the legs of the triangle so that the triangle is divided into a square and two smaller right triangles. The area of one of the two small right triangles is 3 times the area of the square. What is the ratio of the area of the square to the area of the other small right triangle?

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Trapezoid  $WXYZ$  has  $\overline{WZ}$  parallel to  $\overline{XY}$ ,  
 $XZ = 3$ ,  $m\angle ZXW = 27^\circ$ , and  $m\angle XZY = 54^\circ$ .  
The ratio of  $XY:WZ$  is  $7:4$ . What is  $YZ$ ?

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Given:  $5 = 17k^{\frac{-1}{4}} - 6k^{\frac{-1}{2}}$ . What is the product of the solutions?

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Compute  $\left(\frac{-1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)^{2021}$ .



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Compute  $\begin{vmatrix} \log_{128} \frac{1}{5} & \log_{1024} \frac{1}{49} \\ \log_{49} 32 & \log_{125} 64 \end{vmatrix}$ .

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Each of the letters M, R, L, and U represent a different odd integer between 2 and 10. What is the least possible value of  $\frac{M \cdot R - L}{U}$ ?

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What is the area of the quadrilateral formed by connecting the 4 intersection points of the curves  $x^2 + 4y^2 = 6x + 8y + 67$  and  $x^2 = 6x + 8y + 31$ ?

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Mr. Lu has a gallon of David's sweet tea. He drinks  $\frac{1}{3}$  of it and then fills back to the top with water and stirs and then drinks  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the contents. He repeats this process until he has consumed one gallon of liquid. What part of the original gallon of tea remains?