College Algebra Math 1050

Sample Midterm Exam - Version 1 *Rubric*

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1. $DQ = \dfrac{\sqrt{x+h-1} - \sqrt{x-1}}{h}$ **(4 pts)** all or nothing

2. $[-3, 3]$ **(2 pts)** all or nothing

3. $(-3, 2) \cup (3, \infty)$ **(3 pts)** all or nothing

4. 11.1 meters *(unit not necessary)* **(4 pts)** all or nothing

5. **(c)** Mari's first step: $|x+1| < 5$ **(4 pts)** all or nothing

6. **(a)** Guga's first step: $\dfrac{2x-1}{x+1} - 3 < 0.$ **(3 pts)** all or nothing

7. $x = -1 + i$, $x = -1 - i$ **(3 pts)** all or nothing

8. **(c)** Alex's first step is: $\dfrac{\left(\frac{1}{x+h} - \frac{1}{x}\right)}{h} \dfrac{(x+h)x}{(x+h)x}$ **(4 pts)** all or nothing

9. $x = -4i + 1$ **or** $x = 1 - 4i$ **(3 pts)** all or nothing

10. $\{x \mid x \neq -1, x \neq 2\}$ **(4 pts)** all or nothing

any correct form of the answer is acceptable

11. $x \neq -2, x \neq -1$ **(1 pt)** all or nothing

any correct form of the answer is acceptable

12. $\left(\dfrac{1}{3}, 0\right)$ *answer must be written as an ordered pair* **(1 pt)** all or nothing

13. $\left(0, -\dfrac{1}{2}\right)$ *answer must be written as an ordered pair* **(1 pt)** all or nothing

14. none **(2 pts)** all or nothing

15. $y = 1$ *answer must be written as an equation* **(2 pts)** all or nothing

16. **(d)** **(2 pts)** all or nothing

17. $g(0) = -1$ **(4 pts)** all or nothing

18. $x = -\dfrac{1}{2}$ **(3 pts)** all or nothing

19. $x = -7, x = -1$ **(3 pts)** all or nothing

20. $\pm\frac{1}{3}, \pm 1, \pm\frac{5}{3}, \pm 5, \pm\frac{7}{3}, \pm 7, \pm\frac{35}{3}, \pm 35$ **(3 pts)** all or nothing

21. $(f-g)(-1) = -3$ **(3 pts)** all or nothing

22. $h(6.96) =$ **2.23 meters**

(8 pts) **For either:**

giving the correct numerical answer with supporting work

OR

an explanation that demonstrates full understanding of the procedure for finding the answer, either by finding the x coordinate of the vertex with $\frac{-b}{2a}$ and substituting that value into the function or by completing the square

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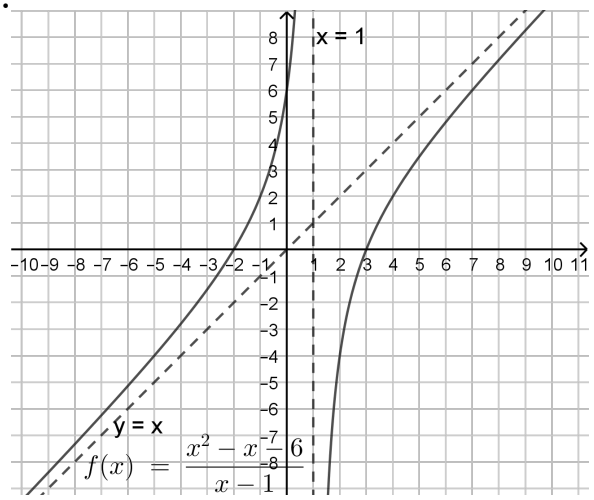

(9 pts) If the graph is sketched perfectly

If the graph is NOT sketched correctly:

(3 pts) For **all** of the following:

- Graph is sketched over the entirety of the domain
- Correct number of vertical asymptotes are present on the graph
- Correct type of non-vertical asymptote is present on the graph
- Graph clearly demonstrates knowledge of asymptotic behavior

THEN

(2 pts) For **all** of the following:

- Correct x and y intercepts are present on the graph
- No extraneous intercepts are present on the graph

24. $[-5, -2) \cup (1, \infty)$

(8 pts) For correct answer with supporting work. All brackets must be correct.

If the answer is NOT correct:

(2 pts) For choosing the correct denominator to simplfy

(3 pts) For correct expression compared to zero

OR

(3 pts) For listing the correct restrictions on the domain

(2 pts) For correct expression compared to zero

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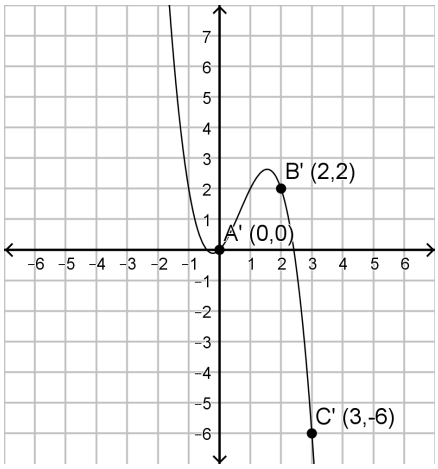


(8 pts) If all three points are in the correct locations and the graph is a polynomial function

$A'(0,0)\, B'(2,2)\, C'(3,-6)$

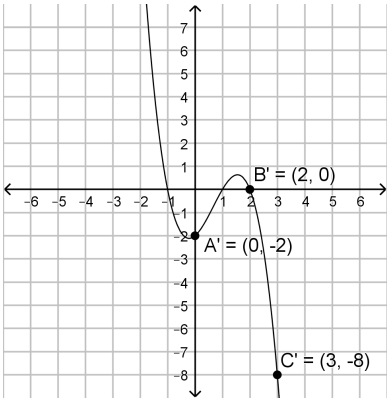
If the answer is NOT correct:

(4 pts) If all three points are correctly located but the graph is not a polynomial function (ie the graph is not continuous or has sharp points)

OR

(5 pts) If one transformation is incorrect or the order of the transformations is incorrect See the following three examples.

(5 pts) shift right 1, then shift up 1, then reflect vertically
OR shift right 1, then reflect vertically, then shift down 1



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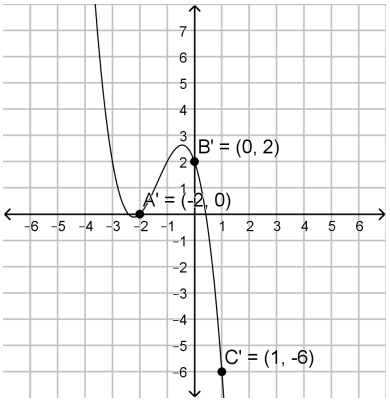
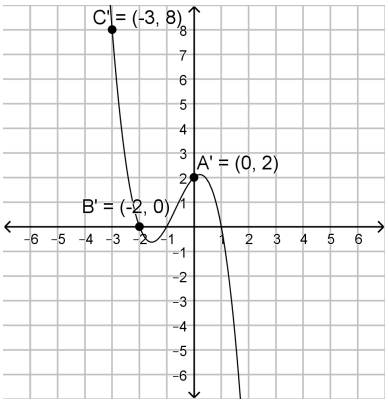
(5 pts) shift left 1, then reflect vertically, then shift up 1



OR

(5 pts) shift right 1, then reflect horizontally, then shift up 1



26. $(-\infty, -2) \cup (3, \infty)$

(8 pts) For correct answer with supporting work. All brackets must be correct

If the answer is NOT correct:

(4 pts) For writing two correct inequalities

OR

(4 pts) For writing two correct equalities