



2018 SMC SAMPLE QUESTIONS for Junior / Intermediate / Senior

Sample Questions for **Juniors**

1. Find all the 3-digit multiples of 7 for which the sum of the digits is also a multiple of 7.
2. Joe walks up 10 steps going up either 1 or 2 steps at a time. There is a snake on the 6th step so he cannot stop on this step. In how many different ways can Joe reach the top step?
3. How many pairs (x,y) , where x and y are whole numbers, satisfy the condition that $2x + 7y = 100$?
4. By how much does $\frac{5}{7}$ of $9\frac{1}{3}$ exceed $\frac{3}{11}$ of $4\frac{2}{5}$?
5. N is a whole number and $S(N)$ is the sum of the digits of N .
Thus, for example, if $N = 372$ then $S(N) = 12$
If $N = 1982$ then $S(N) = 20$
Find all the numbers for which $N + S(N) = 2010$.
6. 90% of the members in a certain gym club are girls and there are 3 boys in the club. How many members are there in the club?
7. Amanda has received a 5% raise. Now she earns \$12,000 more than her friend Lisa. Before Amanda's salary raise, Lisa's salary was 1% higher than Amanda's. What is Lisa's salary?
8.
 - i) How many 4-digit palindromic numbers start with the digit 7?
 - ii) How many palindromic numbers lie between 2000 and 20,000?
9. The sum of the 3-digit numbers $35x$ and $4y7$, where x and y are different digits, is N .
 - i) What is the smallest value that N can take?
 - ii) What is the largest value that N can take?
 - iii) If N is divisible by 36 what is the value (or values) that N can have?
10. Consider the sequence of numbers
 $1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 1, \dots$
If this pattern continues what will be
 - i) the 2018th number in the sequence,
 - ii) the sum of the first 2018 terms in the sequence?

Sample Questions for Intermediates

1. Jill walks up 12 steps going up either 1 or 2 steps at a each stride. There is a snake on the 7th step so she cannot stop there. In how many different ways can Jill reach the top step?
2. A chemist has 100 cc of a liquid which contains 20% alcohol and 80% water. She adds more alcohol to make a solution with $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ alcohol. How much water must she now add in order to return it to a 20% alcohol solution?
3. How many 3-letter sequences can be made using the letters in the word "ADELAIDE" ? (For example, "LAA" and "ALA" are acceptable but "AAA" is not.)
4. N is a 6-digit number formed using an arrangement of the digits 1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5. What is the i) smallest N, ii) largest N that is divisible by 66?
5. Peta solves the equation $ax - b = c$ for x and Rosa solves the equation $bx - c = a$ for x. If they both get the same answer for x and a, b, and c are both different and non-zero, what is the relation between a, b and c?
6. The lengths of the equal sides of an isosceles triangle are $(x + 1)$ and the length of the third side is $(3x + 2)$. Find all the possible values of x. (The triangle should not be degenerate – become a straight line --and your answer need not be an integer and could be an inequality.)
7. What is the number of positive integers n for which there is a triangle with 3 acute angles and the side lengths are 10, 24 and n?
8. The numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, ..., 100 are divided into two groups A and B. You take a number from A (call it a) and a number from B (call it B) and you add them to make the number $(a + b)$. What is the largest value of $(a + b)$ that you can make? How many different answers you can make for $(a + b)$?
9. ABCD is a rhombus with sides of length 1. O is a point on diagonal AC such that $AD = AO = x$ and $OD = OB = OC$. Find the value of x.
10. $N = 9,999,999$ How many 9's in the number N^2 ?
11. Let $S = \{ 15, 24, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80 \}$ When one number is removed, the product of the remaining numbers is a perfect cube. What is this perfect cube?
12. Alex puts 20 green marbles in a hat, Lynn puts 16 purple marbles in the hat and Josh places k blue marbles into the hat. If a marble is randomly selected from the hat, the probability that it will be blue is $\frac{1}{5}$. What is the value of k ?
13. A rectangle has an area of 120 cm^2 and a diagonal of length 17 cm. What is the perimeter of the rectangle ?

14. Find all the positive prime numbers p such that $p^{2018} + p^{2019}$ is a perfect square.

Sample Questions for Seniors

1. What reduced fraction $\frac{a}{b}$ with $4 < b < 15$ is closest to $\frac{3}{7}$?
2. Solve the system of equations $x^2 + x\sqrt[3]{xy^2} = 208$
and $y^2 + y\sqrt[3]{yx^2} = 1053$.
3. Two arithmetic sequences are multiplied together term by term to form another sequence whose first three terms are 468, 462 and 384. What is the fourth term?
4. Let p be a prime number. If p years ago, the ages of three children formed a geometric sequence with a sum of p and a common ratio of 2, what is the sum of the children's ages now?
5. If $x + \frac{1}{y} = 12$ and $y + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{3}{8}$ find all the solutions for x and y .
6. What is the value of $\sqrt{2000.2008.2009.2017 + 1296}$?
7. In the triangle ABC , $AB = 4$, $BC = 6$ and $AC = 8$. Squares $ABQR$ and $BCST$ are drawn external to and lie in the same plane as triangle ABC . Find the length QT .
8. Consider the sequence 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 36, 43, ... where each number is obtained from the previous one by adding 7.
 - a. If $T_n = 7n + k$, what is the value of k ?
 - b. $T_1 = 1$ and $T_6 = 36$ are square numbers. Find the next three square numbers.
 - c. Find a rule for finding the square numbers in the sequence, i.e. if T_n is a square number what is the rule for finding k in terms of n ?
9. Find the smallest positive integer n such that the fractions in this sequence
$$\frac{3}{n+5}, \frac{4}{n+6}, \frac{5}{n+7}, \dots, \frac{13}{n+5}$$
are all in lowest form.
10. The roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ are 6 and p . The roots of $cx^2 + bx + a = 0$ are q and r . Find the product pqr ?
11. Find the smallest prime p larger than 10, which can be expressed in the form $p = x^3 - y^3$ where x and y are positive integers.
12. Triangle ABC is right angled at B . D lies on CB such that AD bisects the angle CAB and $CB = 8 DB$. Find the value of $\sin(\text{angle } CAD)$?

ANSWERS JUNIOR SET

1. 14 2. 24 3. 6 4. $\frac{82}{15}$ 5. 2004, 1986 6. 27g 3b
7. 303,000 8. a. 9000 b. 280 9. i) 758 ii) 855 iii) 792, 828
10. i) 2 ii) 5043

ANSWERS INTERMEDIATE SET

1. $11 \times 5 = 55$ 2. 40 cc 3. 5040 4. i) 123354 ii) 533412 5. $a+b+c = 0$
6. $-\frac{2}{3} < x < 0$ 7. 3 (23.24.25) 8. largest 199 : number 98
9. 10. 6 11. $2^{12}3^35^6$ (60 removed)
12. 9 13. 14 14. $p = 3$

ANSWERS SENIOR SET

1. $\frac{5}{12}$ 2. $x = 8, y = 27$ 3. 234 4. 28 ($p = 7$)
5. $x = 8, y = \frac{1}{4}$ 6. $4,034,036 = (2008.2009 - 36)^2$ 7. 8
8. a. $k = -6$ b. 1, 35, 64, 169, 225, 400, 484, 729, 842, ...
c, and these terms are 1, 6, 10, 25, 33, 58, 70, 105, 121, ...
9. $n = 17$ 10. $\frac{ac}{6}$ 11. 19 12. $\frac{\sqrt{21}}{7}$

All care taken with both questions and answers. Good luck