

# ALGEBRA SET

1. If  $x = \sqrt[4]{x^3 + 6x^2}$ , then the sum of all possible solutions for x is:

- A. -2
- B. 0
- C. 1
- D. 3
- E. 5

2. The equation  $x^2 + ax - b = 0$  has equal roots, and one of the roots of the equation  $x^2 + ax + 15 = 0$  is 3. What is the value of b?

- A. -64
- B. -16
- C. -15
- D. -1/16
- E. -1/64

3. If a and b are positive numbers, such that  $a^2 + b^2 = m$  and  $a^2 - b^2 = n$ , then ab in terms of m and n equals to:

- A.  $\frac{\sqrt{m-n}}{2}$
- B.  $\frac{\sqrt{mn}}{2}$
- C.  $\frac{\sqrt{m^2-n^2}}{2}$
- D.  $\frac{\sqrt{n^2-m^2}}{2}$
- E.  $\frac{\sqrt{m^2+n^2}}{2}$

4. What is the maximum value of  $-3x^2 + 12x - 2y^2 - 12y - 39$  ?

- A. -39
- B. -9
- C. 0
- D. 9
- E. 39

5. If  $x^2 + 2x - 15 = -m$ , where x is an integer from -10 and 10, inclusive, what is the probability that m is greater than zero?

- A. 2/7
- B. 1/3
- C. 7/20
- D. 2/5
- E. 3/7

6. If mn does not equal to zero, and  $m^2n^2 + mn = 12$ , then m could be:

- I.  $-4/n$
- II.  $2/n$
- III.  $3/n$
- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. III only
- D. I and II only
- E. I and III only

7. If  $x^4 = 29x^2 - 100$ , then which of the following is NOT a product of three possible values of  $x$ ?

- I. -50
- II. 25
- III. 50

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. III only
- D. I and II only
- E. I and III only

8. If  $m$  is a negative integer and  $m^3 + 380 = 381m$ , then what is the value of  $m$ ?

- A. -21
- B. -20
- C. -19
- D. -1
- E. None of the above

9. If  $x = (\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{7})^2$ , then the best approximation of  $x$  is:

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4

10. If  $f(x) = 2x - 1$  and  $g(x) = x^2$ , then what is the product of all values of  $n$  for which  $f(n^2) = g(n+12)$ ?

- A. -145
- B. -24
- C. 24
- D. 145
- E. None of the above