## Answers to the Math Primer Questions

## Units of Distance

1. How many inches is equal to 5'-6"?
a. 56
b. 66 Correct
c. 5.5
d. 168
2. Expressed as a decimal, how many feet is equal to $1^{\prime}-6$ "?
a. 0.5
b. 1
c. 1.5 Correct
d. 1.6
3. Expressed as a decimal, how many feet is equal to 12 '-9"?
a. 12.75 Correct
b. 12.9
c. $\quad 1.75$
d. 1.9

## Fractions Are Parts

1. What portion of the circle is shaded?
a. $\frac{1}{3}$
b. $\frac{3}{5}$
C. $\frac{2}{6}$
d. $\frac{2}{5}$ Correct

2. If one-third of 24 prestressing strands in a beam are debonded, then how many strands are debonded?
a. 3
b. 8 Correct
c. 12
d. 16

## Fractions and Decimals

3. What is the decimal equivalent of $3 \frac{5}{8}$ ?
a. 3.325
b. 3.625 Correct
c. 3.580
d. 3.750
4. What is the decimal equivalent of $2 \frac{1}{4}$ ?
a. 2.125
b. 2.25 Correct
c. 2.375
d. 2.5

## Adding and Subtracting Fractions and Common Denominator

1. $\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{2}=$ ?
a. $\frac{1}{4}$
b. $\frac{2}{4}$
c. 1 Correct
d. $\frac{4}{2}$
2. $\frac{3}{4}+\frac{1}{8}=$ ?
a. $\frac{5}{12}$
b. $\frac{11}{16}$
c. $\frac{5}{8}$
d. $\frac{7}{8}$ Correct
3. $\frac{3}{4}-\frac{1}{8}=$ ?
a. $\frac{5}{12}$
b. $\frac{11}{16}$
c. $\frac{5}{8}$ Correct
d. $\frac{7}{8}$

## Order of Operations

1. $5 \times(10-1)=$ ?
a. 49
b. 45 Correct
c. 14
d. 19
2. $48 \div(4+4)=$ ?
a. 3
b. 16
c. 6 Correct
d. 13
3. $9+9 \times 4=$ ?
a. 49
b. 45 Correct
c. 72
d. 54
4. $(6+25-7) \div 6=$ ?
a. 6.33
b. 4 Correct
c. 144
d. 35
5. $\frac{43-1}{4+2}+10=$ ?
a. 22.5
b. 8.67
c. 17 Correct
d. 9

## Finding a Percent of a Number

1. What is $50 \%$ of 132 grams?
a. 46
b. 61 grams
c. 66 grams Correct
d. 82
2. If a prestressing strand has an ultimate tensile strength of 41 kips and we are only allowed to pull the strand to $80 \%$ of its ultimate tensile strength, then what is the most force that can be applied to the strand?
a. $\quad 3.28 \mathrm{kips}$
b. 8.2 kips
c. $\mathbf{3 2 . 8 0}$ kips Correct
d. 73.80 kips
3. During a sieve analysis for a coarse aggregate, 330 g of the total 1,500-g sample was retained on the $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ sieve. What is the percent retained for the $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ sieve?
a. $0.22 \%$
b. $22 \%$

Correct
c. $45 \%$
d. $78 \%$
4. If a plant's mix design required 750 lbs of cementitious materials, what is the weight of fly ash if the fly is $20 \%$ of the total cementitious material?
a. 150 lbs

Correct
b. 30 lbs
c. 75 lbs
d. 3,000 lbs
5. PCl allows for a single prestressing strand to be stressed $5 \%$ over its target final force.

What's the upper tolerance limit for the final force of a strand with a target final force of 31,500 lbs?
a. 1,575 lbs
b. $32,275 \mathrm{lbs}$
c. $\mathbf{3 3 , 0 7 5}$ lbs Correct
d. 47,250 lbs

## Area

1. Calculate the area of the triangle.
a. $3,375 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
b. $6,750 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
c. $450 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
d. $225 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ Correct

2. What is the area of the figure?
a. $90 \mathrm{in}^{2}$

Correct
b. $108 \mathrm{in}^{2}$
c. $156 \mathrm{in}^{2}$
d. $216 \mathrm{in}^{2}$
3. What is the area of the figure?
a. $21 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
b. $23 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
c. $42 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ Correct
d. $48 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$


## Volume

1. What is the volume of a cube with 5 ft . sides?
a. 25 ft . ${ }^{3}$
b. $100 \mathrm{ft}^{3}{ }^{3}$
c. $\mathbf{1 2 5}$ ft. ${ }^{3}$ Correct
d. Not enough information is provided.
2. How many cubic yards (CY) of concrete is needed to cast a $20^{\prime}-6^{\prime \prime} \times 11^{\prime}-0^{\prime \prime} \times 0^{\prime}-10^{\prime \prime}$ wall panel?
a. 84 CY
b. 4 CY
c. 7 CY

Correct
d. 188 CY
3. Calculate the volume of the rectangular prism.
a. $170 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$
b. $680 \mathrm{~m}^{3} \quad$ Correct
c. $920 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$
d. $11,560 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$

4. Calculate the volume of the above triangular prism.
a. $\quad 3.75 \mathrm{CY}$
b. 8.5 CY
c. 20 CY
d. 15 CY

Correct


