# **Answers to the Math Primer Questions**

#### **Units of Distance**

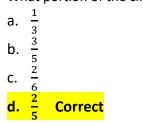
- 1. How many inches is equal to 5'-6"?
  - a. 56 <mark>b. 66 Correct</mark>

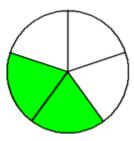
c. 5.5

- d. 168
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- 2. Expressed as a decimal, how many feet is equal to 1'-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. 1.75
  - d. 1.9

### **Fractions Are Parts**

1. What portion of the circle is shaded?





2. If one-third of 24 prestressing strands in a beam are debonded, then how many strands are debonded?

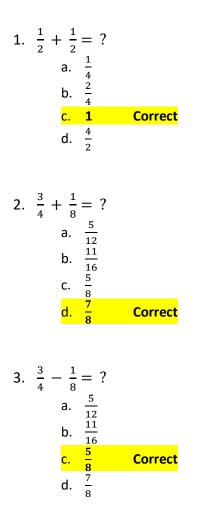
| a. | 3  |         |
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| b. | 8  | Correct |
| c. | 12 |         |
| d. | 16 |         |

## **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 |         |
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| b. | 2.25  | Correct |
| c. | 2.375 |         |
| d. | 2.5   |         |

### Adding and Subtracting Fractions and Common Denominator



## **Order of Operations**

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

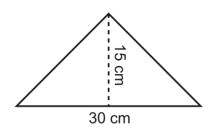
#### Finding a Percent of a Number

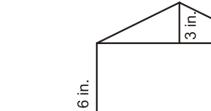
- 1. What is 50% of 132 grams?
  - a. 46
  - b. 61 grams
  - c. 66 grams Correct
  - d. 82
- 2. If a prestressing strand has an ultimate tensile strength of 41 kips and we are only allowed to pull the strand to 80% of its ultimate tensile strength, then what is the most force that can be applied to the strand?
  - a. 3.28 kips
  - b. 8.2 kips
  - c. 32.80 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" sieve. What is the percent retained for the 3/8" 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. PCI 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 lbs
  - c. 33,075 lbs Correct
  - d. 47,250 lbs

### <u>Area</u>

- 1. Calculate the area of the triangle.
  - a. 3,375 cm<sup>2</sup>
  - b. 6,750 cm<sup>2</sup>
  - c.  $450 \text{ cm}^2$

| d. 225 cm <sup>2</sup> | Correct |
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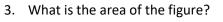




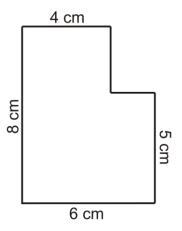
12 in.

2. What is the area of the figure?

| <mark>a.</mark> | 90 in <sup>2</sup>  | Correct |
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| b.              | 108 in <sup>2</sup> |         |
| с.              | 156 in²             |         |
| d.              | 216 in <sup>2</sup> |         |

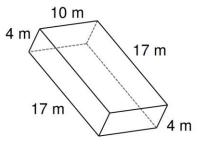


- a. 21 cm<sup>2</sup>
- b.  $23 \text{ cm}^2$
- c. 42 cm<sup>2</sup> Correct
- d. 48 cm<sup>2</sup>



#### <u>Volume</u>

- 1. What is the volume of a cube with 5 ft. sides?
  - a. 25 ft.<sup>3</sup>
  - b. 100 ft.<sup>3</sup>
  - c. 125 ft.<sup>3</sup> Correct
  - d. Not enough information is provided.
- 2. How many cubic yards (CY) of concrete is needed to cast a 20'-6" x 11'-0" x 0'-10" wall panel?
  - a. 84 CY
  - b. 4 CY
  - <mark>c. 7 CY Correct</mark> d. 188 CY
- 3. Calculate the volume of the rectangular prism.
  - a. 170 m<sup>3</sup>
    b. 680 m<sup>3</sup> Correct
    c. 920 m<sup>3</sup>
    d. 11,560 m<sup>3</sup>



- 4. Calculate the volume of the above triangular prism.
  - a. 3.75 CY
  - b. 8.5 CY
  - c. 20 CY

| d. | 15 CY | Correct |
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