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Answer

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Qn 5

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(TITA)

Answer

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Qn 6

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If a seller gives a discount of 15% on retail price, she still makes a profit of 2%. Which of the following ensures that she makes a profit of 20%?

- A) Give a discount of 5% on retail price
- B) Give a discount of 2% on retail price
- C) Increase the retail price by 2%
- D) Sell at retail price

Answer

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Qn 7

A man travels by a motor boat down a river to his office and back. With the speed of the river unchanged, if he doubles the speed of his motor boat, then his total travel time gets reduced by 75%. The ratio of the original speed of the motor boat to the speed of the river is:

- A) $\sqrt{6}:\sqrt{2}$
- B) $\sqrt{7}:2$
- C) $2\sqrt{5}:3$
- D) $3:2$

Answer

Video Solution

Qn 8

Suppose, C1, C2, C3, C4, and C5 are five companies. The profits made by C1, C2, and C3 are in the ratio 9 : 10 : 8 while the profits made by C2, C4, and C5 are in the ratio 18 : 19 : 20. If C5 has made a profit of Rs 19 crore more than C1, then the total profit (in Rs) made by all five companies is:

- A) 438 crore
- B) 435 crore
- C) 348 crore
- D) 345 crore

Answer

Video Solution

Qn 9

The number of girls appearing for an admission test is twice the number of boys. If 30% of the girls and 45% of the boys get admission, the percentage of candidates who do not get admission is:

- A) 35
- B) 50
- C) 60
- D) 65

Answer

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Qn 10

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A stall sells popcorn and chips in packets of three sizes: large, super, and jumbo. The numbers of large, super, and jumbo packets in its stock are in the ratio 7 : 17 : 16 for popcorn and 6 : 15 : 14 for chips. If the total number of popcorn packets in its stock is the same as that of chips packets, then the numbers of jumbo popcorn packets and jumbo chips packets are in the ratio:

- A) 1: 1
- B) 8: 7
- C) 4: 3
- D) 6: 5

Answer

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Qn 11

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- A) 6%
- B) 8%
- C) 10%
- D) 12%

Answer

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Qn 12

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If Fatima sells 60 identical toys at a 40% discount on the printed price, then she makes 20% profit. Ten of these toys are destroyed in fire. While selling the rest, how much discount should be given on the printed price so that she can make the same amount of profit?

- A) 30%
- B) 25%
- C) 24%
- D) 28%

Answer

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Qn 13

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If a and b are integers of opposite signs such that $(a + 3)^2 : b^2 = 9 : 1$ and $(a - 1)^2 : (b - 1)^2 = 4 : 1$, then the ratio $a^2 : b^2$ is:

- A) 9:4
- B) 81:4
- C) 1:4
- D) 25:4

Answer

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Qn 14

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A class consists of 20 boys and 30 girls. In the mid-semester examination, the average score of the girls was 5 higher than that of the boys. In the final exam, however, the average score of the girls dropped by 3 while the average score of the entire class increased by 2. The increase in the average score of the boys is:

- A) 9.5
- B) 10
- C) 4.5
- D) 6

Answer

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Qn 15

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The area of the closed region bounded by the equation $|x| + |y| = 2$ in the two-dimensional plane is

- A) 4π
- B) 4
- C) 8
- D) 2π

Answer

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Qn 16

From a triangle ABC with sides of lengths 40 ft, 25 ft and 35 ft, a triangular portion GBC is cut off where G is the centroid of ABC. The area, in sq ft, of the remaining portion of triangle ABC is:

- A) $225\sqrt{3}$
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Answer

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Qn 17

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Let ABC be a right-angled isosceles triangle with hypotenuse BC. Let BQC be a semi-circle, away from A, with diameter BC. Let BPC be an arc of a circle centered at A and lying between BC and BQC. If AB has length 6 cm then the area, in sq. cm, of the region enclosed by BPC and BQC is:

- A) $9\pi - 18$
- B) 18
- C) 9π
- D) 9

Answer

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Qn 18

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A solid metallic cube is melted to form five solid cubes whose volumes are in the ratio 1 : 1 : 8 : 27 : 27. The percentage by which the sum of the surface areas of these five cubes exceeds the surface area of the original cube is nearest to:

- A) 10
- B) 50
- C) 60
- D) 20

Answer

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Qn 19

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A ball of diameter 4 cm is kept on top of a hollow cylinder standing vertically. The height of the cylinder is 3 cm, while its volume is $9\pi \text{ cm}^3$. Then the vertical distance, in cm, of the topmost point of the ball from the base of the cylinder is:

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Answer

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Qn 20

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Let ABC be a right-angled triangle with BC as the hypotenuse. Lengths of AB and AC are 15 km and 20 km, respectively. The minimum possible time, in minutes, required to reach the hypotenuse from A at a speed of 30 km per hour is:

(TITA)

Answer

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Qn 21

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Suppose, $\log_3 x = \log_{12} y = a$, where x, y are positive numbers. If G is the geometric mean of x and y , and $\log_6 G$ is equal to:

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- D) a

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Answer

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Answer

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Qn 23

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The value of $\log_{0.008}\sqrt{5} + \log_{\sqrt{3}} 81 - 7$ is equal to:

- A) $\frac{1}{3}$
- B) $\frac{2}{3}$
- C) $\frac{5}{6}$
- D) $\frac{7}{6}$

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Answer

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Qn 24

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If $9^{2x-1} - 81^{x-1} = 1944$, then x is

A) 3

B) $\frac{9}{4}$

C) $\frac{4}{9}$

D) $\frac{1}{3}$

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Answer

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Qn 25

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- A) 101
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Answer

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Answer

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If $f_1(x) = x^2 + 11x + n$ and $f_2(x) = x$, then the largest positive integer n for which the equation $f_1(x) = f_2(x)$ has two distinct real roots, is:

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Answer

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Qn 28

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If $a, b, c,$ and d are integers such that $a + b + c + d = 30$, then the minimum possible value of $(a - b)^2 + (a - c)^2 + (a - d)^2$ is

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Let AB, CD, EF, GH, and JK be five diameters of a circle with center at O. In how many ways can three points be chosen out of A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, and O so as to form a triangle?

(TITA)

Answer

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Qn 30

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The shortest distance of the point $(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ from the curve $y = |x - 1| + |x + 1|$ is

- A) 1
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Answer

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If the square of the 7th term of an arithmetic progression with positive common difference equals the product of the 3rd and 17th terms, then the ratio of the first term to the common difference is:

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Answer

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Qn 32

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In how many ways can 7 identical erasers be distributed among 4 kids in such a way that each kid gets at least one eraser but nobody gets more than 3 erasers?

- A) 16
- B) 20
- C) 14
- D) 15

Answer

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Qn 33

If $f(x) = \frac{5x + 2}{3x - 5}$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$, then the value of $g(f(f(3)))$ is:

- A) 2
- B) $\frac{1}{3}$
- C) 6
- D) $\frac{2}{3}$

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Answer

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Qn 34

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Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{3n} be an arithmetic progression with $a_1 = 3$ and $a_2 = 7$. If $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{3n} = 1830$, then what is the smallest positive integer m such that $m(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n) > 1830$?

- A) 8
- B) 9
- C) 10
- D) 11

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| 1) 20 | 11) B | 21) D | 31) A |
| 2) 15 | 12) D | 22) D | 32) A |
| 3) 11 | 13) D | 23) C | 33) A |
| 4) 20 | 14) A | 24) B | 34) B |
| 5) 7000 | 15) C | 25) B | |
| 6) D | 16) B | 26) 11 | |
| 7) B | 17) B | 27) 24 | |
| 8) A | 18) B | 28) 2 | |
| 9) D | 19) 6 | 29) 160 | |
| 10) A | 20) 24 | 30) A | |

Sol 1

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Difficulty Level – Easy

Topic – Percentages

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Answer: **15**

Difficulty Level –  Easy

Topic – **Pipes and Cisterns**

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Sol 3

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(TITA)

Answer: **11**

Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Averages**

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(TITA)

Answer: **20**

Difficulty Level –  Easy

Topic – **Speed, Time and Distance**

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Answer: **70000**

Difficulty Level – Easy

Topic – Percentages

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Difficulty Level – Easy

Topic – Profit and Loss

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Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – Speed, Time and Distance

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Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Ratio and Proportions**

Sol 9

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Topic – Percentages

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- D) 6: 5

Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Ratio and Proportions**

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Topic – Profit and Loss

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Difficulty Level – **Medium**

Topic – **Profit and Loss**

Sol 13

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- D) 25:4**

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – Algebra

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Sol 14

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- B) 10
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Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Mixture and Alligation**

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Sol 15

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The area of the closed region bounded by the equation $|x| + |y| = 2$ in the two-dimensional plane is

- A) 4π
- B) 4
- C) 8**
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Difficulty Level –  Easy

Topic – **Co-ordinate Geometry**

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Sol 16

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Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – **Geometry**

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- A) $9\pi - 18$
- B) 18**
- C) 9π
- D) 9

Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Geometry**

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Sol 18

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A solid metallic cube is melted to form five solid cubes whose volumes are in the ratio 1 : 1 : 8 : 27 : 27. The percentage by which the sum of the surface areas of these five cubes exceeds the surface area of the original cube is nearest to:

- A) 10
- B) 50**
- C) 60
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Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Mensuration and Geometry**

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Sol 19

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A ball of diameter 4 cm is kept on top of a hollow cylinder standing vertically. The height of the cylinder is 3 cm, while its volume is $9\pi \text{ cm}^3$. Then the vertical distance, in cm, of the topmost point of the ball from the base of the cylinder is:

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Answer: **6**

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – **Mensuration and Geometry**

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Sol 20

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Let ABC be a right-angled triangle with BC as the hypotenuse. Lengths of AB and AC are 15 km and 20 km, respectively. The minimum possible time, in minutes, required to reach the hypotenuse from A at a speed of 30 km per hour is:

(TITA)

Answer: **24**

Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Geometry**

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Suppose, $\log_3 x = \log_{12} y = a$, where x, y are positive numbers. If G is the geometric mean of x and y , and $\log_6 G$ is equal to:

- A) \sqrt{a}
- B) $2a$
- C) $\frac{a}{2}$
- D) a

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – Exponents and Logarithms

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If $x + 1 = x^2$ and $x > 0$, then $2x^4$ is:

- A) $6 + 4\sqrt{5}$
- B) $3 + 5\sqrt{5}$
- C) $5 + 3\sqrt{5}$
- D) $7 + 3\sqrt{5}$**

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – Algebra

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Sol 23

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The value of $\log_{0.008}\sqrt{5} + \log_{\sqrt{3}} 81 - 7$ is equal to:

- A) $\frac{1}{3}$
- B) $\frac{2}{3}$
- C) $\frac{5}{6}$
- D) $\frac{7}{6}$

Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Exponents and Logarithms**

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If $9^{2x-1} - 81^{x-1} = 1944$, then x is

A) 3

B) $\frac{9}{4}$

C) $\frac{4}{9}$

D) $\frac{1}{3}$

Difficulty Level –  Medium

Topic – **Exponents and Logarithms**

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Sol 25

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The number of solutions (x, y, z) to the equation $x - y - z = 25$, where x, y , and z are positive integers such that $x \leq 40$, $y \leq 12$, and $z \leq 12$ is

- A) 101
- B) 99**
- C) 87
- D) 105

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – **Permutation and
Combination**

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Sol 26

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For how many integers n , will the inequality $(n - 5)(n - 10) - 3(n - 2) \leq 0$ be satisfied?

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Answer: **11**

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – **Inequalities**

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Sol 27

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If $f_1(x) = x^2 + 11x + n$ and $f_2(x) = x$, then the largest positive integer n for which the equation $f_1(x) = f_2(x)$ has two distinct real roots, is:

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Answer: **24**

Difficulty Level – Medium

Topic – **Functions**

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Sol 28

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If $a, b, c,$ and d are integers such that $a + b + c + d = 30$, then the minimum possible value of $(a - b)^2 + (a - c)^2 + (a - d)^2$ is

(TITA)

Answer: **2**

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – Algebra

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Let AB, CD, EF, GH, and JK be five diameters of a circle with center at O. In how many ways can three points be chosen out of A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, K, and O so as to form a triangle?

(TITA)

Answer: **160**

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – **Permutation and
Combination**

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Sol 30

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The shortest distance of the point $(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ from the curve $y = |x - 1| + |x + 1|$ is

- A) 1
- B) 0
- C) $\sqrt{2}$
- D) $\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – **Co-ordinate Geometry**

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If the square of the 7th term of an arithmetic progression with positive common difference equals the product of the 3rd and 17th terms, then the ratio of the first term to the common difference is:

- A) 2: 3
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- C) 3: 4
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Difficulty Level – Medium

Topic – Progressions

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Sol 32

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In how many ways can 7 identical erasers be distributed among 4 kids in such a way that each kid gets at least one eraser but nobody gets more than 3 erasers?

- A) 16
- B) 20
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- D) 15

Difficulty Level –  Hard

Topic – **Permutation and
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Sol 33

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If $f(x) = \frac{5x + 2}{3x - 5}$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$, then the value of $g(f(f(3)))$ is:

A) 2

B) $\frac{1}{3}$

C) 6

D) $\frac{2}{3}$

Difficulty Level – Medium

Topic – **Functions**

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Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{3n} be an arithmetic progression with $a_1 = 3$ and $a_2 = 7$. If $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{3n} = 1830$, then what is the smallest positive integer m such that $m(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n) > 1830$?

- A) 8
- B) 9**
- C) 10
- D) 11

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