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**Answers and Explanations**

**Section 13-1**

1. D

$$f(x) = ax^3 + x^2 - 18x - 9$$

If point  $(3, 0)$  lies on the graph of  $f$ , substitute 0 for  $f$  and 3 for  $x$ .

$$0 = a(3)^3 + (3)^2 - 18(3) - 9.$$

$$0 = 27a - 54$$

$$2 = a$$

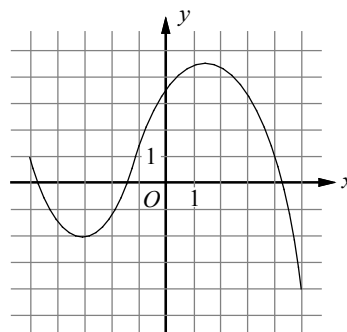
2. C

If the graph of a polynomial function  $f$  has an  $x$ -intercept at  $a$ , then  $(x - a)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

Since the graph of function  $f$  has  $x$ -intercepts at  $-7$ ,  $-5$ , and  $5$ ,  $(x + 7)$ ,  $(x + 5)$ , and  $(x - 5)$  must each be a factor of  $f(x)$ . Therefore,

$$f(x) = (x + 7)(x + 5)(x - 5) = (x + 7)(x^2 - 5).$$

3. A



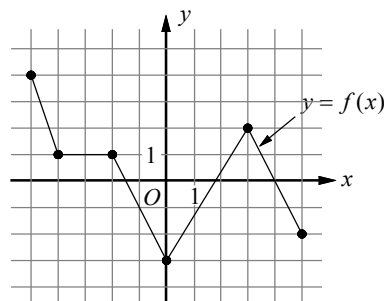
The minimum value of a graphed function is the minimum  $y$ -value of all the points on the graph. For the graph shown, when  $x = -3$ ,  $y = -2$  and when  $x = 5$ ,  $y = -4$ , so the minimum is at  $(5, -4)$  and the minimum value is  $-4$ .

4. B

A zero of a function corresponds to an  $x$ -intercept of the graph of the function on the  $xy$ -plane.

Only the graph in choice B has four  $x$ -intercepts. Therefore, it has the four distinct zeros of function  $f$ .

5. B



I.  $f$  is not strictly decreasing for  $-5 < x < 0$ , because on the interval  $-4 < x < -2$ ,  $f$  is not decreasing.

Roman numeral I is not true.

II. The coordinates  $(-3, 1)$  is on the graph of  $f$ , therefore,  $f(-3) = 1$

Roman numeral II is true.

III. For the graph shown, when  $x = 0$ ,  $y = -3$  and when  $x = 5$ ,  $y = -2$ , so  $f$  is minimum at  $x = 0$ .

Roman numeral III is not true.

## Section 13-2

1. A

If  $-1$  and  $1$  are two real roots of the polynomial function, then  $f(-1) = 0$  and  $f(1) = 0$ . Thus

$$f(-1) = a(-1)^3 + b(-1)^2 + c(-1) + d = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$f(1) = a(1)^3 + b(1)^2 + c(1) + d = 0.$$

Simplify the two equations and add them to each other.

$$-a + b - c + d = 0$$

$$+ \underline{a + b + c + d = 0}$$

$$2b + 2d = 0 \text{ or } b + d = 0.$$

Also  $f(0) = 3$ , since the graph of the polynomial passes through  $(0, 3)$ .

$$f(0) = a(0)^3 + b(0)^2 + c(0) + d = 3 \text{ implies } d = 3.$$

Substituting  $d = 3$  in the equation  $b + d = 0$  gives  $b + 3 = 0$ , or  $b = -3$ .

2. C

If polynomial  $p(x) = 81x^5 - 121x^3 - 36$  is divided by  $x + 1$ , the remainder is  $p(-1)$ .

$$p(-1) = 81(-1)^5 - 121(-1)^3 - 36 = 4$$

The remainder is 4.

3. D

If  $x - 2$  is a factor for polynomial  $p(x)$ , then

$$p(2) = 0.$$

$$p(x) = a(x^3 - 2x) + b(x^2 - 5)$$

$$p(2) = a(2^3 - 2(2)) + b(2^2 - 5)$$

$$= a(8 - 4) + b(4 - 5)$$

$$= 4a - b = 0$$

4. B

If  $(x - a)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ , then  $f(a)$  must be equal to 0. Based on the table,  $f(-3) = 0$ .

Therefore,  $x + 3$  must be a factor of  $f(x)$ .

5. 8

$$x^3 - 8x^2 + 3x - 24 = 0$$

$$(x^3 - 8x^2) + (3x - 24) = 0 \quad \text{Group terms.}$$

$$x^2(x - 8) + 3(x - 8) = 0 \quad \text{Factor out the GCF.}$$

$$(x^2 + 3)(x - 8) = 0 \quad \text{Distributive Property}$$

$$x^2 + 3 = 0 \text{ or } x - 8 = 0 \quad \text{Solutions}$$

Since  $x^2 + 3 = 0$  does not have a real solution,  $x - 8 = 0$ , or  $x = 8$ , is the only solution that makes the equation true.

6. 3

$$x^4 - 8x^2 = 9$$

$$x^4 - 8x^2 - 9 = 0 \quad \text{Make one side 0.}$$

$$(x^2 - 9)(x^2 + 1) = 0 \quad \text{Factor.}$$

$$(x + 3)(x - 3)(x^2 + 1) = 0 \quad \text{Factor.}$$

Since  $x^2 + 1 = 0$  does not have a real solution, the solutions for  $x$  are  $x = -3$  and  $x = 3$ .

Since it is given that  $x > 0$ ,  $x = 3$  is the only solution to the equation.

## Section 13-3

1. B

$$a^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{a^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$$

2. C

$$\frac{1}{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3 - 2\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}$$

Multiply the conjugate of the denominator.

$$= \frac{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}{(3)^2 - (2\sqrt{2})^2}$$

$$(a - b)(a + b) = a^2 - b^2$$

$$= \frac{3 + 2\sqrt{2}}{9 - 8}$$

Simplify.

$$= 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$$

3. B

$$(x + 1)^3 = -64$$

$$x + 1 = \sqrt[3]{-64}$$

Definition of cube root.

$$x + 1 = -4$$

$$\sqrt[3]{-64} = (-64)^{\frac{1}{3}} = -4$$

$$x = -5$$

Subtract 1 from each side.

4. A

$$\sqrt{8} + \sqrt{18} - \sqrt{32}$$

$$= \sqrt{4}\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{9}\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{16}\sqrt{2}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2} - 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2}$$

5. D

$$\begin{aligned}(1+\sqrt{3})(2-\sqrt{3}) & \\ = 2-\sqrt{3}+2\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3} & \quad \text{FOIL} \\ = 2+\sqrt{3}-3 & \quad \text{Combine like radicals.} \\ = -1+\sqrt{3} & \quad \text{Simplify.}\end{aligned}$$

6. D

$$b^{\frac{5}{3}} = b^1 \cdot b^{\frac{2}{3}} = b \cdot (b^2)^{\frac{1}{3}} = b \cdot \sqrt[3]{b^2}$$

**Section 13-4**

1. B

$$\begin{aligned}11-\sqrt{2x+3} &= 8 \\ 11-\sqrt{2x+3}-11 &= 8-11 \quad \text{Subtract 11 from each side.} \\ -\sqrt{2x+3} &= -3 \quad \text{Simplify.} \\ (-\sqrt{2x+3})^2 &= (-3)^2 \quad \text{Square each side.} \\ 2x+3 &= 9 \quad \text{Simplify.} \\ 2x &= 6 \quad \text{Subtract 3 from each side.} \\ x &= 3 \quad \text{Divide each side by 2.}\end{aligned}$$

2. A

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{-3x+4} &= 7 \\ (\sqrt{-3x+4})^2 &= (7)^2 \quad \text{Square each side.} \\ -3x+4 &= 49 \quad \text{Simplify.} \\ -3x &= 45 \quad \text{Subtract 4 from each side.} \\ x &= -15 \quad \text{Divide each side by } -3.\end{aligned}$$

3. B

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{x+18} &= x-2 \\ (\sqrt{x+18})^2 &= (x-2)^2 \quad \text{Square each side.} \\ x+18 &= x^2-4x+4 \quad \text{Simplify.} \\ 0 &= x^2-5x-14 \quad \text{Make one side 0.} \\ 0 &= (x-7)(x+2) \quad \text{Factor.} \\ 0 &= x-7 \quad \text{or} \quad 0 = x+2 \quad \text{Zero Product Property} \\ 7 &= x \quad \text{or} \quad -2 = x\end{aligned}$$

Check each  $x$ -value in the original equation.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{7+18} &= 7-2 & x &= 7 \\ \sqrt{25} &= 5 & & \text{Simplify.} \\ 5 &= 5 & & \text{True} \\ \sqrt{-2+18} &= -2-2 & x &= -2 \\ \sqrt{16} &= -4 & & \text{Simplify.} \\ 4 &= -4 & & \text{False}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, 7 is the only solution.

4. C

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{5x-12} &= 3\sqrt{2} \\ (\sqrt{5x-12})^2 &= (3\sqrt{2})^2 \quad \text{Square each side.} \\ 5x-12 &= 18 \quad \text{Simplify.} \\ 5x &= 30 \quad \text{Add 12 to each side.} \\ x &= 6 \quad \text{Divide by 5 on each side.}\end{aligned}$$

5.  $\frac{5}{9}$ 

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{2-3x} &= \frac{1}{3}a \\ \sqrt{2-3x} &= \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3} \quad a = \sqrt{3} \\ (\sqrt{2-3x})^2 &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3}\right)^2 \quad \text{Square each side.} \\ 2-3x &= \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{Simplify.} \\ -3x &= -\frac{5}{3} \quad \text{Subtract 2 from each side.} \\ -\frac{1}{3}(-3x) &= -\frac{1}{3}\left(-\frac{5}{3}\right) \quad \text{Multiply each side by } -\frac{1}{3}. \\ x &= \frac{5}{9} \quad \text{Simplify.}\end{aligned}$$

6. 2

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[3]{x-k} &= -2 \\ (\sqrt[3]{x-k})^3 &= (-2)^3 \quad \text{Cube each side.} \\ x-k &= -8 \quad \text{Simplify.} \\ x-(8-\sqrt{2}) &= -8 \quad k = 8-\sqrt{2} \\ x-8+\sqrt{2} &= -8 \quad \text{Simplify.} \\ x+\sqrt{2} &= 0 \quad \text{Add 8 to each side.} \\ x &= -\sqrt{2} \quad \text{Subtract } \sqrt{2}. \\ (x)^2 &= (-\sqrt{2})^2 \quad \text{Square each side.} \\ x^2 &= 2 \quad \text{Simplify.}\end{aligned}$$

**Section 13-5**

1. B

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{-1}-\sqrt{-4}+\sqrt{-9} & \\ = i-i\sqrt{4}+i\sqrt{9} & \quad i = \sqrt{-1} \\ = i-2i+3i & \\ = 2i & \end{aligned}$$

2. C

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{-2} \cdot \sqrt{-8} \\ &= i\sqrt{2} \cdot i\sqrt{8} & \sqrt{-2} = i\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{-8} = i\sqrt{8} \\ &= i^2\sqrt{16} \\ &= -4 & i^2 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

3. D

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{3-i}{3+i} \\ &= \frac{3-i}{3+i} \cdot \frac{3-i}{3-i} & \text{Rationalize the denominator.} \\ &= \frac{9-6i+i^2}{9-i^2} & \text{FOIL} \\ &= \frac{9-6i-1}{9+1} & i^2 = -1 \\ &= \frac{8-6i}{10} & \text{Simplify.} \\ &= \frac{4-3i}{5} \text{ or } \frac{4}{5} - \frac{3i}{5} \end{aligned}$$

4. C

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}(5i-3) - \frac{1}{3}(4i+5) \\ &= \frac{5}{2}i - \frac{3}{2} - \frac{4i}{3} - \frac{5}{3} & \text{Distributive Property} \\ &= \frac{15}{6}i - \frac{9}{6} - \frac{8i}{6} - \frac{10}{6} & 6 \text{ is the GCD.} \\ &= \frac{7}{6}i - \frac{19}{6} & \text{Simplify.} \end{aligned}$$

5. 23

$$\begin{aligned} (4+i)^2 &= a+bi \\ 16+8i+i^2 &= a+bi & \text{FOIL} \\ 16+8i-1 &= a+bi & i^2 = -1 \\ 15+8i &= a+bi & \text{Simplify.} \\ 15 = a \text{ and } 8 = b & & \text{Definition of Equal Complex Numbers} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $a+b=15+8=23$ .

6. 2

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3-i}{1-2i} &= \frac{3-i}{1-2i} \cdot \frac{1+2i}{1+2i} = \frac{3+6i-i-2i^2}{1-4i^2} \\ &= \frac{3+6i-i+2}{1+4} = \frac{5+5i}{5} = 1+i = a+bi \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $a=1$  and  $b=1$ , and  $a+b=1+1=2$ .**Chapter 13 Practice Test**

1. C

$$f(x) = 2x^3 + bx^2 + 4x - 4$$

$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0$  because the graph of  $f$  intersects the  $x$ -axis at  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$ .

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + b\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 4 = 0$$

Solving the equation for  $b$  gives  $b=7$ .

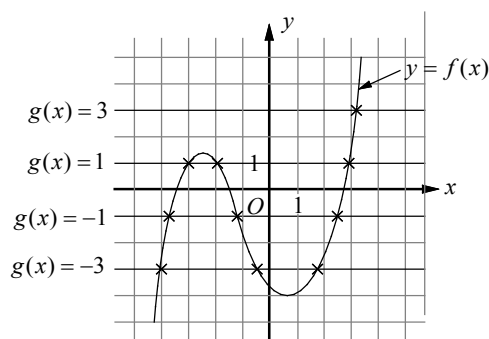
$$\text{Thus } f(x) = 2x^3 + 7x^2 + 4x - 4.$$

Also  $k = f(-2)$ , because  $(-2, k)$  lies on the graph of  $f$ .

$$k = f(-2) = 2(-2)^3 + 7(-2)^2 + 4(-2) - 4$$

Solving the equation for  $k$  gives  $k=0$ .

2. D



$g(x) = -3$  has 3 points of intersection with  $y = f(x)$ , so there are 3 real solutions.

$g(x) = -1$  has 3 points of intersection with  $y = f(x)$ , so there are 3 real solutions.

$g(x) = 1$  has 3 points of intersection with  $y = f(x)$ , so there are 3 real solutions.

$g(x) = 3$  has 1 point of intersection with  $y = f(x)$ , so there is 1 real solution.

Choice D is correct

3. B

If  $x+2$  is a factor of

$$f(x) = -(x^3 + 3x^2) - 4(x-a), \text{ then } f(-2) = 0.$$

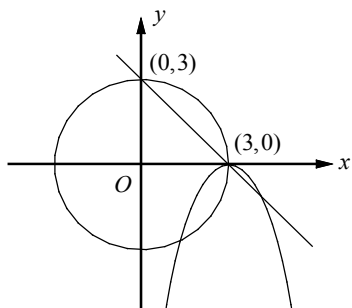
$$f(-2) = -((-2)^3 + 3(-2)^2) - 4(-2-a) = 0$$

$$-(-8+12)+8+4a=0$$

$$4+4a=0$$

$$a=-1$$

4. A



The solutions to the system of equations are the points where the circle, parabola, and line all intersect. That point is  $(3, 0)$  and is therefore the only solution to the system.

5. C

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(1-i)^2}{1+i} \\ &= \frac{1-2i+i^2}{1+i} && \text{FOIL the numerator.} \\ &= \frac{1-2i-1}{1+i} && i^2 = -1 \\ &= \frac{-2i}{1+i} && \text{Simplify.} \\ &= \frac{-2i}{1+i} \cdot \frac{1-i}{1-i} && \text{Rationalize the denominator.} \\ &= \frac{-2i+2i^2}{1-i^2} && \text{FOIL} \\ &= \frac{-2i-2}{2} && i^2 = -1 \\ &= -i-1 \end{aligned}$$

6. B

$$a \sqrt[3]{a} = a \cdot a^{\frac{1}{3}} = a^{1+\frac{1}{3}} = a^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

7. B

$$p(x) = -2x^3 + 4x^2 - 10x$$

$$q(x) = x^2 - 2x + 5$$

In  $p(x)$ , factoring out the GCF,  $-2x$ , yields

$$p(x) = -2x(x^2 - 2x + 5) = -2x \cdot q(x).$$

Let's check each answer choice.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A) } f(x) &= p(x) - \frac{1}{2}q(x) \\ &= -2x \cdot q(x) - \frac{1}{2}q(x) = (-2x - \frac{1}{2})q(x) \end{aligned}$$

$q(x)$  is not a factor of  $x-1$  and  $(-2x - \frac{1}{2})$  is not a factor of  $x-1$ .  $f(x)$  is not divisible by  $x-1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{B) } g(x) &= -\frac{1}{2}p(x) - q(x) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}[-2x \cdot q(x)] - q(x) = (x-1)q(x) \end{aligned}$$

Since  $g(x)$  is  $x-1$  times  $q(x)$ ,  $g(x)$  is divisible by  $x-1$ .

Choices C and D are incorrect because  $x-1$  is not a factor of the polynomials  $h(x)$  and  $k(x)$ .

8. D

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2x+6} &= x+3 \\ (\sqrt{2x+6})^2 &= (x+3)^2 && \text{Square each side.} \\ 2x+6 &= x^2+6x+9 && \text{Simplify.} \\ x^2+4x+3 &= 0 && \text{Make one side 0.} \\ (x+1)(x+3) &= 0 && \text{Factor.} \\ x+1=0 \text{ or } x+3=0 &&& \text{Zero Product Property} \\ x=-1 \text{ or } x=-3 \end{aligned}$$

Check each  $x$ -value in the original equation.

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2(-1)+6} &= -1+3 && x=-1 \\ \sqrt{4} &= 2 && \text{Simplify.} \\ 2 &= 2 && \text{True} \\ \sqrt{2(-3)+6} &= -3+3 && x=-3 \\ 0 &= 0 && \text{True} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $-1$  and  $-3$  are both solutions to the equation.

9. C

Use the remainder theorem.

$$p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 24\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 36\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 14 = 8$$

Therefore, the remainder of polynomial

$$p(x) = 24x^3 - 36x^2 + 14 \text{ divided by } x - \frac{1}{2} \text{ is } 8.$$

10. D

If  $(x-a)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ , then  $f(a)$  must equal to 0. Thus, if  $x+2$ ,  $x+1$  and  $x-1$  are factors of  $f$ , we have  $f(-2) = f(-1) = f(1) = 0$ .

Choice D is correct.