

# CIMC Sample Contest

## Part A

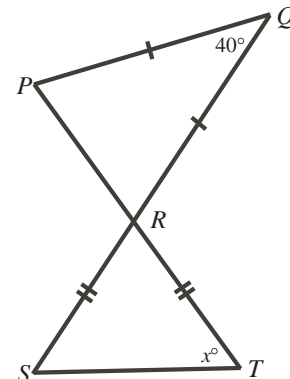
1. Determine the value of  $\frac{\sqrt{25-16}}{\sqrt{25}-\sqrt{16}}$ .

{2008 Cayley #2}

2. In the diagram,  $PT$  and  $QS$  are straight lines intersecting at  $R$  such that  $QP = QR$  and  $RS = RT$ .

Determine the value of  $x$ .

{2008 Cayley #8}



3. If  $x + y + z = 25$ ,  $x + y = 19$  and  $y + z = 18$ , determine the value of  $y$ .

{1998 Cayley #11}

4. The odd numbers from 5 to 21 are used to build a 3 by 3 magic square. (In a magic square, the numbers in each row, the numbers in each column, and the numbers on each diagonal have the same sum.) If 5, 9 and 17 are placed as shown, what is the value of  $x$ ?

	5	
9		17
$x$		

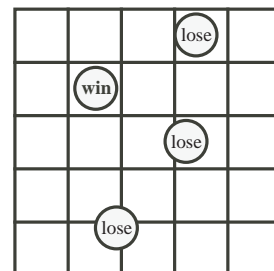
{2010 Cayley #16}

5. What is the largest positive integer  $n$  that satisfies  $n^{200} < 3^{500}$ ?

{2010 Cayley #20}

6. A coin that is 8 cm in diameter is tossed onto a 5 by 5 grid of squares each having side length 10 cm. A coin is in a winning position if no part of it touches or crosses a grid line, otherwise it is in a losing position. Given that the coin lands in a random position so that no part of it is off the grid, what is the probability that it is in a winning position?

{2010 Cayley #24}

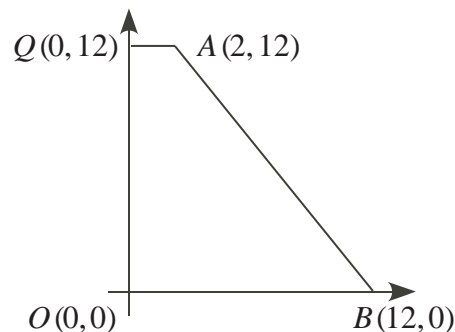


**Part B**

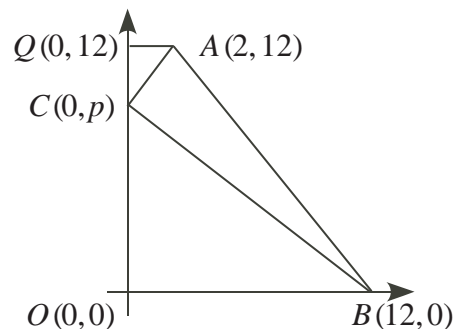
1. (a) Determine the average of the integers 71, 72, 73, 74, 75.
- (b) Suppose that  $n, n + 1, n + 2, n + 3, n + 4$  are five consecutive integers.
  - (i) Determine a simplified expression for the sum of these five consecutive integers.
  - (ii) If the average of these five consecutive integers is an odd integer, explain why  $n$  must be an odd integer.
- (c) Six consecutive integers can be represented by  $n, n + 1, n + 2, n + 3, n + 4, n + 5$ , where  $n$  is an integer. Explain why the average of six consecutive integers is never an integer.

{2010 Fryer #2}

2. (a) Quadrilateral  $QABO$  is constructed as shown. Determine the area of  $QABO$ .



- (b) Point  $C(0, p)$  lies on the y-axis between  $Q(0, 12)$  and  $O(0, 0)$  as shown. Determine an expression for the area of  $\triangle COB$  in terms of  $p$ .
- (c) Determine an expression for the area of  $\triangle QCA$  in terms of  $p$ .
- (d) If the area of  $\triangle ABC$  is 27, determine the value of  $p$ .



{2010 Galois #2}

**Part B (continued)**

3. If  $m$  is a positive integer, the symbol  $m!$  is used to represent the product of the integers from 1 to  $m$ . That is,  $m! = m(m-1)(m-2) \dots (3)(2)(1)$ . For example,  $5! = 5(4)(3)(2)(1)$  or  $5! = 120$ . Some positive integers can be written in the form

$$n = a(1!) + b(2!) + c(3!) + d(4!) + e(5!).$$

In addition, each of the following conditions is satisfied:

- $a, b, c, d,$  and  $e$  are integers
- $0 \leq a \leq 1$
- $0 \leq b \leq 2$
- $0 \leq c \leq 3$
- $0 \leq d \leq 4$
- $0 \leq e \leq 5$ .

- (a) Determine the largest positive value of  $N$  that can be written in this form.
- (b) Write  $n = 653$  in this form.
- (c) Prove that all integers  $n$ , where  $0 \leq n \leq N$ , can be written in this form.
- (d) Determine the sum of all integers  $n$  that can be written in this form with  $c = 0$ .

{2009 Galois #4}