# MATH 100: CLASS DISCUSSION 

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algebraic operations continued; intro to linear equations
[Hall \& Knight, Elementary Algebra]

## I Review:

1. A trader gains $\$ 20$, loses $\$ 43$, and then gains $\$ 10$. Express algebraically the result of her transactions.
2. A Centigrade thermometer rises to $9^{\circ}$ in the daytime and falls $15^{\circ}$ during the night; what is the night reading?
3. A snail climbs 6 feet vertically upwards from a given point on a wall, slips down 15 feet, and then climbs 6 feet upwards again. Express algebraically its final position from its starting point.
4. Each of three football teams plays 20 matches during the season. The A team wins 9 and loses 5 , the B team wins 6 and loses 8 , and the C team wins 9 and loses 9 , the other games being drawn. If one point be allowed for a win, and one point deducted for a loss, place the three teams in order of merit and give the expressions that denote the results of the season's play.
5. Find the sum of: 5a, 7a, 11a, a, 23a
6. Find the sum of: $7 \mathrm{ab},-3 \mathrm{ab},-5 \mathrm{ab}, 2 \mathrm{ab}, \mathrm{ab}$
7. Simplify fully: $3 a^{3}-7 a^{3}-8 a^{3}+2 a^{3}-11 a^{3}$
8. Simplify fully: $-\frac{5}{3} x^{2}-\frac{3}{4} x^{2}-\frac{4}{3} x^{2}-\frac{1}{4} x^{2}-x^{2}$
9. Simplify: (a) $\left(x^{3}\right)^{4}$
(b) $\left(y^{6} y^{8}\left(y^{3}\right)^{2}\right)^{5}$
(c) $4\left(x^{3} y^{2}\right)^{7}\left(2 y^{2} x\right)^{5} y^{9} x$
10. Find the sum of: $a+2 b-3 c ;-3 a+b+2 c ; 2 a-3 b+c$
11. Find the sum of: $20 p+q-r ; p-20 q+r ; p+q-20 r$
12. Find the sum of: $p q+q r-r p ;-p q+q r+r p ; p q-q r+r p$
13. Add together: $3 x^{3}+7+6 x-5 x^{2} ; 2 x^{2}-8-9 x ; 4 x-2 x^{3}+3 x^{2}$;
$3 x^{3}-9 x-x^{2} ; x-x^{2}-x^{3}+4$
14. Find the sum of: $a^{3}-a b+b c ; a b+b^{3}-c a ; c a-b c+c^{3}$
15. Add together the following expressions: $\frac{1}{2} a-\frac{1}{3} b ;-a+\frac{2}{3} b ; \frac{3}{4} a-b$
16. Find the sum of: $\frac{1}{2} a^{3}-2 a^{2} b-\frac{3}{2} b^{3} ; \frac{3}{2} a^{2} b-\frac{3}{4} a b^{2}+2 b^{3} ;-\frac{3}{2} a^{3}+a b^{2}+\frac{1}{2} b^{3}$
17. Subtract $4 a-3 b+c$ from $2 a-3 b-c$
18. Subtract $-10 x-14 x+15 z$ from $x-y-z$
19. From $3 a b+5 c d-4 a c-6 b d$ take $3 a b+6 c d-3 a c-5 b d$
20. Subtract $x^{3}-x^{2}+x+1$ from $x^{3}+x^{2}-x+1$
21. Distinguish between like and unlike terms. Select the like terms in the expression $\mathrm{a}^{3}-3 \mathrm{ab}+\mathrm{b}^{2}$ $-2 \mathrm{a}^{3}-\mathrm{a}^{2}+3 \mathrm{~b}^{2}+5 \mathrm{ab}+7 \mathrm{a}^{2}$.
22. Albertine works $x+y$ sums, of which only $y-2 z$ are right; how many are wrong?
23. If $x$ represents the date 10 A.D. what will $-3 x$ stand for?
24. Add together $3 x^{2}-7 x+5$ and $2 x^{3}+5 x-3$, and diminish the result by $3 x^{2}+2$.
25. Express in algebraical symbols the excess of the sum of $a$ and $b$ over $c$ diminished by $d$.
26. Odette walks $2 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{b}$ miles due North from a fixed point O , and then walks a distance $3 \mathrm{a}+2 \mathrm{~b}$ miles due South; what is her final position with regard to O ?
27. What expression must be added to $5 x^{2}-x+2$ to produce $7 x^{2}-1$.

II Linear equations. Solve each of the following linear equations for the indicated variable.

1. $8 \mathrm{x}-8=\mathrm{x}+12$
2. $5(x-3)-7(6-x)+3=24-3(8-x)$
3. $7(25-x)-2 x=2(3 x-25)$
4. $5 x-17+3 x-5=6 x-7-8 x+115$
5. $x-[3+\{x-3(3+x)\}]=5$
6. $14 \mathrm{x}-(5 \mathrm{x}-9)-\{4-3 \mathrm{x}-(2 \mathrm{x}-3)\}=30$
7. $(x+1)(2 x+1)=(x+3)(2 x+3)-14$
8. $(x+1)(2 x+3)=2(x+1)^{2}+8$

## III Symbolic Expressions revisited

1. If 100 be divided into two parts and one part be $x$ what is the other?
2. If the sum of two numbers be $c$ and one of them is 20 , what is the other?
3. What is the cost in dollars of 40 books at $x$ dimes each?
4. In $x$ years a turtle will be 149 years old; what is its present age?
5. How many hours will it take to walk $x$ miles at 4 miles an hour?
6. By how much does $2 \mathrm{x}-5$ exceed $\mathrm{x}+1$ ?
7. A bookshelf contains $x$ Latin, $y$ Greek, and $z$ English books: if there are 100 books, how many are there in other languages?
8. What is the price in dimes of 120 apples, when the cost of two dozen is $x$ cents?
9. If $x$ guys take 5 days to reap a field, how long will one guy take?
10. I have $x$ dollars in my purse, $y$ dimes in one pocket, and $z$ cents in another; if I give away a halfdollar how many cents have I left?
11. The digits of a number from the left are $a, b, c$; what is the number?
12. Write down four consecutive numbers of which $x$ is the least.
13. Write down three consecutive numbers of which $y$ is the greatest.
14. What is the next even number after 2 n ?
15. What is the odd number next before $2 x+1$ ?
16. Albertine makes a journey of $x$ miles. She travels $a$ miles by coach, $b$ by train, and finishes the journey by boat. How far does the boat carry her?
17. If Dmitry was $x$ years old 5 years ago, how old will he be $y$ years hence?
18. What is the age of a man who $y$ years ago was $m$ times as old as a child then aged $x$ years?
19. A's age is double B's, B's is three times C's, and C is $x$ years old; find A's age.
20. A room is $x$ yards in length and $y$ feet in breadth; how many square feet are there in the area of the floor?
21. What is the cost in dollars of carpeting a room $a$ yards long, $b$ feet broad, with carpet costing $c$ dimes a square yard?
22. How many miles can Gilberte walk in 45 minutes if she walks $a$ miles in $x$ hours?

III Problems leading to simple equations

1. One number exceeds another by 5 , and their sum is 29 ; find them.
2. The difference between two numbers is 8 ; if 2 be added to the greater the result will be three times the smaller: find the numbers.
3. Albertine walks 10 miles, then travels a certain distance by train, and then twice as far by coach. If the whole journey is 70 miles, how far does she travel by train?
4. Twenty-three times a certain number is as much above 14 as 16 is above seven times the number: find it.
5. Divide $\$ 47$ among $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}, \mathrm{C}$, so that A may have $\$ 10$ more than B , and $\mathrm{B} \$ 8$ more than C .
6. The difference between the squares of two consecutive numbers is 121 ; find the numbers.
7. A sum of $\$ 7$ is made up of 46 coins which are either quarters or dimes: how many are there of each?
8. A father is four times as old as his son; in 24 years he will only be twice as old. Find their ages.
9. A's age is six times B's, and fifteen years hence A will be three times as old as B: Find their ages.


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