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# Math

## 27 QUESTIONS

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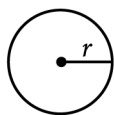
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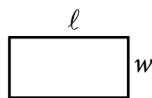
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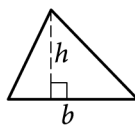


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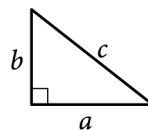
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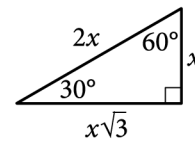
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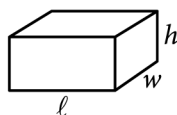
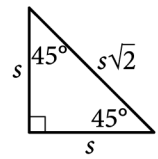
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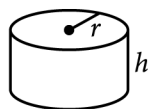
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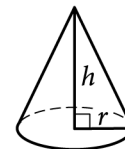
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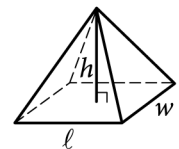
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1

How many teaspoons are equivalent to 44 tablespoons? (3 teaspoons = 1 tablespoon)

- A) 47
- B) 88
- C) 132
- D) 176

2

The function  $f$  is defined by  $f(x) = \frac{1}{6x}$ . What is the value of  $f(x)$  when  $x = 3$ ?

- A)  $\frac{1}{3}$
- B)  $\frac{1}{6}$
- C)  $\frac{1}{9}$
- D)  $\frac{1}{18}$

3

If  $x = 40$ , what is the value of  $x + 6$ ?

- A) 34
- B) 40
- C) 46
- D) 64

4

What is 23% of 100?

- A) 23
- B) 46
- C) 77
- D) 123

5

Which expression is equivalent to  $50x^2 + 5x^2$ ?

- A)  $250x^2$
- B)  $10x^2$
- C)  $45x^2$
- D)  $55x^2$

6

The population density of Cedar County is 230 people per square mile. The county has a population of 85,100 people. What is the area, in square miles, of Cedar County?

7

$$\frac{-54}{w} = 6$$

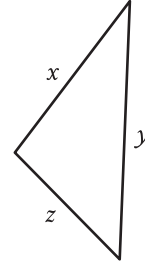
What is the solution to the given equation?

8

For the function  $f$ , the graph of  $y = f(x)$  in the  $xy$ -plane has a slope of 3 and passes through the point  $(0, -8)$ . Which equation defines  $f$ ?

- A)  $f(x) = 3x$
- B)  $f(x) = 3x - 8$
- C)  $f(x) = 3x + 5$
- D)  $f(x) = 3x + 11$

9



Note: Figure not drawn to scale.

The triangle shown has a perimeter of 22 units. If  $x = 9$  units and  $y = 7$  units, what is the value of  $z$ , in units?

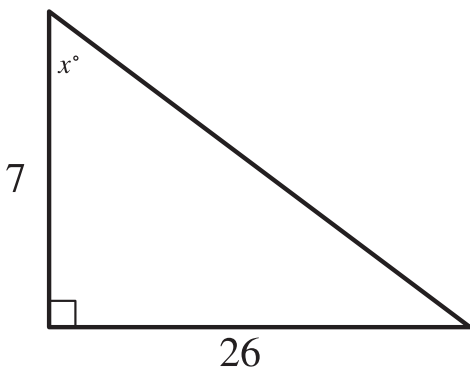
- A) 6
- B) 7
- C) 9
- D) 16

10

The function  $h$  is defined by  $h(x) = 3x - 7$ . What is the value of  $h(-2)$ ?

- A) -13
- B) -10
- C) 10
- D) 13

11



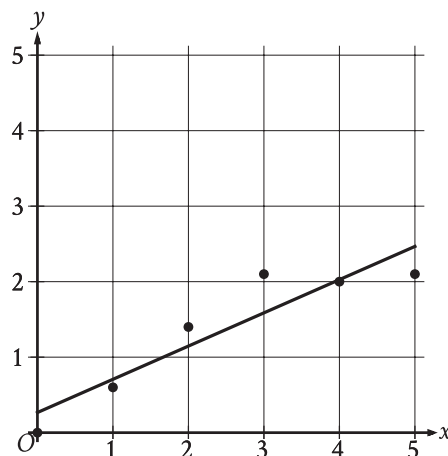
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In the triangle shown, what is the value of  $\tan x^\circ$ ?

- A)  $\frac{1}{26}$
- B)  $\frac{19}{26}$
- C)  $\frac{26}{7}$
- D)  $\frac{33}{7}$

12

The scatterplot shows the relationship between  $x$  and  $y$ . A line of best fit is also shown.



Which of the following is closest to the slope of the line of best fit shown?

- A)  $-2.27$
- B)  $-0.44$
- C)  $0.44$
- D)  $2.27$

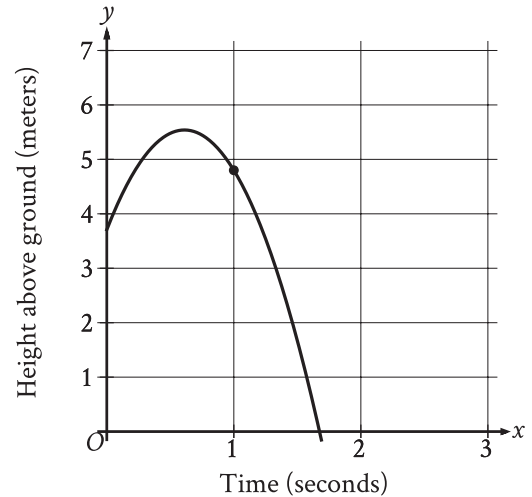
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The  $y$ -intercept of the graph of  $12x + 2y = 18$  in the  $xy$ -plane is  $(0, y)$ . What is the value of  $y$  ?

14

A model predicts that a certain animal weighed 241 pounds when it was born and that the animal gained 3 pounds per day in its first year of life. This model is defined by an equation in the form  $f(x) = a + bx$ , where  $f(x)$  is the predicted weight, in pounds, of the animal  $x$  days after it was born, and  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. What is the value of  $a$  ?

15



The graph shows the height above ground, in meters, of a ball  $x$  seconds after the ball was launched upward from a platform. Which statement is the best interpretation of the marked point  $(1.0, 4.8)$  in this context?

- A) 1.0 second after being launched, the ball's height above ground is 4.8 meters.
- B) 4.8 seconds after being launched, the ball's height above ground is 1.0 meter.
- C) The ball was launched from an initial height of 1.0 meter with an initial velocity of 4.8 meters per second.
- D) The ball was launched from an initial height of 4.8 meters with an initial velocity of 1.0 meter per second.

16

Based on a random sample from a population, a researcher estimated that the mean value of a certain variable for the population is 20.5, with an associated margin of error of 1. Which of the following is the most appropriate conclusion?

- A) It is plausible that the actual mean value of the variable for the population is between 19.5 and 21.5.
- B) It is not possible that the mean value of the variable for the population is less than 19.5 or greater than 21.5.
- C) Every value of the variable in the population is between 19.5 and 21.5.
- D) The mean value of the variable for the population is 20.5.

17

$$7m = 5(n + p)$$

The given equation relates the positive numbers  $m$ ,  $n$ , and  $p$ . Which equation correctly gives  $n$  in terms of  $m$  and  $p$ ?

- A)  $n = \frac{5p}{7m}$
- B)  $n = \frac{7m}{5} - p$
- C)  $n = 5(7m) + p$
- D)  $n = 7m - 5 - p$

18

A rectangle has a length that is 15 times its width. The function  $y = (15w)(w)$  represents this situation, where  $y$  is the area, in square feet, of the rectangle and  $y > 0$ . Which of the following is the best interpretation of  $15w$  in this context?

- A) The length of the rectangle, in feet
- B) The area of the rectangle, in square feet
- C) The difference between the length and the width of the rectangle, in feet
- D) The width of the rectangle, in feet

19

$$x + 2y = 6$$

$$x - 2y = 4$$

The solution to the given system of equations is  $(x, y)$ . What is the value of  $x$ ?

- A) 2.5
- B) 5
- C) 6
- D) 10

20

The table shows the frequency of values in a data set.

Value	Frequency
19	7
21	1
23	7
25	4

What is the minimum value of the data set?

21

A number  $x$  is at most 17 less than 5 times the value of  $y$ . If the value of  $y$  is 3, what is the greatest possible value of  $x$  ?

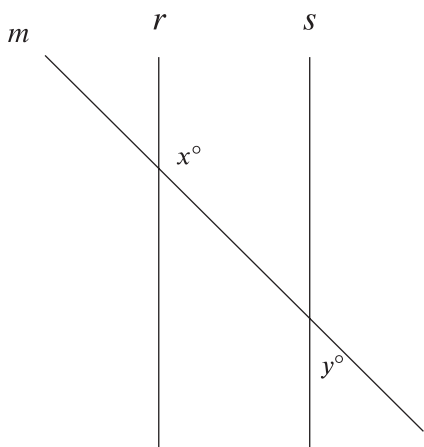
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$$5x^2 - 37x - 24 = 0$$

What is the positive solution to the given equation?

- A)  $\frac{3}{5}$
- B) 3
- C) 8
- D) 37

23



Note: Figure not drawn to scale.

In the figure shown, lines  $r$  and  $s$  are parallel, and line  $m$  intersects both lines. If  $y < 65$ , which of the following must be true?

- A)  $x < 115$
- B)  $x > 115$
- C)  $x + y < 180$
- D)  $x + y > 180$

24

$$f(x) = \frac{a-19}{x} + 5$$

In the given function  $f$ ,  $a$  is a constant. The graph of function  $f$  in the  $xy$ -plane, where  $y = f(x)$ , is translated 3 units down and 4 units to the right to produce the graph of  $y = g(x)$ . Which equation defines function  $g$ ?

- A)  $g(x) = \frac{a-19}{x+4} + 2$
- B)  $g(x) = \frac{a-19}{x-4} + 2$
- C)  $g(x) = \frac{a-22}{x+4} + 5$
- D)  $g(x) = \frac{a-22}{x-4} + 5$

25

A machine launches a softball from ground level. The softball reaches a maximum height of 51.84 meters above the ground at 1.8 seconds and hits the ground at 3.6 seconds. Which equation represents the height above ground  $h$ , in meters, of the softball  $t$  seconds after it is launched?

- A)  $h = -t^2 + 3.6$
- B)  $h = -t^2 + 51.84$
- C)  $h = -16(t-1.8)^2 - 3.6$
- D)  $h = -16(t-1.8)^2 + 51.84$

26

In triangle  $ABC$ , the measure of angle  $B$  is  $90^\circ$  and  $\overline{BD}$  is an altitude of the triangle. The length of  $\overline{AB}$  is 15 and the length of  $\overline{AC}$  is 23 greater than the length of  $\overline{AB}$ . What is the value of  $\frac{BC}{BD}$ ?

- A)  $\frac{15}{38}$
- B)  $\frac{15}{23}$
- C)  $\frac{23}{15}$
- D)  $\frac{38}{15}$

27

$$f(x) = (x + 7)^2 + 4$$

The function  $f$  is defined by the given equation. For what value of  $x$  does  $f(x)$  reach its minimum?

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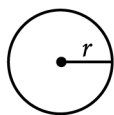
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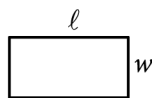
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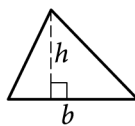


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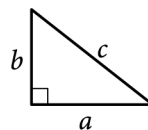
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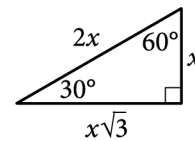
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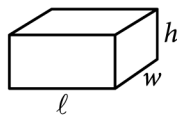
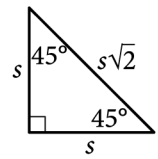
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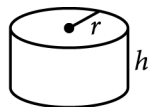
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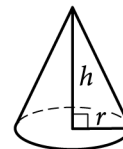
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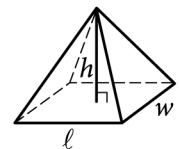
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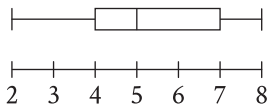
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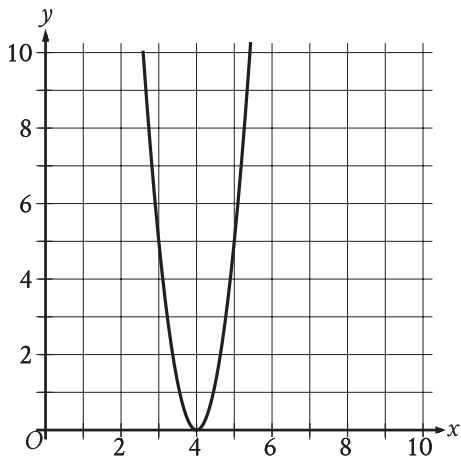
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The box plot summarizes 15 data values. What is the median of this data set?

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) 5
- D) 8

2



What is the  $x$ -intercept of the graph shown?

- A)  $(-5, 0)$
- B)  $(5, 0)$
- C)  $(-4, 0)$
- D)  $(4, 0)$

3

Henry receives a \$60.00 gift card to pay for movies online. He uses his gift card to buy 3 movies for \$7.50 each. If he spends the rest of his gift card balance on renting movies for \$1.50 each, how many movies can Henry rent?

- A) 10
- B) 25
- C) 35
- D) 40

4

$$x = 49$$

$$y = \sqrt{x} + 9$$

The graphs of the given equations intersect at the point  $(x, y)$  in the  $xy$ -plane. What is the value of  $y$  ?

- A) 16
- B) 40
- C) 81
- D) 130

5

A cherry pitting machine pits 12 pounds of cherries in 3 minutes. At this rate, how many minutes does it take the machine to pit 96 pounds of cherries?

- A) 8
- B) 15
- C) 24
- D) 36

6

If  $2x = 12$ , what is the value of  $9x$  ?

7

Line  $k$  is defined by  $y = \frac{1}{4}x + 1$ . Line  $j$  is parallel to line  $k$  in the  $xy$ -plane. What is the slope of  $j$  ?

8

6, 6, 8, 8, 8, 10, 21

Which of the following lists represents a data set that has the same median as the data set shown?

- A) 4, 6, 6, 6, 8, 8
- B) 6, 6, 8, 8, 10, 10
- C) 6, 8, 10, 10, 10, 12
- D) 8, 8, 10, 10, 21, 21

9

The length of the base of a certain parallelogram is 89% of the height of the parallelogram. Which expression represents the length of the base of the parallelogram, where  $h$  is the height of the parallelogram?

- A)  $89h$
- B)  $0.089h$
- C)  $8.9h$
- D)  $0.89h$

10

For a camping trip a group bought  $x$  one-liter bottles of water and  $y$  three-liter bottles of water, for a total of 240 liters of water. Which equation represents this situation?

- A)  $x + 3y = 240$
- B)  $x + y = 240$
- C)  $3x + 3y = 240$
- D)  $3x + y = 240$

11

$$y = -4x + 40$$

Which table gives three values of  $x$  and their corresponding values of  $y$  for the given equation?

A) 

$x$	$y$
0	0
1	-4
2	-8

B) 

$x$	$y$
0	40
1	44
2	48

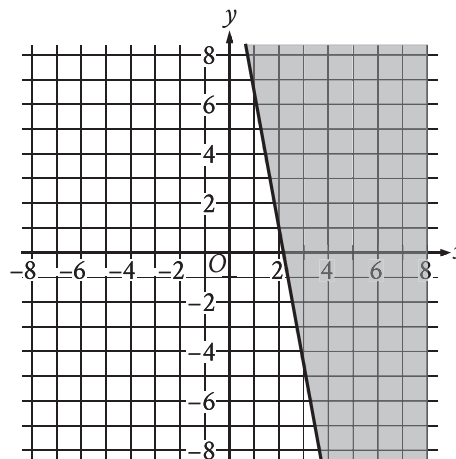
C) 

$x$	$y$
0	40
1	36
2	32

D) 

$x$	$y$
0	0
1	4
2	8

12



The shaded region shown represents solutions to an inequality. Which ordered pair  $(x, y)$  is a solution to this inequality?

- A)  $(0, -4)$
- B)  $(0, 4)$
- C)  $(-4, 0)$
- D)  $(4, 0)$

13

In triangle  $JKL$ , the measures of  $\angle K$  and  $\angle L$  are each  $48^\circ$ . What is the measure of  $\angle J$ , in degrees? (Disregard the degree symbol when entering your answer.)

14

$$y = x^2 + 14x + 48$$
$$x + 8 = 11$$

The solution to the given system of equations is  $(x, y)$ . What is the value of  $y$ ?

15

A cleaning service that cleans both offices and homes can clean at most 14 places per day. Which inequality represents this situation, where  $f$  is the number of offices and  $h$  is the number of homes?

- A)  $f + h \leq 14$
- B)  $f + h \geq 14$
- C)  $f - h \leq 14$
- D)  $f - h \geq 14$

16

Which expression is a factor of  $2x^2 + 38x + 10$ ?

- A) 2
- B)  $5x$
- C)  $38x$
- D)  $2x^2$

17

The equation  $40x + 20y = 160$  represents the number of sweaters,  $x$ , and number of shirts,  $y$ , that Yesenia purchased for \$160. If Yesenia purchased 2 sweaters, how many shirts did she purchase?

- A) 3
- B) 4
- C) 8
- D) 40

18

$$y = 0.25x^2 - 7.5x + 90.25$$

The equation gives the estimated stock price  $y$ , in dollars, for a certain company  $x$  days after a new product launched, where  $0 \leq x \leq 20$ . Which statement is the best interpretation of  $(x, y) = (1, 83)$  in this context?

- A) The company's estimated stock price increased \$83 every day after the new product launched.
- B) The company's estimated stock price increased \$1 every 83 days after the new product launched.
- C) 1 day after the new product launched, the company's estimated stock price is \$83.
- D) 83 days after the new product launched, the company's estimated stock price is \$1.

19

$$f(x) = 39$$

For the given linear function  $f$ , which table gives three values of  $x$  and their corresponding values of  $f(x)$ ?

A) 

$x$	$f(x)$
0	0
1	0
2	0

B) 

$x$	$f(x)$
0	39
1	39
2	39

C) 

$x$	$f(x)$
0	0
1	39
2	78

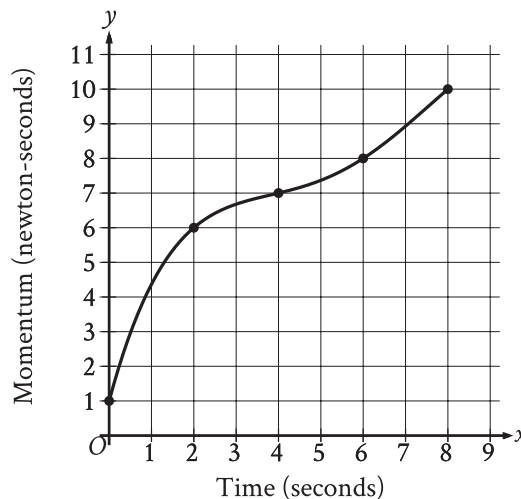
D) 

$x$	$f(x)$
0	39
1	0
2	-39

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A triangular prism has a height of 8 centimeters (cm) and a volume of  $216 \text{ cm}^3$ . What is the area, in  $\text{cm}^2$ , of the base of the prism? (The volume of a triangular prism is equal to  $Bh$ , where  $B$  is the area of the base and  $h$  is the height of the prism.)

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The graph shows the momentum  $y$ , in newton-seconds, of an object  $x$  seconds after the object started moving, for  $0 \leq x \leq 8$ . What is the average rate of change, in newton-seconds per second, in the momentum of the object from  $x = 2$  to  $x = 6$ ?

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$$-15x + 25y = 65$$

One of the two equations in a system of linear equations is given. The system has infinitely many solutions. Which of the following could be the second equation in the system?

- A)  $12x + 20y = 52$
- B)  $12x + 20y = -52$
- C)  $-12x + 20y = 52$
- D)  $-12x + 20y = -52$

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A bus traveled on the highway and on local roads to complete a trip of 160 miles. The trip took 4 hours. The bus traveled at an average speed of 55 miles per hour (mph) on the highway and an average speed of 25 mph on local roads. If  $x$  is the time, in hours, the bus traveled on the highway and  $y$  is the time, in hours, it traveled on local roads, which system of equations represents this situation?

- A)  $55x + 25y = 4$   
 $x + y = 160$
- B)  $55x + 25y = 160$   
 $x + y = 4$
- C)  $25x + 55y = 4$   
 $x + y = 160$
- D)  $25x + 55y = 160$   
 $x + y = 4$

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Quadrilateral  $P'Q'R'S'$  is similar to quadrilateral  $PQRS$ , where  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $R$ , and  $S$  correspond to  $P'$ ,  $Q'$ ,  $R'$ , and  $S'$ , respectively. The measure of angle  $P$  is  $30^\circ$ , the measure of angle  $Q$  is  $50^\circ$ , and the measure of angle  $R$  is  $70^\circ$ . The length of each side of  $P'Q'R'S'$  is 3 times the length of each corresponding side of  $PQRS$ . What is the measure of angle  $P'$ ?

- A)  $10^\circ$
- B)  $30^\circ$
- C)  $40^\circ$
- D)  $90^\circ$

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$$f(x) = 2x + 244$$

The given function  $f$  represents the perimeter, in centimeters (cm), of a rectangle with a length of  $x$  cm and a fixed width. What is the width, in cm, of the rectangle?

- A) 2
- B) 122
- C) 244
- D) 488

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The functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined by the given equations, where  $x \geq 0$ . Which of the following equations displays, as a constant or coefficient, the maximum value of the function it defines, where  $x \geq 0$  ?

I.  $f(x) = 33(0.4)^{x+3}$

II.  $g(x) = 33(0.16)(0.4)^{x-2}$

- A) I only
- B) II only
- C) I and II
- D) Neither I nor II

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$$64x^2 - (16a + 4b)x + ab = 0$$

In the given equation,  $a$  and  $b$  are positive constants. The sum of the solutions to the given equation is  $k(4a + b)$ , where  $k$  is a constant. What is the value of  $k$  ?

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