## Furman Wylie Mathematics Tournament Junior Exam Answers March 10, 2001

- 1. The answer is 16.
- 2. The answer is  $\frac{5}{6}$ , since  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $y = \frac{1}{3}$ .
- 3. The answer is 25.
- 4. The answer is 5, since b = 5 and c = 8.
- 5. The answer is 50%. Mary Kay is my sister, and Amy and Ben are her kids. Ben loves to play chess.
- 6. The answer is 21, which is none of the above.
- 7. The answer is 364 blasts.
- 8. The answer is  $\frac{TS}{CP}$ . Didn't think it could be done, did you?
- 9. The answer is  $3\sqrt{11}$ . Pythagoras Rules!
- 10. The answer is 3. Draw the triangle in the Cartesian plane, and think of the "top" as the base. The height is easy to compute.
- 11. The answer is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . The only solution to the equation is  $x = 1 + -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}$ .
- 12. The answer is 13, which is none of the above.
- 13. The answer is 10. Darby is my seven-year-old daughter, who is indeed plenty clever. Look for her to be tournament champion in 2011.
- 14. The answer is 32.
- 15. The answer is 71.
- 16. The answer is  $\frac{8\sqrt{3}}{9}$ .
- 17. The answer is 55, which is the sum of the integers from 1 to 10. I showed this problem to the nursery director at my church, and she wasn't amused.
- 18. The answer is 9. Drop a perpendicular from A to  $\overline{BC}$ , and think like Pythagoras.
- 19. The answer is 7.5.
- 20. The answer is 2, since the smallest prime factor is 101. In fact, the number in question is  $101^4$ .
- 21. The answer is 6.
- 22. The answer is Miss Beagle.
- 23. The answer is 10, since the roots are  $\pm\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\pm\sqrt{2}$ .

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- 24. The answer is 25, which is none of the above. Ryan is my nephew who goes to Pickens High School.
- 25. The answer is 20.
- 26. The answer is 9.
- 27. The answer is  $\frac{s^3}{t^2}$ . If the letters bother you, try working it out with s=6 and t=4 first.
- 28. The answer is 6. The region is the difference of two squares.
- 29. The answer is 4. They are 2, 3, 4 and 5.
- 30. The answer is  $\frac{5}{16}$ . In order to go 7 games, you would first have to have played 6 games ....
- 31. The answer is BAC, which is none of the above.
- 32. The answer is  $\frac{4949}{19800}$ , which is none of the above.

Bonus No. 1 The answer is  $\frac{3+2\sqrt{3}}{2}$ .

Bonus No. 2 The answer is about 46,000. If you got within about 500 of that, consider it a victory!