

**Nova Scotia**  

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**Math League**

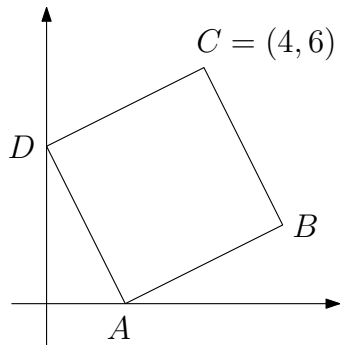
2014–2015

**Game Two**

**PROBLEMS**

## Team Questions

1. In how many distinct ways can you make change for \$10 using only quarters and dimes?
2. Square  $ABCD$  has vertices  $A$  and  $D$  on the  $x$ - and  $y$ -axes, respectively, and  $C = (4, 6)$ . Find the area of this square.

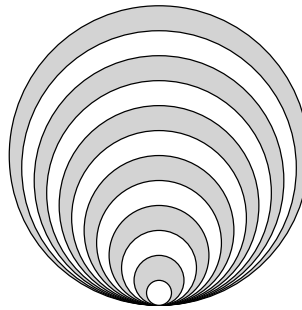


3. Find the units digit of

$$1 + 3 + 3^2 + 3^3 + 3^4 + \dots + 3^{2015}.$$

4. An isosceles triangle has sides of lengths 18 and 41. Compute the area of the triangle.

5. In the diagram below, the twelve circles have diameters 1 through 12 and are mutually tangent. Find area of the shaded region.



6. Bob and Jim go for a run on a 400m circular track. They start at the same place and at the same time. Bob runs clockwise around the track at 13.4 km/h and Jim runs counterclockwise at 10.2 km/h. What is the straight-line distance between them after 15 minutes?
7. A coin is weighted so that heads are more likely than tails. When it is flipped twice there is a 48% chance of obtaining one head and one tail. What is the probability of heads on a single flip of the coin?
8. Let  $f(x) = x^2 - 10x + 30$ . Find all  $x$  such that  $f(f(x)) = f(x)$ .

9. The weather last June was very unpleasant. Every day was cloudy, rainy, or windy. On average, 5 out of 6 days were cloudy and 4 out of 5 were rainy or windy. It was never rainy without being cloudy, but  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the windy days weren't cloudy. It was rainy the same number of days as it was windy.

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10. Each province and territory of Canada is to be coloured either red, green, or yellow in such a way that any two provinces/territories that share a border must have distinct colours. In how many ways can this be done?



**Note:**

- Regions that meet only at a “corner” are not considered to share a border. For instance, Saskatchewan is not adjacent to Nunavut.
- All land under the jurisdiction of any given province/territory must have the same colour. For instance, Newfoundland and Labrador must be similarly coloured, as do Baffin Island and Nunavut.

## Pairs Relay

P-A. Compute

$$A = \frac{(4^2 + 4^2 + 4^2)(6^3 + 6^3 + 6^3)}{(2^4 + 2^4 + 2^4 + 2^4)(3^3 + 3^3 + 3^3 + 3^3 + 3^3 + 3^3)}.$$

Pass on A

P-B. You will receive A.

Let  $r$  and  $s$  be the roots of  $x^2 - Ax + 1$ , where  $r < s$ .

Let  $B = (r + 1)(s + 1)$ .

Pass on B

P-C. You will receive B.

Let  $C$  be the area of the triangle bounded between the graphs of

$y = |x - B|$  and  $y = B$ .

Pass on C

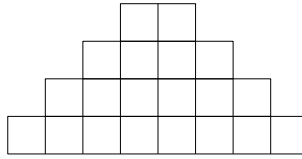
P-D. You will receive C.

The sum of the **squares** of two consecutive **odd** positive integers is  $C(C + 1)$ . Let  $D$  be the smaller of these integers.

Done!

## Individual Relay

I-A. A pyramid is formed by stacking unit squares as shown below. Let  $A$  be the perimeter of the pyramid that has 48 squares on its bottom row.



Pass on A

I-B. You will receive A.

Solve for B:

$$\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{A}} + \frac{1}{B}} = \frac{\sqrt{A}}{3}.$$

Pass on B

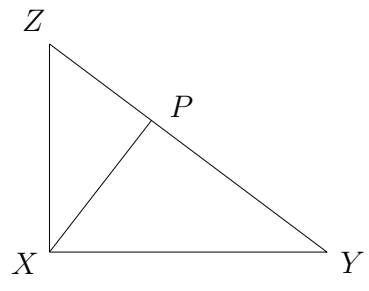
I-C. You will receive B.

Today, Doug is twice as old as John. In  $B$  years, Doug will be twice as old as James. Let  $C$  be the age difference (in years) between John and James.

Pass on C

I-D. You will receive C.

Right triangle  $XYZ$  has legs  $|XZ| = C$  and  $|XY| = C + 1$ . Point  $P$  is on hypotenuse  $YZ$  such that  $XP \perp YZ$ . Find  $|XP|$ .



Done!