

## SAT PREP

### Assignment : AP CALCULUS BC TEST (Sequences and Series)

#### Part A. Directions: Answer these questions without using your calculator.

1. Which of the following series diverges?

- (A)  $3 - 1 + \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{27} + \dots$       (B)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} - \dots$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} - \dots$       (D)  $1 - 1.1 + 1.21 - 1.331 + \dots$   
(E)  $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} - \frac{1}{4 \cdot 5} + \dots$

2. Let  $S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n$ ; then S equals

- (A) 1      (B)  $\frac{3}{2}$       (C)  $\frac{4}{3}$       (D) 2      (E) 3

3. Which of the following expansions is impossible?

- (A)  $\sqrt{x-1}$  in powers of  $x$       (B)  $\sqrt{x+1}$  in powers of  $x$   
(C)  $\ln x$  in powers of  $(x-1)$       (D)  $\tan x$  in powers of  $\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$   
(E)  $\ln(1-x)$  in powers of  $x$

4. The series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n!(x-3)^n$  converges if and only if

- (A)  $x = 0$       (B)  $2 < x < 4$       (C)  $x = 3$       (D)  $2 \leq x \leq 4$   
(E)  $x < 2$  or  $x > 4$

5. Let  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$ . The radius of convergence of  $\int_0^x f(t) dt$  is  
(A) 0      (B) 1      (C) 2      (D)  $\infty$       (E) none of these

6. The coefficient of  $x^4$  in the Maclaurin series for  $f(x) = e^{-x/2}$  is

- (A)  $-\frac{1}{24}$       (B)  $\frac{1}{24}$       (C)  $\frac{1}{96}$       (D)  $-\frac{1}{384}$       (E)  $\frac{1}{384}$

7. If an appropriate series is used to evaluate  $\int_0^{0.3} x^2 e^{-x^2} dx$ , then, correct to three decimal places, the definite integral equals  
(A) 0.009      (B) 0.082      (C) 0.098      (D) 0.008      (E) 0.090
8. If the series  $\tan^{-1} 1 = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \dots$  is used to approximate  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  with an error less than 0.001, then the smallest number of terms needed is  
(A) 100      (B) 200      (C) 300      (D) 400      (E) 500
9. Let  $f$  be the Taylor polynomial  $P_7(x)$  of order 7 for  $\tan^{-1} x$  about  $x = 0$ . Then it follows that, if  $-1.5 < x < 1.5$ ,
- (A)  $f(x) = \tan^{-1} x$   
(B)  $f(x) \leq \tan^{-1} x$   
(C)  $f(x) \geq \tan^{-1} x$   
(D)  $f(x) > \tan^{-1} x$  if  $x < 0$  but  $< \tan^{-1} x$  if  $x > 0$   
(E)  $f(x) < \tan^{-1} x$  if  $x < 0$  but  $> \tan^{-1} x$  if  $x > 0$
10. If  $s_n = 1 + \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$ , then  
(A)  $s_n$  diverges by oscillation      (B)  $s_n$  converges to zero  
(C)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 1$       (D)  $s_n$  diverges to infinity
11. Which of the following statements about series is true?  
(A) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$ , then  $\sum u_n$  converges.  
(B) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \neq 0$ , then  $\sum u_n$  diverges.  
(C) If  $\sum u_n$  diverges, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \neq 0$ .  
(D)  $\sum u_n$  converges if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n = 0$ .  
(E) none of these

**Part B. Directions: Some of the following questions require the use of a graphing calculator.**

1. The function  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  and  $f'(x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x$ . If  $f(0) = 1$ , then  $f(0.2)$ , correct to three decimal places, is  
(A) 0.905    (B) 1.221    (C) 0.819    (D) 0.820    (E) 1.220
2. The sum of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\pi^3}{3^\pi}\right)^n$  is equal to  
(A) 0    (B) 1    (C)  $\frac{3^\pi}{\pi^3 - 3^\pi}$     (D)  $\frac{\pi^3}{3^\pi - \pi^3}$     (E) none of these
3. When  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{3n-1}$  is approximated by the sum of its first 300 terms, the error is closest to  
(A) 0.001    (B) 0.002    (C) 0.005    (D) 0.01    (E) 0.02
4. The Taylor polynomial of order 3 at  $x = 0$  for  $(1 + x)^p$ , where  $p$  is a constant, is  
(A)  $1 + px + p(p-1)x^2 + p(p-1)(p-2)x^3$   
(B)  $1 + px + \frac{p(p-1)}{2}x^2 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3}x^3$   
(C)  $1 + px + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!}x^3$   
(D)  $px + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!}x^3$   
(E) none of these
5. The Taylor series for  $\ln(1 + 2x)$  about  $x = 0$  is  
(A)  $2x - \frac{(2x)^2}{2} + \frac{(2x)^3}{3} - \frac{(2x)^4}{4} + \dots$   
(B)  $2x - 2x^2 + 8x^3 - 16x^4 + \dots$   
(C)  $2x - 4x^2 + 16x^3 + \dots$   
(D)  $2x - x^2 + \frac{8}{3}x^3 - 4x^4 + \dots$   
(E)  $2x - \frac{(2x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(2x)^3}{3!} - \frac{(2x)^4}{4!} + \dots$

6. Let  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ ,  $g(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n x^n$ . Suppose both series converge for  $|x| < R$ . Let

$x_0$  be a number such that  $|x_0| < R$ . Which of the following statements is false?

- (A)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n + b_n)(x_0)^n$  converges to  $f(x_0) + g(x_0)$ .
- (B)  $\left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x_0)^n \right] \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n (x_0)^n \right]$  converges to  $f(x_0)g(x_0)$ .
- (C)  $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$  is continuous at  $x = x_0$ .
- (D)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$  converges to  $f'(x_0)$ .
- (E) none of these

7. The coefficient of  $(x - 1)^5$  in the Taylor series for  $x \ln x$  about  $x = 1$  is

- (A)  $-\frac{1}{20}$       (B)  $\frac{1}{5!}$       (C)  $-\frac{1}{5!}$       (D)  $\frac{1}{4!}$       (E)  $-\frac{1}{4!}$

8. The radius of convergence of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{2^n} \cdot \frac{n^n}{n!}$  is

- (A) 0      (B) 2      (C)  $\frac{2}{e}$       (D)  $\frac{e}{2}$       (E)  $\infty$

9. If the approximate formula  $\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!}$  is used and  $|x| < 1$  (radian), then the error is numerically less than

- (A) 0.001      (B) 0.003      (C) 0.005      (D) 0.008      (E) 0.009

10. The Taylor polynomial of order 3 at  $x = 0$  for  $f(x) = \sqrt{1+x}$  is

- (A)  $1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{3x^3}{8}$       (B)  $1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{x^3}{16}$
- (C)  $1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{8} - \frac{x^3}{16}$       (D)  $1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{8} + \frac{x^3}{8}$
- (E)  $1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{3x^3}{8}$

11. The series obtained by differentiating term by term the series

$$(x - 2) + \frac{(x - 2)^2}{4} + \frac{(x - 2)^3}{9} + \frac{(x - 2)^4}{16} + \dots$$

converges for

- (A)  $1 \leq x \leq 3$       (B)  $1 \leq x < 3$       (C)  $1 < x \leq 3$   
(D)  $0 \leq x \leq 4$       (E) none of these



## **Answer**

- 1. D**
- 2. D**
- 3. A**
- 4. C**
- 5. B**
- 6. E**
- 7. A**
- 8. E**
- 9. D**
- 10. C**
- 11.B**

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- 2. D**
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- 4. C**
- 5. A**
- 6. E**
- 7. A**
- 8. C**
- 9. E**
- 10.B**
- 11.B**