

**N.CN.A.2: Operations with Complex Numbers 1**

- 1 The expression  $3i(ai - 6i^2)$  is equivalent to
- 1)  $3a + 18i$
  - 2)  $3a - 18i$
  - 3)  $-3a + 18i$
  - 4)  $-3a - 18i$
- 2 The expression  $6xi^3(-4xi + 5)$  is equivalent to
- 1)  $2x - 5i$
  - 2)  $-24x^2 - 30xi$
  - 3)  $-24x^2 + 30x - i$
  - 4)  $26x - 24x^2i - 5i$
- 3 If  $A = -3 + 5i$ ,  $B = 4 - 2i$ , and  $C = 1 + 6i$ , where  $i$  is the imaginary unit, then  $A - BC$  equals
- 1)  $5 - 17i$
  - 2)  $5 + 27i$
  - 3)  $-19 - 17i$
  - 4)  $-19 + 27i$
- 4 Given that  $i$  is the imaginary unit, the expression  $(x - 2i)^2$  is equivalent to
- 1)  $x^2 + 4$
  - 2)  $x^2 - 4$
  - 3)  $x^2 - 2xi - 4$
  - 4)  $x^2 - 4xi - 4$
- 5 Given  $i$  is the imaginary unit,  $(2 - yi)^2$  in simplest form is
- 1)  $y^2 - 4yi + 4$
  - 2)  $-y^2 - 4yi + 4$
  - 3)  $-y^2 + 4$
  - 4)  $y^2 + 4$
- 6 Which expression is equivalent to  $(3k - 2i)^2$ , where  $i$  is the imaginary unit?
- 1)  $9k^2 - 4$
  - 2)  $9k^2 + 4$
  - 3)  $9k^2 - 12ki - 4$
  - 4)  $9k^2 - 12ki + 4$
- 7 The expression  $6 - (3x - 2i)^2$  is equivalent to
- 1)  $-9x^2 + 12xi + 10$
  - 2)  $9x^2 - 12xi + 2$
  - 3)  $-9x^2 + 10$
  - 4)  $-9x^2 + 12xi - 4i + 6$
- 8 Where  $i$  is the imaginary unit, the expression  $(x + 3i)^2 - (2x - 3i)^2$  is equivalent to
- 1)  $-3x^2$
  - 2)  $-3x^2 - 18$
  - 3)  $-3x^2 + 18xi$
  - 4)  $-3x^2 - 6xi - 18$

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- 9 Which expression is equivalent to  $(2x - i)^2 - (2x - i)(2x + 3i)$  where  $i$  is the imaginary unit and  $x$  is a real number?
- 1)  $-4 - 8xi$
  - 2)  $-4 - 4xi$
  - 3)  $2$
  - 4)  $8x - 4i$
- 10 Expressed in simplest  $a + bi$  form,  $(7 - 3i) + (x - 2i)^2 - (4i + 2x^2)$  is
- 1)  $(3 - x^2) - (4x + 7)i$
  - 2)  $(3 + 3x^2) - (4x + 7)i$
  - 3)  $(3 - x^2) - 7i$
  - 4)  $(3 + 3x^2) - 7i$
- 11 Which expression is equivalent to  $(x + yi)(x^2 - xyi - y^2)$ , where  $i$  is the imaginary unit?
- 1)  $x^3 + y^3i$
  - 2)  $x^3 - xy^2 - (xy^2 + y^3)i$
  - 3)  $x^3 - 2xy^2 - y^3i$
  - 4)  $x^3 - y^3i$
- 12 If  $(6 - ki)^2 = 27 - 36i$ , the value of  $k$  is
- 1)  $-36$
  - 2)  $-3$
  - 3)  $3$
  - 4)  $6$
- 13 Simplify  $xi(i - 7i)^2$ , where  $i$  is the imaginary unit.
- 14 Given  $i$  is the imaginary unit, simplify  $(5xi^3 - 4i)^2$  as a polynomial in standard form.
- 15 Express  $(2xi^3 - 3y)^2$  in simplest form.
- 16 Express  $(1 - i)^3$  in  $a + bi$  form.
- 17 Write  $(5 + 2yi)(4 - 3i) - (5 - 2yi)(4 - 3i)$  in  $a + bi$  form, where  $y$  is a real number.
- 18 Write  $-\frac{1}{2}i^3(\sqrt{-9} - 4) - 3i^2$  in simplest  $a + bi$  form.
- 19 Elizabeth tried to find the product of  $(2 + 4i)$  and  $(3 - i)$ , and her work is shown below.
- $$\begin{aligned}
 (2 + 4i)(3 - i) \\
 &= 6 - 2i + 12i - 4i^2 \\
 &= 6 + 10i - 4i^2 \\
 &= 6 + 10i - 4(1) \\
 &= 6 + 10i - 4 \\
 &= 2 + 10i
 \end{aligned}$$
- Identify the error in the process shown and determine the correct product of  $(2 + 4i)$  and  $(3 - i)$ .

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1 ANS: 3

$$3i(ai - 6i^2) = 3ai^2 - 18i^3 = -3a + 18i$$

REF: 062307aii

2 ANS: 2

$$6xi^3(-4xi + 5) = -24x^2i^4 + 30xi^3 = -24x^2(1) + 30x(-i) = -24x^2 - 30xi$$

REF: 061704aii

3 ANS: 3

$$-3 + 5i - (4 + 24i - 2i - 12i^2) = -3 + 5i - (16 + 22i) = -19 - 17i$$

REF: 081815aii

4 ANS: 4

$$(x - 2i)(x - 2i) = x^2 - 4xi + 4i^2 = x^2 - 4xi - 4$$

REF: 082202aii

5 ANS: 2

$$(2 - yi)(2 - yi) = 4 - 4yi + y^2i^2 = -y^2 - 4yi + 4$$

REF: 061603aii

6 ANS: 3

$$(3k - 2i)^2 = 9k^2 - 12ki + 4i^2 = 9k^2 - 12ki - 4$$

REF: 081702aii

7 ANS: 1

$$6 - (3x - 2i)(3x - 2i) = 6 - (9x^2 - 12xi + 4i^2) = 6 - 9x^2 + 12xi + 4 = -9x^2 + 12xi + 10$$

REF: 061915aii

8 ANS: 3

$$(x + 3i)^2 - (2x - 3i)^2 = x^2 + 6xi + 9i^2 - (4x^2 - 12xi + 9i^2) = -3x^2 + 18xi$$

REF: 061805aii

9 ANS: 1

$$(2x - i)^2 - (2x - i)(2x + 3i)$$

$$(2x - i)[(2x - i) - (2x + 3i)]$$

$$(2x - i)(-4i)$$

$$-8xi + 4i^2$$

$$-8xi - 4$$

REF: 011911aii

10 ANS: 1

$$7 - 3i + x^2 - 4xi + 4i^2 - 4i - 2x^2 = 7 - 7i - x^2 - 4xi - 4 = 3 - x^2 - 4xi - 7i = (3 - x^2) - (4x + 7)i$$

REF: 012022aii

11 ANS: 4

$$x^3 - x^2 yi - xy^2 + x^2 yi - xy^2 i^2 - y^3 i = x^3 - xy^2 - xy^2 (-1) - y^3 i = x^3 - y^3 i$$

REF: 062223aii

12 ANS: 3

$$(6 - ki)^2 = 27 - 36i$$

$$36 - 12ki + k^2 i^2 = 27 - 36i$$

$$9 - k^2 - 12ki = -36i$$

Set real part equal to real part:  $9 - k^2 = 0$  Set imaginary part equal to imaginary part:  $-12ki = -36i$ 

$$k = \pm 3$$

$$\frac{-12ki}{-12i} = \frac{-36i}{-12i}$$

$$k = 3$$

REF: 012308aii

13 ANS:

$$xi(-6i)^2 = xi(36i^2) = 36xi^3 = -36xi$$

REF: 081627aii

14 ANS:

$$(5xi^3 - 4i)^2 = (-5xi - 4i)^2 = 25x^2 i^2 + 40xi^2 + 16i^2 = -25x^2 - 40xi - 16$$

REF: 082329aii

15 ANS:

$$(2xi^3 - 3y)^2 = 4x^2 i^6 - 12xyi^3 + 9y^2 = -4x^2 + 12xyi + 9y^2$$

REF: 012431aii

16 ANS:

$$(1-i)(1-i)(1-i) = (1-2i+i^2)(1-i) = -2i(1-i) = -2i+2i^2 = -2-2i$$

REF: 011725aii

17 ANS:

$$(4-3i)(5+2yi-5+2yi)$$

$$(4-3i)(4yi)$$

$$16yi - 12yi^2$$

$$12y + 16yi$$

REF: spr1506aii

18 ANS:

$$-\frac{1}{2}i^3(3i-4) - 3i^2 = -\frac{3}{2}i^4 + 2i^3 - 3i^2 = -\frac{3}{2} - 2i + 3 = \frac{3}{2} - 2i$$

REF: 081927aii

19 ANS:

$$i^2 = -1, \text{ and not } 1; 10 + 10i$$

REF: 011825aii