

Math 308 Quiz 1

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Instructions: Answer all problems in the space provided.

1. What is a set? : A collection of objects (unordered).
 2. What is the symbol for the null or empty set? \emptyset
 3. Define the empty set: $\emptyset = \text{the set containing no elements.}$
 4. Define what it means for a set A to be a subset of a set B : Every element in A is also in B . Or, $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$.
 5. What expression do we write to mean A is a subset of B ? $A \subseteq B$
 6. What expression do we write to mean A is a proper subset of B ? $A \subset B$
 7. Fill in the blanks:
 - (a) $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ = Natural numbers
 - (b) $\mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots\}$ = Integers
 - (c) $\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0 \right\}$ = Rational numbers
 - (d) $\mathbb{C} = \{a+bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}, i^2 = -1\}$ = Complex numbers
 8. Describe the set in the form $\{x \mid p(x)\}$ where $p(x)$ is a condition on x :
 - (a) $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 88\} = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{N}, x \leq 88\}$ or $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq x \leq 88\}$, etc.
 - (b) $B = \{-1, 0, 1, 2, 3\} = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}, -1 \leq x \leq 3\}$
 - (c) $C = (0, 3] = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < x \leq 3\}$
 9. What is the cardinality of each of the above sets? (Write as equations using proper notation):
 - (a) $|A| = 88$
 - (b) $|B| = 5$
 - (c) $|C| = \infty$, in particular c.
 10. Let $A = \{1, 2, a\}$, find:
 - (a) $P(A) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{a\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, a\}, \{2, a\}, \{1, 2, a\}\}$
 - (b) $|A| = 3$
 - (c) $|P(A)| = 8$
 11. Give examples of sets S such that:
 - (a) $S \subseteq P(\mathbb{Z})$: $S = \{\{1\}, \{1, 2\}\}$ (there are many correct answers).
 ↳ sets of sets of integers
 - (b) $S \in P(\mathbb{Z})$: $S = \emptyset$ or $\{1\}$ or $\{1, 2\}$ (there are many correct answers).
 ↳ sets of integers.
- Bonus problems:
1. For nonempty sets A and B , define $A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$