

Mathematics Placement Questionnaire

- 1) Please fill out the Questionnaire below.
- 2) Please take the appropriate Placement Exam and record your answers on the answer key.
- 3) Please return both sheets to:

**The Office of the Registrar
Hamilton College
198 College Hill Road
Clinton, New York 13323**

Name _____

High school _____

Mathematics Courses You Have Taken

Year of HS graduation _____

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Descriptive Math Course Title(s)	Course Grade(s)
9th grade _____	_____
10th grade _____	_____
11th grade _____	_____
12th grade _____	_____ (Expected)

Special Notes: _____

Calculus Information

Does your HS offer a full-year AP Calculus course? _____ Did you take it? _____

Does your HS offer a full-year non-AP Calculus course? _____ Did you take it? _____

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IF you took an AP Calculus course and the AP exam, what was your score?

AB Exam Score \_\_\_\_\_ BC Exam Score \_\_\_\_\_

(If you have not yet received your score, please put a "?" on the AB or the BC line  
and tell us your score, by letter or e-mail, as soon as you receive it.)

IF you took an AP course but not the exam, please state why \_\_\_\_\_

### Self-Assessment

How do YOU assess your mathematics preparation:

|                                      |                                           |
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| _____ Not prepared to start Calculus | _____ Prepared to start Calculus II       |
| _____ Prepared to start Calculus I   | _____ Prepared to start at a higher level |

How likely are you to take a math course during your first year at Hamilton

\_\_\_\_\_ Very Likely                      \_\_\_\_\_ Maybe                      \_\_\_\_\_ Unlikely

Career Interests (it's OK to be undecided) \_\_\_\_\_

Possible majors or areas of concentration \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Did you use a calculator? Y N

Exam I  
25 min. time limit

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Exam II  
40 min. time limit

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1. Find  $f'(1)$  for  $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x+1}$ .

(A)  $\frac{1}{4}$

(B)  $\frac{1}{4}$

(C)  $\frac{5}{4}$

(D)  $\frac{5}{2}$

2. Given  $y^3 + x^2 = xy^2 + 3$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  when  $x = 2$  and  $y = 1$ .

(A) 3

(B) 0

(C) -1

(D) -4

3. Find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)$  given that  $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{when } x < 2 \\ x^2 & \text{when } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$ .

(A) 2

(B)  $\frac{2}{4}$

(C) 4

(D) Does Not Exist

4. Determine the area of the region bounded by the curves  $y = x$  and  $y = x^2$ .

(A)  $\frac{1}{3}$

(B)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(C)  $\frac{1}{6}$

(D)  $\frac{5}{6}$

5. Given that  $f'(c) > 0$  and  $f''(c) > 0$ , what can you conclude about  $f$  at  $x = c$ ?

(A) local maximum

(B) local minimum

(C) no maximum or minimum

(D) point of inflection

6. Determine the open interval(s) where the function  $f(x) = x^3 - 12x$  is decreasing.

(A)  $(-\infty, -2), (2, +\infty)$

(B)  $(-2, 2)$

(C)  $(-2, +\infty)$

(D)  $(-\infty, 2)$

7.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} 4 = ?$

(A) 4

(B) 2

(C) 0

(D) Does Not Exist

8. The area of a circle is increasing at the rate of 6 square inches per minute. Determine how fast the radius is changing when the radius is 3 inches.

(A)  $\sqrt{\frac{6}{\pi}}$  in/min.

(B)  $\frac{1}{\pi}$  in/min.

(C)  $\frac{3}{\pi}$  in/min.

(D) 2 in/min.

9.  $\int (2x+1)^4 dx = ?$

(A)  $\frac{2}{5}(2x+1)^5 + C$

(B)  $\frac{1}{5}(2x+1)^5 + C$

(C)  $\frac{5}{2}(2x+1)^5 + C$

(D)  $\frac{1}{10}(2x+1)^5 + C$

10. Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for  $y = \cos^3(2x)$ .

- (A)  $-2 \sin^3(2x)$  (B)  $2 \sin^3(2x)$   
 (C)  $-6 \cos^2(2x) \sin(2x)$  (D)  $6 \cos^2(2x) \sin(2x)$

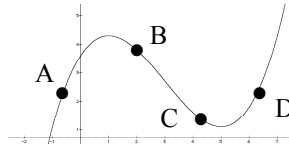
11. Determine an equation of the tangent line to the curve  $y = x^2$  at the point  $(2,4)$ .

- (A)  $y - 4 = 2x(x - 2)$  (B)  $y = 4x - 4$   
 (C)  $y - 4 = \frac{1}{2x}(x - 2)$  (D)  $y = 4x$

12. If  $f(x) = x^2$ , then  $f(x + h) =$

- (A)  $x^2 + h$  (B)  $x^2 + h^2$  (C)  $x^2 + 2xh + h^2$  (D)  $x^2$

13. At which of the four labeled points on the graph are  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  both negative?



- (A) A (B) B (C) C (D) D

14.  $\int \sin(2x) dx = ?$

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2x} \cos(x^2) + C$  (B)  $\frac{1}{2} \cos(2x) + C$   
 (C)  $\frac{1}{2} \cos(2x) + C$  (D)  $2 \cos(2x) + C$

15. Find  $f'(x)$  for  $f(x) = (x^2 - 3x)^4$ .

- (A)  $4(2x - 3)^3$  (B)  $4(x^2 - 3x)^3(2x - 3)$   
 (C)  $4(x^2 - 3x)^3(2x - 3)(2)$  (D)  $4(x^2 - 3x)^3$

16.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x^2 - 9}{x - 3} = ?$

- (A) 0 (B)  $\frac{0}{0}$  (C) 6 (D) Does Not Exist