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Mathematics 12 Pre-Calculus
LEARNING GUIDE 10/11 TEST – TRIG IDENTITIES

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When using a calculator, you should provide a decimal answer that is correct **to at least two decimal places** (unless otherwise indicated). Such rounding should occur **only** in the final step of the solution.

1. Determine the non-permissible values of the following expression in radians:
(2 marks)

$$\frac{\tan x}{\sin x}$$

$$\cos x \neq 0$$

$$x \neq \frac{\pi}{2} + n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\sin x \neq 0$$

$$x \neq n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

2. Write the expression $\sin 32^\circ \cos 21^\circ - \cos 32^\circ \sin 21^\circ$ as a single trig function. (1 mark)

$$= \sin (32^\circ - 21^\circ)$$

$$= \sin 11^\circ$$

3. Given the identity $\frac{\sin x}{1 - \cos x} = \frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x}$:

- a) verify the identity for the particular case when $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$. (1 mark)
- b) prove the identity algebraically. (2 marks)

a)

$$\frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{3}}{1 - \cos \frac{\pi}{3}} = \frac{1 + \cos \frac{\pi}{3}}{\sin \frac{\pi}{3}}$$

$$\frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}$$

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)(2) = \frac{3}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3}$$

or $1.73 = 1.73$

b) L.S. $\frac{\sin x (1 + \cos x)}{1 - \cos x (1 + \cos x)}$

$$\frac{\sin x (1 + \cos x)}{1 - \cos^2 x}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{\sin x} (1 + \cos x)}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin x} = R.S.$$

4. Write the expression $\cos^2 \frac{\pi}{3} - \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{3}$ in terms of a single trig function. (1 mark)

$$\cos \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

5. Prove the following identities. (2 marks each)

a) $\sin^2 x \cot^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$

$$\frac{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} = \cos^2 x$$

$$\cos^2 x = \cos^2 x$$

b) $\csc x(1 + \sin x) = 1 + \csc x$

$$\frac{1}{\sin x} (1 + \sin x) = 1 + \frac{1}{\sin x}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sin x} + 1 = 1 + \frac{1}{\sin x}$$

c) $\frac{1 - \cos 2x}{1 + \cos 2x} = \tan^2 x$

$$\frac{1 - (1 - 2\sin^2 x)}{1 + (2\cos^2 x - 1)} = \frac{2\sin^2 x}{2\cos^2 x} = \tan^2 x = R.S.$$

d) $\frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \sin \theta} - \frac{\sin \theta}{1 - \sin \theta} = -2\tan^2 \theta$

$$\frac{\sin \theta (1 - \sin \theta)}{1 + \sin \theta (1 - \sin \theta)} - \frac{\sin \theta (1 + \sin \theta)}{1 - \sin \theta (1 + \sin \theta)}$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta - \sin^2 \theta - \sin \theta - \sin^2 \theta}{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \frac{-2\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} = -2\tan^2 \theta = R.S.$$

6. Prove the following identity. (2 marks)

$$\frac{\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}{\sin x + \cos x} = \cos x - \sin x$$

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$$\frac{(\cos x - \sin x)(\cancel{\cos x + \sin x})}{\cancel{\sin x + \cos x}}$$

$$\cos x - \sin x = \text{R.H.S.}$$

7. Solve the following equation. $0 \leq x < 2\pi$ (2 marks)

$$\sin 2x - \cos x = 0$$

$$2 \sin x \cos x - \cos x = 0$$

$$\cos x (2 \sin x - 1) = 0$$

$$\cos x = 0$$

$$\sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$$



8. Solve the following equation. Give the general solution expressed in radians. (3 marks)

$$3 \cos x + 2 = 5 \sec x$$

$$3 \cos x + 2 = \frac{5}{\cos x}$$

$$3 \cos^2 x + 2 \cos x - 5 = 0$$

$$(3 \cos x + 5)(\cos x - 1) = 0$$

$$\cancel{\cos x = -\frac{5}{3}} \quad \cos x = 1$$

$$x = n2\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

9. Solve the following equation. Give the general solution expressed in degrees. (3 marks)

$$\cos 2x + 1 = \cos x$$

$$2 \cos^2 x - 1 + 1 = \cos x$$

$$2 \cos^2 x - \cos x = 0$$

$$\cos x (2 \cos x - 1) = 0$$

$$\cos x = 0 \quad \cos x = \frac{1}{2}$$



$$x = 90^\circ + n180^\circ, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = 60^\circ + n360^\circ, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x = 300^\circ + n360^\circ, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$