

South Carolina SC EOCEP Grade 9 Math in 30 Days

Day by Day Study Plan for Test Prep

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YOUR 30-DAY ALGEBRA PLAN

Algebra 1 Math in 30 Days

One Topic a Day • Clear Explanations • Daily Practice

Thirty days. That's all you need to build a solid foundation in Algebra 1 — or review everything before a big test.

Each day covers one focused topic with a clear explanation and practice problems. The schedule is designed so you learn ideas in the right order, with each day building on the one before.

Stick to the plan. One topic a day, 20–30 minutes of focused work. By day 30, you'll have covered every major concept — from real numbers and linear equations to quadratics and data analysis.



Follow the Plan

*One topic each day,
in order*



Do the Practice

*Solve every problem
and check answers*



Track Your Days

*Check off each day
on the tracker*

How to Use This Book

Same routine every day — simple and effective.

1

Read today's topic

Each day starts with a clear explanation of one concept. Read it carefully — don't just skim.

2

Study the example

A worked example shows you how it's done. Cover the solution and try it yourself before looking.

3

Solve the practice problems

Do every problem. Write out your steps. Then check the answers at the back of the book.

4

Mark your progress

Check off the day on the 30-Day Plan. Tomorrow, move to the next topic.

 **Daily time:** About **20–30 minutes**. That's it. Short, focused sessions work better than long, scattered ones.

 **Missed a day?** No problem. Just pick up where you left off. The order matters more than the calendar.

Progress Tracker

Color in each day as you complete it. Watch the grid fill up!

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
Day 11	Day 12	Day 13	Day 14	Day 15
Day 16	Day 17	Day 18	Day 19	Day 20
Day 21	Day 22	Day 23	Day 24	Day 25
Day 26	Day 27	Day 28	Day 29	Day 30

10

1/3 done!

20

Almost there!

30

Complete!

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Classifying Real Numbers

🎯 Learning Goals

- Classify numbers as natural, whole, integer, rational, or irrational
- Know that rational decimals terminate or repeat

🎓 Number Subsets

Every number you use belongs to at least one of these groups:

- **Natural numbers:** $1, 2, 3, \dots$ (counting numbers)
- **Whole numbers:** $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ (naturals plus zero)
- **Integers:** $\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$ (whole numbers and negatives)
- **Rational numbers:** any number that equals $\frac{a}{b}$ where a, b are integers and $b \neq 0$
- **Irrational numbers:** decimals that never end and never repeat ($\sqrt{2}, \pi$)

These sets nest like rings. $\text{Natural} \subset \text{Whole} \subset \text{Integer} \subset \text{Rational}$. Rational and Irrational together make the **real numbers**.



✏️ Classifying Numbers

Place each number in all groups that fit.

1. 7 — Natural, Whole, Integer, Rational ($\frac{7}{1}$), Real



2. 0 — Whole, Integer, Rational ($\frac{0}{1}$), Real
3. -3 — Integer, Rational ($\frac{-3}{1}$), Real
4. $\frac{2}{5} = 0.4$ — Rational (terminates), Real
5. $\sqrt{3} = 1.7320\dots$ — Irrational (never repeats), Real



“ Every integer is rational! Just write it over 1. For example, $-5 = \frac{-5}{1}$. ”

Rational Numbers

- Written as $\frac{a}{b}$, $b \neq 0$
- Decimals terminate or repeat
- Examples: $\frac{3}{4}$, -2 , $0.\bar{6}$

Irrational Numbers

- Cannot be written as $\frac{a}{b}$
- Decimals never terminate or repeat
- Examples: $\sqrt{2}$, π , $\sqrt{10}$

✎ Classifying Real Numbers ✎

1. Classify -12 : natural, whole, integer, rational, or irrational?
2. Is $\sqrt{25}$ rational or irrational?
3. Is $\sqrt{7}$ rational or irrational?
4. Write $0.\bar{3}$ as a fraction.
5. All whole numbers are integers.

True False



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What Is a Function?

Learning Goals

- Decide whether a relation is a function using multiple representations
- Represent relations as ordered pairs, tables, mapping diagrams, and graphs

What Is a Function?

A **relation** is any set of ordered pairs (x, y) .

A **function** is a relation where every input (x) gives exactly one output (y) . No x -value may repeat with a different y -value.

Ways to represent a relation:

- **Set of ordered pairs:** $\{(1, 4), (2, 5), (3, 6)\}$
- **Table:** inputs in one row, outputs in another
- **Mapping diagram:** arrows from each input to its output
- **Graph:** points or curves on a coordinate plane

A relation is **discrete** if it has separate, countable points. A relation is **continuous** if it has a connected line or curve.

Checking Multiple Representations

Is the relation $\{(1, 5), (2, 8), (3, 10), (1, 7)\}$ a function?

Ordered pairs: $x = 1$ appears twice with outputs 5 and 7.

Mapping diagram: 1 has two arrows ($1 \rightarrow 5$ and $1 \rightarrow 7$).

One input gives two outputs, so this is **not a function**.



The Vertical Line Test

- 1 Draw or look at the graph of the relation.
- 2 Slide a vertical line across the graph from left to right.
- 3 If the line ever hits **two or more points**, it is **not** a function.
- 4 If every vertical line hits at most one point, it **is** a function.



“ A function is like a rule: one question, one answer. In a mapping diagram, each input gets exactly one arrow! ”



TIP

Two different inputs **can** share the same output and still be a function. Only repeated inputs with different outputs break the rule.

What Is a Function?

1. Is $\{(2, 4), (3, 6), (4, 8), (5, 10)\}$ a function?
2. Is $\{(1, 3), (2, 5), (1, 7)\}$ a function?
3. A mapping diagram shows $3 \rightarrow 9$, $4 \rightarrow 16$, $5 \rightarrow 9$. Is it a function?
4. Is the relation $\{(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)\}$ discrete or continuous?
5. Every function is a relation.

True False



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Answer Key

Try each problem on your own first, then check your work here.

1 Integer, Rational

2 Rational

3 Irrational

4 $\frac{1}{3}$

5 True

1 Yes

2 No

3 Yes

4 Discrete

5 True

Explanations

1 -12 is negative, so not natural or whole. It is an integer. Since $-12 = \frac{-12}{1}$, it is also rational.

2 $\sqrt{25} = 5$, a whole number. Every integer is rational: $5 = \frac{5}{1}$.

3 7 is not a perfect square. So $\sqrt{7}$ is a non-repeating, non-terminating decimal.

4 $0.\bar{3} = 0.333\dots$. The repeating decimal equals $\frac{1}{3}$, which is rational.

1 Each input appears only once. Every x -value maps to exactly one y -value.

2 $x = 1$ maps to both 3 and 7. One input gives two outputs.

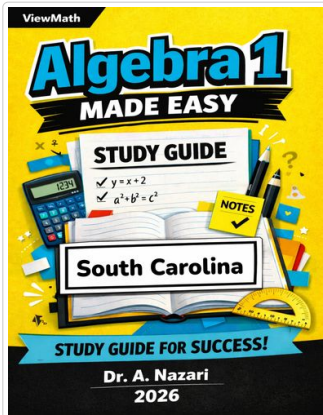
3 Each input maps to one output. Two inputs may share an output—that is still a function.

4 The relation is a set of separate points. Discrete means individual, countable points.



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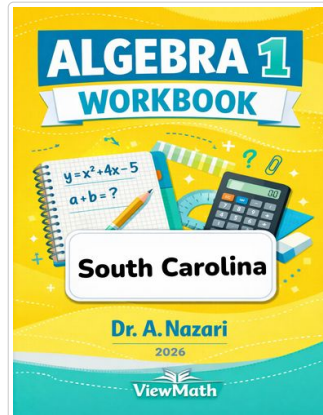
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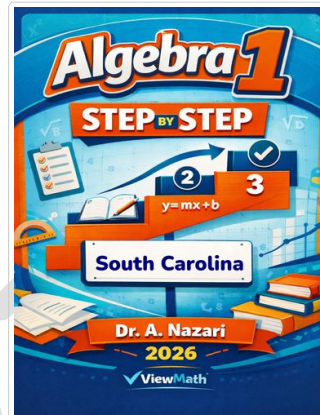
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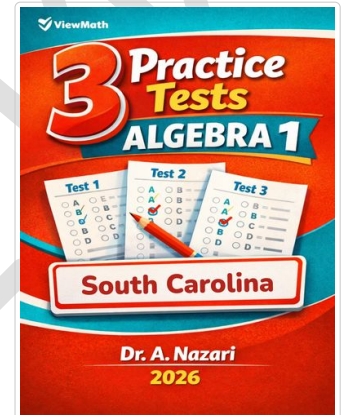
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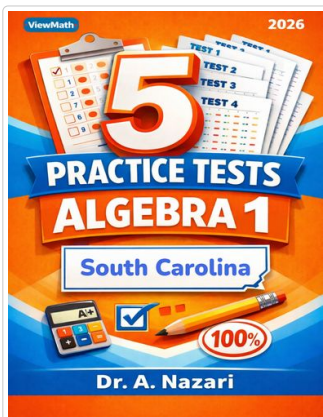
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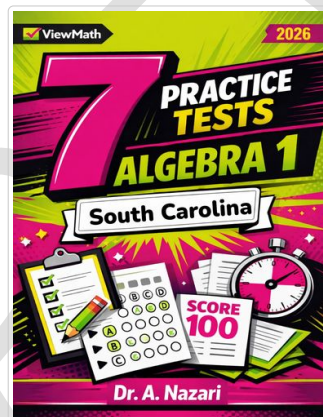
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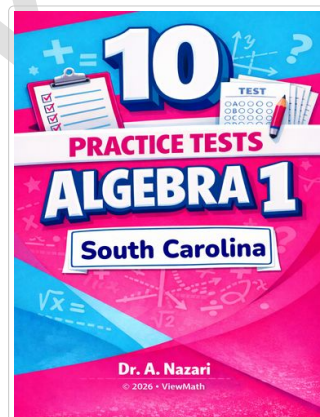
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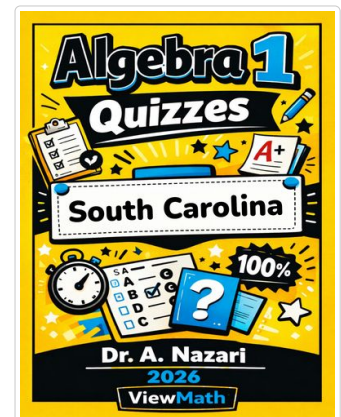
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