

5 Full-Length Minnesota MCA Grade 3 Math Practice Tests

Extra Practice for Test Day Success

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PRACTICE MAKES PROGRESS

5 Practice Tests to Build Your Skills!

Hello, math explorer! ★

This book has **5 full-length practice tests** designed to help you grow stronger with every try. Each test covers everything you've learned in Grade 3 — numbers, operations, fractions, shapes, and more!

- ✓ Test by test, you'll spot what you're **great at**!
- ✓ You'll discover what to **practice more**!
- ✓ By test 5, you'll feel **totally ready**!

Grab your pencil and let's grow together! 🌱

“ Five tests gives you room to grow. Each time you take one, you'll understand a little more. That's how real learning works! ”



How to Use This Book

Your guide to getting the most from 5 practice tests!

What's Inside This Book

- **5 Full-Length Practice Tests** — Each covers all Grade 3 math topics, just like the tests at school!
- **Detailed Answer Explanations** — Don't just check your answers — learn from them! Every question has a step-by-step explanation.
- **Reference Pages** — Handy math symbols chart and multiplication table you can use during every test.
- **Test Tracker** — Log your scores, spot patterns, and watch yourself improve test by test!

Your 5-Week Practice Plan

Spread your tests over 5 weeks for the best results:

- Week 1:** Take Test 1 (untimed). Review every answer.
- Week 2:** Study tricky topics. Take Test 2 (soft timer).
- Week 3:** Take Test 3 (timed). Compare with Test 1!
- Week 4:** Focus on weak spots. Take Test 4 (timed).
- Week 5:** Take Test 5 like the real thing. Celebrate!

Multiple Choice

Choose the **best answer** from A, B, C, or D.

 **Pro tip:** Read all four choices before deciding. Sometimes the last option is the right one!

Short Answer

Show your work and write your answer clearly.

 **Pro tip:** Even if you're not 100% sure, writing your steps can earn you partial credit!

“ The Secret to Getting Better ”



Here's how learning works: **Take a test** → **Check your answers** → **Study the ones you missed** → **Try again**. Each test is a chance to learn something new. Don't worry about being perfect — focus on being better than last time!

🌱 **Remember:** Growth happens one test at a time.

By test 5, you won't believe how far you've come! 🌱



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💡 Strategies for Success 💡

Smart habits that make you better with every test!

🕒 Get Set Up Right

- ✔ **Eat a good meal first** — your brain needs energy to do its best thinking.
- ✔ **Clear your desk** — only pencils, eraser, scratch paper, and this book.
- ✔ **Take 3 deep breaths** — breathe in (1...2...3), breathe out (1...2...3). Feel calmer?
- ✔ **Set a goal** — not a score, but a habit! Like: "I'll show my work on every problem."

🔍 Read Like a Math Detective

1. **Read the whole question** before looking at the answer choices.
2. **Circle the key numbers** and **underline what it's asking**. (Example: "How many more does she have?")
3. **Decide what operation to use** — add, subtract, multiply, or divide?
4. **Solve it on scratch paper first**, then look at the choices.
5. **Check:** Does your answer make sense? Is it too big? Too small?

🕒 Timing Yourself

- Tests 1–2: No timer needed! Just get comfortable.
- Tests 3–4: Try a gentle timer (60 minutes).
- Test 5: Full test conditions — quiet room, timed, no help.
- Don't rush! Speed comes naturally with practice.

📝 Learn from Mistakes

After each test:

- Read the explanation for every wrong answer
- Write down the topic (fractions? word problems?)
- Review that topic before the next test
- Try the same type of problem again
- Celebrate what you got **right!**



“Here’s a secret: the kids who improve the most aren’t the ones who never make mistakes — they’re the ones who **learn** from them! Every wrong answer is a clue about what to study next. That’s why 5 tests is so powerful — you have room to grow!”

X¹ Math Reference Sheet X¹

You may use this page during your practice tests!

Symbol	Name	What It Means	
+	Plus (Add)	Put numbers together.	$3 + 5 = 8$
-	Minus (Subtract)	Take away from a number.	$9 - 4 = 5$
×	Times (Multiply)	Add equal groups.	$4 \times 3 = 12$
÷	Divide	Split into equal groups.	$12 \div 3 = 4$
=	Equals	Both sides are the same.	$2 + 3 = 5$
>	Greater Than	The left number is bigger.	$7 > 3$
<	Less Than	The left number is smaller.	$2 < 9$
$\frac{1}{2}$	Fraction Bar	Part of a whole. $\frac{1}{2}$ means 1 out of 2 equal parts	

Key Math Words

- **Sum** — the answer when you add
- **Difference** — the answer when you subtract
- **Product** — the answer when you multiply
- **Quotient** — the answer when you divide
- **Factor** — a number you multiply
- **Array** — objects in rows and columns
- **Fraction** — a part of a whole
- **Numerator** — the top number in a fraction
- **Denominator** — the bottom number
- **Equation** — a math sentence with =
- **Estimate** — a smart guess, close to the real answer
- **Perimeter** — the distance around a shape
- **Area** — the space inside a shape
- **Rounding** — making a number simpler by going to the nearest ten or hundred

 Word Problem Clue Words

- **Add** (+): *in all, total, altogether, combined, sum, both, more*
- **Subtract** (−): *how many more, how many left, fewer, difference, remain*
- **Multiply** (×): *each, every, groups of, times, rows of, per*
- **Divide** (÷): *share equally, split, each group, how many groups, per*



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Practice Test 1

 30 Questions

Before You Start

- ✓ *Read each question carefully before choosing your answer.*
- ✓ *Show your work on scratch paper when you need to.*
- ✓ *Skip hard questions and come back to them later.*
- ✓ *Check your answers when you're done.*
- ✓ *Take your time — there's no rush!*

★ *You've Got This!* ★

Do your best and show what you know!



1. Which statement is true?

(A) $6,120 > 6,210$

(B) $6,120 = 6,210$

(C) $6,120 < 6,210$

(D) $6,210 < 6,120$

2. Round 655 to the nearest 10 and to the nearest 100.

Your Answer:

3. Is 456 even or odd?

Your Answer:

4. How many thousands are in 10,000?

(A) 1

(B) 10

(C) 100

(D) 1,000

5. Which number is 10,000 more than 490,000?

(A) 491,000

(B) 499,000

(C) 500,000

(D) 590,000

6. Carla subtracted $562 - 389$ and got 283. Check her answer. Is it correct?

(A) Yes, 283 is correct.

(B) No, the correct answer is 173.

(C) No, the correct answer is 183.

(D) No, the correct answer is 273.



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7. Use the standard algorithm to find $5,276 + 3,849$.

Your Answer:

8. What is $7,000 - 3,254$?

(A) 3,746

(B) 3,856

(C) 4,746

(D) 3,756

9. Find $5 \times 4 \times 2$ by grouping the easiest pair first.

Your Answer:

10. There are 24 cookies shared equally among 6 friends. How many cookies does each friend get?

(A) 3

(B) 4

(C) 6

(D) 18

11. Create an input/output table with 4 rows using the rule "subtract 3." Choose your own inputs.

Your Answer:

12. The rule is "Multiply by 3." If the output is 27, what was the input?

Your Answer:



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13. Is $\frac{0}{4}$ to the left or right of $\frac{1}{4}$ on a number line?

- (A) To the right (B) At the same spot
(C) To the left (D) It is not on the number line

14. Which unit fraction is the largest?

- (A) $\frac{1}{8}$ (B) $\frac{1}{6}$
(C) $\frac{1}{3}$ (D) $\frac{1}{2}$

15. Count by sixths starting at $\frac{2}{6}$: $\frac{2}{6}$, $\frac{3}{6}$, __. What comes next?

Your Answer:

16. How do you write the whole number 3 as a fraction with denominator 1?

- (A) $\frac{1}{3}$ (B) $\frac{3}{3}$
(C) $\frac{3}{1}$ (D) $\frac{1}{1}$

17. Put these fractions in order from smallest to largest: $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{5}{6}$, $\frac{3}{6}$

- (A) $\frac{5}{6}$, $\frac{3}{6}$, $\frac{1}{6}$ (B) $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{3}{6}$, $\frac{5}{6}$
(C) $\frac{3}{6}$, $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{5}{6}$ (D) $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{5}{6}$, $\frac{3}{6}$

18. What is $\frac{2}{6} + \frac{1}{6}$?

Your Answer:



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19. Dad made a pan of brownies and cut it into 8 equal pieces. The family ate $\frac{5}{8}$ of the brownies. What fraction is left?

Your Answer:

20. Art class starts at 1:20 and lasts 45 minutes. When does art class end?

(A) 1:65

(B) 2:05

(C) 2:15

(D) 1:45

21. A string is $6\frac{1}{4}$ inches long. A ribbon is $6\frac{3}{4}$ inches long. How much longer is the ribbon than the string?

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

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

(C) $\frac{3}{4}$ inch

(D) 1 inch

22. A water cooler holds 20 liters. Students drink 3 liters each hour for 4 hours. How much water is left?

(A) 8 L

(B) 12 L

(C) 16 L

(D) 7 L

23. How many nickels make the same amount as 1 quarter?

(A) 3

(B) 4

(C) 5

(D) 10



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24. What is $\$2.50 + \1.25 ?

- (A) \$3.25 (B) \$3.75
(C) \$4.75 (D) \$3.55

25. A picture graph shows how many students ride each bus. Each symbol = 2 students.

Bus 1: ★★★★★★★

Bus 2: ★★★★★

Bus 3: ★★★

How many students ride Bus 1?

- (A) 7 (B) 12
(C) 14 (D) 15

26. A line plot shows leaf lengths in inches. The X marks are:

3 in.	4 in.	5 in.	6 in.
2 X marks	5 X marks	3 X marks	1 X mark

Which length is the most common?

- (A) 3 inches (B) 4 inches
(C) 5 inches (D) 6 inches

27. A box has 10 cards numbered 1 through 10. You pick one card. Is it likely or unlikely that the card shows a number greater than 3?

- (A) Unlikely, because most numbers are less than 3. (B) Impossible, because cards don't have numbers.
(C) Likely, because 7 out of 10 cards are greater than 3. (D) Certain, because all cards are greater than 3.



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28. A rectangle has 6 rows and 5 columns of unit squares. What is the area?

Your Answer:

29. A square has sides of 6 inches. What is the perimeter?

(A) 12 in

(B) 18 in

(C) 24 in

(D) 36 in

30. A rectangle is partitioned into 6 equal parts. If 2 parts are shaded, what fraction is shaded?

Your Answer:



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★ *End of Practice Test 1* ★

Great job finishing the test!

My Score

I got _____ out of 30 questions right.

*Check your answers in the **Answer Key** at the back of the book.*

 *Review any questions you missed. That's how we learn!*

THANK YOU

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