Standardized Test Prep

Binomial Radical Expressions

Multiple Choice

For Exercises 1–5, choose the correct letter.

1. What is the simplest form of $2\sqrt{72} - 3\sqrt{32}$?

(A)
$$2\sqrt{72} - 3\sqrt{32}$$
 (B) $24\sqrt{2}$

$$\bigcirc B 24\sqrt{2}$$

$$\bigcirc$$
 $-2\sqrt{2}$

2. What is the simplest form of $(2 - \sqrt{7})(1 + 2\sqrt{7})$?

$$-12 + 3\sqrt{7}$$

$$\bigcirc$$
 16 + 5 $\sqrt{7}$

$$\bigcirc$$
 -12 - 3 $\sqrt{7}$

$$\bigcirc$$
 3 + $\sqrt{7}$

3. What is the simplest form of $(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{7})(\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{7})$?

$$\bigcirc$$
 9 + 2 $\sqrt{14}$

(A)
$$9 + 2\sqrt{14}$$
 (B) $9 - 2\sqrt{14}$ (C) -5

4. What is the simplest form of $\frac{7}{2 + \sqrt{5}}$?

$$\bigcirc$$
 F) $-14 + 7\sqrt{5}$

$$\bigcirc$$
 H $-14 - 7\sqrt{5}$

G
$$14 + 7\sqrt{5}$$

$$14 - 7\sqrt{5}$$

5. What is the simplest form of $8\sqrt[3]{5} - \sqrt[3]{40} - 2\sqrt[3]{135}$?

$$\triangle 16\sqrt[3]{5}$$

B
$$12\sqrt[3]{5}$$
 C $4\sqrt[3]{5}$

$$\bigcirc$$
 $4\sqrt[3]{5}$

$$\bigcirc$$
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Short Response

6. A hiker drops a rock from the rim of the Grand Canyon. The distance it falls *d* in feet after t seconds is given by the function $d = 16t^2$. How far has the rock fallen after $(3 + \sqrt{2})$ seconds? Show your work.