

1. Rewrite each of the following as a readable sentence following standard mathematical practice, correcting any errors and clarifying.

(a) $x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$, $(x - 4)(x + 1) = 0$, $x = 4$, $x = -1$.

Rewrite: If $x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$ then $(x - 4)(x + 1) = 0$ so that either $x = 4$ or $x = -1$.

(b) $x = 1$, $y = 2$, $3x - 2y = -1$.

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(c) \exists a solution to $2x - 31 = 86$.

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2. Which of the following are sets? For each which is a set give the cardinality. If not write N/A.

(a) $1, 2, 3$

Cardinality: N/A

(b) $1, \{2, 3\}$

Cardinality: N/A

(c) $\{1, \{2, 3\}\}$

Cardinality: 2

(d) $\{1, 2, 3\}$

Cardinality: 3

(e) $\{\emptyset, 0, \{\emptyset, \{\}\}\}$

Cardinality: 3

(f) $\{0, 2, 4, 6, \dots\}$

Cardinality: ∞

3. Let $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Describe each of the following sets as $\{x \in S \mid p(x)\}$ where $p(x)$ is some condition on x . There may be more than one way to do each so try to be as elegant as possible.

(a) $\{0, 1, 2\}$

Description: $\{x \in S \mid x \leq 2\}$

(b) $\{0, 2, 4\}$

Description: $\{x \in S \mid x \text{ is even}\}$

(c) $\{2, 3, 5\}$

Description: $\{x \in S \mid x \text{ is prime}\}$

4. Let $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Describe each of the following sets as $\{f(x) \mid x \in S \text{ and } p(x)\}$ where $f(x)$ is a function and $p(x)$ is some condition on x . There may be more than one way to do each so try to be as elegant as possible.

(a) $\{0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$

Description: $\{2x \mid x \in S\}$

(b) $\{0, 2, 4, 6\}$

Description: $\{2x \mid x \in S \text{ and } x \leq 3\}$

(c) $\{10, 13, 16\}$

Description: $\{3x + 1 \mid x \in S \text{ and } x \geq 3\}$

5. Explicitly list the elements using non-conditional $\{\}$ notation in each of the following sets. For two of these you will need ellipses.

(a) $A = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 5 < n \leq 10\}$

Element List: $\{6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$

(b) $B = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 + 6x = -5\}$

Element List: $\{-5, -1\}$

(c) $C = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 + 3 = 0\}$

Element List: \emptyset

(d) $D = \{5x + 3 \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Element List: $\{\dots, -7, -2, 3, 8, 13, \dots\}$

(e) $D = \{4 - x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } x > 7\}$

Element List: $\{\dots, -7, -6, -5, -4\}$