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## - $\quad 1$ st Grade

Problem 1 Let $k$ be a positive integer. Prove that:
(a) If $k=m+2 m n+n$ for some positive integers $m, n$, then $2 k+1$ is composite.
(b) If $2 k+1$ is composite, then there exist positive integers $m, n$ such that $k=m+2 m n+n$.

Problem 2 Let $a$ be an integer and $p$ a prime number that divides both $5 a-1$ and $a-10$. Show that $p$ also divides $a-3$.

Problem 3 Let $M N$ be a chord of a circle with diameter $A B$, and let $A^{\prime}$ and $B^{\prime}$ be the orthogonal projections of $A$ and $B$ onto $M N$. Prove that $M A^{\prime}=B^{\prime} N$.

Problem 4 Janez wants to make an $m \times n$ grid (consisting of unit squares) using equal elements of the form $\llcorner$, where each leg of an element has the unit length. No two elements can overlap. For which values of $m$ and $n$ can Janez do the task?

## - $\quad$ 2nd Grade

Problem 1 Prove that if real numbers $a, b, c, d$ satisfy $a^{2}+b^{2}+(a+b)^{2}=c^{2}+d^{2}+(c+d)^{2}$, then they also satisfy $a^{4}+b^{4}+(a+b)^{4}=c^{4}+d^{4}+(c+d)^{4}$.

Problem 2 Points $M, N, P, Q$ are taken on the sides $A B, B C, C D, D A$ respectively of a square $A B C D$ such that $A M=B N=C P=D Q=\frac{1}{n} A B$. Find the ratio of the area of the square determined by the lines $M N, N P, P Q, Q M$ to the ratio of $A B C D$.

Problem 3 Let $C$ and $D$ be different points on the semicircle with diameter $A B$. The lines $A C$ and $B D$ intersect at $E$, and the lines $A D$ and $B C$ intersect at $F$. Prove that the midpoints $X, Y, Z$ of the segments $A B, C D, E F$ respectively are collinear.

Problem 4 Prove that among any 1001 numbers taken from the numbers $1,2, \ldots, 1997$ there exist two with the difference 4.

- $\quad 3 r d$ Grade

Problem 1 Suppose that $m, n$ are integers greater than 1 such that $m+n-1$ divides $m^{2}+n^{2}-1$. Prove that $m+n-1$ cannot be a prime number.

Problem 2 Determine all positive integers $n$ for which there exists a polynomial $p(x)$ of degree $n$ with integer coefficients such that it takes the value $n$ in $n$ distinct integer points and takes the value 0 at point 0 .

Problem 3 In a convex quadrilateral $A B C D$ we have $\angle A D B=\angle A C D$ and $A C=C D=D B$. If the diagonals $A C$ and $B D$ intersect at $X$, prove that $\frac{C X}{B X}-\frac{A X}{D X}=1$.

Problem 4 In an enterprise, no two employees have jobs of the same difficulty and no two of them take the same salary. Every employee gave the following two claims:
(i) Less than 12 employees have a more difficult work;
(ii) At least 30 employees take a higher salary.

Assuming that an employee either always lies or always tells the truth, find how many employees are there in the enterprise.

- $\quad$ 4th Grade

Problem 1 Marko chose two prime numbers $a$ and $b$ with the same number of digits and wrote them down one after another, thus obtaining a number $c$. When he decreased $c$ by the product of $a$ and $b$, he got the result 154 . Determine the number $c$.

Problem 2 The Fibonacci sequence $f_{n}$ is defined by $f_{1}=f_{2}=1$ and $f_{n+2}=f_{n+1}+f_{n}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
(a) Show that $f_{1005}$ is divisible by 10.
(b) Show that $f_{1005}$ is not divisible by 100 .

Problem 3 Two disjoint circles $k_{1}$ and $k_{2}$ with centers $O_{1}$ and $O_{2}$ respectively lie on the same side of a line $p$ and touch the line at $A_{1}$ and $A_{2}$ respectively. The segment $O_{1} O_{2}$ intersects $k_{1}$ at $B_{1}$ and $k_{2}$ at $B_{2}$. Prove that $A_{1} B_{1} \perp A_{2} B_{2}$.

Problem 4 The expression $* 3^{5} * 3^{4} * 3^{3} * 3^{2} * 3 * 1$ is given. Ana and Branka alternately change the signs $*$ to + or - (one time each turn). Can Branka, who plays second, do this so as to obtain an expression whose value is divisible by 7 ?

