

Pre-Calculus  
Section 5.1 Practice A

Name: Key

1. Since  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$  : a)  $1 - \sin^2 x = \underline{\cos^2 x}$

b)  $1 - \cos^2 x = \underline{\sin^2 x}$

2. Since  $1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x$ : a)  $\sec^2 x - 1 = \underline{\tan^2 x}$

b)  $\sec^2 x - \tan^2 x = \underline{1}$

3. Since  $1 + \cot^2 x = \csc^2 x$  a)  $\csc^2 x - 1 = \underline{\cot^2 x}$

b)  $\csc^2 x - \cot^2 x = \underline{1}$

For numbers 4 – 11, simplify.

4.  $\tan \theta \cdot \cos \theta$

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \cdot \cos \theta = \boxed{\sin \theta}$$

5.  $\sin^2 x - 1$

$$\boxed{-\cos^2 x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x &= 1 \\ -1 & \quad -1 \\ -\cos^2 x & \quad -\cos^2 x \\ \sin^2 x - 1 &= -\cos^2 x \end{aligned}$$

6.  $(\csc^2 x - \cot^2 x)(\sec^2 x - 1)$

$$(1)(\tan^2 x) = \boxed{\tan^2 x}$$

7.  $\frac{\sin x \cos x}{1 - \cos^2 x}$

$$\frac{\sin x \cdot \cos x}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{\sin x} \cdot \cos x}{\cancel{\sin x} \cdot \sin x}$$

$$\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}$$

$$\boxed{\cot x}$$

8.  $\sin^2 x (\csc^2 x - 1)$

$$\sin^2 x (\cot^2 x)$$

$$\sin^2 x \left( \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} \right)$$

$$\boxed{\cos^2 x}$$

For numbers 9 – 14, match the trigonometric identity with one of the expressions:

B 9.  $\sin x \cot x = \frac{\sin x \cdot \cos x}{\sin x} = \boxed{\cos x}$

a)  $\sec x$

C 10.  $\cos x \tan x = \frac{\cos x \cdot \sin x}{\cos x} = \boxed{\sin x}$

b)  $\cos x$

E 11.  $\sin x (\csc x - \sin x) = \sin x \left( \frac{1}{\sin x} - \sin x \right) = \frac{\cancel{\sin x}}{\cancel{\sin x}} - \sin^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x = \boxed{\cos^2 x}$

c)  $\sin x$

F 12.  $\sec^2 x (1 - \sin^2 x) = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \cos^2 x = \boxed{1}$

d)  $\tan x$

A 13.  $\frac{\csc x}{\cot x} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sin x}}{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}} = \frac{1}{\cos x} = \frac{1}{\cos x} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} = \frac{1}{\sin x \cos x} = \boxed{\sec x} = \text{e) } \cos^2 x$

D 14.  $\frac{\sec x}{\csc x} = \frac{\frac{1}{\cos x}}{\frac{1}{\sin x}} = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \boxed{\tan x}$

f) 1

For numbers 1 – 7, simplify.

1.  $(1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)$

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 - \cos x + \cos x - \cos^2 x \\ & 1 - \cos^2 x \\ & \boxed{\sin^2 x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x &= 1 \\ -\cos^2 x & \quad -\cos^2 x \\ \sin^2 x &= 1 - \cos^2 x \end{aligned}$$

2.  $\cot y \cdot \sin y$

$$\frac{\cos y}{\sin y} \cdot \sin y = \boxed{\cos y}$$

3.  $1 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\tan^2 \theta}$

$$\frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}}$$

$$1 - \sin^2 \theta \left( \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \right)$$

$$1 - \cos^2 \theta \quad (\text{see \#1})$$

$$\boxed{\sin^2 \theta}$$

5.  $\cos^3 x + \cos x \sin^2 x$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cos x (\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x) \\ & \cos x (1) \\ & \boxed{\cos x} \end{aligned}$$

4.  $\sec x \cos x$

$$\frac{1}{\cos x} \cdot \cos x = \boxed{1}$$

6.  $\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{1 - \cos^2 \theta} = \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} = \boxed{1}$

For numbers 8 – 12, match the trigonometric identity with one of the expressions:

7.  $\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - \frac{1}{\cot^2 x}$

$$\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - \frac{\tan^2 x}{1}$$

$$\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$\frac{1 - \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x}$$

$$\frac{\cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x} = \boxed{1}$$

B 8.  $\sin x \sec x = \sin x \left( \frac{1}{\cos x} \right) = \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \boxed{\tan x}$

a)  $\csc x$

C 9.  $\cos^2 x (\sec^2 x - 1) = \cos^2 x (\tan^2 x) = \cos^2 x \left( \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \right) = \sin^2 x$

b)  $\tan x$

D 10.  $\sec^2 x \cot^2 x = \left( \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} \right) \left( \frac{\cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x} \right) = \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} = \boxed{\csc^2 x}$

c)  $\sin^2 x$

A 11.  $\cot x \sec x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos x} = \frac{1}{\sin x} = \boxed{\csc x}$

d)  $\csc^2 x$

E 12.  $\frac{\sec^2 x - 1}{\sin^2 x} = \frac{\tan^2 x}{\sin^2 x} = \frac{\frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x}}{\sin^2 x} = \frac{\sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = \boxed{\sec^2 x}$

e)  $\sec^2 x$