

# Math 200 - Quiz 1

January 18, 2012

Name key

Score \_\_\_\_\_

Show all work to receive full credit. Supply explanations when necessary.

1. (5 points) Consider the following problem.

A rectangle is 7 in longer than it is wide. Find the area of the rectangle if its perimeter is 38 in.

- (a) Describe any two specific, significant things that you would do to understand this problem.

① RECALL (OR LOOK UP) WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A RECTANGLE

② RECALL (OR LOOK UP) HOW TO FIND THE AREA OF A RECTANGLE

③ RECALL (OR LOOK UP) HOW TO FIND THE PERIMETER OF A RECTANGLE

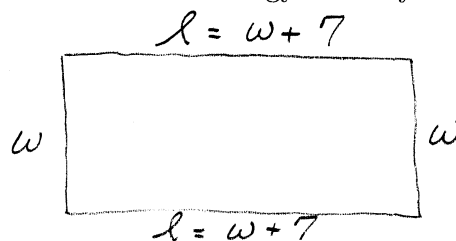
- (b) Suppose Julia's approach to solving the problem involved first finding the width of the rectangle. Which strategy is she using?

IN DEVISING A PLAN, JULIA IS IDENTIFYING  
AND WORKING TOWARD A SUBGOAL.

- (c) In addition to the strategy that Julia used, which additional strategy would you probably use to solve this problem?

I WOULD DRAW A PICTURE

LIKE THAT →



- (d) When Julia finished solving the problem, she stated her solution as follows: *The length of the rectangle is 13 in, and the width is 6 in.* What would you say about Julia's solution?

JULIA HAS NOT COMPLETELY SOLVED THE PROBLEM.

SHE IS TO FIND THE AREA OF THE RECTANGLE.

- (e) In what sense is Julia's solution correct? What is the correct solution of the problem?

THE LENGTH AND WIDTH OF THE CORRECT RECTANGLE  
ARE 13 IN AND 6 IN, AS SHE STATED, BUT SHE  
DID NOT COMPUTE THE AREA.

$$\text{Area} = 13 \text{ in} \times 6 \text{ in} = 78 \text{ in}^2$$