

Problems for the 7th Annual Math Match 2020

Solutions:

1. Numbers that are not divisible by 7 may have up to 6 different remainders. By pigeonhole principle, there are 7 numbers with the same remainder from division by 7. So, the sum of these 7 numbers is divisible by 7.
2. Since $p > 3$ is prime then $p - 1$ and $p + 1$ are two consecutive even numbers. So one of them divides by 4 and their product divides by 8. Among the three consecutive numbers $p - 1, p, p + 1$, one is divisible by 3, but p is not divisible by 3, so one of $p - 1$ or $p + 1$ must be divisible by 3. Thus, $p^2 - 1 = (p - 1)(p + 1)$ is divisible by $8 \cdot 3 = 24$.
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Area of $\square = 25$, as $\square \sim$

If $\square = 2$, then $2^2 + (2)^2 = 25$, which gives $\square = \sqrt{5}$.
Thus, Area of $2 \cdot \square = \sqrt{5} \cdot 2 \sqrt{5} = 10$.

7. Notice that areas of all the small triangles with base 1 are the same as their height is the same (see the diagram). Denote this area by A . Then, the area of the long triangle by the diagonal is $2A$. Since the area of the original triangle is 2, then $6A = 2$ and $A = \frac{1}{3}$.