Chapter 1.

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1. In magic squares, the sum of the numbers in each row, each column and each diagonal is constant. Find A, B, C, D, E in the following magic square.

15	A	35
50	B	C
25	D	E

- 2. (a) What two whole numbers, neither ending in zero, when multiplied together equal exactly 1 000 000 000?
 - (b) Repeat for 1 000 000 000 000 000 000.
- **3.** Find three consecutive numbers such that the sum of the first and third is 18.
- **4.** A palindromic number is a number which remains the same when the digits are reversed. For example, 14941 is a palindromic number. What is the next largest palindromic number?
- **5.** What two-digit number is twice the product of its digits?
- **6.** Find the values of the letters, each of which stands for a particular but different digit.

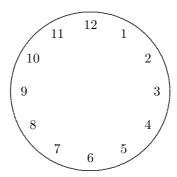
7. By replacing the asterisks with a selection of the four operational symbols $(+, -, \times, \div)$, complete this equation to make a true statement:

$$6*6*6*6=13.$$

8. A prime number is an integer greater than 1 whose only divisors are itself and 1. 1993 is a prime. What is the next year that is a prime?

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- **9.** What is the largest three-digit prime each of whose digits is a prime?
- 10. A perfect number equals the sum of its factors, excluding the number itself. Since 6 = 1 + 2 + 3, 6 is a perfect number. Find another.
- 11. Divide the face of the clock into 3 parts with 2 straight lines so that the sums of the numbers in the 3 parts are equal.



- **12.** A total of 642 digits was used in numbering the pages of a book. How many pages did the book contain?
- 13. In the cells shown, place a ten-digit number such that the digit in the first cell indicates the total number of 0s in the entire number, the digit in cell 1 indicates the number of 1s in the number and so on, to the last cell.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

Now try Problem 1 in the Euler Student Problems Book.