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2. If  $9b = 81$ , then  $\sqrt{b} \cdot \sqrt[3]{3b} =$

- A. 9
- B. 27
- C. 81
- D. 243
- E. 729

3. If the product of  $(1 + 2)$ ,  $(2 + 3)$ , and  $(3 + 4)$  is equal to one-half the sum of 20 and  $x$ , what is the value of  $x$ ?

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- C. 105
- D. 190
- E. 1210

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4 is a zero of this function since it makes  $y=0$ .

therefore,  $x-4$  must be a factor

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$$(3)(5)(7) = \frac{1}{2}(20+x)$$

$$105 = 10 + \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$95 = \frac{1}{2}x$$

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$$y = 6(2)^x \quad x=9$$
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$$\frac{\text{wheat}}{\text{rye}} = \frac{5}{2} = \frac{x}{5 \text{ lbs}}$$

$$x = 12.5 \text{ lbs}$$

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$$a^2b = 12^2$$

$$a^2b = 144$$

$$1 \cdot 144$$

$$3 \cdot 48$$

$$9 \cdot 16$$

these are the only factors of 144 with an odd factor.

$$b=16$$

$$a^2 = 144$$

$$a = 12$$

$$a^2 = 48 \text{ or } a^2 = 16$$

$$a = 4$$

48 is not a perfect sq.

9 is not a factor of either of these