First Blog Assignment

Math 170B, Spring 08

1. Open your web browser and go to www.blogger.com.

2. Click the big orange arrow that says “Create your blog now” and follow the instructions to set up your blog. Make sure you remember your username, password, and the address of the blog that you select. Note: if you happen to already have your own personal blog, you cannot use it for this class. You must set up a new blog to be used for Math 170B. Furthermore, you should keep the address of your blog a secret. If you share your blog address, others may be able to plagiarize your responses.

3. The default settings for your blog are automatically correct. Do not change the settings on your blog. If you change your settings, I may not be able to post comments or read your blog.

4. Once you have created your blog, email me the web address to m170bs08@math.ucla.edu so that I can read it. In your email, you should write your full name and the URL of the blog. The URL of your blog should be exactly the URL you determined in the second step of your blog setup, where you entered the address. It should look like xxx.blogspot.com, where xxx will be replaced by the name you chose for your URL. I for example already created a blog with the URL m170bs08.blogspot.com. Check out the one or two postings by going to this URL.

5. Make your first post to your blog. In this post, you should answer the following questions:
   (a) What is your name?
   (b) What do you like about math, or what is your strength in math?
   (c) What do you not like about math, or what is your weakness in math?
   (d) Think of your favorite math teacher: what did (s)he do best? (no names please...)
   (e) Think of your worst math teacher: what did (s)he do worst? (again, no names please...)
   (f) What do you expect from this class?
   (g) What is a semi-late assignment?
   (h) What is the five minutes rule about?

6. Make sure you complete the posting by 11:59 pm on Wednesday, 2nd of April, 2008.

7. All future postings will be new postings to the one and only blog you have created. Do not create a new blog for each posting!

Reference: Topaz, Chad, via email (April, 2006)