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If this had been real life . . .

- You wouldn't be told in advance when the test is.
- You would be told only what the situation is, not what kind of math problem it is equivalent to.
- Many problems would not exactly match earlier examples you had seen with different numbers.
- Questions would not be limited to the material covered in this course, or even in this subject.
- Make-up work would be at your own expense.
- Some problems would be impossible to solve.

Because school needs to prepare you for life,

- You will have daily quizzes and homework to encourage you to learn all the material rather than cramming for a test and hoping you are lucky.
- The tests will include word problems, which are half-way between formulas and real-life situations.
- Some test problems will not exactly match earlier examples you have seen with different numbers.
- You will be expected to read carefully and write clearly, even in a math course.
- Make-up work will be limited, and graded strictly.