•4. (a) If H is a subgroup of G, and $a \in G$ let $aHa^{-1} = \{aha^{-1} \mid h \in H\}$. Show that aHa^{-1} is a subgroup of G.
(b) If H is finite, what is $o(aHa^{-1})$?

•5. For a subgroup H of G define the left coset aH of H in G as the set of all elements of the form ah, $h \in H$. Show that there is a one-to-one correspondence between the set of left cosets of H in G and the set of right cosets of H in G.

•6. Write out all the right cosets of H in G where
(a) $G = (a)$ is a cyclic group of order 10 and $H = (a^2)$ is the subgroup of G generated by a^2.
(b) G as in part (a), $H = (a^5)$ is the subgroup of G generated by a^5.
(c) $G = A(S)$, $S = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$, and $H = \{\sigma \in G \mid x_1\sigma = x_1\}$.

•7. Write out all the left cosets of H in G for H and G as in parts (a), (b), (c) of Problem 6.

•8. Is every right coset of H in G a left coset of H in G in the groups of Problem 6?

9. Suppose that H is a subgroup of G such that whenever $Ha \neq Hb$ then $aH \neq bH$. Prove that $gHg^{-1} \subset H$ for all $g \in G$.

•10. Let G be the group of integers under addition, H_n the subgroup consisting of all multiples of a fixed integer n in G. Determine the index of H_n in G and write out all the right cosets of H_n in G.

•11. In Problem 10, what is $H_n \cap H_m$?

•12. If G is a group and H, K are two subgroups of finite index in G, prove that $H \cap K$ is of finite index in G. Can you find an upper bound for the index of $H \cap K$ in G?

•13. If $a \in G$, define $N(a) = \{x \in G \mid xa = ax\}$. Show that $N(a)$ is a subgroup of G. $N(a)$ is usually called the *normalizer* or *centralizer* of a in G.

•14. If H is a subgroup of G, then by the centralizer $C(H)$ of H we mean the set $\{x \in G \mid xh = hx \text{ all } h \in H\}$. Prove that $C(H)$ is a subgroup of G.

•15. The *center* Z of a group G is defined by $Z = \{z \in G \mid zx = xz \text{ all } x \in G\}$. Prove that Z is a subgroup of G. Can you recognize Z as $C(T)$ for some subgroup T of G?

•16. If H is a subgroup of G, let $N(H) = \{a \in G \mid aHa^{-1} = H\}$ [see Problem 4(a)]. Prove that
(a) $N(H)$ is a subgroup of G. (b) $N(H) \supset H$.

17. Give an example of a group G and a subgroup H such that $N(H) \neq C(H)$. Is there any containing relation between $N(H)$ and $C(H)$?

● 18. If H is a subgroup of G let

$$N = \bigcap_{x \in G} xHx^{-1}.$$

Prove that N is a subgroup of G such that $aNa^{-1} = N$ for all $a \in G$.

*19. If H is a subgroup of finite index in G, prove that there is only a finite number of distinct subgroups in G of the form aHa^{-1}.

*20. If H is of finite index in G prove that there is a subgroup N of G, contained in H, and of finite index in G such that $aNa^{-1} = N$ for all $a \in G$. Can you give an upper bound for the index of this N in G?

● 21. Let the mapping τ_{ab} for a, b real numbers, map the reals into the reals by the rule $\tau_{ab}: x \to ax + b$. Let $G = \{\tau_{ab} \mid a \neq 0\}$. Prove that G is a group under the composition of mappings. Find the formula for $\tau_{ab}\tau_{cd}$.

22. In Problem 21, let $H = \{\tau_{ab} \in G \mid a \text{ is rational}\}$. Show that H is a subgroup of G. List all the right cosets of H in G, and all the left cosets of H in G. From this show that every left coset of H in G is a right coset of H in G.

● 23. In the group G of Problem 21, let $N = \{\tau_{1b} \in G\}$. Prove
(a) N is a subgroup of G.
(b) If $a \in G$, $n \in N$, then $ana^{-1} \in N$.

*24. Let G be a finite group whose order is *not* divisible by 3. Suppose that $(ab)^3 = a^3b^3$ for all $a, b \in G$. Prove that G must be abelian.

*25. Let G be an abelian group and suppose that G has elements of orders m and n, respectively. Prove that G has an element whose order is the least common multiple of m and n.

**26. If an abelian group has subgroups of orders m and n, respectively, then show it has a subgroup whose order is the least common multiple of m and n. (Don't be discouraged if you don't get this problem with what you know about group theory up to this stage. I don't know anybody, including myself, who has done it subject to the restriction of using material developed so far in the text. But it is fun to try. I've had more correspondence about this problem than about any other point in the whole book.)

● 27. Prove that any subgroup of a cyclic group is itself a cyclic group.

● 28. How many generators does a cyclic group of order n have? ($b \in G$ is a generator if $(b) = G$.)

Let U_n denote the integers relatively prime to n under multiplication mod n. In Problem 15(b), Section 2.3, it is indicated that U_n is a group.