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MATHEMATICS METHODS - Foundation

(MTM315117)

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PART 1

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Time: 80 minutes

Candidate Instructions

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- Criterion 5** Understand linear, quadratic and cubic functions.
- Criterion 6** Understand logarithmic, exponential and trigonometric functions.
- Criterion 7** Use differential calculus in the study of functions.
- Criterion 8** Understand experimental and theoretical probabilities and of statistics.

Additional Instructions for Candidates

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SECTION A

Answer **ALL** questions in this section.

This section assesses **Criterion 4**.

Question 1

Expand the following expression $(x - 2)(2x + 3)$. (1 mark)

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Question 2

Solve the following for x .

(a) $3x - 6 = x + 5$ (1 mark)

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(b) $\frac{5x}{3} - 8 = \frac{2x + 1}{6}$ (2 marks)

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Question 3

Factorise the following:

(a) $x^2 - x - 12$ (1 mark)

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(b) $6x^2 + 5x - 6$ (2 marks)

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(c) $18 - 2(x - 2)^2$ (2 marks)

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Question 4

(a) Without dividing, show that $(x + 3)$ is a factor of $P(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 11x + 12$. (1 mark)

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(b) Now, using a division technique, fully factorise $P(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 11x + 12$. (2 marks)

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Question 5

Solve the following simultaneous equations $y = x^2 - 9x + 20$ and $y - x = -1$ finding all solutions.

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SECTION B

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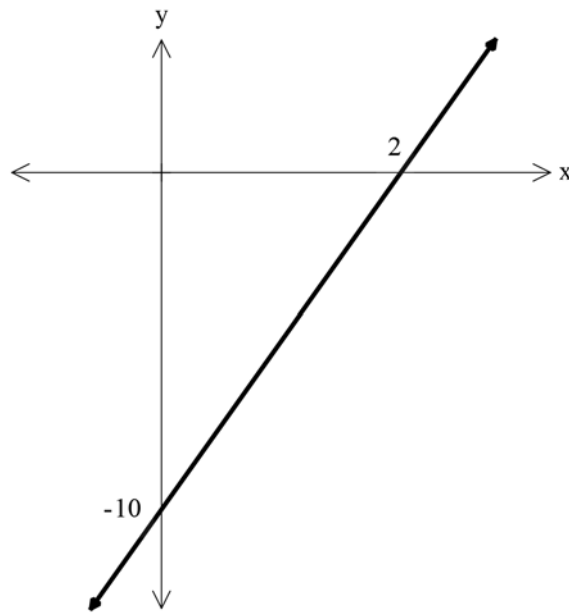
This section assesses **Criterion 5**.

Question 6

(a) Determine the equation of the linear function shown below.

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(b) Write a linear equation that is **parallel** to the linear function in part (a) above. (1 mark)

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Question 7

- (a) For the function $y = x^2 - 11x + 30$ determine the x and y intercepts. Show algebraic working below. (2 marks)

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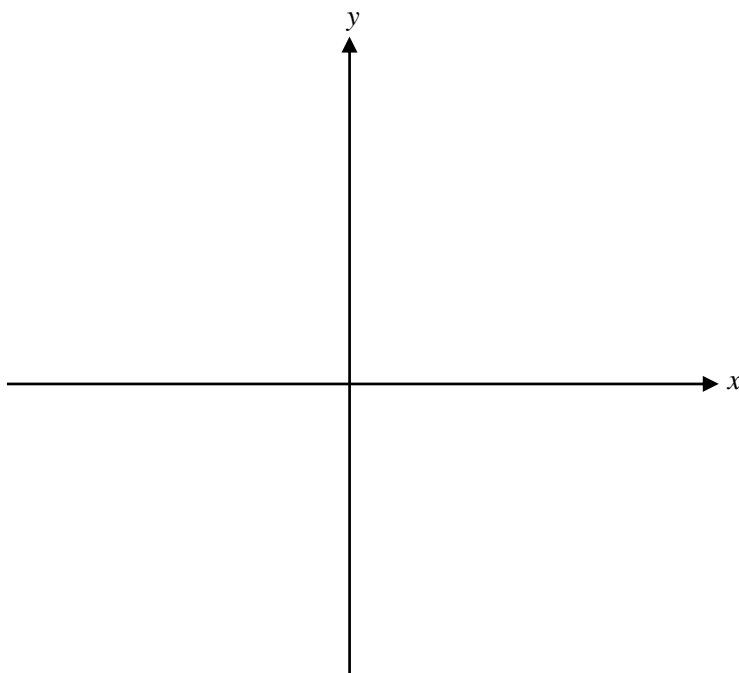
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- (b) Sketch the graph of the function $y = x^2 - 11x + 30$ showing the x and y intercepts. (2 marks)



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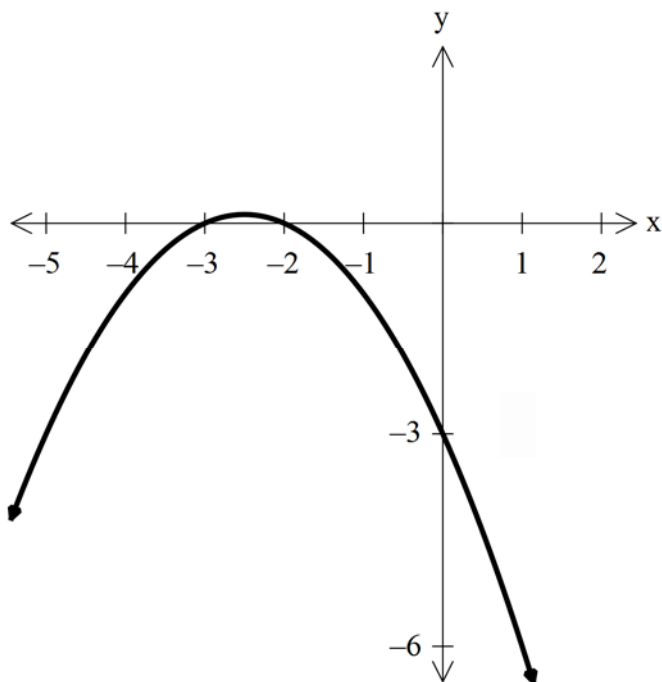
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Question 8

Determine the equation for the quadratic function represented below.

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Question 9

Using the **completing the square method**, determine the turning point of the function:

$$y = x^2 - 10x + 13.$$

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Section B (continued)

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Question 10

(a) Determine the x and y intercepts of the function, $y = (x + 2)(x - 3)(2x - 1)$. (2 marks)

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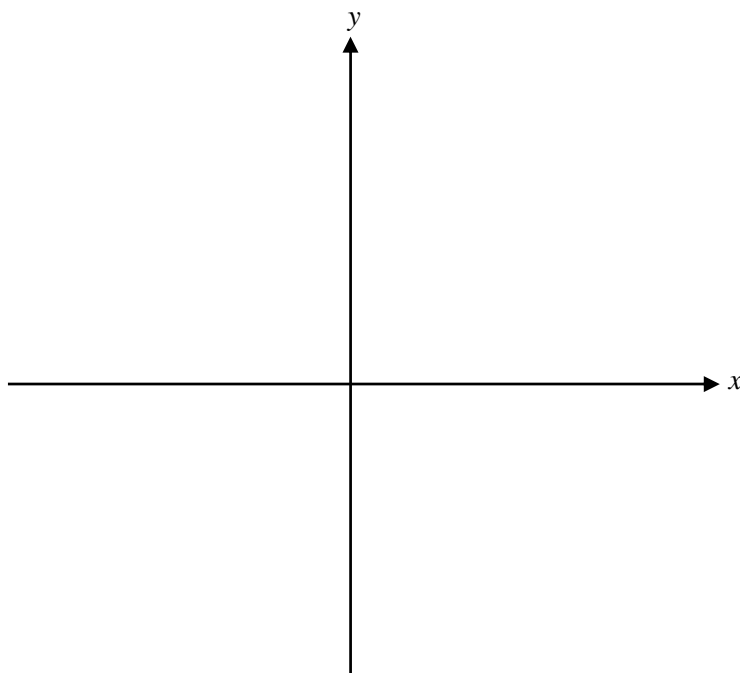
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(b) Sketch the graph of the above function in part (a) in the space below showing the x and y intercepts. (2 marks)



Criterion 5 Total

SECTION C

Answer **ALL** questions in this section.

This section assesses **Criterion 6**.

Question 11

Simplify the following, expressing your answer in **positive index** form.

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(a) $\frac{(xy^2)^3 \times x^3}{x^7 y^4}$ (1 mark)

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(b) $\frac{ab^3 \times (a^{-2}b^3)^{-2}}{(a^4b^{-1})^3}$ (2 marks)

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Question 12

Solve the following equations.

(a) $3^{x+2} = \frac{1}{27} \times 9^{2x}$ (2 marks)

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(b) $\log_2\left(\frac{1}{32}\right) = x$ (1 mark)

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(c) $6 + 2\log_6 x = 5\log_6 x$ (3 marks)

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Question 13

Evaluate $\sin \frac{7\pi}{6}$, giving an exact value.

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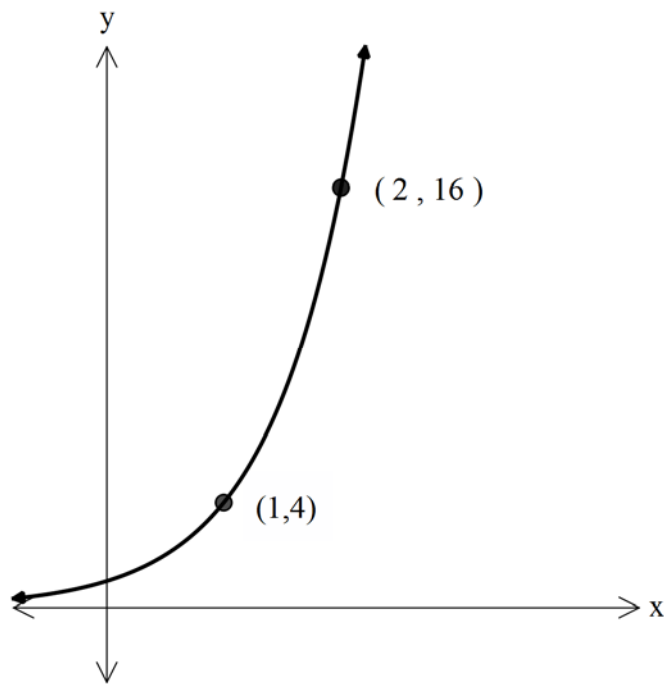
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Question 14

Determine the exponential equation for the function represented below, which has an asymptote at $y = 0$. (2 marks)



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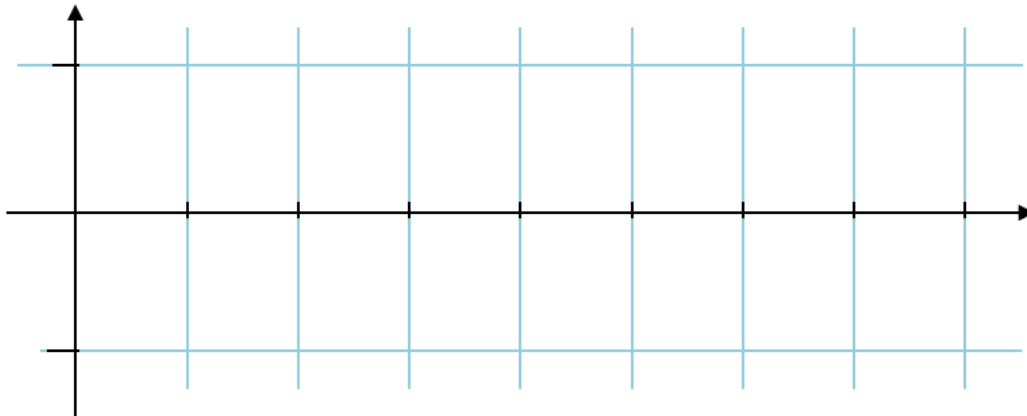
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Question 15

- (a) State the period and amplitude for the function $y = -3\sin 2x$. (1 mark)

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- (b) Hence, sketch the graph of $y = -3\sin 2x$ for $x \in [0, 4\pi]$. Clearly indicate all relevant intercepts and the amplitude. (2 marks)



Question 16

- Find all solutions of $\tan \theta = 1$, for $\theta \in [0, 360]$. (1 mark)

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Criterion 6 Total

SECTION D

Answer **ALL** questions in this section.

This section assesses **Criterion 7**.

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Question 17

Determine the derivatives of the following functions. Express all answers in simplest form using **positive indices**.

(a) $f(x) = 3x^4 - 2x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x - 12$ (1 mark)

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(b) $y = \frac{3x^5}{5} + \frac{x^3}{3} - x^2 + 2x^{-1}$ (2 marks)

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(c) $y = \frac{3}{x^2} + \sqrt{x^3}$ (2 marks)

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Question 18

Find the derivative of $f(x) = x^2 + 5x$ from **first principles**. (3 marks)

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Question 19

(a) Use calculus to determine the turning point of the function $y = x^2 - 8x + 13$. (2 marks)

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(b) State whether the turning point in part (a) is a maximum or a minimum. (1 mark)

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Question 20

Determine the equation of the **normal** to the curve $y = x^2 + 6x + 8$, at the point $(-1, 3)$.
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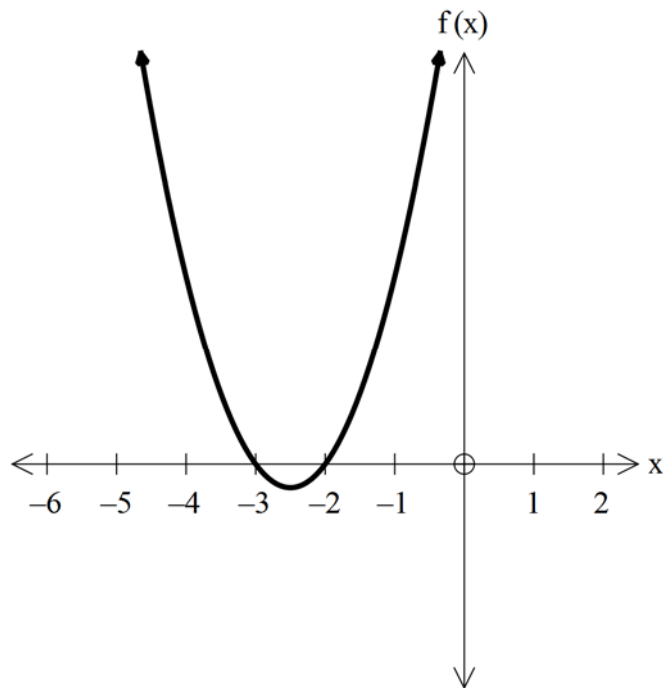
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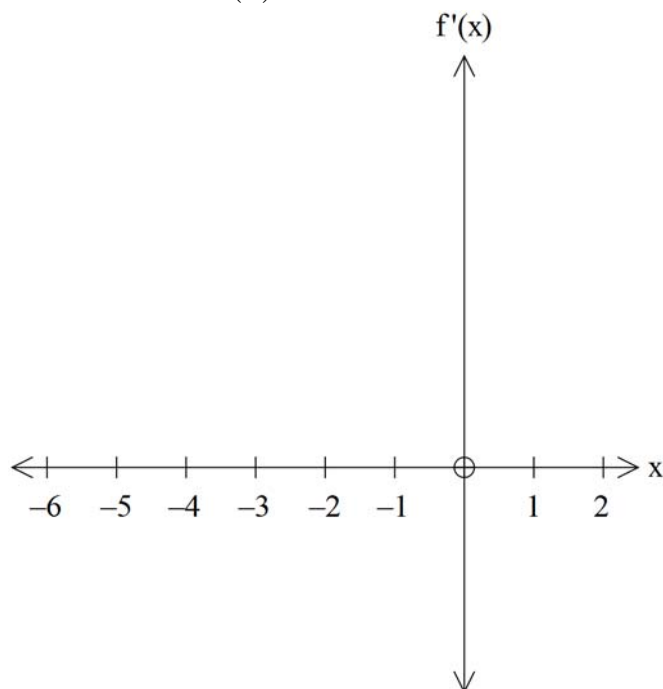
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The graph of the function $f(x)$ is shown below.



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Sketch the graph of the derivative of $f(x)$, clearly indicating the x intercept.



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SECTION E

Answer **ALL** questions in this section.

This section assesses **Criterion 8**.

Question 22

A bag contains 5 red marbles, 7 blue marbles and 8 green marbles. Determine the probability that a marble pulled out of the bag is:

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(a) red (1 mark)

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(b) green or blue (1 mark)

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(c) **not** green? (1 mark)

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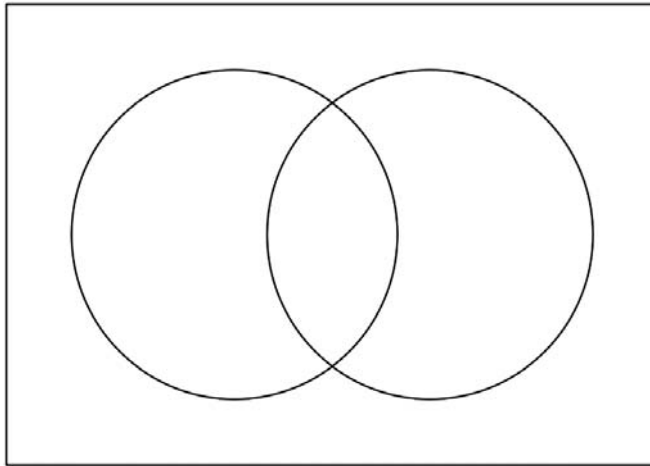
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Question 23

From a group of 50 students; 22 students use an iPhone (I), 35 use an android phone (A) and 5 use neither.

- (a) Complete the Venn diagram below, showing this information. (2 marks)



- (b) Determine the probability of randomly selecting:

- (i) A student who has an iPhone (I) and an android phone (A). (1 mark)

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- (ii) A student who has an iPhone (I) only. (1 mark)

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- (iii) A student having an android phone (A), **given** that they have an iPhone (I). (2 marks)

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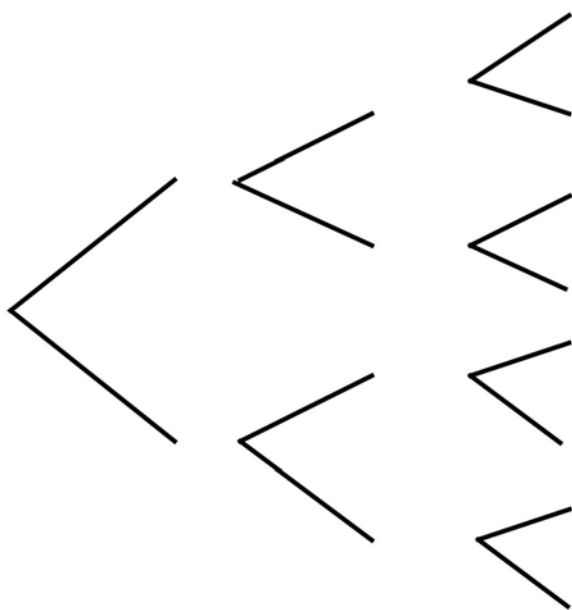
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Question 24

The Australian netball team has a $\frac{3}{5}$ chance of winning against the New Zealand netball team in any game. Australia and New Zealand are going to play **three** games.

- (a) Complete the tree diagram of the **three** games illustrating all the possible outcomes showing the probabilities. (2 marks)



- (b) Determine the probability Australia wins all **three** games. (2 marks)

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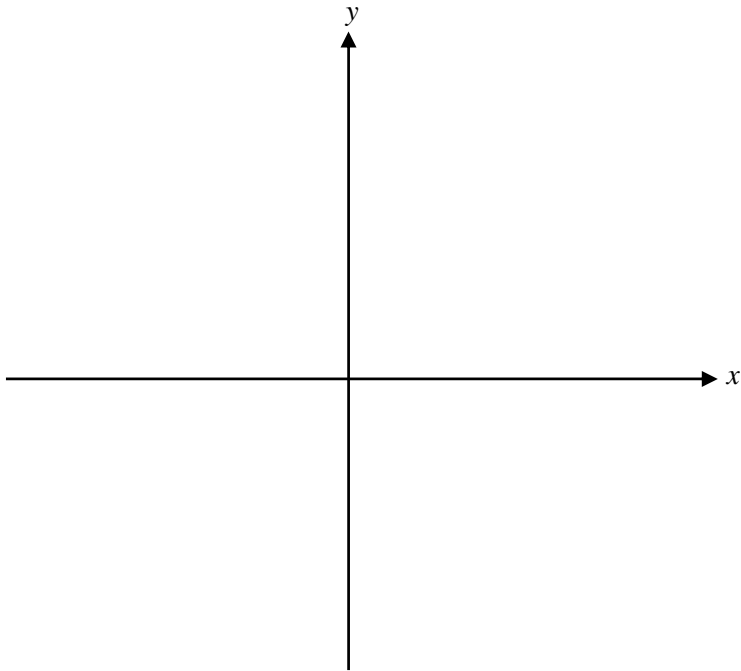
- (c) Determine the probability that New Zealand wins at **least two** games. (3 marks)

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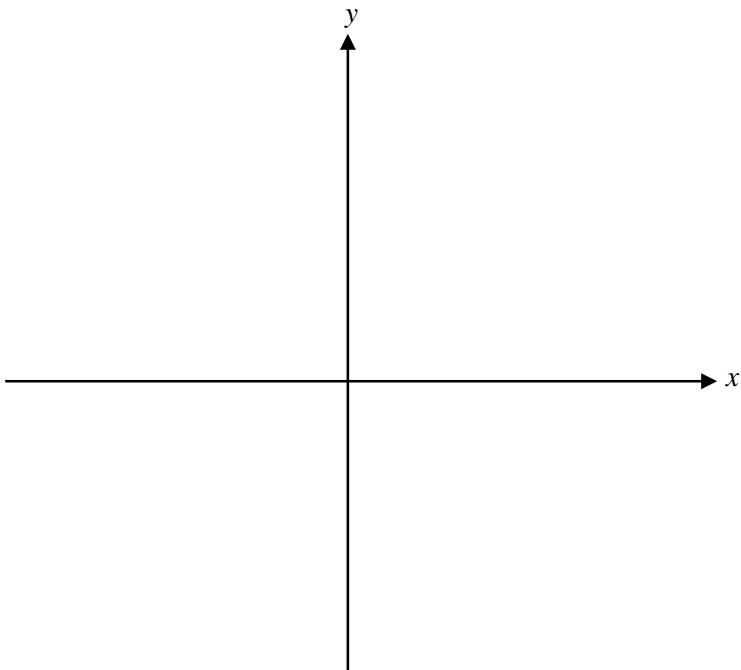
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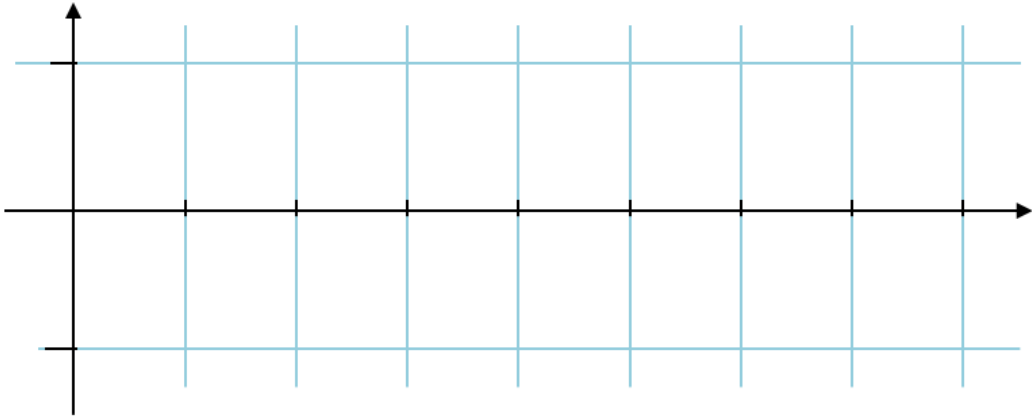


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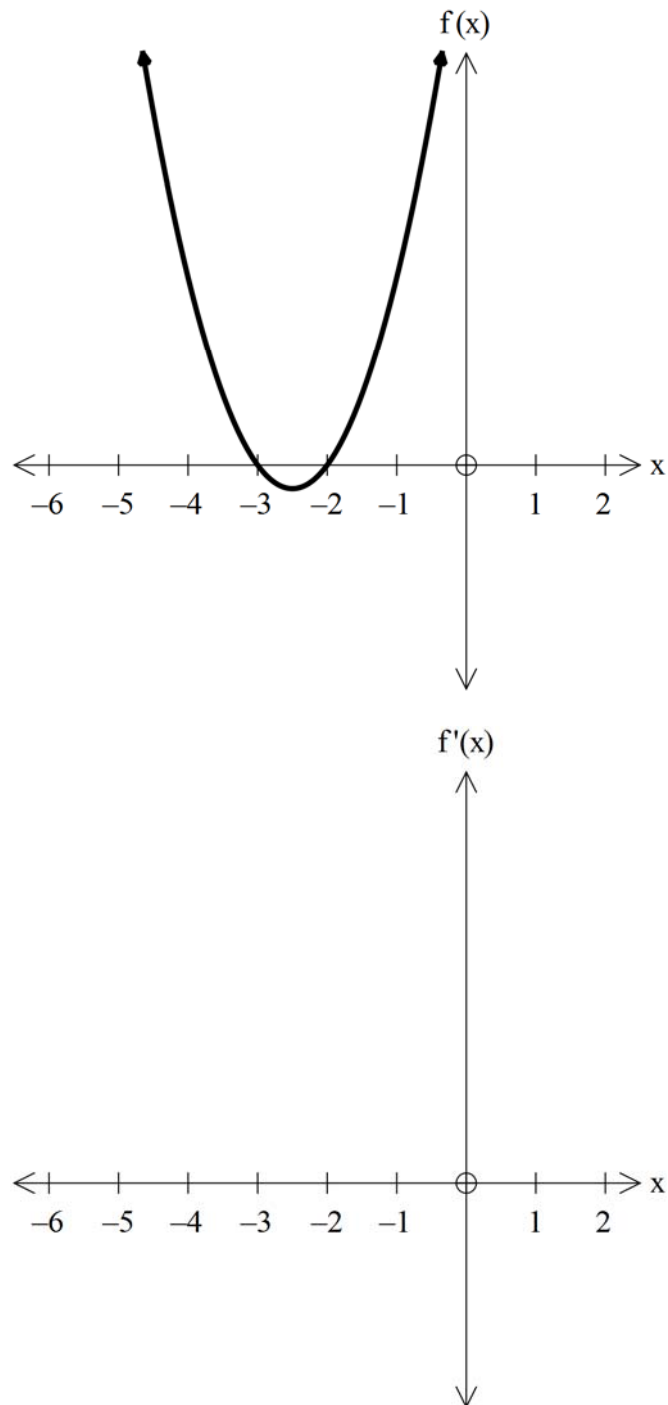
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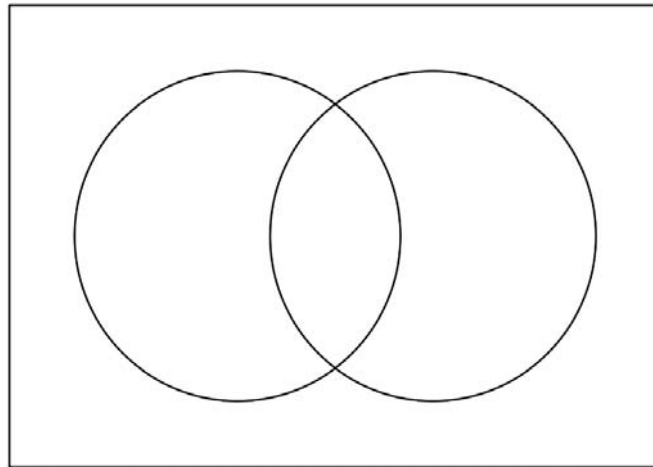
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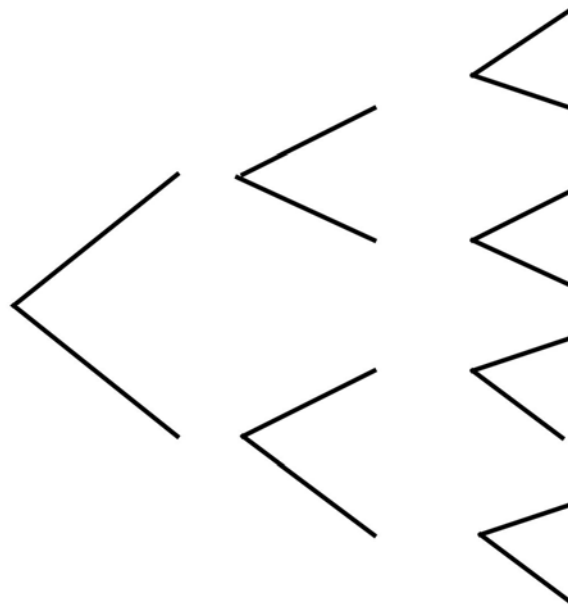


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Question 23 (a)



Question 24 (a)



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Question 25

Make v the subject of the formula, $F = \frac{m(v-u)}{t}$. (2 marks)

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Question 26

Using Pascal's triangle or the binomial theorem to assist, expand $(x+5)^4$. (3 marks)

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Section A continues.

Section A (continued)

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Question 27

- (a) Use the discriminant to predict the **number** and **type** (rational or irrational) of solution(s) for the equation $5x^2 - 30x + 45 = 0$. (2 marks)

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- (b) Determine the value(s) for k for which the equation $x^2 + 2kx + 4 = 0$ has **two real solutions**. (3 marks)

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Section A continues.

Section A (continued)

Question 28

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- (a) Use the **quadratic formula** to solve the following equation $3x^2 - 11x + 7 = 0$.
Give your answer to two decimal places. (2 marks)

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- (b) Solve the following equation $\frac{3}{4}(2x - 3)^3 = -48$. Show some algebraic workings.
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- (c) (i) Factorise $-x^3 + 2\sqrt{3}x^2 - 3x$ over the real number field. (2 marks)

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- (ii) Hence, solve $-x^3 + 2\sqrt{3}x^2 - 3x = 0$. (1 mark)

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Section A continues.

Section A (continued)

Question 29

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Using the **completing the square method** solve $x^2 + 5x - 1 = 0$. (3 marks)
Give answers in exact values.

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SECTION B

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This section assesses **Criterion 5**.

Question 30

- (a) Determine the gradient of the line with the equation $x + 3y - 15 = 0$. (1 mark)

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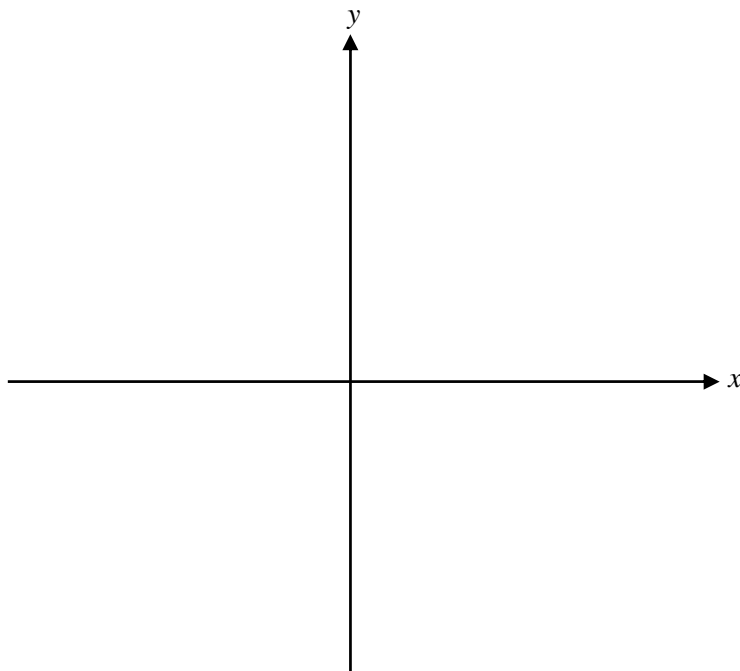
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- (b) Sketch the graph on the axes below, labelling the x and y intercepts. (2 marks)

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Question 31

Find the equation of the line that passes through the following two points (2 marks)
(5, 4) and (-10, -2).

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Question 32

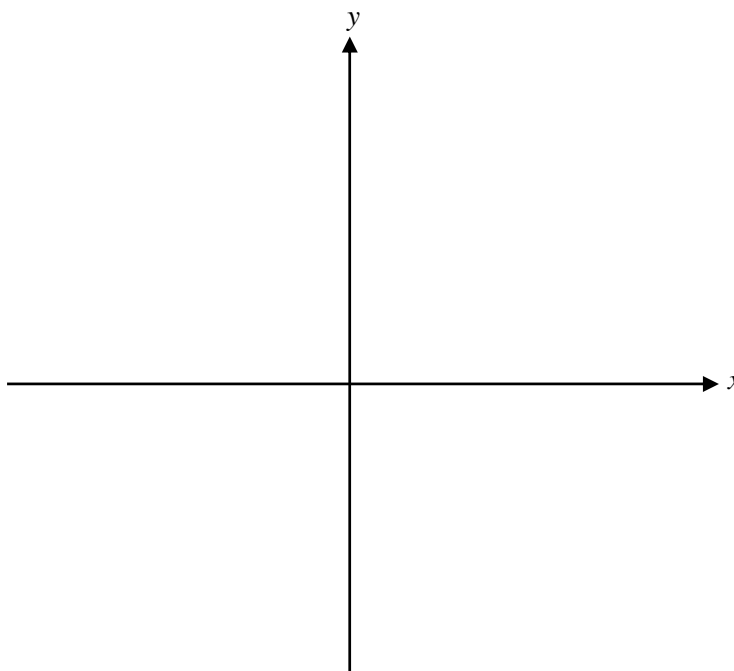
- (a) List the transformations required on the graph $y = x^2$ to produce the graph $y = \frac{1}{2}(x+1)^2 - 2$. (2 marks)

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- (b) Determine the x and y intercepts of the above function. (2 marks)

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- (c) In the space below, sketch the graph of this function, showing **all** relevant points. (2 marks)



- (d) State the Domain of the function. (1 mark)

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- (e) State the Range of the function. (1 mark)

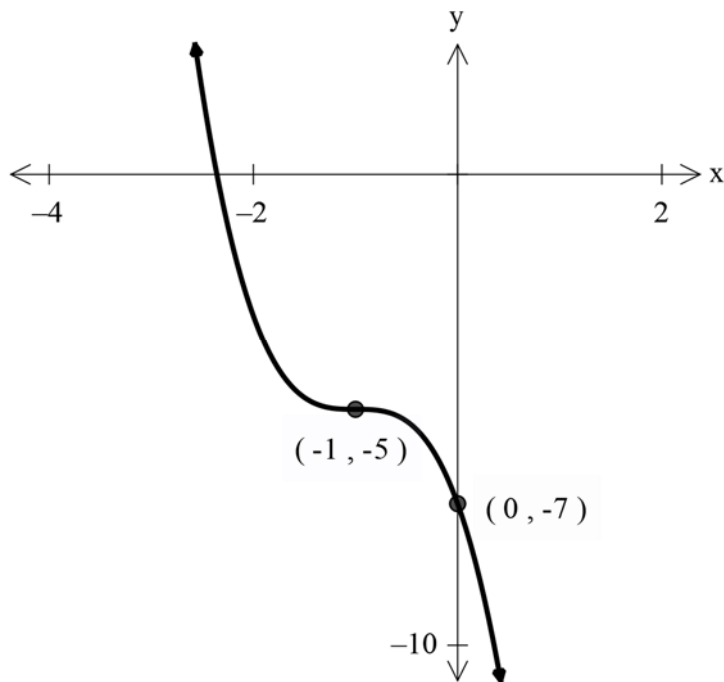
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Question 33



- (a) Using the point of inflection, state the translations of the graph of the function above from $y = x^3$. (1 mark)

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- (b) Determine the equation of the function of the above graph. (3 marks)

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- (c) Determine another point on the above graph. (1 mark)

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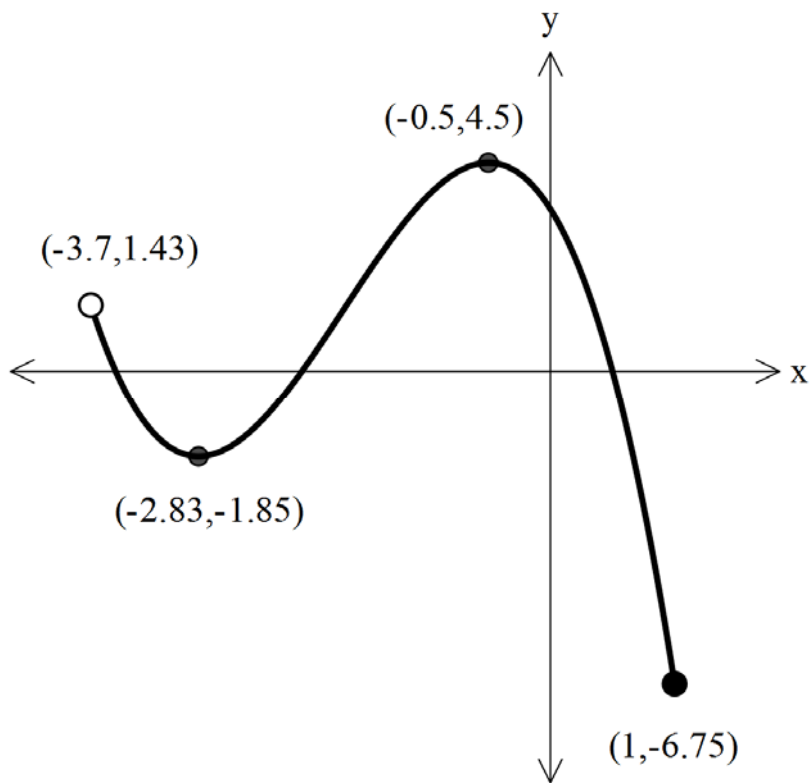
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Question 34

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For the following function below:



(a) State the Domain of the function. (1 mark)

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(b) State the Range of the function. (1 mark)

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SECTION C

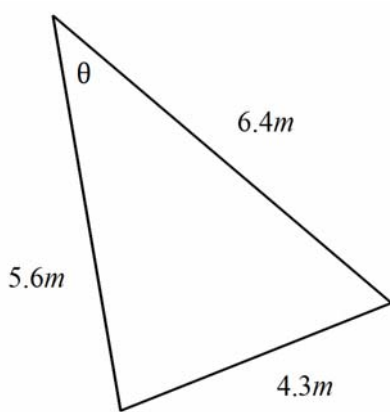
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This section assesses **Criterion 6**.

Question 35

Determine the angle θ . Give your answer to one decimal place. (2 marks)

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Question 36

If $\cos \theta = 0.62$ and $0^\circ < \theta < 90^\circ$, then using basic identities:

(a) Find $\sin \theta$, correct to two decimal places. (2 marks)

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(b) Find $\tan \theta$, correct to two decimal places. (1 mark)

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Question 37

For the function, $y = \log_7(x+1)$.

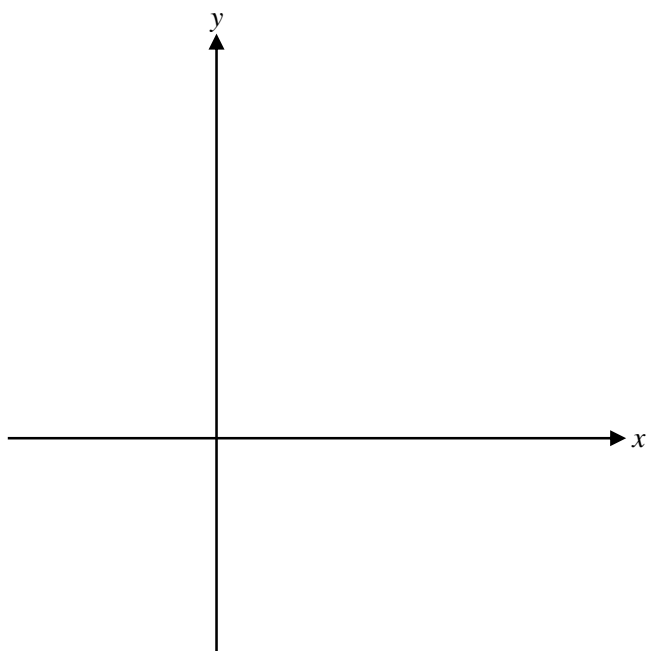
- (a) Sketch the graph of the function on the axes below. Label intercepts, asymptotes and one other point. (3 marks)

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- (b) State the Domain of the function. (1 mark)

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- (c) State the Range of the function. (1 mark)

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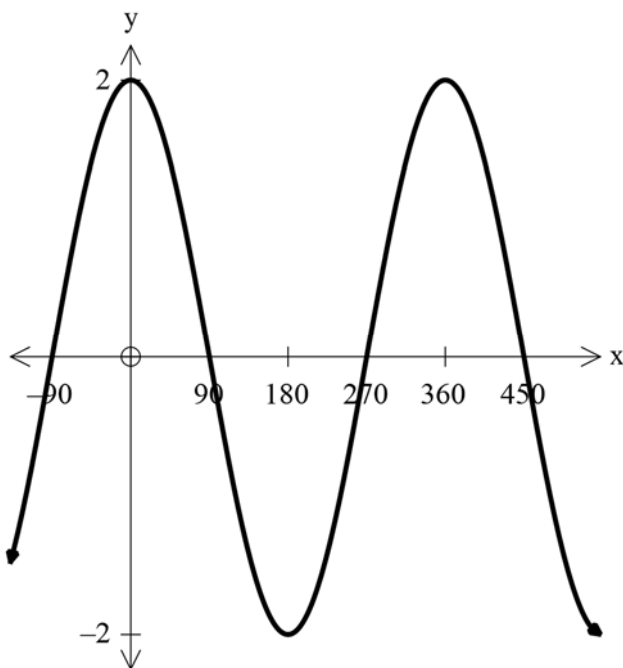
Question 39

Convert 285° to radians. Write your answer in simplest form.

(1 mark)

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Question 40



For the function represented by the graph above, where the angles are in degrees:

(a) Determine the period. (1 mark)

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(b) Determine the amplitude. (1 mark)

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(c) Hence, determine the equation. (2 marks)

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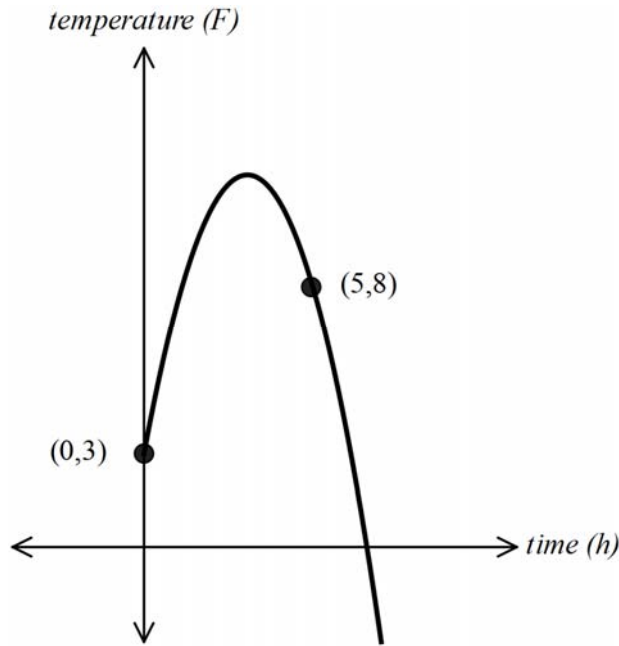
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SECTION D

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This section assesses **Criterion 7**.

Question 41



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Calculate the **average** rate of change between the two points marked on the graph above and include appropriate units. (2 marks)

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Question 42

Describe the following rates as either an average rate (A) or an instantaneous rate (I). (1 mark)

- (a) A runner's pulse rate as they cross the finish line of a race
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- (b) The speed a car travelled at from Launceston to Devonport
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- (c) The price of gold per ounce over a whole year
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Question 43

Determine the derivative of the function $f(x) = -x(x-2)(x+5)$. (2 marks)

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Question 44

For the function $y = 2x^3 - 5x^2$ use **calculus** to find the gradient at the point $(1, -3)$. (2 marks)

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Question 45

Using **calculus** techniques determine the equation of the **tangent** to the curve at the point $(-4, 15)$ for the function $f(x) = -3x^2 - 12x + 15$. (3 marks)

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Question 46

A golfer hits a golf ball. The height (H) of the ball, in metres, can be modelled by the equation:

$$H = 34.3t - 4.9t^2$$

where t is the time that the ball is in the air, in seconds.

- (a) Determine the rate at which the ball is rising when $t = 4$ seconds. (2 marks)

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- (b) At what time after the ball is hit, is it rising at 14.7 m/s? (2 marks)

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Question 47

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The amount of bacteria (B) is given by the function below, after a certain time (t) in days.

$$B = 2t(t^2 - 20t + 100) + 50, \text{ where } t : 0 \leq t \leq 10$$

- (a) What is the initial population of bacteria? (1 mark)

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- (b) Use **calculus techniques** to determine at what time the bacteria population reaches its maximum population. (3 marks)

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- (c) What is the maximum population of bacteria? (2 marks)

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SECTION E

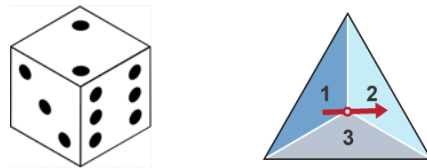
Answer **ALL** questions in this section.

This section assesses **Criterion 8**.

Question 48

A six sided dice is rolled and a three equal sided spinner is spun at the same time.

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- (a) Fill in the lattice diagram below to represent the sum of all the outcomes for the dice and spinner. (2 marks)

- (b) Determine the probability that the sum of the dice and spinner is exactly 4. (1 mark)

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- (c) Determine the probability that the sum of the dice and the spinner is 7 or greater. (1 mark)

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Question 49

A scientist measured the heights of trees in a plantation five years after planting.

- (a) The table below shows their findings. Complete the table, by filling in the blank spaces. (1 mark)

Type of Tree/Height (m):	Under 2.0	2.0 to < 2.5	2.5 to < 3.0	3.0 or over	Total
Pine	6	9	21	7	
Eucalyptus	3	5	7	19	34
Black Wood		10	2	1	30
Total	26	24	30	27	107

One tree is chosen at random. Find the probability that:

- (b) The tree is a Black Wood. (1 mark)

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- (c) Given that the tree is a Eucalyptus, it is under 2.5m in height. (2 marks)

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Question 50

A game has twenty numbered balls, numbered 1 to 20 inclusive. To play the game you select three numbers between 1 and 20. Three balls are then drawn at random and not replaced to determine the winning numbers.

- (a) Determine the number of possible combinations if three balls are chosen at random. (1 mark)

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- (b) Determine the number of possible combinations of selecting two correct numbers out of the three numbers drawn. (2 marks)

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- (c) Determine the **probability** of selecting no correct numbers out of the three numbers drawn. (2 marks)

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Question 51

A class has **seven** year 11 students and **nine** year 12 students. A committee of **five** students is to be chosen at random.

(a) How many different committees are possible? (1 mark)

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(b) How many different committees are possible if **two** year 11 students and **three** year 12 students are to be chosen? (2 marks)

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(c) How many different committees are possible if **at least three** year 12 students are to be chosen? (3 marks)

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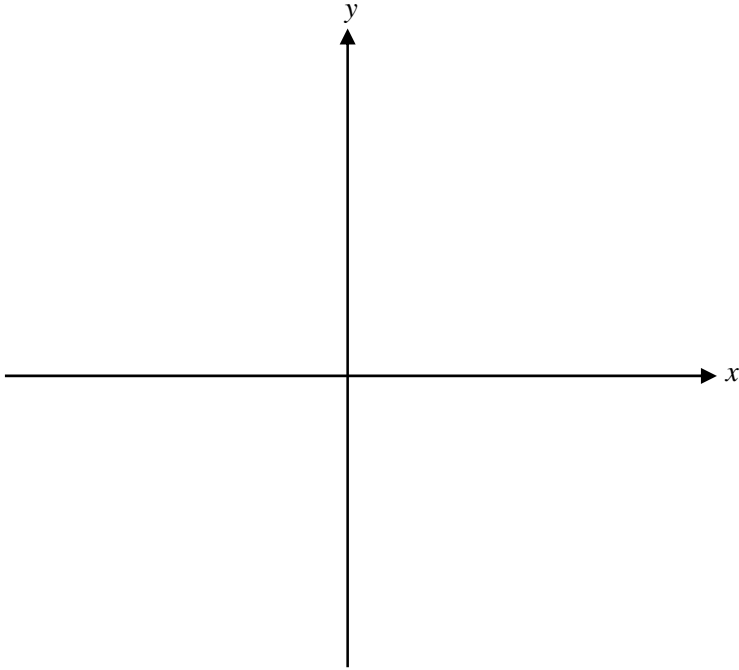
(d) Find the **probability** that a committee has **at least three** year 12 students. (1 mark)

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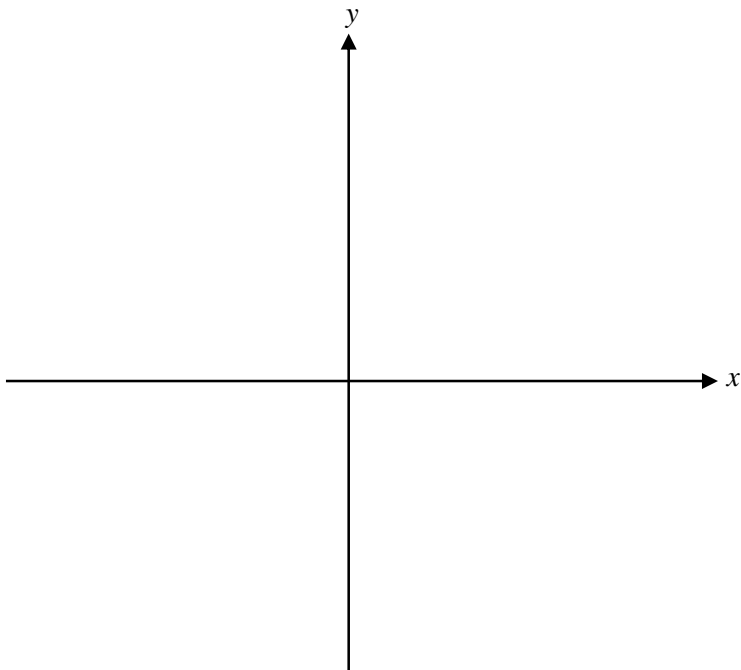
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Question 30 (b)

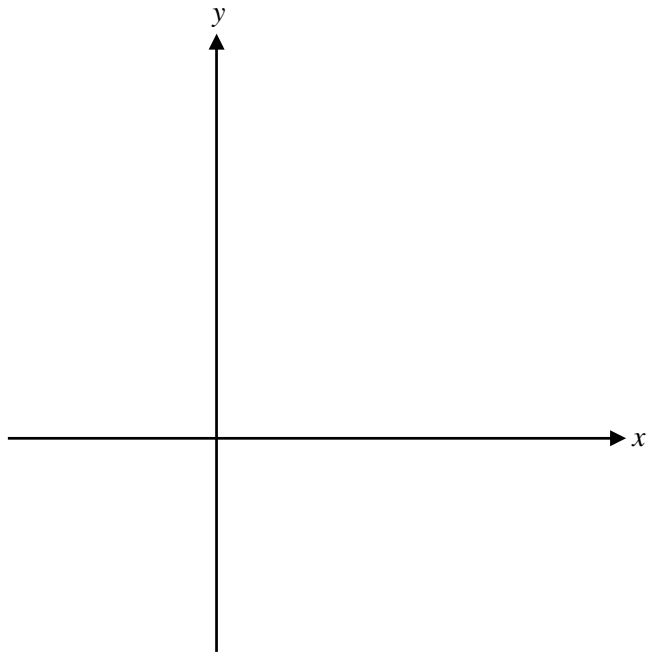


Question 32 (c)



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Question 37 (a)



Question 48 (a)

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