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MATHEMATICS – HIGHER LEVEL


PAPER 1 (300 marks)

FRIDAY, 7 JUNE – AFTERNOON, 2.00 to 4.30

Attempt **ALL** questions.

Each question carries 50 marks.

Graph paper may be obtained from the superintendent.


The symbol  indicates that supporting work **must** be shown to obtain full marks.

1. (a) Adam got 24 marks from a total of 30 marks in a class test.

 What percentage mark did Adam get?

(b) (i) Place the following numbers in order, starting with the smallest number:

$$4^{\frac{1}{2}}, 4^{-2}, 2^0, 2^{-3}.$$

(ii)  By rounding correct to the nearest whole number, estimate the value of


$$\frac{7.72}{2.35} + (3 \cdot 4)^2 \left(\frac{8.65}{2.9} - \sqrt{1.49} \right).$$

Then, evaluate

$$\frac{7.72}{2.35} + (3 \cdot 4)^2 \left(\frac{8.65}{2.9} - \sqrt{1.49} \right),$$

correct to one decimal place.

(c) Ciara invested €30 000 for three years at 3% per annum compound interest.


(i)  Calculate the amount of the investment at the end of two years.

At the end of two years a sum of money was withdrawn. The money which remained amounted to €12 181.81 at the end of the third year.


(ii)  Calculate the sum of money withdrawn at the end of two years.

2. (a) The lengths of two pieces of timber are in a ratio of 5 : 2.

The larger piece measures 250 mm.


 Find the length of the shorter piece.


(b) Each week David is paid €14 per hour for the first 35 hours worked and €21 per hour for any hours worked after that.

(i)  Last week he worked 38 hours. Calculate his gross pay for last week.

The standard rate of income tax is 20% and the higher rate is 41%.

The standard rate cut-off point is €230 per week and he has a tax credit of €62 per week.

(ii)  Calculate David's take-home pay after tax has been deducted.


(iii)  What percentage of his gross pay is his take-home pay?


Give your answer correct to the nearest whole number.


(c) A survey was carried out in a class to find which of the films A, B or C the students had seen.

The following data was collected:

42% saw film A	41% saw film B	45% saw film C
12% saw both A and B	18% saw both B and C	15% saw both A and C
15% saw none of these films.		

(i)  Represent this information on a Venn diagram.

(ii)  What percentage of the students in the class saw all three films?

(iii)  What percentage of the students in the class saw two or more of the films?

3. (a) ✎ Solve for x :

$$3x - [5 - (x - 3)] = 6.$$

(b) (i) ✎ Find the largest possible value of n such that

$$5n + 48 > 8n - 6, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

(ii) x represents an even number. Explain why $x + 2$ is the next even number.

(iii) If one third of the smaller even number is subtracted from half of the larger even number the result is 8.

✎ Find the value of x .

(c) (i) ✎ Given that $a^2 = \frac{bc^2 + a + c}{b}$,

$$\text{show that } b = \frac{1}{a - c}.$$

(ii) ✎ If $a = 1\frac{1}{2}$ and $c = 2\frac{1}{3}$, find the value of b .

4. (a) ✍ Express in its simplest form:

$$\frac{5-x}{5} + \frac{x-4}{4}.$$

- (b) (i) Factorise $8x^2 - 12x$.

- (ii) Factorise $4x^2 - 12x + 9$.

- (iii) ✍ Simplify $\frac{8x^2 - 12x}{4x^2 - 12x + 9}$.

- (c) A teacher checks out the cost of calculators for her students on two websites, C and D. On website C, for €480, she can get a class set of calculators, one for each student. On website D, for the same price, she can get 4 extra calculators.

If x represents the number of students in her class,

- (i) write an expression in x for the cost per calculator on website C
and an expression in x for the cost per calculator on website D.

The cost per calculator on website D is €6 cheaper than the cost per calculator on website C.

- (ii) ✍ Use this information to form an equation in x and solve it to find the number of students in the class.

5. (a) ✎ $g(x) = \sqrt{5x-2}$, $x \in \mathbb{N}$. Find $g(2)$.

Give your answer in the form $a\sqrt{a}$, $a \in \mathbb{N}$.

(b) (i) ✎ Solve the equation $x^2 = 3x + 2$.

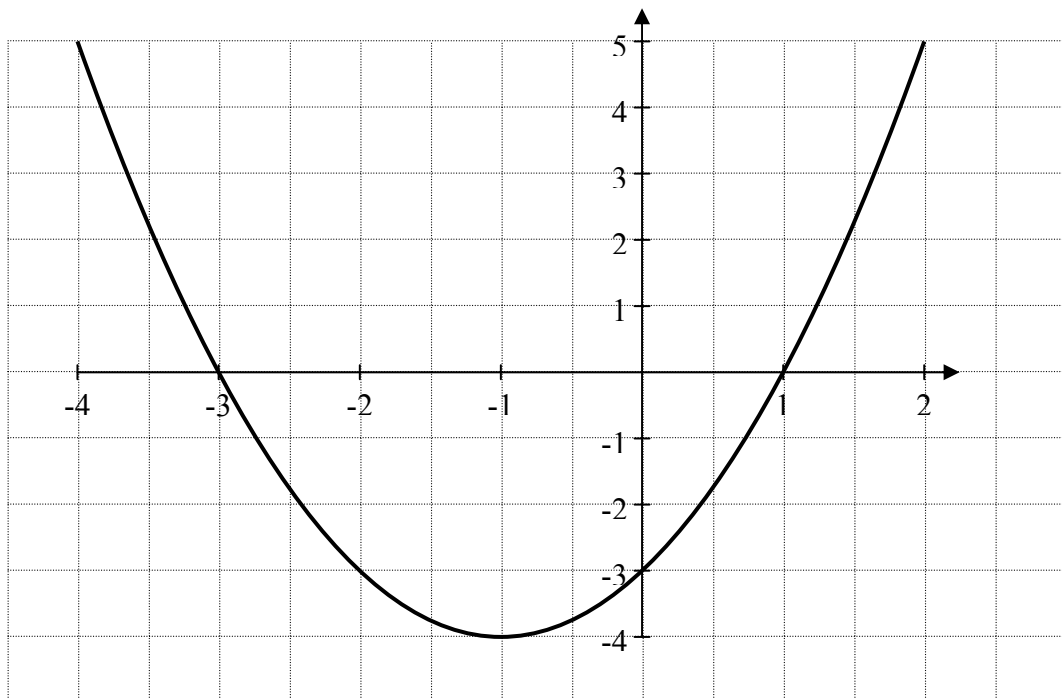
Give your answers correct to two decimal places.

(ii) ✎ Hence, or otherwise, find two values for p for which $p = 3\sqrt{p} + 2$.

Give your answers correct to one decimal place.

(c) The diagram below shows part of the graph of the function

$$f: x \rightarrow x^2 + bx + c, \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } b, c \in \mathbb{Z}.$$



(i) The graph cuts the x axis at $(-3, 0)$ and $(1, 0)$, as shown in the diagram.

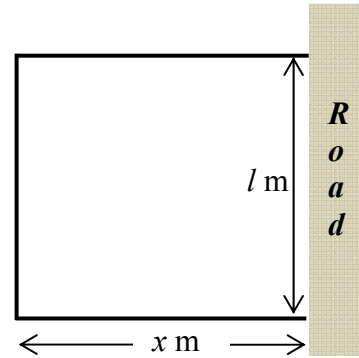
✎ Calculate the value of b and the value of c .

(ii) The graph has a minimum point at $(-1, 4)$.

Write down the equation of the axis of symmetry of the function in the form $x = k$, where $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

(iii) ✎ Show that $f(x+1) = x^2 + 4x$.

- 6.** A rectangular site, with one side facing a road, is to be fenced off.
- The side facing the road, which does not require fencing, is l m in length.
- The sides perpendicular to the road are x m in length.
- The length of fencing that will be used to enclose the rest of the site is 140 m.



- (a) ✎ Write an expression, in terms of x , for the length (l) of the side facing the road.
- (b) (i) ✎ Show that the area of the site, in m^2 , is $-2x^2 + 140x$.
- (ii) Let f be the function $f: x \rightarrow -2x^2 + 140x$.
- ✎ Evaluate $f(x)$ when $x = 0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70$.
- Hence, draw the graph of f for $0 \leq x \leq 70, x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- (c) Use your graph from part (b) to estimate:
- (i) ✎ the maximum possible area of the site
- (ii) ✎ the area of the site when the road frontage (l) is 30 m long.

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