

# GCSE Mathematics

## Practice Tests: Set 9

### Paper 3H (Calculator)

**Time: 1 hour 30 minutes**

You should have: Ruler graduated in centimetres and millimetres, protractor, pair of compasses, pen, HB pencil, eraser, calculator. Tracing paper may be used.

#### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- **Calculators may be used.**
- Diagrams are NOT accurately drawn, unless otherwise indicated.
- You must **show all your working out.**



#### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 80
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

#### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Answer ALL questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

You must write down all the stages in your working.

- 1 (a) Work out the value of  $\left(\frac{125.6}{4.7}\right)^2$

Write down all the figures on your calculator display.

714.140335

(2)

- (b) Write your answer to part (a) correct to 3 significant figures.

714

(1)

(Total for Question 1 is 3 marks)

- 2 Helga has played a game many times.

She scored 9 or more in  $\frac{5}{6}$  of these games.

Helga is going to play the game another 60 times.

Work out an estimate for the number of times she will score 9 or more in these 60 games.

Relative Frequency

$$60 \times \frac{5}{6} = 50$$

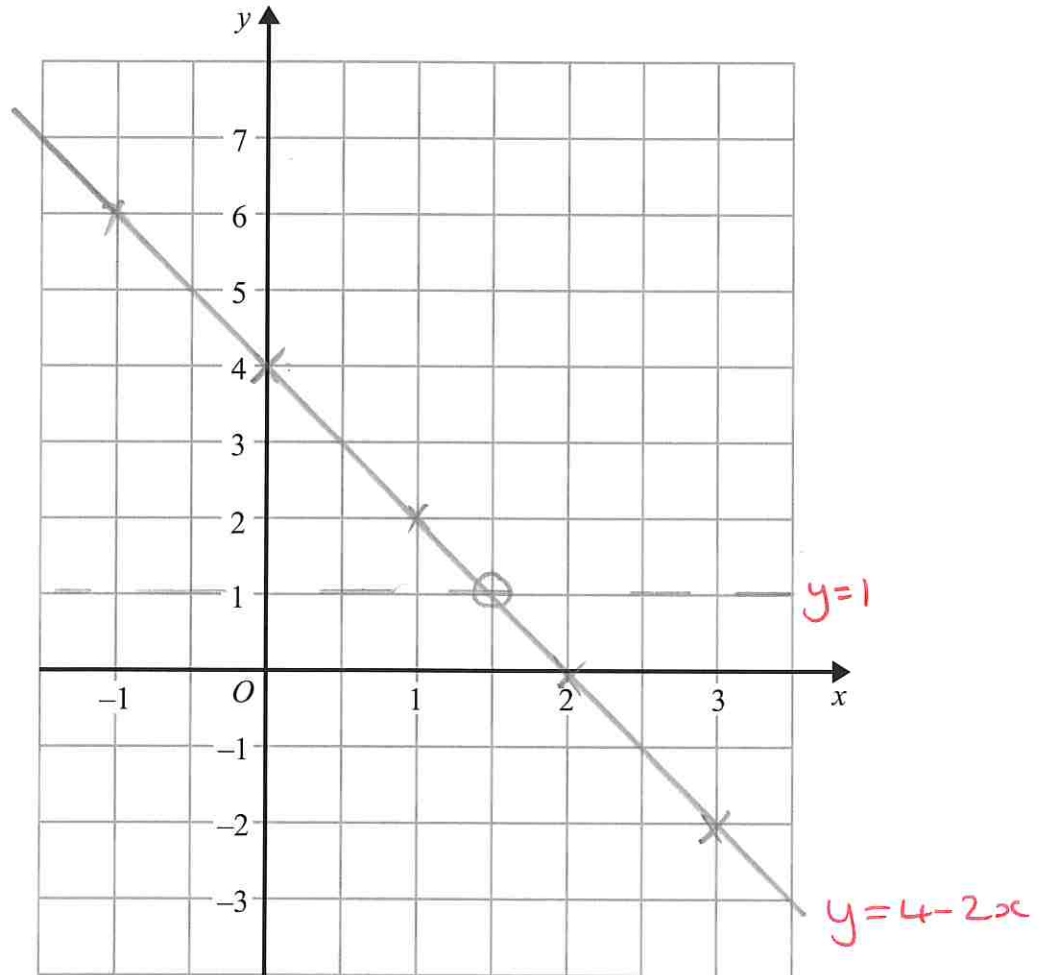
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(Total for Question 2 is 2 marks)

# Plotting Straight Lines

3 (a) On the grid, draw the graph of  $y = 4 - 2x$  for values of  $x$  from  $-1$  to  $3$ .

$x$	$-1$	$0$	$1$	$2$	$3$
$y$	$6$	$4$	$2$	$0$	$-2$



(3)

(b) Write down the coordinates of the point where the graph of  $y = 4 - 2x$  crosses the line  $y = 1$

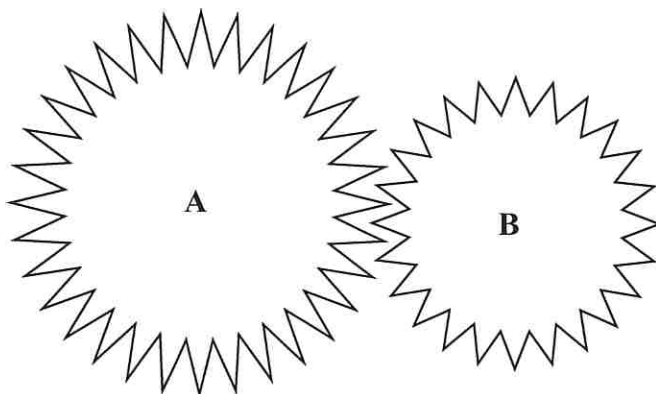
(.....1.5....., .....1.....)

(1)

(Total for Question 3 is 4 marks)

## Ratio

- 4 The diagram shows two cogs, **A** and **B**.



There are 32 teeth on cog **A**.

There are 24 teeth on cog **B**.

The two cogs both rotate.

Cog **A** completes 12 full turns while cog **B** completes 16 full turns.

Work out the number of full turns that cog **A** completes while cog **B** completes 60 full turns.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{cog A} & : & \text{cog B} \\ 12 & : & 16 \\ \times 3.75 \downarrow & & \uparrow \div 3.75 \\ x & : & 60 \end{array} \quad 60 \div 16 = 3.75$$

$x = 45$

45

.....  
(Total for Question 4 is 2 marks)

# Angles in Polygons

5 The size of each exterior angle of a regular polygon is  $24^\circ$

(a) Work out the number of sides of the polygon.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Sum of exterior} \\ = 360^\circ \end{array}$$

$$(\div 24)$$

$$24n = 360$$

$$n = 15$$

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(2)

Here is a pentagon.

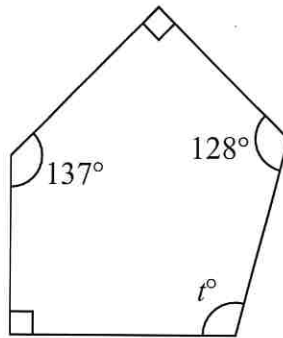


Diagram **NOT**  
accurately drawn

(b) Work out the value of  $t$ .

Sum of interior  
angles of a pentagon

$$(-445)$$

$$(5-2) \times 180^\circ = 540^\circ$$

$$137^\circ + 128^\circ + 90^\circ + 90^\circ + t^\circ = 540^\circ$$

$$445^\circ$$

$$+ t^\circ = 540^\circ$$

$$t = 95^\circ$$

95°

(3)

(Total for Question 5 is 5 marks)

# Averages From Grouped Frequency

- 6 Marta breeds dogs.  
32 dogs give birth to puppies.  
The table shows information about the number of puppies born to each dog.

Number of puppies	Frequency
1 – 3	5
4 – 6	12
7 – 9	10
10 – 12	4
13 – 15	1

midpoint	fm
2	10
5	60
8	80
11	44
14	14
	$\Sigma fm = 208$

TOTALS  $\Sigma f = 32$

- (a) Write down the modal class.

MOST FREQUENT

4 – 6

(1)

- (b) Work out an estimate for the mean number of puppies born to each dog.

$$\text{Estimate for the mean} = \frac{\Sigma fm}{\Sigma f}$$

$$= \frac{208}{32}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{6.5}}$$

6.5

(4)

(Total for Question 6 is 5 marks)

# Pythagoras

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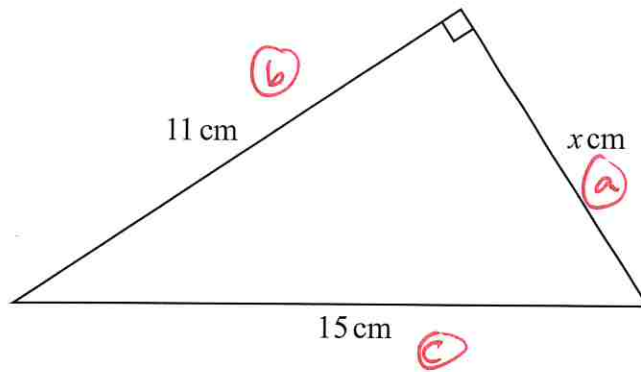


Diagram NOT accurately drawn

Work out the value of  $x$ .  
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

Pythagoras		$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$
		$x^2 + 11^2 = 15^2$
		$x^2 + 121 = 225$
(-121)		$x^2 = 104$
$\sqrt{\quad}$		$x = 10.2 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$

..... 10.2 cm

(Total for Question 7 is 3 marks)

# Straight Lines

8 The line L has equation  $4x + 5y = 20$

(a) Work out the gradient of L.

<p><u>NEED:</u> <math>y = mx + c</math></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>(-4x)</math></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>(\div 5)</math></p> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">gradient</p>	$4x + 5y = 20$ $5y = 20 - 4x$ $y = 4 - \frac{4}{5}x$ $m = -\frac{4}{5}$
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$-\frac{4}{5}$

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(2)

The line M has gradient 2.

L and M both cross the y-axis at the same point.

(b) Find an equation for M.

<p>L:</p> <p>at y-axis, <math>x=0</math></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><math>(\div 5)</math></p>	$4x + 5y = 20$ $4(0) + 5y = 20$ $5y = 20$ $y = 4$
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<p>M:</p> <p><math>c = 4</math> since same intercept as L</p>	$y = 2x + c$ $\underline{\underline{y = 2x + 4}}$
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NOTE  
 ALSO INTERCEPT FROM  
 PART (A) = 4 ✓

$\therefore$  crosses y-axis at  $(0, 4)$

$y = 2x + 4$

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(2)

(Total for Question 8 is 4 marks)



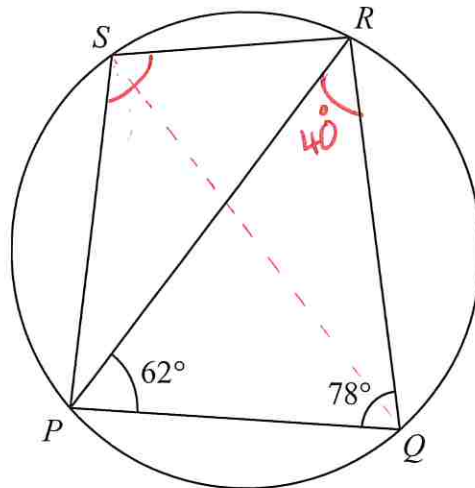


Diagram NOT accurately drawn

$P, Q, R$  and  $S$  are points on a circle.  
 Angle  $RPQ = 62^\circ$  and angle  $PQR = 78^\circ$

(a) (i) Find the size of angle  $PSR$ .

$$180 - 78 = 102^\circ$$

.....  $102^\circ$

(ii) Give a reason for your answer.

..... opposite angles in a cyclic quadrilateral are equal. ....

(2)

(b) Work out the size of angle  $PSQ$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}RQ &= 180^\circ - 62^\circ - 78^\circ \\ &= 40^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\hat{P}SQ = 40^\circ}}$$

Angles in a  $\Delta = 180^\circ$

Same segment theorem

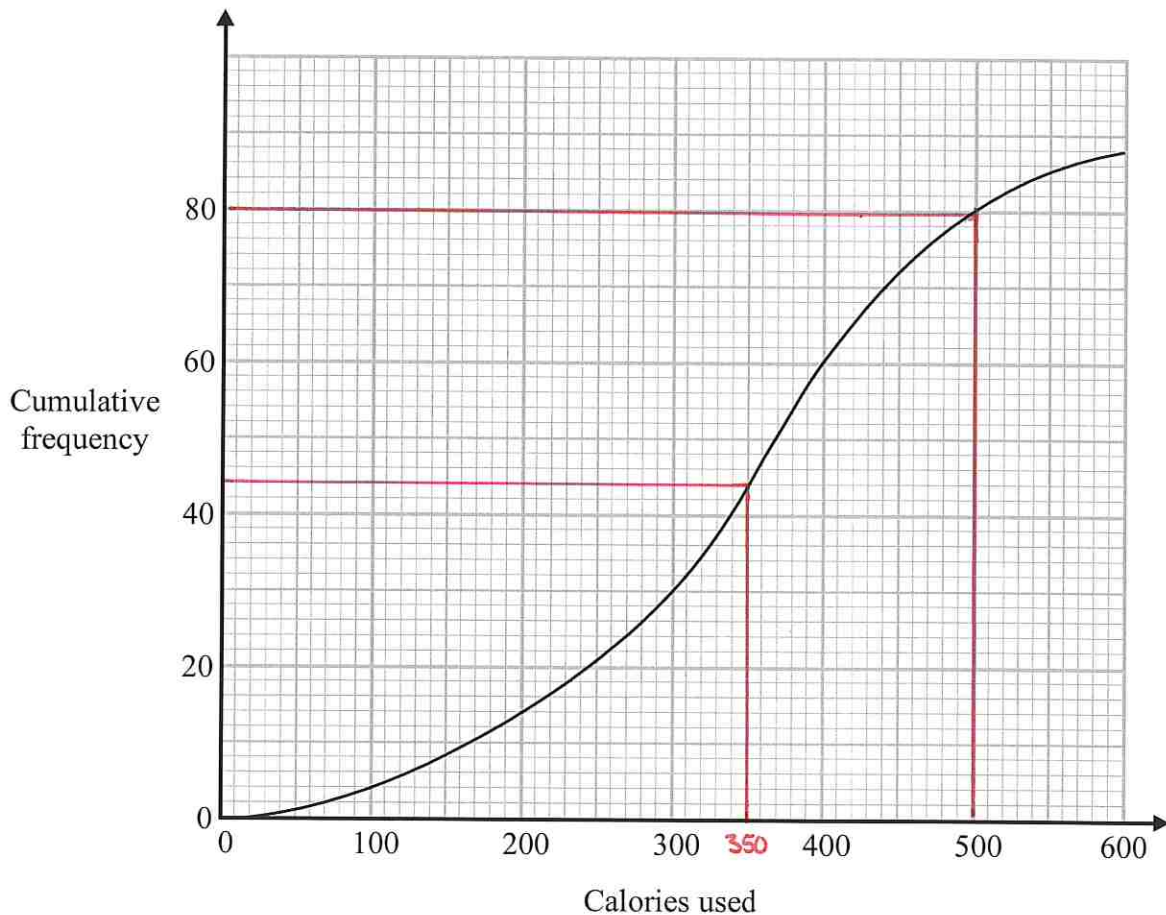
.....  $40^\circ$

(2)

(Total for Question 9 is 4 marks)

# Interpreting Cumulative Frequency Graphs

- 10 The cumulative frequency graph shows information about the number of calories used by 88 people during their exercise programme at a sports centre.



- (a) Use the graph to find an estimate for the median number of calories used.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{median} &= \frac{n}{2} = \frac{88}{2} = 44^{\text{th}} \text{ term} \\ &= 350 \text{ calories} \end{aligned}$$

..... 350 calories  
(2)

- (b) Use the graph to find an estimate for the number of these 88 people who used more than 500 calories.

80 people up until 500 calories

$$88 - 80 = 8$$

..... 8  
(2)

(Total for Question 10 is 4 marks)

# Solving Inequalities

11 (a) Solve the inequality  $\frac{1}{4}p < 7$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} & \frac{1}{4}p < 7 \\ ( \times 4 ) & p < 28 \end{array}$$

$$p < 28$$

(1)

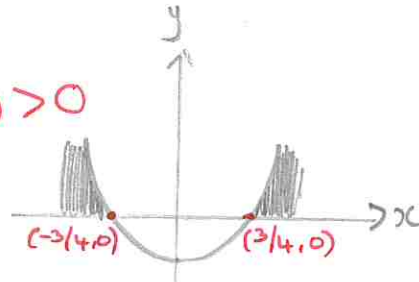
(b) Solve the inequality  $16q^2 > 9$

Solving Quadratic Inequalities

$$\begin{array}{l|l} & 16q^2 > 9 \\ ( : 16 ) & q^2 > \frac{9}{16} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l|l} & q^2 - \frac{9}{16} > 0 \\ ( - \frac{9}{16} ) & \end{array}$$

Sketch  $(q + \frac{3}{4})(q - \frac{3}{4}) > 0$



WHERE IS THE FUNCTION GREATER THAN 0?

$$x > \frac{3}{4} \text{ and } x < -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$x > \frac{3}{4}, x < -\frac{3}{4}$$

(3)

(Total for Question 11 is 4 marks)

# Volume of cylinders

12 Cylinder A has height 12 cm and diameter 8 cm.

(a) Work out the volume of cylinder A.

Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

$$\begin{array}{l|l}
 V = CSA \times h & \\
 CSA = \pi r^2 \quad (r = 8 \div 2) & CSA = \pi(4)^2 = 16\pi \\
 V = CSA \times h & V = 16\pi \times 12 = 603 \text{ (3 s.f.)}
 \end{array}$$

..... 603 ..... cm<sup>3</sup>  
(2)

Cylinder B is similar to cylinder A.

The height of cylinder B is 21 cm.

(b) Work out the diameter of cylinder B.

LSF ASF VSF  
(Similar Shapes)

$$\begin{array}{l|l}
 \text{Height SF} & \\
 A : B & \\
 \hline
 \therefore \text{length SF} = \frac{7}{4} & \begin{array}{l} 12 : 21 \\ \div 12 \downarrow \\ 1 : \frac{7}{4} \\ \times 8 \downarrow \\ \underline{8 : 14} \end{array} \\
 \text{length A} = 8 & \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \div 12 \\ \downarrow \times 8 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

..... 14 ..... cm  
(2)

Cylinder C is similar to cylinder A.

The volume of cylinder C is 64 times the volume of cylinder A.

(c) Work out the height of cylinder C.

LSF ASF VSF

$$\begin{array}{l|l}
 VSF = 64 & \\
 LSF = \sqrt[3]{VSF} = & A : C \\
 \text{height of A} = 12 & \begin{array}{l} 1 : 64 \\ 1 : 4 \\ \times 12 \downarrow \quad \downarrow \times 12 \\ \underline{12 : 48} \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

..... 48 ..... cm  
(3)

(Total for Question 12 is 7 marks)

# Reverse Percentages

13 Daniel buys a new car.  
In the first year, the value of the car decreases by 24% of its original value.  
The value of the car at the end of the first year is £13 300.

(a) Work out the original value of the car.

	$100\% - 24\% = 76\%$	
	$76\%$	$= \pounds 13300$
$(\div 76)$	$1\%$	$= \pounds 175$
$(\times 100)$	$100\%$	$= \pounds 17500$

£ 17500 .....  
(3)

The value of the car at the end of the first year is £13 300.

In each of the second year, the third year and the fourth year, the value of the car decreases by  $x\%$  of its value at the beginning of each year.

The value of the car at the end of the fourth year is £6500.

Repeated Percentage Change

(b) Work out the value of  $x$ .

Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

<p>Start <math>\times</math> multiplier<sup>t</sup> = End multiplier = <math>1+x\%</math></p>	$13300 \times (1+x\%)^3 = 6500$
$(\div 13300)$	$(1+x\%)^3 = \frac{6500}{13300}$
$\sqrt[3]{ANS}$	$(1+x\%) = 0.4887\dots$
$(-1)$	$x\% = 0.7876\dots$
$(\times 100)$	$x = -21.2$ (3s.f)
conclusion	$x = \dots\dots\dots 21.2$ (3) $\therefore$ <u>Decrease</u> by <u>21.2%</u> (Total for Question 13 is 6 marks)

# Independent Probability

- 14 Two fair 6-sided dice are thrown.  
The total is the sum of the numbers that each dice lands on.

(a) Work out the probability that the total is 4.

4 can be obtained by: (1,3), (3,1), (2,2)

$$P(1,3) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(3,1) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(2,2) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$\text{Total} = \underline{\underline{\frac{3}{36}}}$$

$$\frac{3}{36}$$

(2)

Three people each throw the two dice.

(b) Work out the probability that none of the three people get a total of 4.

$$P(\text{Total of 4}) = \frac{3}{36}$$

$$P(\text{NOT Total of 4}) = 1 - \frac{3}{36} = \frac{33}{36}$$

$$P(\text{All 3 = NOT 4}) = P(\text{NOT 4, NOT 4, NOT 4})$$

$$= \frac{33}{36} \times \frac{33}{36} \times \frac{33}{36}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.770254629}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{0.770254629}}$$

(2)

(Total for Question 14 is 4 marks)

# Cosine Rule and Sine Rule

15 Here is a quadrilateral PQRS.

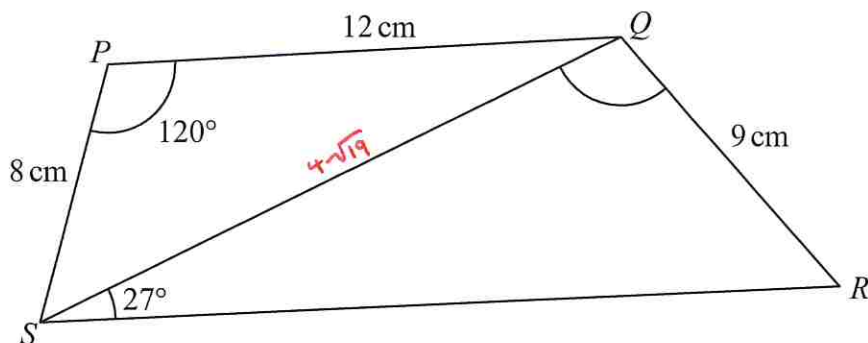
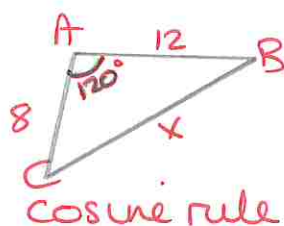


Diagram NOT accurately drawn

Angle SRQ is acute.

Work out the size of angle SQR.

Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.

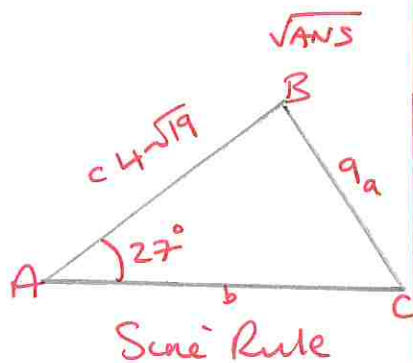


$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$x^2 = (12)^2 + (8)^2 - 2(12)(8) \cos(120)$$

$$x^2 = 304$$

$$x = 4\sqrt{19}$$



$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$$

$$\frac{\sin 27}{9} = \frac{\sin \theta}{4\sqrt{19}}$$

$$\frac{\sin 27}{9} \times 4\sqrt{19} = \sin \theta$$

$$61.58... = \theta$$

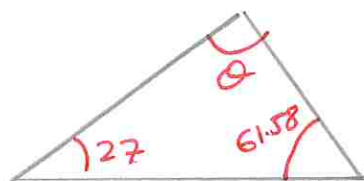
$$27 + 61.58... + \hat{SQR} = 180^\circ$$

$$\hat{SQR} = 91.4^\circ \text{ (1 d.p.)}$$

$$91.4$$

.....<sup>o</sup>  
(Total for Question 15 is 6 marks)

Shift Sin  $\phi$



Angles in triangle =  $180^\circ$   
(-27, -61.58...)

16 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$y = 5x^2 \quad (1)$$

$$y - 4 = 3x \quad (2)$$

Show your working clearly.

Give your solutions correct to 2 decimal places.

(2):

$(+4)$

$$y - 4 = 3x$$

$$y = 3x + 4$$

Put  $y = 3x + 4$  in (1):

$(-3x)$

$$3x + 4 = 5x^2$$

$$4 = 5x^2 - 3x$$

$(-4)$

$$0 = 5x^2 - 3x - 4$$

Factorise...

Quadratic formula

$$a = 5$$

$$b = -3$$

$$c = -4$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(5)(-4)}}{2(5)}$$

$$x = 1.24 \text{ (2d.p.) or } x = -0.64 \text{ (2d.p.)}$$

1.24 or -0.64

(Total for Question 16 is 4 marks)



## Simplifying Surds

- 17 Show that  $\frac{\sqrt{50} - \sqrt{18}}{4}$  can be written in the form  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}$  where  $k$  is an integer.

Show your working clearly.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{50} &= \sqrt{25} \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{18} &= \sqrt{9} \sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{50} - \sqrt{18}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{5\sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Unrationalise...  $\left( \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

(Total for Question 17 is 3 marks)

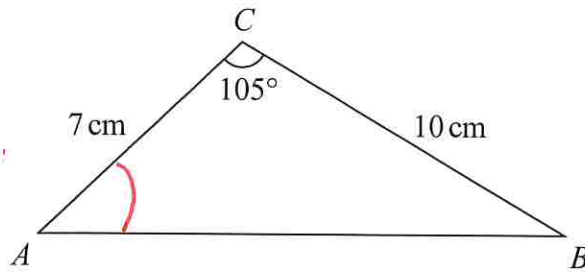


Diagram NOT accurately drawn

- (a) Work out the area of triangle  $ABC$ .  
Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

$$A = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin C$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2} (7)(10) \sin(105)$$

$$= \underline{\underline{33.8}} \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

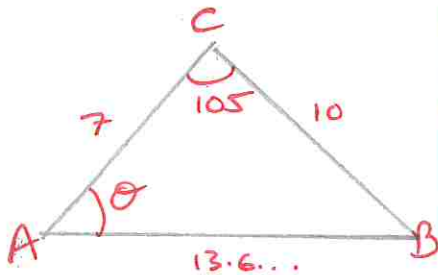
..... 33.8 cm<sup>2</sup>  
(2)

- (b) Work out the size of angle  $BAC$ .  
Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.

cosine Rule

Need a pair of sides / angles to use sine later!

√ANS



Sine Rule (x10)

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$a^2 = (7)^2 + (10)^2 - 2(7)(10) \cos(105)$$

$$a^2 = 185.2 \dots$$

$$a = 13.6 \dots$$

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{10} = \frac{\sin 105}{13.6 \dots}$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\sin 105}{13.6 \dots} \times 10$$

shift sin<sup>-1</sup>

$$\theta = 45.2 \text{ (1 d.p.)}$$

.....  
(5)

(Total for Question 18 is 7 marks)

Simplifying Algebraic Fractions

19 Simplify fully  $\frac{12x^2 - 3}{6x^2 + 5x - 4}$

factorise top  $3(4x^2 - 1)$

factorise bottom  $(3x + 4)(2x - 1)$

WAIT... the top isn't finished!

$3(4x^2 - 1) = 3(2x + 1)(2x - 1)$   
Difference of two squares

Simplify

$\frac{3(2x + 1)(2x - 1)}{(3x + 4)(2x - 1)}$

$= \frac{3(2x + 1)}{3x + 4}$

$\frac{3(2x + 1)}{3x + 4}$

.....  
(Total for Question 19 is 3 marks)

TOTAL FOR PAPER IS 80 MARKS