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**TRIAL HIGHER SCHOOL  
CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION**

# Mathematics

## General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 3 hours
- Write using black or blue pen
- Board-approved calculators may be used

**Total marks – 100**

**Section I** Pages 2 – 5

**10 marks**

- Attempt Questions 1 – 10
- Allow about 15 minutes for this section

**Section II** Pages 6 – 14

**90 marks**

- Attempt Questions 11 – 16
- Allow about 2 hours and 45 minutes for this section

**Section I****10 marks****Attempt Questions 1 – 10****Allow about 15 minutes for this section**Use the multiple choice answer sheet for Questions 1 – 10

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**1** What is  $\log_e(159)$  to 3 significant figures?

- (A) 5.1
- (B) 5.07
- (C) 5.069
- (D) 5.0689

**2** Which of the following is a solution for  $x$  in the equation:  $\sqrt{3} \tan x - 1 = 0$ 

- (A)  $x = 0$
- (B)  $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$
- (C)  $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$
- (D)  $x = \frac{2\pi}{3}$

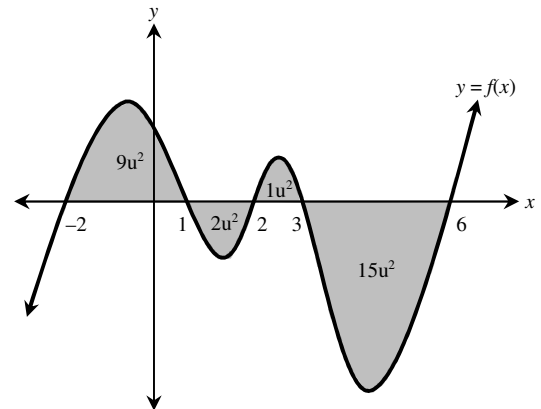
- 3 A factory had 56 employees, of which 35 spoke English, 29 spoke Italian, and some spoke both languages. How many employees spoke both English and Italian?
- (A) 27
- (B) 21
- (C) 9
- (D) 8
- 4 What is the perpendicular distance between the point  $(2, -1)$  and the line  $y = 4x - 5$ ?
- (A)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$  units
- (B)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{17}}$  units
- (C)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$  units
- (D)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{17}}$  units
- 5 The equation  $x^2 + 4x - 1 = 0$  has roots  $x = \alpha$  and  $x = \beta$ . What is the value of  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ ?
- (A) 5
- (B) 14
- (C) 18
- (D) -7

- 6 The following diagram shows the graph  $y = f(x)$ , with the area of certain sections labelled.

Using the graph, evaluate:

$$\int_{-2}^3 f(x) dx + \int_1^6 f(x) dx$$

- (A)  $-7$   
 (B)  $-8$   
 (C)  $7$   
 (D)  $8$



- 7 A sector of a 2m radius circle had an arc length of 4m. Find the area of this sector.

- (A)  $2\text{m}^2$   
 (B)  $4\text{m}^2$   
 (C)  $2\pi\text{m}^2$   
 (D)  $4\pi\text{m}^2$

- 8 What are the solutions to the equation:  $e^{6x} - 5e^{3x} + 4 = 0$ ?

- (A)  $x = 0, \frac{\ln 4}{3}$   
 (B)  $x = 0, \frac{\ln 3}{4}$   
 (C)  $x = 0, \frac{\ln 5}{3}$   
 (D)  $x = 0, \frac{\ln 4}{5}$

- 9 The following table shows the values for the function  $y = f(x)$ :

$x$	2	3	4	5	6
$y$	1.3	1.8	2.9	3.8	2.8

Using Simpson's rule, which of the following is an approximation for  $\int_2^6 f(x) dx$ ?

- (A) 8.97
  - (B) 10.77
  - (C) 13.45
  - (D) 16.15
- 10 A particle is moving along the  $x$ -axis in a straight line. After  $t$  seconds, the particle's velocity and acceleration is  $\pi \text{ms}^{-1}$  and  $-2\pi \text{ms}^{-2}$  respectively.
- Which statement best describes the motion of the particle after  $t$  seconds?
- (A) The particle is moving to the left and is slowing down.
  - (B) The particle is moving to the right and is slowing down.
  - (C) The particle is moving to the left and is speeding up.
  - (D) The particle is moving to the right and is speeding up.

**Section II****90 marks****Attempt Questions 11 – 16****Allow about 2 hours and 45 minutes for this section**

Answer each question on a NEW page on your OWN PAPER.

In Questions 11–16, your responses should include relevant mathematical reasoning and/or calculations.

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**Question 11** (15 marks) Use a NEW page on your OWN PAPER.

- (a) Factorise:  $8m^2 - 98$ . 2
- (b) Evaluate  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4x - x^2}{3x^2 - 5x + 7}$ . 1
- (c) Differentiate the following with respect to  $x$ :
- (i)  $e^{\tan x}$ . 2
- (ii)  $\frac{x^3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ . 2
- (d) Find the exact value of  $\log_2 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$ . 2
- (e) Solve for  $x$ :  $\frac{9-x}{2x+3} \geq 0$ . 2

(f) If  $\tan \theta = -\frac{3}{5}$  and  $\cos \theta < 0$ , find the exact value of  $\operatorname{cosec} \theta$ . **2**

(g) Find the limiting sum of the series:  $2 - \frac{6}{5} + \frac{18}{25} - \frac{54}{125} + \dots$  **2**

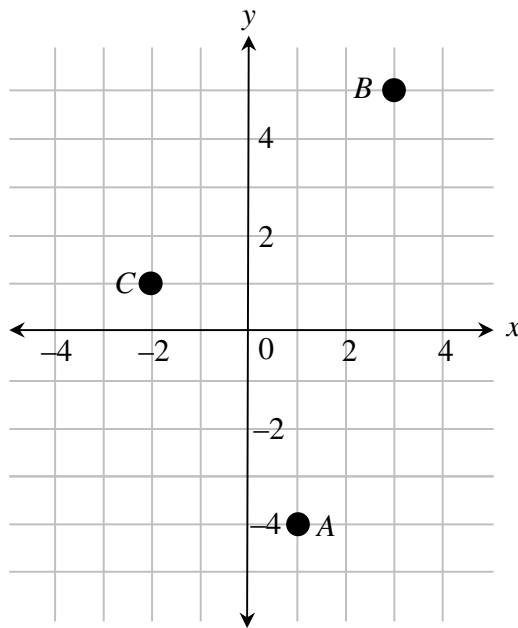
**Question 12** (15 marks) Use a NEW page on your OWN PAPER.

- (a) For the parabola  $(x - 3)^2 = 2(y + 1)$ ,
- (i) Find the coordinates of the vertex. **1**
  - (ii) Find the coordinates of the focus. **1**
  - (iii) Find the equation of the directrix. **1**
- (b) Find:
- (i)  $\int \frac{6x^2}{4 + x^3} dx$ . **1**
  - (ii)  $\int \sin(2017x) dx$ . **1**
  - (iii)  $\int \frac{4}{x^3} + \frac{e^{3x}}{4} dx$ . **2**
- (c) Prove the identity:  $\frac{(1 + \tan^2 x)\cot x}{\operatorname{cosec}^2 x} = \tan x$ . **2**
- (d) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve  $y = \ln\left(\frac{2x-1}{x+1}\right)$  at the point where  $x = 2$ . **3**
- (e) Solve for  $x$ :  $3^{2(x+1)} - 10(3^x) + 1 = 0$ . **3**



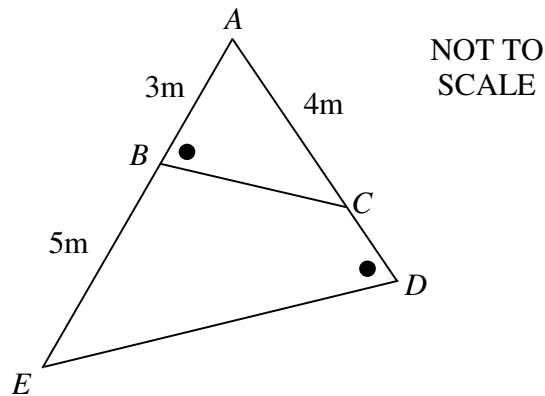
**Question 13** (15 marks) Use a NEW page on your OWN PAPER.

- (a) Points  $A(1,-4)$ ,  $B(3,5)$  and  $C(-2,1)$  lie on a Cartesian plane, as shown in the diagram below.



- (i) Find the length of the interval  $AB$ . 1
- (ii) Find the equation of a straight line passing through  $A$  and  $B$ , leaving your answer in general form. 2
- (iii) Find the perpendicular distance between the point  $C$  and the line passing through  $A$  and  $B$ . 2
- (iv) Hence, or otherwise, find the area of  $\triangle ABC$ , leaving your answer in exact form. 1
- (b) Solve for  $x$ :  $(\log_2 x^3)(\log_2 x) = 12$ . 2

(c)



In the diagram,  $AB = 3\text{m}$ ,  $BE = 5\text{m}$ , and  $AC = 4\text{m}$ .

Given that  $\angle ABC = \angle ADE$ ,

- (i) Prove that the triangles ABC and ADE are similar. 2
- (ii) Hence, find the length CD giving reasons. 2
- (d) A colony of insects was observed as part of a study, where the rate at which the population ( $P$ ) increases at is given by the equation:

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP.$$

where  $k$  is a positive constant.

- (i) Verify that  $P = Ae^{kt}$  is a solution to the differential equation where  $A$  is the initial population of insects observed. 1
- (ii) If the initial population of insects was 680 and doubles after 30 days, find the value of  $k$  to three decimal places. 2

**Question 14** (15 marks) Use a NEW page on your OWN PAPER.

- (a) A particle moves along a straight line where its velocity  $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$  after time  $t$  seconds is given by the formula:

$$v = 3t^2 - 24t + 36.$$

Initially, the particle is 2 metres to the right of the origin O.

- (i) In terms of  $t$ , find an expression for the particle's displacement  $x$  in metres. **1**
- (ii) Find when and where the particle is at rest. **2**
- (iii) Find the total distance travelled by the particle over the first 4 seconds. **2**
- (b) (i) Solve for  $x$ , where  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ :  $4\sin(2x + \pi) + 2 = 0$ . **3**  
Leave your solution in exact form.
- (ii) Draw a neat sketch of  $y = 4\sin(2x + \pi) + 2$ , where  $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ , showing all intercepts. **2**
- (c) (i) Differentiate with respect to  $x$ :  $\ln(\ln x)$ . **2**
- (ii) Hence, or otherwise, find the exact value of:  $\int_e^{e^2} \frac{dx}{x \ln x}$ . **3**

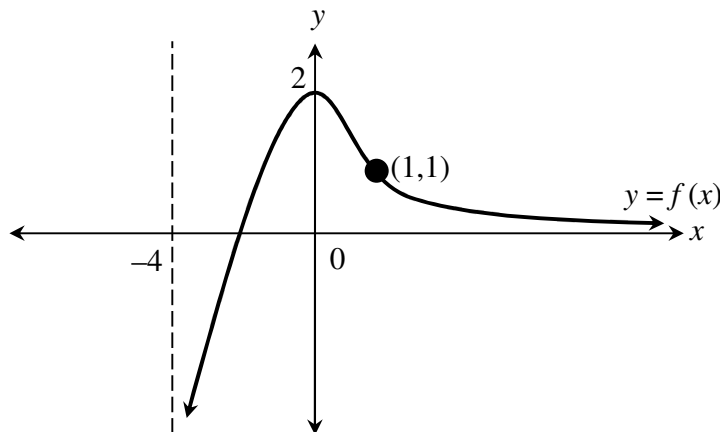
**Question 15** (15 marks) Use a NEW page on your OWN PAPER.

- (a) A soccer team has eight more games to play till the season finishes. For each game, the team can either win, lose or draw. If the probability of a win, loss and draw are identical, find the probability that the team wins at least one of the eight games. 2

- (b) For the curve  $y = \frac{4x}{x^2 + 1}$ ,

- (i) Find the y-intercept. 1
- (ii) Find the stationary points and determine their nature. 4
- (iii) Explain why the curve does not have any vertical asymptotes. 1
- (iv) Using limits, find the horizontal asymptote. 1
- (v) Hence, or otherwise, sketch the curve on a number plane, showing all key features. 2

- (c) The following diagram shows the graph  $y = f(x)$ :



The graph has a maximum turning point at  $(0,2)$  and a point of inflexion at  $(1,1)$ .

- (i) Draw a neat sketch of  $y = f'(x)$ , showing all key features. 2
- (ii) Draw a neat sketch of  $y = f''(x)$ , showing all key features. 2

**Question 16** (15 marks) Use a NEW page on your OWN PAPER.

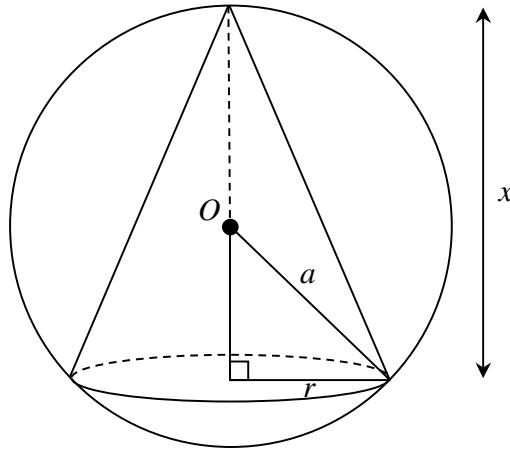
- (a) Consider the following equation: 2

$$(a^2 + b^2)x^2 + 2b(a + c)x + (b^2 + c^2) = 0$$

Find the conditions for  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  such that the equation has real roots.

- (b) To purchase an apartment, Klap took out a loan of \$600,000 from a bank at a reducible interest rate of 3% per annum (compounding monthly). He makes monthly repayments of \$ $B$  to the bank at the end of each month, where the amount owing on the loan after  $n$  payments is  $A_n$ .
- (i) Show that  $A_2 = 600000 \times 1.0025^2 - B \times 1.0025 - B$ . 1
- (ii) Show that  $A_n = 600000 \times 1.0025^n - 400B \times (1.0025^n - 1)$ . 2
- (iii) Hence, or otherwise, find the value of  $B$  if the loan is repaid over 30 years (360 months). 1
- (iv) Halfway through the loan duration (after 180 months), Klap decided to double his repayments to \$ $2B$ . How much faster will he repay the loan (nearest month). 3

(c)



A cone is inscribed in a sphere of radius  $a$ , centred at  $O$ . The height of the cone is  $x$  and the radius of the base is  $r$ , as shown in the diagram.

- (i) Show that the volume,  $V$ , of the cone is given by  $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi(2ax^2 - x^3)$ . **3**
- (ii) Find the value of  $x$  for which the volume of the cone is a maximum. **3**

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