



Answer **all** the questions.

Mathematical tables may be used in any question. The use of non-programmable, silent and cordless calculator is allowed.

Each question is followed by four options lettered A to D. Find the **correct** option for **each** question and shade in **pencil**, on your answer sheet, the answer space which bears the same letter as the option you have chosen.

Give only **one** answer to **each** question. An example is given below.

The ages, in years, of four boys are 10, 12, 14 and 18. What is the average age of the boys?

- A. 12 years
- B.  $12\frac{1}{2}$  years
- C. 13 years
- D.  $13\frac{1}{2}$  years

The correct answer is  $13\frac{1}{2}$  years, which is lettered D, and therefore answer space D would be shaded.

A

B

C

D

Think carefully before you shade the answer spaces; erase completely any answers you wish to change.

Do all rough work on this question paper.

Now answer the following questions.

1. Evaluate, correct to two decimal places,  $75.0785 - 34.624 + 9.83$ .
  - A. 30.62
  - B. 50.28
  - C. 50.29
  - D. 30.60
2. If  $X = \{x: x < 7\}$  and  $Y = \{y: y \text{ is a factor of } 24\}$  are subsets of  $\mu = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\}$ , find  $X \cap Y$ .
  - A.  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8\}$
  - B.  $\{2, 3, 4, 6, 8\}$
  - C.  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$
  - D.  $\{2, 3, 4, 6\}$

3. Simplify:  $\left[ \left( \frac{16}{9} \right)^{-3} \times 16^{-4} \right]^{\frac{1}{3}}$ .

- A.  $\frac{1}{4}$
- B.  $\frac{3}{8}$
- C.  $\frac{9}{16}$
- D.  $\frac{3}{4}$

- 3 16
4. Find the least value of  $x$  which satisfies the equation  $4x \equiv 7 \pmod{9}$ :
- 4
  - 5
  - 6
  - 7
5. Express  $1 + 2 \log_{10} 3$  in the form  $\log_{10} q$ .
- $\log_{10} 6$
  - $\log_{10} 9$
  - $\log_{10} 19$
  - $\log_{10} 90$
6. If  $101_{\text{two}} + 12_y = 23_{\text{five}}$ , find the value of  $y$ .
- 5
  - 6
  - 7
  - 8
7. An amount of ₦550,000.00 was realized when a principal,  $x$  was saved at 2% simple interest for 5 years. Find the value of  $x$ .
- ₦500,000.00
  - ₦490,000.00
  - ₦480,000.00
  - ₦470,000.00
8. Given that  $\frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} = x + y\sqrt{15}$ , find the value of  $(x + y)$ .
- $\frac{1}{5}$
  - $1\frac{1}{5}$
  - $1\frac{2}{5}$
  - $1\frac{3}{5}$
9. If  $x = 3$  and  $y = -1$ , evaluate  $2(x^2 - y^3)$ .
- 16
  - 20
  - 22
  - 24
10. Solve  $3x - 2y = 10$  and  $x + 3y = 7$ .
- $x = 4, y = 1$
  - $x = 1, y = 4$
  - $x = -1, y = -4$
  - $x = -4, y = 1$

11. The implication  $x \Rightarrow y$  is equivalent to
- $\sim y \Rightarrow \sim x$
  - $y \Rightarrow \sim x$
  - $\sim x \Rightarrow \sim y$
  - $y \Rightarrow x$
12. The first term of a Geometric Progression (G.P) is 3 and the 5th term is 48. Find the common ratio.
- 16
  - 8
  - 4
  - 2
13. Solve:  $\frac{1}{3}(5 - 3x) < \frac{2}{5}(3 - 7x)$ .
- $x < \frac{-7}{27}$
  - $x > \frac{-7}{27}$
  - $x < \frac{7}{22}$
  - $x > \frac{7}{22}$
14. Make  $m$  the subject of the relation  $k = \sqrt{\frac{m-y}{m+1}}$
- $m = \frac{y - k^2}{1 - k^2}$
  - $m = \frac{y - k^2}{k^2 + 1}$
  - $m = \frac{y + k^2}{1 - k^2}$
  - $m = \frac{y + k^2}{k^2 + 1}$

15/ Find the quadratic equation whose roots are  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $-\frac{1}{3}$ .

A.  $6x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

B.  $3x^2 + x - 1 = 0$

C.  $6x^2 + x - 1 = 0$

D.  $3x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

16. Given that  $x$  is directly proportional to  $y$  and inversely proportional to  $z$ ,  $x = 15$  when  $y = 10$  and  $z = 4$ , find the equation connecting  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ .

A.  $x = \frac{3y}{2z}$

B.  $x = \frac{3y}{z}$

C.  $x = \frac{12y}{z}$

D.  $x = \frac{6y}{z}$

17. Two buses start from the same station at 9.00 am and travel in opposite directions along the same straight road. The first bus travels at a speed of 72 km/h and the second at 48 km/h. At what time will they be 240 km apart?

A. 10.00 a.m.

B. 11.00 a.m.

C. 12.00 noon

D. 1.00 p.m.

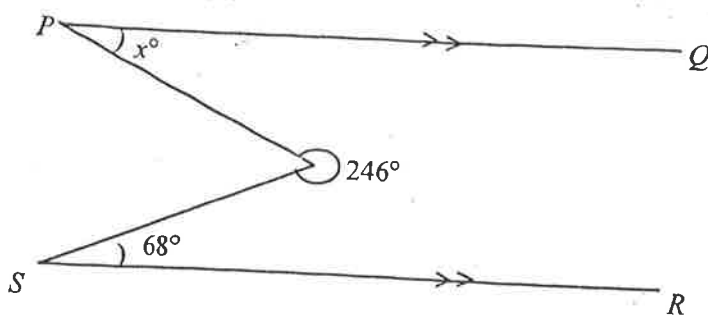
18. A solid cuboid has length 7 cm, width 5 cm and height 4 cm. Calculate its total surface area.

A.  $83 \text{ cm}^2$

B.  $140 \text{ cm}^2$

C.  $166 \text{ cm}^2$

D.  $280 \text{ cm}^2$



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19. In the diagram,  $\overline{PQ} \parallel \overline{SR}$ . Find the value of  $x$ .
- A. 68  
 B. 57  
 C. 46  
 D. 34
20. Find the equation of the line parallel to  $2y = 3(x - 2)$  and passes through the point  $(2, 3)$ .
- A.  $y = -\frac{2}{3}x$   
 B.  $y = \frac{3}{2}x$   
 C.  $y = \frac{2}{3}x - 2$   
 D.  $y = \frac{3}{2}x - 3$
21. The expression  $\frac{5x + 3}{6x(x + 1)}$  will be undefined when  $x$  equals
- A.  $\{-3, 0\}$ .  
 B.  $\{-3, -1\}$ .  
 C.  $\{0, -1\}$ .  
 D.  $\{0, 1\}$ .

22. A man is five times as old as his son. In four years time, the product of their ages would be 340. If the son's age is  $y$ , express the product of their ages in terms of  $y$ .

A.  $5y^2 + 24y - 324 = 0$

B.  $5y^2 - 16y - 330 = 0$

C.  $5y^2 + 24y - 308 = 0$

D.  $5y^2 - 16y - 380 = 0$

23. Simplify:  $\frac{a}{b} - \frac{b}{a} - \frac{c}{b}$

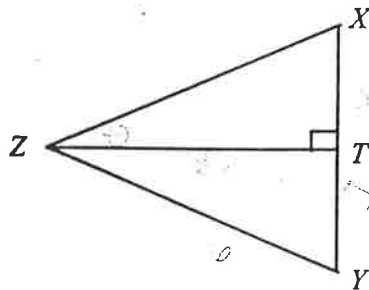
A.  $\frac{a^2 - b^2 - ac}{ab}$

B.  $\frac{a^2 - b^2 + ac}{ab}$

C.  $\frac{ab - bc - ac}{ab}$

D.  $\frac{a - b + c}{ab}$

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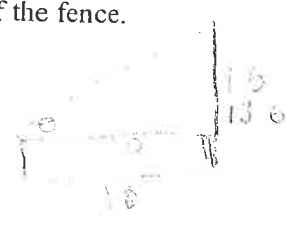

In the diagram,  $XYZ$  is an equilateral triangle of side 6 cm and  $T$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{XY}$ . Find  $\tan(\angle XZT)$ .

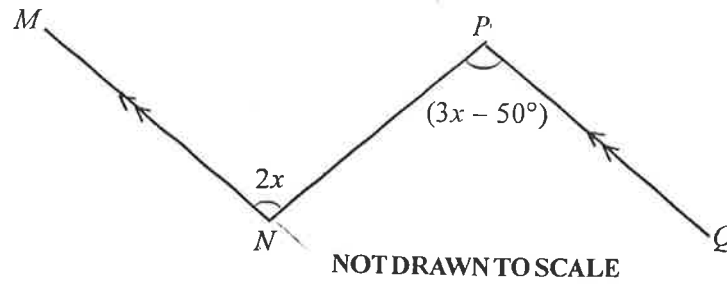
A.  $\frac{1}{2}$

B.  $\sqrt{3}$

C.  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

D.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

25. A fence 2.4 m tall, is 10 m away from a tree of height 16 m. Calculate the angle of elevation of the top of the tree from the top of the fence.
- A.  $51.32^\circ$
- B.  $52.40^\circ$
- ~~C.~~  $53.67^\circ$
- D.  $76.11^\circ$
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26. Fati buys milk at ₦ $x$  per tin and sells each at a profit of ₦ $y$ . If she sells 10 tins of milk, how much does she receive from the sales?
- A. ₦ $10(x + y)$
- ~~B.~~ ₦ $(10x + y)$
- C. ₦ $(x + 10y)$
- D. ₦ $(xy + 10)$
27. If  $\tan y$  is positive and  $\sin y$  is negative, in which quadrant would  $y$  lie?
- A. Second only
- ~~B.~~ Third only
- C. First and second only
- D. First and third only
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28. The dimensions of a rectangular base of a right pyramid are 9 cm by 5 cm. If the volume of the pyramid is  $105 \text{ cm}^3$ , how high is the pyramid?
- ~~A.~~ 7 cm
- B. 8 cm
- C. 6 cm
- D. 10 cm
29. Each interior angle of a regular polygon is  $168^\circ$ . Find the number of sides of the polygon.
- A. 18
- B. 24
- C. 36
- ~~D.~~ 30



In the diagram,  $\overline{MN} \parallel \overline{PQ}$ ,  $\angle MNP = 2x$  and  $\angle NPQ = (3x - 50^\circ)$ . Find the value of  $\angle NPQ$ .

- A.  $100^\circ$
- B.  $120^\circ$
- C.  $150^\circ$
- D.  $200^\circ$

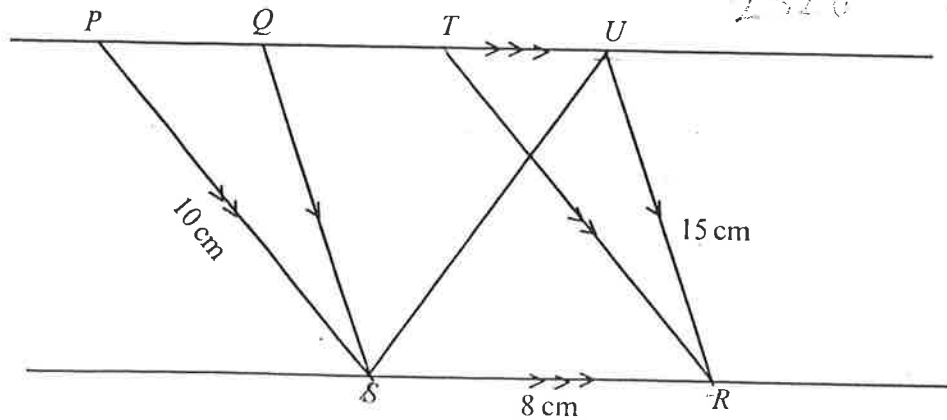
$2x + 3x - 50 = 180$   
 $5x - 50 = 180$   
 $5x = 230$   
 $x = 46$

31. The length of an arc of a circle of radius 3.5 cm is  $1\frac{19}{36}$  cm. Calculate, correct to the nearest degree, the angle subtended by the arc at the centre of the circle. [Take  $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$ ]

- A.  $22^\circ$
- B.  $25^\circ$
- C.  $36^\circ$
- D.  $55^\circ$

$1\frac{19}{36} = 1.5277$   
 $2 \times \frac{22}{7} \times r \times \theta = \text{arc length}$   
 $2 \times \frac{22}{7} \times 3.5 \times \theta = 1.5277$   
 $22 \times \theta = 1.5277$   
 $\theta = \frac{1.5277}{22} = 0.0694$   
 $\theta = 0.0694 \times \frac{180}{\pi} = 12.5^\circ$

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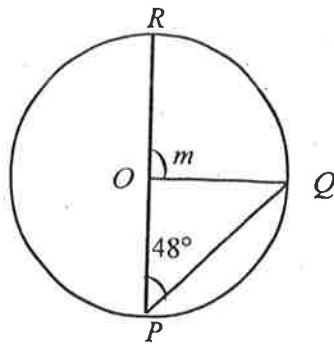
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In the diagram,  $\overline{PU} \parallel \overline{SR}$ ,  $\overline{PS} \parallel \overline{TR}$ ,  $\overline{QS} \parallel \overline{UR}$ ,  $|\overline{UR}| = 15$  cm,  $|\overline{SR}| = 8$  cm,  $|\overline{PS}| = 10$  cm and area of  $\Delta SUR = 24$  cm<sup>2</sup>. Calculate the area of PTRS.

- A.  $120$  cm<sup>2</sup>
- B.  $80$  cm<sup>2</sup>
- C.  $48$  cm<sup>2</sup>
- D.  $40$  cm<sup>2</sup>

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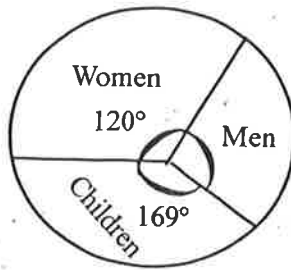


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In the diagram  $PQR$  is a circle with centre  $O$ . If  $\angle OPQ = 48^\circ$ , find the value of  $m$ .

- A.  $42^\circ$
- B.  $68^\circ$
- C.  $90^\circ$
- D.  $96^\circ$

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The pie chart shows the population of men, women and children in a city. If the population of the city is 1,800,000, how many men are there?

- A. 250,000
- B. 355,000
- C. 600,000
- D. 845,000

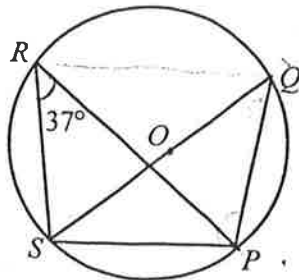
35. The mean of the numbers 15, 21, 17, 26, 18 and 29 is 21. Calculate the standard deviation.

- A. 0
- B. 5
- C. 6
- D. 9

Handwritten calculations for question 35:

5	70
1	17
1	21
1	17
1	26
1	18
1	29
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6	126
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21	

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In the diagram,  $O$  is the centre of the circle.  $SOQ$  is a diameter and  $\angle SRP = 37^\circ$ . Find  $\angle PSQ$ ?

- A.  $37^\circ$
- B.  $53^\circ$
- C.  $65^\circ$
- D.  $127^\circ$

37. Find the sum of the interior angles of a pentagon.

- A.  $550^\circ$
- ~~B.  $540^\circ$~~
- C.  $350^\circ$
- D.  $340^\circ$

38. The diameter of a sphere is 12 cm. Calculate, correct to the **nearest**  $\text{cm}^3$ , the volume of the sphere.

[Take  $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$ ]

- A.  $906 \text{ cm}^3$
- ~~B.  $905 \text{ cm}^3$~~
- C.  $904 \text{ cm}^3$
- D.  $903 \text{ cm}^3$

A box contains 12 identical balls, of which 5 are red, 4 blue and the rest are green.  
Use this information to answer questions 39 and 40.

39. If a ball is selected at random from the box, what is the probability that it is green?

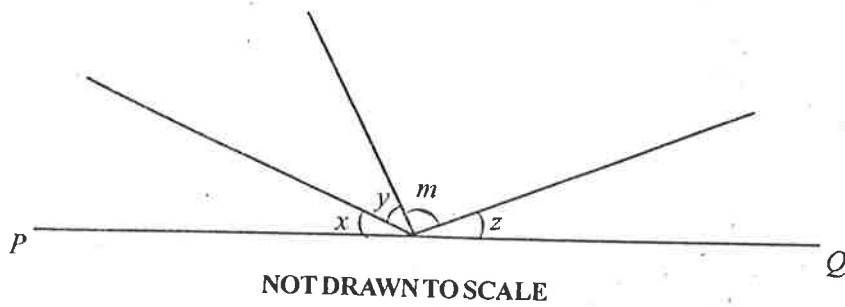
- A.  $\frac{1}{4}$
- ~~B.  $\frac{1}{3}$~~
- C.  $\frac{1}{2}$
- D.  $\frac{3}{4}$

40. If two balls are selected at random one after the other **with replacement**, what is the probability that both are red?

- A.  $\frac{103}{132}$
- B.  $\frac{5}{6}$
- C.  $\frac{5}{33}$
- ~~D.  $\frac{25}{144}$~~

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In the diagram,  $PQ$  is a straight line. If  $m = \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z)$ , find the value of  $m$ .

- A.  $100^\circ$   
 B.  $90^\circ$   
 C.  $60^\circ$   
 D.  $45^\circ$

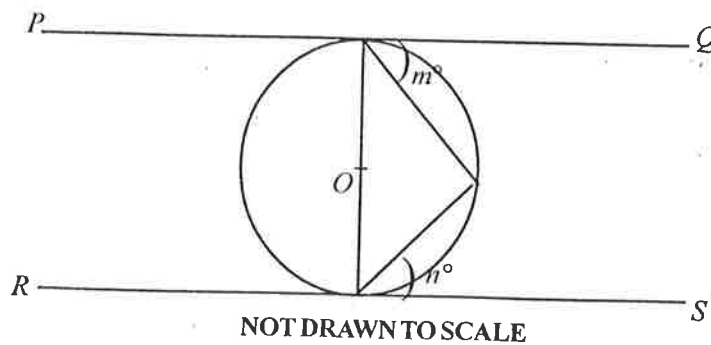
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$x$	6.20	6.85	7.50
$y$	3.90	5.20	6.50

The points on a linear graph are as shown in the table. Find the gradient (slope) of the line.

- A.  $\frac{1}{2}$   
 B. 1  
 C. 2  
 D.  $2\frac{1}{2}$

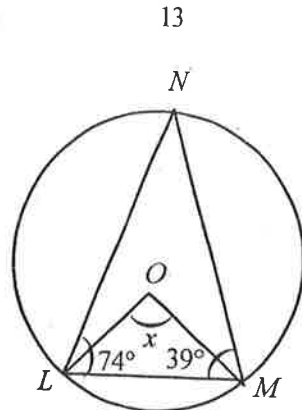
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In the diagram,  $O$  is the centre of the circle,  $\overline{PQ}$  and  $\overline{RS}$  are tangents to the circle. Find the value of  $(m + n)$ .

- A.  $60^\circ$   
 B.  $75^\circ$   
 C.  $90^\circ$   
 D.  $120^\circ$

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In the diagram, O is the centre of the circle. If  $\angle NLM = 74^\circ$ ,  $\angle LMN = 39^\circ$  and  $\angle LOM = x$ , find the value of  $x$ .

- A.  $106^\circ$
- B.  $113^\circ$
- C.  $126^\circ$
- D.  $134^\circ$

45. Which of the following is **not** a sufficient condition for two triangles to be congruent?

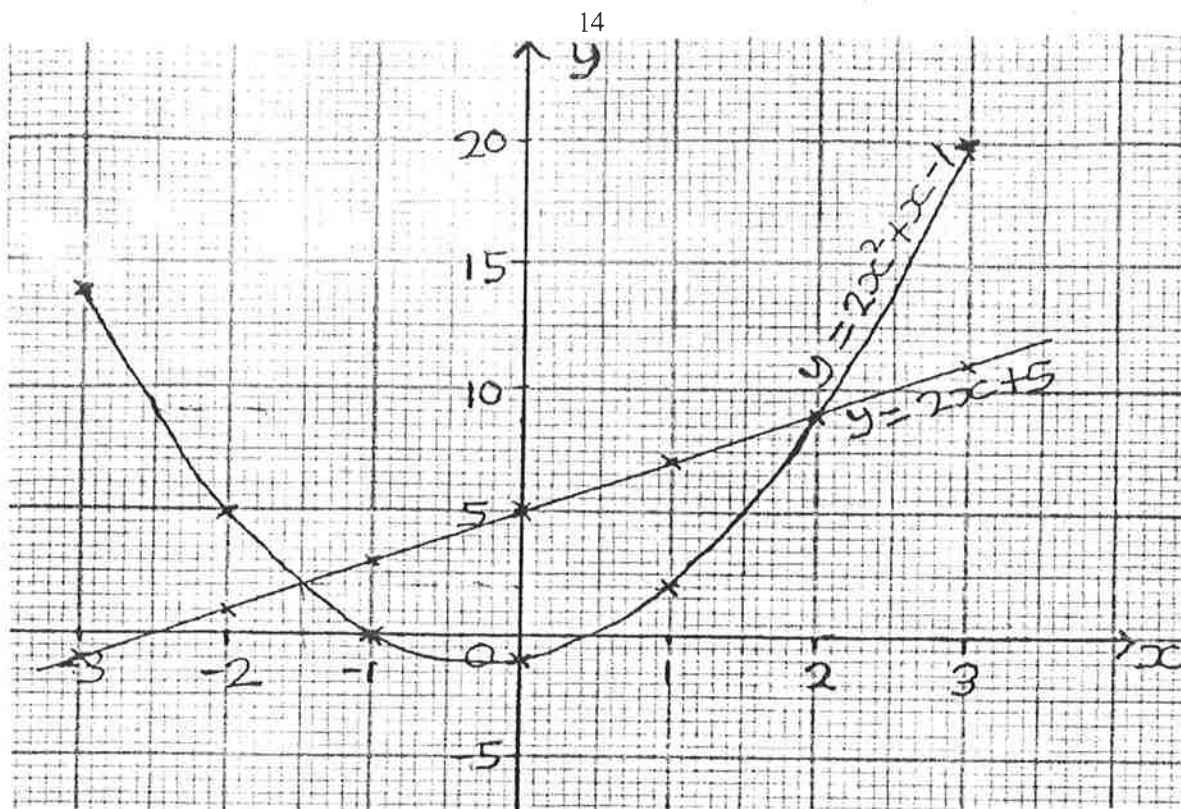
- A.  $SSA$
- B.  $SAS$
- C.  $SSS$
- D.  $AAS$

46. A woman received a discount of 20% on a piece of cloth she purchased from a shop. If she paid \$ 525.00, what was the original price?

- A. \$ 616.25
- B. \$ 656.25
- C. \$ 660.25
- D. \$ 675.25

47. The interquartile range of a distribution is 7. If the 25th percentile is 16, find the upper quartile.

- A. 9
- B. 23
- C. 30
- D. 35



The graphs of the equations  $y = 2x + 5$  and  $y = 2x^2 + x - 1$  are shown.  
Use the information to answer questions 48 and 49.

48. Find the points of intersection of the two graphs.
- A.  $(2.0, 7.5)$  and  $(-1.5, 2.5)$
  - B.  $(2.0, 8.0)$  and  $(-1.5, 2.5)$
  - C.  $(2.0, 8.5)$  and  $(-1.5, 2.0)$  ✓
  - D.  $(2.0, 9.0)$  and  $(-1.5, 2.0)$
49. If  $x = -2.5$ , what is the value of  $y$  on the curve?
- A.  $y = 9.5$
  - B.  $y = 9.0$  ✓
  - C.  $y = 8.5$
  - D.  $y = 8.0$
50. If  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $x^2 + px - 10$ , find the value of  $p$ .
- A.  $-7$
  - B.  $7$
  - C.  $-3$  ✓
  - D.  $3$
- $4 - 2p = 10 \Rightarrow p = -3$

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*Write your name and index number in ink in the spaces provided above.*

*Answer ten questions in all. All the questions in Section A and five questions from Section B.*

*In each question, all necessary details of working, including rough work, must be shown with the answer.*

*Give answers as accurately as data and tables allow.*

*Graph papers are provided for your use in the examination.*

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SECTION A  
[40 marks]

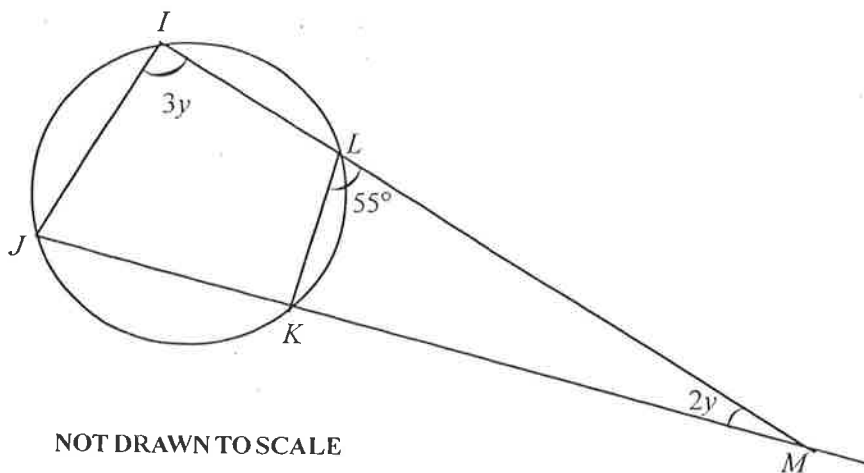
Answer **all** the questions in this section. All questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) In a small town, 68 % of the people owned Television, 72 % owned Radio and 12 % owned neither Television nor Radio.  
 (i) Represent the information on a Venn diagram.  
 (ii) What percentage of the population owned Television **only**?
- (b) Boadu and Ansah formed a company and agreed that their annual profit will be shared in the ratio 4 : 5 respectively. If at the end of the year, Ansah received GH¢ 5,000.00 more than Boadu, how much was Boadu's share?

2. (a) Make  $y$  the subject of the relation:  $p = 2x \sqrt{\frac{q\left(1 + \frac{r^2}{y^2}\right)}{s}}$

(b) Given that  $m = 3$ ,  $n = -2$  and  $x = -1$ , evaluate  $\frac{2mn^2x}{3m - n}$ .

3. (a)



In the diagram  $IJKL$  are points on a circle such that  $\angle JIL = 3y$  and  $\angle KML = 2y$ . If  $\angle KLM = 55^\circ$ , find the value of  $y$ .

(b) Given that  $\tan x = 1$ ,  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 90^\circ$ , evaluate  $\frac{1 - \sin^2 x}{\cos x}$ .

4. (a) A cone and a pyramid have equal heights and volumes. If the base area of the pyramid is  $154 \text{ cm}^2$ , find the radius of the cone. [Take  $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$ ]

- (b) A spherical bowl of radius  $r$  cm is a **quarter** full when 6 litres of water is poured into it. Calculate, correct to **three** significant figures, the diameter of the bowl. [Take  $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$ ]

$7 - \frac{53}{5}$

5.

Class	JHS 1	JHS 2	JHS 3
Boys	32	26	26
Girls	28	44	36

The table above shows three classes: JHS 1, JHS 2 and JHS 3 in a school. The three classes were combined to select a prefect. What is the probability that the prefect will be:

- (a) a boy?  
 (b) a girl in JHS 2?

SECTION B  
 [60 marks]

Answer **five** questions **only** from this section. All questions carry **equal** marks.

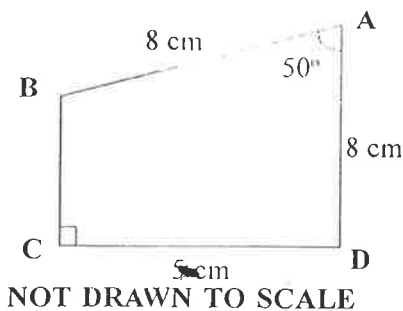
6. (a) Copy and complete the table of values for the relation  $y = 7\cos x - 3\sin x$ .

$x$	$0^\circ$	$30^\circ$	$60^\circ$	$90^\circ$	$120^\circ$	$150^\circ$
$y$	7.0	4.6	0.9	-3.0	-6.1	-7.6

- (b) Using a scale of 2 cm to  $30^\circ$  on the  $x$ -axis and a scale of 2 cm to 2 units on the  $y$ -axis, draw the graph of  $y = 7\cos x - 3\sin x$  for  $0^\circ \leq x \leq 150^\circ$ .  
 (c) Use the graph to solve the equations:  
 (i)  $7\cos x = 3\sin x$ ;  
 (ii)  $7\cos x = 3.2 + 3\sin x$ .

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(a)



In the diagram  $|AB| = |AD| = 8$  cm and  $|CD| = 5$  cm. If  $\angle BCD = 90^\circ$  and  $\angle BAD = 50^\circ$ , calculate, correct to the nearest whole number:

- (i)  $|BD|$ ;  
 (ii) the area of  $\triangle BCD$ .  
 (b) A man is five times as old as his son. In three years time, the product of their ages will be 380. Find their present ages.

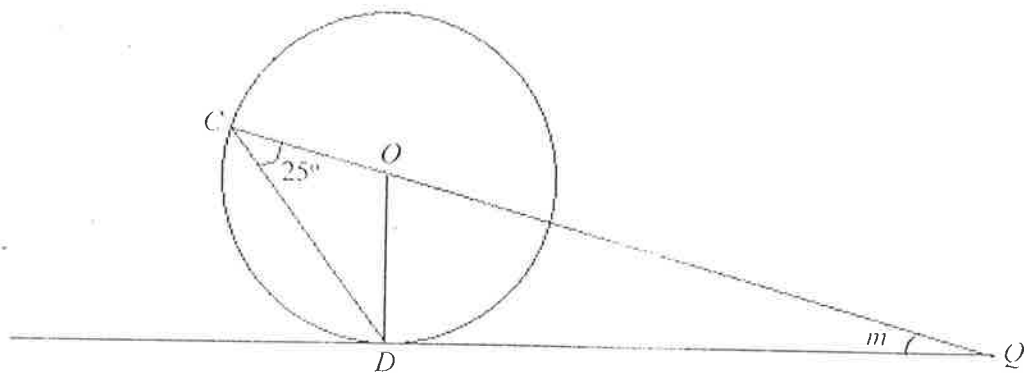
8. (a) A market woman purchased a number of plates for GH¢ 150.00. Four of the plates got broken while transporting them to her shop. By selling the remaining plates at a profit of GH¢ 1.00 on each, she made a total profit of GH¢ 6.00. How many plates did she purchase?
- (b) If  $\frac{1}{32}, m, \frac{1}{8}, n, \dots$  are in Geometric Progression (G.P), find the values of  $m$  and  $n$ .
9. (a) Two points  $X$  and  $Y$ , 7 metres apart are on the same horizontal ground. The angles of elevation of a point  $P$  from  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $50^\circ$  and  $70^\circ$  respectively.  $Q$  is a point on  $XY$  produced such that  $\angle YQP = 90^\circ$ .
- (i) Illustrate the information in a *diagram*.
- (ii) Calculate, correct to **two** decimal places, the length:
- ( $\alpha$ )  $\overline{XP}$ ;
- ( $\beta$ )  $\overline{YQ}$ .
- (b) Solve the equation:  $\frac{3x}{1-x} + \frac{2x}{x+1} = 2$ .

10. The table shows the age distribution of workers in a company.

Age (years)	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	51-55	56-60
Number of Workers	11	24	29	15	10	9	2

- (a) Construct a cumulative frequency table and use it to draw a cumulative frequency curve.
- (b) Use the curve to estimate the:
- (i) probability of selecting a worker whose age is **not** more than 45 years;
- (ii) number of workers who will retire if the retiring age is 50 years and above.

11. (a)



**NOT DRAWN TO SCALE**

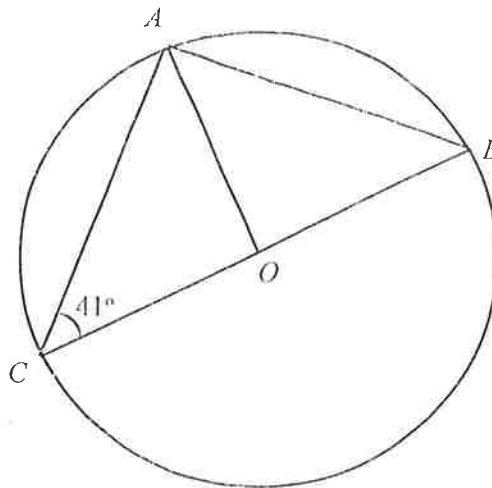
The diagram shows a circle, centre  $O$ , with  $C$  and  $D$  as points on the circumference.  $\overline{DQ}$  is a tangent produced at  $Q$ . Find the value of  $m$ .

- (b) Find the equation of the line which has the same gradient (slope) as  $2y + x = 6$  and passes through the point  $(-2, 3)$ .

- (c) The ratio of the profit, cost of materials and labour in the production of an article is 5 : 7 : 13 respectively. If the cost of materials is Le 340 more than that of labour, find the total cost of producing the article.

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(a)



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In the diagram,  $O$  is the centre of the circle  $ABC$  and  $\angle BCA = 41^\circ$ .

Find:

- (i)  $\angle BOA$ ;  
 (ii)  $\angle BAO$ .
- (b) The angle of depression of a point,  $P$ , on the ground from the top,  $T$ , of a building is  $23.6^\circ$ . If the horizontal distance from  $P$  to the base of the building is 50 m, calculate, correct to **three** significant figures, the height of the building.
- (c) A cow is tied to a post at the centre of a square grazing field of side 25 m by a rope 10 m long. Find, correct to **two** decimal places the percentage of the field the cow is able to graze on. [Take  $\pi = \frac{22}{7}$ ]

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(a) Given that  $f: x \rightarrow x + 3$  and  $g: x \rightarrow x^2$ ,

- (i) find  $g(f(x))$ ,  
 (ii) evaluate  $g(f(2))$ .

(b) Find what values of  $x$  is  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x+2}$  undefined?

(c) Given that  $f(x) = \frac{k}{x+1} + \frac{6}{x+2}$  and  $f(5) = 8$ , find the value of  $k$ .

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