



PAST PAPER QUESTIONS GRADE 12 MATHEMATICS

DO THESE QUESTIONS AS PART OF REINFORCING
THE CONCEPTS

QUESTION 1

1.1 Solve for x :

1.1.1 $x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$ (3)

1.1.2 $5x^2 - 5x + 1 = 0$ (correct to TWO decimal places) (3)

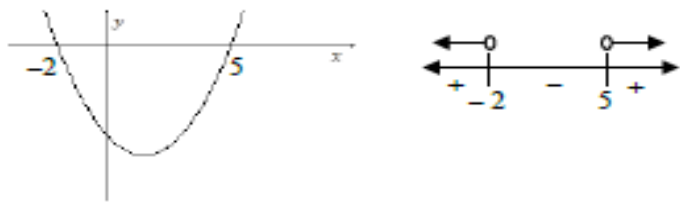
1.1.3 $x^2 - 3x - 10 > 0$ (3)

1.1.4 $3\sqrt{x} = x - 4$ (4)

1.2 Solve simultaneously for x and y :

$3x - y = 2$ and $2y + 9x^2 = -1$ (6)

QUESTION/VR44G 1

1.1.1	$x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$ $(x-3)(x-1) = 0$ $x = 3$ or $x = 1$	✓ factors/correct sub in formula ✓ $x = 3$ ✓ $x = 1$ (3)
1.1.2	$5x^2 - 5x + 1 = 0$ $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ $= \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 4(5)(1)}}{2(5)}$ $= \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{5}}{10}$ $x = 0,72$ or $x = 0,28$	✓ substitution into the correct formula ✓ $x = 0,72$ ✓ $x = 0,28$ (3)
1.1.3	$x^2 - 3x - 10 > 0$ $(x-5)(x+2) > 0$ OR/OF  $x < -2$ or $x > 5$	✓ factors/ critical values ✓ ✓ $x < -2$ or $x > 5$ (3)
1.1.4	$3\sqrt{x} = x - 4$ $9x = x^2 - 8x + 16$ $x^2 - 17x + 16 = 0$ $(x-16)(x-1) = 0$ $x = 16$ or $x = 1$ NA	✓ squaring both sides ✓ $x^2 - 17x + 16 = 0$ ✓ factors ✓ answer with selection (4)

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1.2

$$2y + 9x^2 = -1 \dots (1)$$

$$3x - y = 2 \dots (2)$$

$$y = 3x - 2 \dots (3)$$

$$2(3x - 2) + 9x^2 = -1$$

$$6x - 4 + 9x^2 = -1$$

$$9x^2 + 6x - 3 = 0$$

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

$$(3x - 1)(x + 1) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad x = -1$$

$$y = -1 \quad \text{or} \quad y = -5$$

$$\checkmark y = 3x - 2$$

✓ substitution

✓ standard form

✓ factors

✓ both x values

✓ both y values

(6)

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QUESTION 8

8.1 Determine $f'(x)$ from first principles if it is given $f(x) = x^2 - 5$. (5)

8.2 Determine $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if:

8.2.1 $y = 3x^3 + 6x^2 + x - 4$ (3)

8.2.2 $yx - y = 2x^2 - 2x$; $x \neq 1$ (4)
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ANSWERS FOR 8.2 IN VIDEO ON POWER
RULE ON WEBSITE

QUESTION/VRAAG 8

8.1	$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - 5 - x^2 + 5}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(2x + h)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (2x + h) \\ &= 2x \end{aligned}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ $x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - 5$✓ simplification✓ factorisation✓ $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (2x + h)$✓ $2x$ <p>(5)</p>
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7.2 Determine $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $y = 4x^8 + \sqrt{x^3}$ (3)

7.3 Given: $y = ax^2 + a$

Determine:

7.3.1 $\frac{dy}{dx}$ (1)

7.3.2 $\frac{dy}{da}$ (2)

ANSWERS FOR 7.2 and 7.3
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website