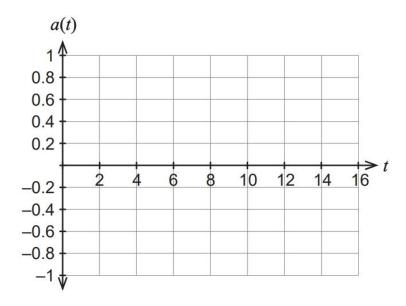
Question 9 (8 marks)

It takes an elevator 16 seconds to ascend from the ground floor of a building to the sixth floor. The velocity of the elevator during its ascent is given by

$$v(t) = \frac{9\pi}{16} \sin\left(\frac{\pi t}{16}\right) \text{ m/s.}$$

The velocity, v, is measured in metres per second, while the time, t, is measured in seconds.

(a) Determine the acceleration of the elevator during its ascent and provide a sketch of the acceleration function for  $0 \le t \le 16$ . (2 marks)



(b) With reference to your answer from part (a), explain what is happening to the velocity of the elevator in the interval 0 < t < 8 and in the interval 8 < t < 16. (3 marks)

