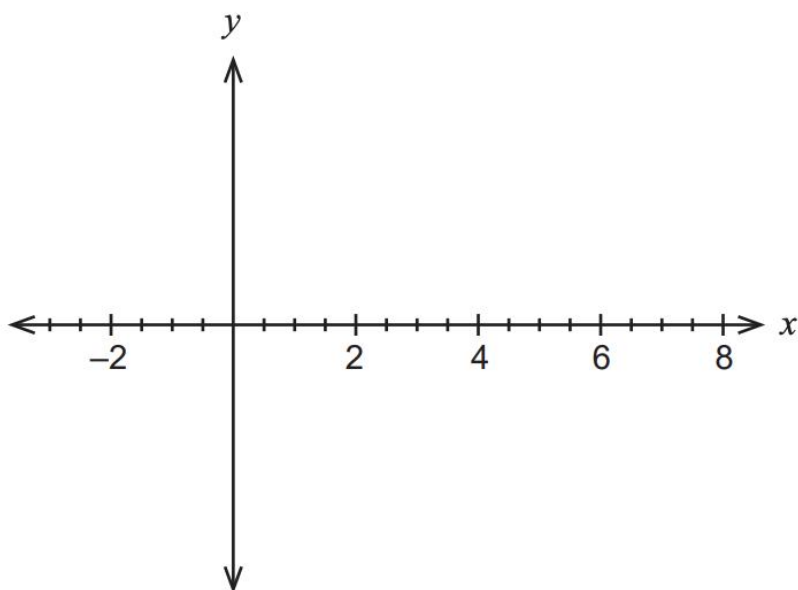


Question 8**(8 marks)**

Consider the function $f(x) = \log_a(x - 1)$ where $a > 1$.

- (a) On the axes below, sketch the graph of $f(x)$, labelling important features. (3 marks)



- (b) Determine the value of m if $f(m) = 1$. (2 marks)

- (c) Determine the coordinates of the x – intercept of $f(x + b) + c$, where b and c are positive real constants. (3 marks)