MASTERY QUIZ DAY 9   Math 237 – Linear Algebra
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Show all work. Answers without work will not receive credit. You may use a calculator, but you must show all relevant work to receive credit for a standard.

Standard V2.	Mark:

Determine if $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear combination of the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution:
$$\text{RREF}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ -1 & 4 & -6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ is not a linear combination of the three vectors.

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