



Semester 1 Examination 2012  
Question/Answer Booklet

MATHEMATICS 3A

Section One:  
Calculator-free

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Time allowed for this section**  
Reading time before commencing work: 5 minutes  
Working time for this section: 50 minutes

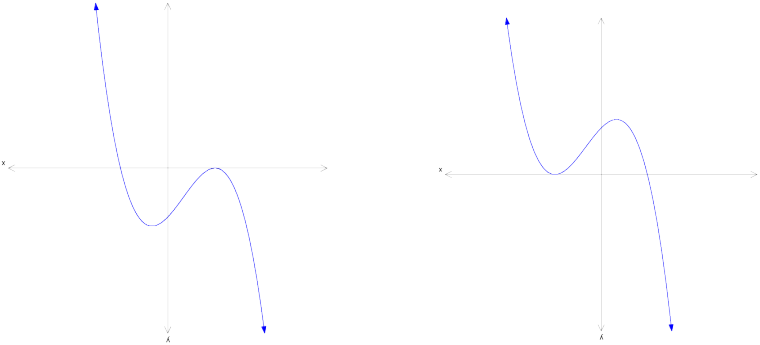
**Materials required/recommended for this section**  
*To be provided by the supervisor*  
This Question/Answer Booklet  
Formula Sheet

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Standard items: pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, correction fluid/tape, ruler,  
Special items: \_\_\_\_\_  
highlighters  
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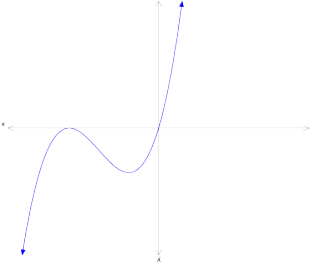
**Important note to students**  
No other items may be used in this section of the examination. It is **your** responsibility to ensure

On the next 3 pairs of axes A, B, C are graphs of  $y=f(x)$ ,  $f(x-1)$ ,  $-f(x)$  in some order. Say which corresponds to which graph.

(3)



Function	$y = f(x)$
B	$y = f(x)$
C	$y = f(x - 1)$
A	$y = -f(x)$



Solution
As in the table
Specific behaviours
✓✓✓ I mark for each

that you do not have any unauthorised notes or other items in the examination room.  
If you have any unauthorised material with you, hand it to the supervisor **before** reading any further.

### Structure of this paper

Section	Number of questions available	Number of questions to be answered	Working time (minutes)	Marks available	Percentage of exam
Section One Calculator-free	7	7	50	50	
Section Two Calculator-assumed	13	13	100	100	
			Total	150	100

### Instructions to students

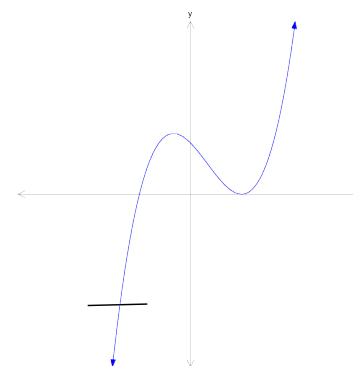
- Write your answers in the spaces provided in this Question/Answer Booklet. Spare pages are included at the end of this booklet. They can be used for planning your responses and/or as additional space if required to continue an answer. If you need to use the space to continue an answer, indicate in the original answer space where the answer is continued. i.e. give the page number. Fill in the number of the question(s) that you are continuing to answer at the top of the page. \_\_\_\_\_
- Show all your working clearly.** Your working should be in sufficient detail to allow your answers to be checked readily and for marks to be awarded for reasoning. Incorrect answers given without supporting reasoning cannot be allocated any marks. For any question or part question worth more than two marks, valid working or justification is required to receive full marks. If you

- (iii) The following linear equations for the mean  $\mu$  and the standard deviation  $\sigma$  were determined for the distribution of the weights of individual Yoghurt Muesli Bars:  
 $\mu + \sigma = 35.15$  and  $\mu - 2\sigma = 34.7$   
 Use the equations to find the mean weight and standard deviation of Yoghurt Muesli Bars.  
 (2)

Solution
$\mu + \sigma = 35.15$ - - - (1) $\mu - 2\sigma = 34.7$ - - - (2) (1) - (2) results in $3\sigma = 0.45$ $\sigma = 0.15$ , $\mu = 35$
Specific behaviours
✓ solves the two equations simultaneously ✓ correct values for $\sigma$ and $\mu$

### Question 7 (continued)

- (b) The graph of  $y=f(x)$  has been plotted below



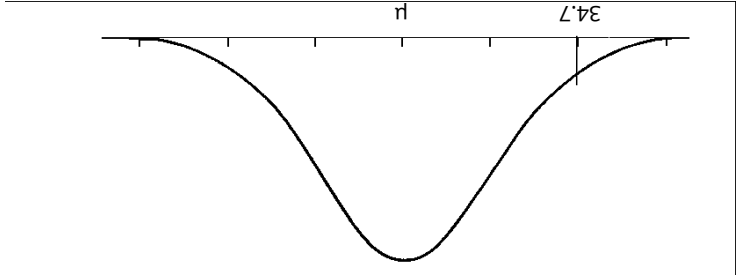
Question 7

(8 Marks)

- (a) The weight ( $W$ ) in grams of individual Muesli Bars in a batch was measured to investigate their weight distribution.

- (i) Using the normal distribution curve below with mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$  illustrate the meaning of  $\mu - 2\sigma = 34.7$

(1)

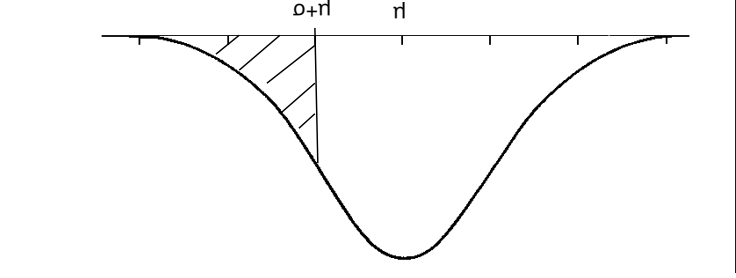


✓ or X
As shown on diagram
<b>Solution</b>
<b>Specific behaviours</b>

(iii)

- Using the normal distribution curve below, illustrate the meaning of  $P(W \geq \mu + \sigma) = 0.1587$

(2)



✓ or X
As shown on diagram
<b>Solution</b>
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ shaded region

repeat an answer to any question, ensure that you cancel the answer you do not wish to have marked.

3 It is recommended that you **do not use pencil**, except in diagrams.

Section One: Calculator-free

(50

marks)

This section has **six (6)** questions. Answer all questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Working time: 50 minutes

Question 1

(5 marks)

The marks in Mr Green's Chemistry test are normally distributed. The mean is 100 and the standard deviation is 10.

- (i) Jon's mark is 115. What is his Z-score?

(1)

<b>Solution</b>
$Z = \frac{115 - 100}{10} = 1.5$
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ or X

(iii)

Christopher has a Z-score of -2. What mark did he achieve in the test?

(1)

Solution
$-2 = \frac{X - 100}{10}$ $X = 80$
Specific behaviours
✓ or X

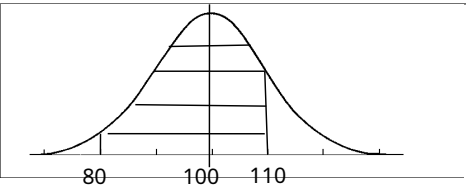
(iii) What percentage of marks lie between 80 and 110? (3)

You may assume the following:

68% of marks have Z-scores between -1 and 1

95% of marks have Z-scores between -2 and 2

99.7% of marks have Z-scores between -3 and 3

Solution
 <p>80 is 2 standard deviations to the left of the mean 110 is 1 standard deviation to the right of the mean</p> $\text{Percentage of scores between 80 and 110} = \frac{1}{2} \times 95\% + \frac{1}{2} \times 68\% = 81.5\%$
Specific behaviours
✓ identifying 110 has a z-score of 1 ✓✓ calculates the region between 80 and 110 as 0.815

**Question 2 (8 marks)**

(a) Jonathon used the 'capture-recapture' technique to estimate the number of yabbies living in a dam.

\* He caught, tagged and released 20 yabbies.

\* Later he caught 36 yabbies at random from the same dam.

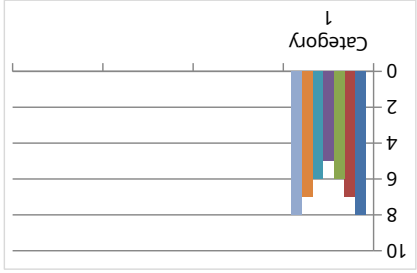
\* He found that 8 of these 36 yabbies had been tagged.

Estimate the total number of yabbies living in this dam. (3)

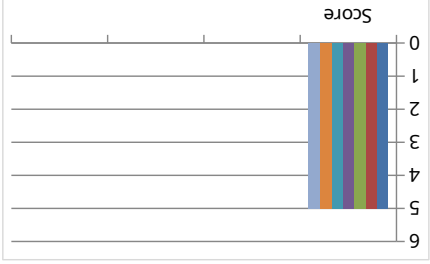
Solution		
Let population be x		
$\frac{20}{8} = \frac{x}{36}$		
$x = \frac{20 \times 36}{8} = 90$		
Total number of yabbies is 90		
Specific behaviours		
$\frac{20}{8} = \frac{x}{36}$		
✓ ✓ rearrange and simplify x to 90		

(b) Which of the following frequency histograms shows data that could be normally distributed? (1)

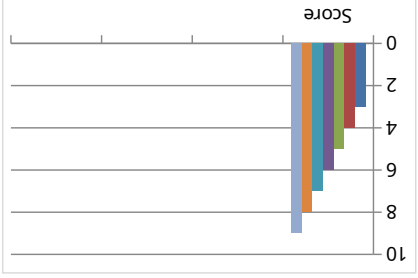
(A)



(C)



(D)



Solution		
Graph B		
Specific behaviours		
✓ or X		

Solution		
$(2.3)^{3n} \times 3^2(n+1) = 1$		
$3^n \times 3^{2n} \times 3^2 = 1$		
$5n + 2 = 0$		
$n = -\frac{5}{2}$		
Specific behaviours		
✓ expands indices correctly		
✓ cancels down correctly		
✓ correct answer for n		

(c) solve for what values of n is (3)

$$\frac{6^{3n} \times 9^{n+1}}{8^n} = 1$$

Question 6 (continued)

Solution		
$\frac{-3b^6}{-6} \times \frac{8a^4}{-9b^6} = \frac{18}{-72a^4} = -\frac{1}{4a^4}$		
Specific behaviours		
✓ cancels down correctly		
✓ correct answer in positive indices		

**Question 2 (continued)**

- (c) Radar checks were carried out on the speed driven by drivers on two days, on a stretch of Spencer Road. The results are tabled below.

Days	Mean	Standard deviation	Number of drivers
Wednesday	60	10	100
Thursday	70	5	100

On which day would you expect there to be more drivers exceeding 85km/h?

Explain your answer.

(2)

Solution
Wednesday because $85 = 60 + 2.5 \sigma$ while Thursday $85 = 70 + 3 \sigma$
Specific behaviours
✓ Wed
✓ valid reason

- (d) The height of students in Mrs Smith's class range from 150cm to 175cm. Their heights were measured one day and it was found that the mean height was 160cm. Two students were absent on the day when the measurement was taken. When the heights of the absent students were included in the data, the mean height did not change. What are two possible heights of the two absent students?

(2)

Solution
Mean of the two absent students is 160 Possible heights are 150 cm and 170 cm, 155 cm and 165 cm, 151 and 169 cm Any combination <u>such</u> that the sum is 320 cm and range from 150 to 170 cm
Specific behaviours
✓✓ two correct answers

- ✓ expands correctly  
✓ correct answer

(iii)  $x$  if  $g(x)=0$

(2)

Solution
$x(x-1)=0$ $x=0, x=1$
Specific behaviours
✓✓ correct values

**Question 6**

(a) Evaluate  $\left(\frac{1}{32}\right)^{-\frac{2}{5}}$

(2)

Solution
$(2^{-5})^{-\frac{2}{5}} = 2^2 = 4$
Specific behaviours
✓ express 32 as power of 2, uses $(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$ ✓ correct answer of 4

- (b) Solve the equation, showing all working steps

$3^{3x+1} = 243$

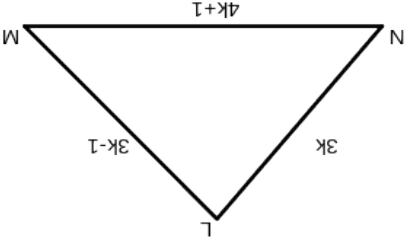
(2)

Solution
$3^{3x+1} = 3^5$ $3x+1=5$ $x = \frac{4}{3}$
Specific behaviours
✓ equates exponents ✓ correct answer for x

Question 3

(7 marks)

Δ LMN is drawn with LN = 3k units, MN = (4k+1) units and LM = (3k-1) units with k>0.



(i) Which side of Δ LMN is the longest side? Justify your answer **algebraically**. (3)

<b>Solution</b>
$4k > 3k$ $4k + 1 > 3k - 1$ And $3k - 1 < 3k$ $\therefore 3k - 1 < 3k < 4k + 1$ MN is the longest side
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ algebraic reasoning ✓ determines MN is the longest side

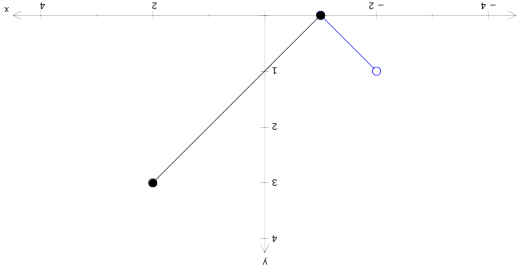
(iii) If Δ LMN is a right-angled triangle calculate the value(s) of k. (4)

<b>Solution</b>
By Pythagoras theorem, $9k^2 + 9k^2 - 6k + 1 = 16k^2 + 8k + 1$ $2k^2 - 14k = 0$ $2k(k - 7) = 0$ $k = 7$ as $k = 0$ is not possible
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ equation using Pythagoras' Theorem ✓ simplify and factorise ✓ correct answer of 7 for "k"

Question 5

(12 marks)

(a) State the domain and range (in set notation)for the function  $y = f(x)$  drawn below. (3)



<b>Solution</b>
$D_x = \{x : -2 < x \leq 2, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ $R_y = \{y : 0 \leq y \leq 3, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$
<b>Specific behaviours</b>
✓ domain ✓ range ✓ use of correct notation to describe the sets

(b) Given that  $g(x) = x^2 - x$  find

(i)  $g(-2)$

(1)

**Solution**

✓ or X

(iii)  $g(2x+1)$

(2)

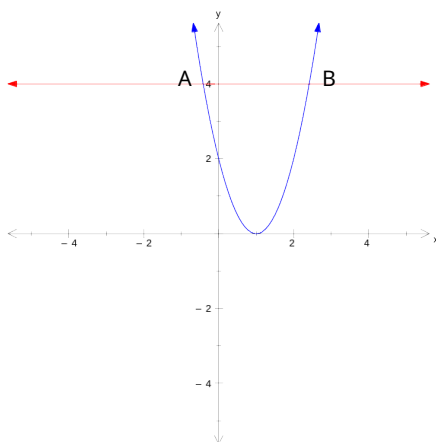
<b>Solution</b>
$(2x+1)^2 - (2x+1) = 4x^2 + 2x$
<b>Specific behaviours</b>

**Question 4**  
**marks)**

**(10**

- (a) Sketch the graph of  $f(x)=2(x-1)^2$ . Show all intercepts.

(2)



Solution
As shown in diagram above
Specific behaviours
✓ parabola shape ✓ (0,2), (1,0)

- (b) Use the graph to find the value(s) of  $k$  for which

- (i)  $f(x) = k$  has 1 root

(1)

Solution
$k = 0$
Specific behaviours
✓ or X

- (ii)  $f(x) = k$  has real roots

(1)

Solution
$k > 0$
Specific behaviours
✓ or X

- (iii)  $2(x-1)^2 + k = 0$  has two real roots with opposite signs

(2)

Solution
$-k > 2$ $\therefore k < -2$
Specific behaviours
✓ $-k > 2$ ✓ $k < -2$

- (c) Indicate on the graph where you would read off the values for  $x$  if

$$4 = 2(x-1)^2$$

(1)

Solution
Points A and B as indicated on diagram
Specific behaviours
✓ or X

- (d) Use your graph to solve  $2x^2 - 4x + 6 = 0$ . Justify your answer.

(3)

Solution
$2x^2 - 4x + 2 + 4 = 0$ $2(x^2 - 2x + 1) + 4 = 0$ $2(x-1)^2 = -4$ As the graph does not intersect the line $y = -4$ , there is no solution
Specific behaviours
$2(x^2 - 2x + 1) + 4 = 0$ ✓ re write LHS of equation to ✓ parabola does not cut horizontal line of $y = -4$ ✓ states NO solution