

Assignment-2 1-1.5-28

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$P(5, -3)$ and $Q(3, y)$ are the points of trisection of the line segment joining $A(7, -2)$ and $B(1, -5)$. Then y equals

Solution: Given $P(5, -3)$, $A(7, -2)$, $B(1, -5)$ and $Q(3, y)$

Also given that P and Q are the points of trisection of AB .

Let Q divides the line segment AB in the ratio $k : 1$. That implies P divides line segment AB in the ratio $1 : k$.

$$P = \frac{kA + B}{k + 1}$$

On solve x coordinate we get $k=2$ Therefore Q divides AB in the ratio $2 : 1$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{B + \frac{1}{2}A}{1 + \frac{1}{2} + 1}$$

$$y = -4.$$

Point	Description
$P(5, -3)$	This point divides $A(7, -2)$ and $B(1, -5)$ in the ratio $1:2$
$Q(3, -4)$	This point divides $A(7, -2)$ and $B(1, -5)$ in the ratio $2:1$

