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$$f(x) = 2x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 18 \quad \text{where } a \text{ and } b \text{ are constants}$$

When  $f'(x)$  is divided by  $(x - 2)$  the remainder is 5

Given that  $(x - 2)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$

(a) find the value of  $a$  and the value of  $b$ .

(6)

(b) Express  $f(x)$  as a product of linear factors.

(3)

(c) Hence use algebra to solve the equation  $f(x) = 0$

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