

<b>07</b>	<b>1a</b>	Evaluate $\sqrt{\pi^2 + 5}$ correct to two decimal places.	<b>2</b>
$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{\pi^2 + 5} &= \sqrt{(\pi^2 + 5)} \text{ on calculator} \\ &= 3.856112602 \dots \\ &= 3.86 \text{ correct to 2 decimal places}\end{aligned}$			

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The majority of errors came from candidates calculating incorrect expressions such as  $\sqrt{3.14^2 + 5}$ ,  $\sqrt{\pi^2} + 5$ ,  $\pi^2 + 5$ ,  $\sqrt{\pi^2 \times 5}$ ,  $\sqrt{\pi^2 - 5}$ ,  $\sqrt{\pi^2 \div 5}$  or  $\pi + \sqrt{5}$ . Candidates should write their calculator display before rounding off.

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