| Question | Answer   | Marks     | Guidance   |
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|          | Substitute $x = \frac{1}{2}$ , equate result to zero | M1        | Or divide by $2x-1$ and equate constant remainder to zero.                 |
|          | Obtain a correct simplified equation                 | A1        | e.g. $\frac{1}{8}a + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}b + 3 = 0$ or $a + 4b = -26$ |
|          | Substitute $x = -2$ , equate result to 5             | M1        | Or divide by $x+2$ and equate constant remainder to 5.                     |
|          | Obtain a correct simplified equation                 | A1        | e.g. $-8a+4-2b+3=5$ or $8a+2b=2$   |
|          | Obtain $a = 2$ and $b = -7$                          | <b>A1</b> | WWW  |
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