

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
(a)	Use quotient rule (or equivalent) to find first derivative	*M1	Condone poor use of brackets if recovered later
	Obtain $\frac{18e^{2x}(e^x - 1) - e^x(9e^{2x} + 16)}{(e^x - 1)^2}$	A1	OE
	Equate first derivative to zero and attempt factorisation	DM1	Need to be working with $9e^{3x} - 18e^{2x} \pm 16e^x = 0$
	Obtain $e^x(3e^x - 8)(3e^x + 2) = 0$	A1	AG – necessary detail needed SC B3 If numerator is in incorrect order and given result is obtained. SC B3 If denominator is not squared and given result is obtained.
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(b)	Observe, using given result from part (a), at some stage, $e^x \neq 0$ and $3e^x + 2 \neq 0$ and hence one stationary point	B1	Allow if discounted by crossing through OE
	Attempt exact solution for x and for y	M1	
	Obtain $x = \ln(\frac{8}{3})$ or exact equivalent	A1	
	Obtain $y = 48$	A1	Not from a rounded decimal
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