

# Ciaran Mock Paper 1

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## Paper 1

1. (3 points) Multiply out the brackets and simplify

$$(4x - 1)^2 - (4x - 1)$$

2. (3 points) Evaluate

$$10\frac{2}{3} \div 1\frac{1}{3}$$

3. (3 points) Allan has £280 and spends 32% of it. How much does he have left?

4. (a) (1 point) Factorise

$$40x^2 - 25x$$

- (b) (2 points) Factorise

$$32x^2 - 18$$

5. (2 points) Express  $x^2 - 10x + 30$  in the form  $(x - a)^2 + b$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

6. (a) (3 points) Change the subject of the formula to  $x$

$$\sqrt{\frac{x - 6}{11}} = y$$

- (b) (1 point) If  $x = 50$  in the above formula, what are the possible values of  $y$ ?

7. (3 points) A bottle of ketchup contains 605ml. It is on offer and contains 10% more than the standard bottle. How much ketchup does the standard bottle contain?

8. (2 points) Simplify  $(5x^2)^3$

9. This question concerns the quadratic function with equation  $y = x^2 - x - 12$ .

- (a) (3 points) Calculate the **coordinates** of the roots of this function.

- (b) (1 point) Write down the **coordinate** of the  $y$ -intercept of this function.

- (c) (1 point) Write down the equation of the axis of symmetry of this function.

10. Consider the points  $A(2, \frac{1}{2})$  and  $B(4, \frac{3}{2})$ . They are joined by a straight line.

- (a) (2 points) Calculate the gradient of this line.

- (b) (2 points) Determine the equation of this line.

- (c) (1 point) Find the **coordinates** of the point where this line crosses the  $y$ -axis.

11. (a) (3 points) Fully simplify  $\sqrt{216} - \sqrt{6} + \sqrt{24}$ .

- (b) (2 points) Express  $\frac{10}{3\sqrt{2}}$  with a rational denominator in its simplest form.

12. Beth takes some loose change to the bank. In one money bag there are 40 coins, each of which is either a 20p or a 50p.

Let  $x$  represent the number of 20p coins and let  $y$  represent the number of 50p coins in the bag.

- (a) (1 point) Write an equation to express this information.
- (b) (1 point) The bag contains exactly £15.50. Write an equation to express this information.
- (c) (4 points) Find, using algebraic techniques, the number of 20p coins and 50p coins in the bag.

13. A rectangle is constructed with length  $(x + 6)$  and breadth  $(x - 2)$ .

- (a) (2 points) Prove that the area of the rectangle can be written as

$$x^2 + 4x - 12.$$

- (b) (4 points) Given that the area of the rectangle is 9, use algebraic techniques to determine  $x$ .

14. This question concerns a quadratic function  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  where  $a$  is non-zero.

- (a) (1 point) With reference to the quadratic formula, or otherwise, explain why having  $b^2 - 4ac = 0$  implies that  $f$  has one real repeated root.
- (b) (1 point) With reference to the quadratic formula, or otherwise, explain why having  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$  implies that  $f$  has no real roots.
- (c) (1 point) With reference to the quadratic formula, or otherwise, explain why having  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$  implies that  $f$  has two distinct real roots.