



# Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

**JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2007**

**MATHEMATICS – HIGHER LEVEL**

**PAPER 1 (300 marks)**

**THURSDAY, 7 JUNE – MORNING, 9:30 to 12:00**

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Attempt **ALL** questions.

Each question carries 50 marks.

**Graph paper may be obtained from the superintendent.**

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The symbol  indicates that supporting work **must** be shown to obtain full marks.

1. (a)  Express the speed 72 km/h in metres per second.

(b) (i)  In 1981 the population of Peru was approximately  $1.8 \times 10^7$ .

By 1988 the population had increased by 2·5 million.

What would be the approximate population of Peru in 1988?

Express your answer in the form  $a \times 10^n$ , where  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$  and  $1 \leq a < 10$ .

(ii)  A snowman has a mass of 12 kg.

It melts at a rate of 0·2% of its mass per minute.

What will be the mass of the  
snowman after 3 minutes?



Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

(c) (i)  Simplify

$$\frac{2^5 \times 8^{\frac{2}{3}}}{64^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 4^2}.$$

Give your answer in the form  $2^n$ , where  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ .

(ii)  Simplify  $(\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{3})(5\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{6})$ ,

without the use of a calculator.

Express your answer in the form  $a\sqrt{2} + b$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}$ .

- 2.** (a)  An auctioneer sells a house for €830,000. The auctioneer's fee is 1·5% on the first €500,000 and 2·5% on the remainder.  
Calculate the auctioneer's fee.



- (b) (i)  By putting the smallest number first, place the following numbers in order:
- $$\frac{10}{7}, \quad \sqrt{2}, \quad \frac{7}{2\sqrt{6}}, \quad (1.19)^2.$$

- (ii)  What sum of money invested at 2% per annum compound interest would produce interest of €306·04 after three years?

- (c) A survey of 40 students was carried out to find how many owned an MP3 player, a digital camera or a CD player.  
1 student does not own any of these.  
 $x$  students own all three, while  $2x$  own an MP3 player and a digital camera but not a CD player.  
10 own an MP3 player and a CD player, while 11 own a digital camera and a CD player.  
22 own an MP3 player, 22 own a digital camera and 24 own a CD player.

- (i)  Construct a Venn diagram and solve for  $x$ .  
(ii)  Hence, calculate the percentage of students who own one item only.

3. (a)  Solve  $\frac{3-2m}{5} = 3$ , where  $m \in \mathbf{Z}$ .

(b) (i)  Simplify

$$\frac{2x^2 + 4x - 30}{x-3}.$$

(ii)  Solve  $3x^2 + 9x + 10 = (2x+2)^2 - 1$  and give your answers correct to one decimal place.

(c) (i)  Solve the equation  $3a^2 + 5a = 2$ .

(ii)  Hence, or otherwise, find the two values of  $t \in \mathbf{R}$  for which

$$3\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)^2 + 5\left(\frac{1}{t}\right) = 2.$$

(iii)  Verify your values for  $t$  from part (ii), above.

4. (a)  When  $x = \frac{1}{3}$ , find the value of  $\frac{3}{x+1} + \frac{4}{x+5}$ .

(b) (i)  Factorise  $6c + 12bd - 8d - 9bc$ .

(ii)  Simplify  
 $(7x - 2)(7x + 2) - (5y - 2)(5y + 2)$   
and fully factorise the simplified expression.

(c) The distance from town A to town B is half the distance from town B to town C. The total journey from town A to town C, through town B, is 60 km.  
A car travels at  $x$  km/h from town A to town B. It increases its speed by 20 km/h on the journey from town B to town C.  
The total time for the journey is 50 minutes.

 Find the value of  $x$ .

- 5.** (a)  Graph on the number line the solution set of

$$-98 \leq 10 - 12x, x \in \mathbf{N}.$$

- (b) (i) Let  $f$  be the function  $f: x \rightarrow 2x^2 - 4x + 5$ .

 Draw the graph of  $f$  for  $-2 \leq x \leq 4, x \in \mathbf{R}$ .

- (ii)  Use your graph to find the values of  $x$  for which  $f(x) = 7$ .

- (c) (i) Let  $f$  be the function  $f: x \rightarrow 2x - 1$  and  $g$  be the function  $g: x \rightarrow 4x - 4$ .

 Using the same axes and scales, draw the graph of  $f$

and the graph of  $g$ , for  $0 \leq x \leq 2, x \in \mathbf{R}$ .

- (ii) From your graphs, write down the co-ordinates of the point of intersection of the two lines.

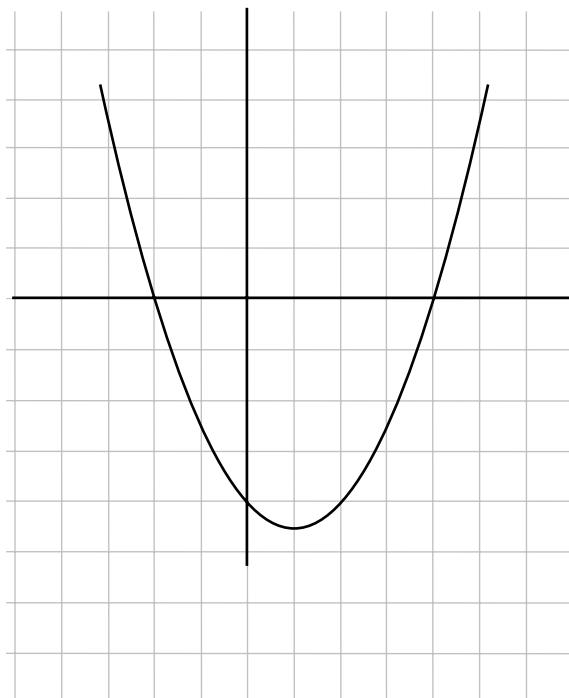
- (iii)  Check your answer to part (ii) by solving the simultaneous equations

$$y = 2x - 1$$

$$y = 4x - 4.$$

- 6.** (a) Given that  $f: x \rightarrow 3x + 1$  and  $g : x \rightarrow 1 + x^2$ ,  
solve for  $x$ :  $f(x) = g(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (b) (i) Given that  $x = 2a + 1$  and  $y = 2ax - 4a^2$ , express  $y$  in terms of  $a$ .  
(ii) Hence, or otherwise, find the value of  $x$  for which  $y = 4$ .
- (c) The diagram shows part of the graph of the function

$$f : x \rightarrow x^2 + bx + c, \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } b, c \in \mathbb{Z}.$$



The graph intersects the  $x$ -axis at  $(-1, 0)$  and  $(2, 0)$ .

- (i) Calculate the value of  $b$  and the value of  $c$ .
- (ii)  $(k, -k+14)$  is a point on the graph, where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  
Find the values of  $k$ .

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