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## GCSE MATHEMATICS

Higher Tier

Paper 3

#### Exam Date

Morning

#### Materials

For this paper you must have:

- a calculator
- mathematical instuments.

#### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Draw diagrams in pencil.
- Answer **all** questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

#### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- You may ask for more answer paper, graph paper and tracing paper. These must be tagged securely to this answer book.

#### Advice

• In all calculations, show clearly how you work out your answer.

### Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes





5	Factorise fully	9a <sup>2</sup> - 6a			[2 marks]
		Answer			
6	Work out the next	term of this quac	dratic sequence.		[2 marks]
	4	12	24	40	
		Answer			

7		Here is an ordinary dice.							
7	(a)	Ali is going to throw the	dice six tir	mes.					
		He says,							
		"I will get one c	of each nu	ımber."					
		Give a reason why he co	ould be wi	rong.				Ľ	1 markl
7	(b)	Lucy throws the dice 50	times.						
		Her results are shown.							
		Number thrown	1	2	3	4	5	6	
		Frequency	7	4	12	5	9	13	
								1	
		Work out the relative free	quency of	throwing	an odd nu	imber.		[2	marks]
								-	-
			Answer						

Polygon ABCDE is divided into triangles as shown. 8 Ε Α Not drawn accurately В D С Use the triangles to work out the sum of the interior angles of polygon ABCDE. You **must** show your working. [2 marks] Answer degrees

9	In a school, 60% of the students are girls.	
	500/ of the size wells to echool	
	20% of the boys walk to school.	
	What percentage of the students walk to school?	
		[3 marks]
	Answer	%
		-
	Turn over for the next question	



10 (c)	Circle the two roots	s of $a + bx$ –	$-x^2 = 0$			[1 mark]
	–2 and 6	2 and –6	2 and 6		–2 and –6	
11	Adam and six othe The times, in secor	r men ran a race. nds, of the six oth	her men are shown.			
	9.75	9.79 9.8	9.88	9.94	9.98	
	The mean time for	all seven men wa	as 9.83 seconds.			
	Did Adam win the r	ace?				
	You <b>must</b> snow yo	ur working.				[3 marks]

12	The diagram shows a square.		
	(7 <i>x</i> – 3) cm		
		3(x + 1) cm	
	Work out the length of one side of the square.		[4 marks]
	Answer		cm
13	A circle has equation $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ Circle the length of its radius.		[1 mark]
	2 4	8	16

14	<i>a</i> , <i>b</i> and <i>c</i> are <b>different</b> prime	numbers less than 2	20	
	$a = \sqrt{4b + c}$			
	Work out <b>two</b> possible sets of	values of $a$ , $b$ and $c$ .		[3 marks]
		,		
	Set 1 <i>a</i> =	b =	<i>c</i> =	
	Set 2 <i>a</i> =	b =	c =	
15	Simplify fully $(8x^3y^5)^2$			[2 marks]
	Answ	er		

	12
16	The diagram shows a lawn with a fence along one edge.
	Fence 12 m Not drawn accurately 20 m
	One can of weedkiller covers 90 square metres. Each can costs £19.25
	Work out the total cost of the cans of weedkiller needed to cover the lawn.
	[5 marks]
	Answer £

17	Expand and simplify $(2x + 5y)(3x - 8y)$	[3 marks]
	Answer	
18	The ratio of the number of boys to girls at a party is 3 : 4 Six boys leave the party. The ratio of the number of boys to girls at the party is now 5 : 8	
	Work out the number of girls at the party.	[3 marks]
	Answer	



19 (b)	It is predicted that in	2050 the age distribution in the UK will have			
( )	' Iower quartile	26 years			
	median	44 years			
	upper quartile	66 vears			
	UK from 2000 to 205	50			
			[2 marks		
	Commont 1				
	Comment 2				
		Turn over for the next question			

20		An amount of money was invested for 8 years. It earned <b>compound</b> interest at 2.5% per year.	
20	(a)	Tom is trying to work out the total interest earned.	
		<b>Tom</b> Interest for 8 years = $\pounds11696.67 \times 0.025 \times 8$	
		State what is wrong with Tom's method.	[1 mark]
20	(b)	Work out the total interest earned.	[3 marks]
		Answer £	

21		Mersenne primes are prime numbers that can be written in the form			
		$2^n - 1$ where <i>n</i> is a whole number.			
		For example. 3 can be written as $2^2 - 1$			
21	(a)	Prove that $2^9 - 1$ is <b>not</b> a Mersenne prime.	[2 marks]		
21	(b)	There are Mersenne primes when $n = 5$ and when $n = 7$			
		Ama says, "The ratio of the indices is 5 : 7			
		This means the ratio of the Mersenne primes is 5 : 7"			
		Show that Ama is wrong			
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23	$2x^2 - 20x + c \equiv a(x - b)^2 + 3b$	
	Work out the value of $c$ .	[2 morke]
		[3 marks]
	Answer	
	Turn over for the next question	



Statement	True	False	
Angle <i>ADC</i> = 88°			
Reason			
Statement	True	False	
ABCD is a trapezium			
Reason			
Statement	True	False	
DE is a tangent to the circle			
Reason			

25 A formula connecting speed (s), distance (d) and time (t) is  $s = \frac{d}{t}$ to 2 significant figures *d* = 160 to 2 significant figures *t* = 7.2 Work out the upper and lower bounds for *s*. Give your answers to 3 significant figures. [4 marks] Upper bound Lower bound

26 26 (a)	For all values of x, $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ Show that $fg(x) = x^2 - 10x + 26$	g(x) = x - 5	[2 marks]
26 (b)	Solve fg(x) = gf(x)		[4 marks]

27	Volume of a pyramid = $\frac{1}{3}$ × area of base × perpendicular height VABCD is a rectangular-based pyramid with volume 336 m <sup>3</sup> X is the centre of the horizontal base, directly below V.	
	Work out the angle between VB and the base.	[6 marks]
	Answer	degrees





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