



Casimir Catholic College

YEAR 11

2012  
PRELIMINARY  
ASSESSMENT  
TASK 1

# Mathematics

## General Instructions

- Working Time – 50 mins
- Write using blue or black pen
- Board-approved calculators may be used
- Start each question in a new booklet
- All necessary working should be shown in every question
- All diagrams are not to scale unless otherwise stated

Section One  
Multiple Choice  
Total marks (4)

Section Two  
Total marks (44)  
Answer questions 5-8

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TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_

Section One  
Multiple Choice

1. If  $|x| > 1$  then
- (A)  $-1 > x > 1$       (B)  $-1 < x < 1$       (C)  $x > 1, x < -1$       (D)  $x = \pm 1$
2.  $\frac{1}{4\sqrt{2x-1}}$  is the same as
- (A)  $(2x-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}$       (B)  $\frac{(2x-1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{4}$       (C)  $4(2x-1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$       (D)  $\frac{(2x-1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{4}$
3. Expand and simplify  $(2\sqrt{3} - 4)^2$
- (A)  $28 - 16\sqrt{3}$       (B)  $52 - 8\sqrt{3}$       (C)  $4\sqrt{3} - 16$       (D) 28
4. The solution to  $y^2 - 8 = 0$  is
- (A)  $y = \pm 4$       (B)  $y = 8$       (C)  $y = \pm 2\sqrt{2}$       (D)  $y = 1$

**Section Two**  
**Question Five**

(Start a new booklet)

- (a) Evaluate  $\frac{-(3+7 \times 3)}{\sqrt[3]{\pi - 3.5^2}}$  correct to three significant figures.

1

- (b) Solve

(i)  $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{x-1}{3} = 5$

2

(ii)  $4^{3x} = 8$

2

- (c) The cost of an iPod is \$291.50 including 10% GST.  
Find the price of the iPod without GST.

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- (d) Write without a fractional or negative index:  $(5-3x)^{-\frac{2}{3}}$

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- (e) Write 0.000 000 155 1 in scientific notation correct to 4 significant figures.

1

- (f) Evaluate  $|-3| + |-2|^2 - |10|$

1

**Question Six**

(Start a new booklet)

- (a) Simplify the following:

(i)  $(2x^3)^3$

1

(ii)  $\frac{x^4(6y)^2}{4x^3y^6}$

2

(iii)  $\frac{2-2a}{a-1}$

2

- (b) Find the value of  $m$  and  $n$  in the equation  $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}-2} = m+n\sqrt{5}$ .

2

- (c) Solve  $|x-4| \leq 8$  and graph the solution on a number line.

2

- (d) Simplify

(i)  $\sqrt{50} - \sqrt{32}$

1

(ii)  $\left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{8}}\right)^2$

1

**Question Seven**

(Start a new booklet)

- (a) Express  $0.51$  as a fraction in its simplest form.

2

- (b) Factorise the following:

(i)  $8a^3 - 1$

2

(ii)  $8a^2 - 8$

2

(iii)  $8a - 8 - ba + b$

2

(iv)  $8a^2 - 14a + 3$

2

- (c) Write as a single fraction:  $x - y + \frac{1}{x+y}$

1

**Question Eight**

(Start a new booklet)

- (a) Solve

(i)  $5x - 12 = 13$

1

(ii)  $7 - \frac{x}{3} = 3$

1

(iii)  $y^{\frac{1}{4}} + 3 = 5$

2

(iv)  $|h+2| = 5h-3$

3

(v)  $(c+3)(c-1) = 32$

2

- (b) Given the equation  $y = 3\sqrt{x^2 - 5}$ , find the value of  $x$  when  $y = 6$ .

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Qn	Solution	Marks
M.C.	1. $x > 1$ or $-x > 1 \therefore (C)$ $x < -1$	1
2.	(D)	1
3.	(A)	1
4.	(C)	1
Q5 a)	$11.4920 = 11.5$ (3 s.f.)	1
b) i)	$\frac{x}{2} - \frac{x-1}{3} = 5 \Rightarrow \frac{3x - 2(x-1)}{6} = 5$ $\therefore 3x - 2x + 2 = 30$ $x = 28$	1
ii)	$4^{3x} = 8$ $(2^3)^{3x} = 2^3$ $2^{6x} = 2^3 \therefore 6x = 3$ $x = \frac{1}{2}$	1
c)	$\$291.50 \equiv 110\%$ $2.65 \equiv 1\%$ $6265 \equiv 100\%$	2
d)	$(5-3x)^{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{(5-3x)^2}}$	2
e)	$0.000\ 000\ 1551 = 1.551 \times 10^{-7}$	1
f)	$ 1-3  +  1-2 ^2 -  10 $ $3 + 4 - 10 = -3$	1

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Qn	Solution	Marks
Q6		
a) i)	$(2x^3)^3 = 8x^9$	1
ii)	$\frac{x^4(6y)^2}{4x^3y^6} = \frac{36x^4y^2}{4x^3y^6}$ = $\frac{9x}{y^4}$	1
iii)	$\frac{2-2a}{a-1} = \frac{2(1-a)}{a-1}$ = $\frac{-2(a-1)}{a-1} = -2$	1
b)	$\frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}-2} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}+2}{\sqrt{5}+2}$ $\frac{5+2\sqrt{5}}{5-4} = 5+2\sqrt{5} \therefore m=5$ $n=+2$	1
c)	$ x-4  \leq 8$ $x-4 \leq 8 \quad \text{or} \quad -(x-4) \leq 8$ $x \leq 12 \quad \text{or} \quad -x+4 \leq 8$ $-x \leq 4 \quad \text{or} \quad x \geq -4$	1
d) i)	$\sqrt{50} - \sqrt{32} = 5\sqrt{2} - 4\sqrt{2}$ $= \sqrt{2}$	1
ii)	$\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{64}$	1

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Qn	Solution	Marks
Q8	<p>a) i) <math>5x - 12 = 13</math>  <math>5x = 25</math>  <math>x = 5</math></p> <p>ii) <math>7 - \frac{x}{3} = 3</math>  <math>\frac{x}{3} = 4</math>  <math>x = 12</math></p> <p>iii) <math>x^{\frac{1}{4}} + 3 = 5</math>  <math>x^{\frac{1}{4}} = 2</math>  <math>(x^{\frac{1}{4}})^4 = 2^4</math> ∴ <math>x = 16</math></p> <p>iv) <math> h+2  = 5h - 3</math>  <math>h+2 = 5h - 3</math> or <math>-(h+2) = 5h - 3</math>  <math>-4h = -5</math>  <math>h = \frac{5}{4}</math></p> <p>After checking  Only sol<sup>b</sup> is <math>h = \frac{5}{4}</math></p> <p>v) <math>(c+3)(c-1) = 32</math>  <math>c^2 - c + 3c - 3 = 32</math>  <math>c^2 + 2c - 35 = 0</math>  <math>(c+7)(c-5) = 0</math>  <math>c = -7</math> or <math>c = 5</math></p> <p>(b) <math>6 = 3\sqrt{x^2 - 5}</math>  <math>2 = \sqrt{x^2 - 5}</math>  <math>4 = x^2 - 5</math>  <math>x^2 = 9</math>  <math>\therefore x = 3</math> or <math>-3</math></p>	1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1

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Qn	Solution	Marks
Q7	<p>a) 0.51 let <math>x = 0.51111</math></p> $10x = 5.1111 \quad \text{---(1)}$ $100x = 51.111 \quad \text{---(2)}$ $\therefore \text{---(2)} - \text{---(1)}$ $90x = 46$ $x = \frac{46}{90} = \frac{23}{45}$	1
b) i) $8a^3 - 1$ $= (2a)^3 - 1$ $= (2a-1)(4a^2 + 2a + 1)$		1
ii) $8a^2 - 8$ $= 8(a^2 - 1)$ $= 8(a-1)(a+1)$		1
iii) $8a - 8 - ba + b$ $= 8(a-1) - b(a-1)$ $= (a-1)(8-b)$		1
iv) $8a^2 - 14a + 3$ $= (4a-1)(2a-3)$		2
c) $\frac{(x-y)}{1} + \frac{1}{(x+y)}$ $= \frac{(x-y)(x+y) + 1}{x+y}$ $\uparrow \text{either.}$		1