

NSW INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

2010
Higher School Certificate
Preliminary Examination

Mathematics**General Instructions**

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 2 hours
- Board approved calculators may be used
- Write using black or blue pen
- A table of standard integrals is provided
- All necessary working should be shown in every question
- Write your student number and/or name at the top of every page

Total marks – 84

- Attempt Questions 1 – 7
- All questions are of equal value

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Start each question in a SEPARATE writing booklet. Extra writing booklets are available.

	Marks
Question 1. (12 marks)	
(a) Evaluate $\sqrt[3]{6.91 \times 10^{-5}}$ correct to three significant figures.	2
(b) Factorize $2x^2 + x - 28$.	2
(c) Simplify $\frac{2x+3}{3} - \frac{x+2}{4}$.	2
(d) Express $(2\sqrt{3} + 1)(2 - \sqrt{3})$ in the form $a\sqrt{3} + b$.	2
(e) A pair of jeans were discounted by 15% to a selling price of \$63.75. Find the original marked price of the jeans before the discount was applied.	2
(f) Solve the following inequality. $ 3x - 5 \geq 2$.	2

Question 2. (12 marks) Start a new writing booklet.

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(a) Solve the equation $\frac{2x-1}{5} = \frac{3x+2}{4}$.

2

(b) Simplify $\frac{x^2-9}{x^2+x-12}$.

2

(c) Consider $f(x) = \begin{cases} -3 & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ 2x-3 & \text{if } x > -1 \end{cases}$. Evaluate $f(-1) + f(1)$.

1

(d) Determine whether the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2-4}$ is odd, even or neither odd nor even. WORKING MUST BE SHOWN.

1

(e) Sketch graphs of the following functions and state the domain of each.

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

2

(ii) $y = |2-3x|$.

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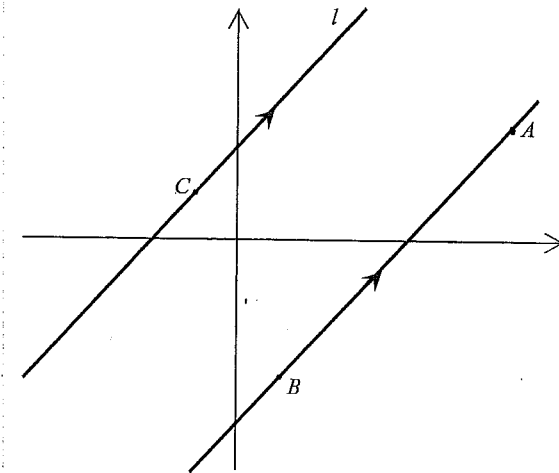
(f) Solve $2\sin^2 x = 1$ where $-180^\circ \leq x \leq 180^\circ$.

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Question 3. (12 marks) Start a new writing booklet.

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(a)



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The line l passes through $C(-1, 2)$ and has equation $y = 2x + 4$.

The point B has coordinates $(1, -6)$ and the line AB is parallel to line l .

Copy the diagram into your examination booklet writing the coordinates of B and C onto this diagram.

(i) Find the length of the interval BC .

1

(ii) Find the midpoint of BC .

1

(iii) Write down the slope of the line l and find the angle l makes with the positive x -axis.

2

(iv) Show that AB has equation $y = 2x - 8$.

1

(v) If P is a point which lies on AB and on the line $y = 2$, find the coordinates of P .

1

(vi) Find the perpendicular distance of P from the line l .

2

(vii) Find the size of $\angle ABC$ to the nearest minute.

1

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Question 3. continued.

Marks

- (b) A regular polygon has interior angles measuring 156° .
How many sides does the polygon have? 1
- (c) The curve $y = ax^2 - 2x - 14$ has a gradient of 10 when $x = 2$. Find the value of a . 2

Question 4. (12 marks) Start a new writing booklet.

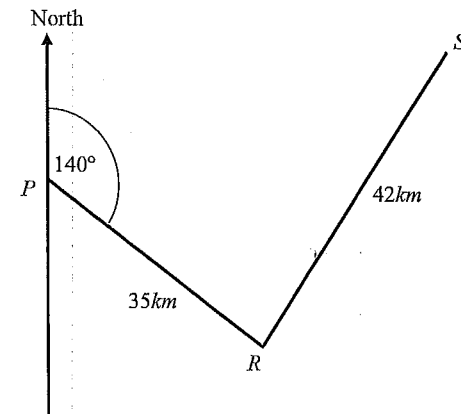
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- (a) Consider $f(x) = x^2 - 5x$
- (i) Using $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ or otherwise differentiate $f(x)$
from **first principles** to show that $f'(x) = 2x - 5$. 2
- (ii) Find the gradient of the tangent when $x = 1$. 1
- (iii) Find the equation of the normal through the point $(1, -4)$. 2
- (b) Find the exact value of $\cot 330^\circ$. 2

Question 4. continued.

Marks

(c)



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A tourist drives 35km from the town of Pine Vale (P) on a bearing of 140° T to the town of Radiatagrove (R).
He then drives 42km on a bearing of 38° T to the town of Spruceville (S).

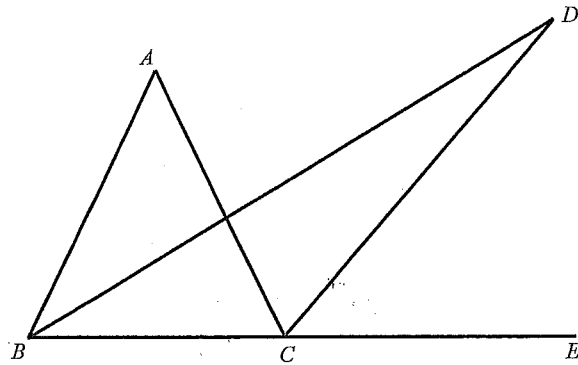
Copy this diagram into your writing booklet.

- (i) Show that $\angle PRS = 78^\circ$. 1
- (ii) Show that the distance from Spruceville to Pine Vale (SP) is 49km ,
correct to the nearest kilometre. 1
- (iii) Show the size of $\angle SPR = 57^\circ$ to the nearest degree. 1
- (iv) Hence, or otherwise, find the bearing of Pine Vale from Spruceville.
Show all necessary working. 2

Question 5. (12 marks) Start a new writing booklet.

Marks

(a)



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ABC is an isosceles triangle in which $AB = AC$ and $\angle BAC = 64^\circ$.
 BC is produced to E . BD bisects $\angle ABC$ and CD bisects $\angle ACE$.

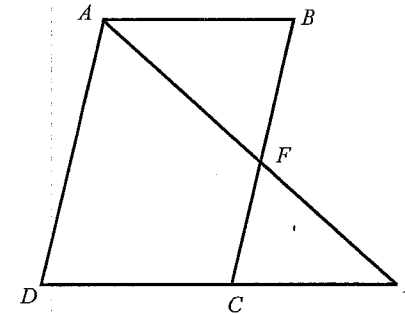
Copy or trace the diagram into your writing booklet and mark on it all the given information.

- (i) Find the size of $\angle ABC$ giving reasons. 1
- (ii) Find the size of $\angle BDC$ giving reasons. 2
- (b) By expressing $\sec \theta$ and $\tan \theta$ in terms of $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$, show that $\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1$. 1
- (c) If $\sin \theta = -\frac{4}{11}$ and $\tan \theta > 0$ find the exact value of $\cos \theta$. 2
- (d) Given the equation $3x^2 + 7x - 4 = 0$ has roots α and β , without finding α or β evaluate $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$. 3

Question 5. continued.

Marks

(e)



$ABCD$ is a parallelogram. DC is produced to E . AE cuts BC at F .
 $AD = 16\text{cm}$, $CE = 9\text{cm}$ and $BF = 10\text{cm}$.

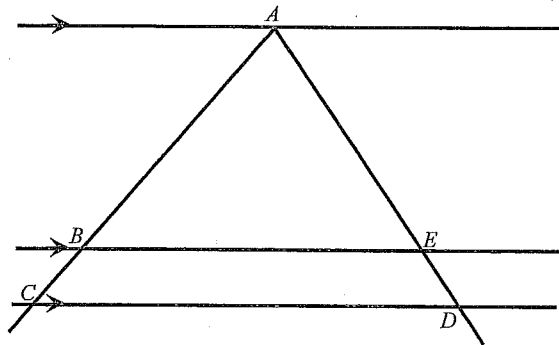
- (i) Prove that $\triangle ABF$ is similar to $\triangle ECF$. 2
- (ii) Find AB . 1

Question 6. (12 marks) Start a new writing booklet.

Marks

- (a) For the parabola $(x-2)^2 = 8(y+3)$
- (i) Find the coordinates of the vertex. 1
 - (ii) Find the value of the focal length. 1
 - (iii) Find the coordinates of the focus. 1
 - (iv) Find the equation of the directrix. 1
 - (v) Sketch the parabola labelling the vertex, focus and directrix. 1

(b)



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$AB = 7\text{cm}$, $BC = 4\text{cm}$, $ED = 6\text{cm}$. Find AD giving reasons. 2

(c) Express $9x^2 + 2x - 5$ in the form $ax(x+1) + b(x+1) + c$. 3

(d) For what values of k will the expression $kx^2 - 4x + k$ always be positive? 2

Question 7. (12 marks) Start a new writing booklet.

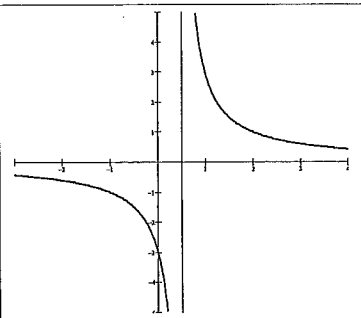
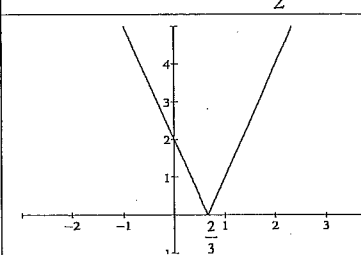
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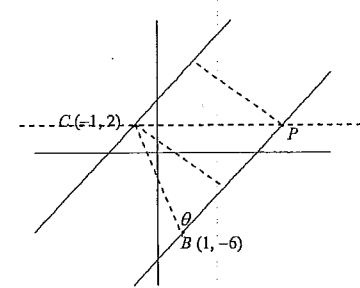
- (a) Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - 2x - 6}{4 - 2x^2}$. 1
- (b) Find the value of k for which the equation $x^2 - (k+4)x + (k-3) = 0$ has
- (i) one root equal to -2 . 1
 - (ii) roots which are reciprocals of each other. 1
 - (iii) roots which are equal in absolute value but opposite in sign. 1
- (c) Find all real numbers x which satisfy the equation $x^4 = 8(x^2 + 6)$. 2
- (d) Differentiate
- (i) $\frac{3x^2 - 5}{2x + 1}$. 2
 - (ii) $\sqrt[5]{(2x+7)^2}$. 2
- (e) Find, as a relationship between a , b and c , the condition for the quadratic equation in x
- $$(a^2 - b^2)x^2 + 2b(a - c)x + (b^2 - c^2) = 0$$
- to have equal roots. Simplify your answer as far as possible. 2

End of paper

Question 1		
a)	$\sqrt[3]{6.91 \times 10^{-5}} = 0.4103564$ $= 0.0410$	(1) (1)
b)	$2x^2 + x - 28 = 2x^2 + 8x - 7x - 28$ $= 2(x+4) - 7(x+4)$ $= (2x-7)(x+4)$	(1) (1)
c)	$\frac{2x+3}{3} - \frac{x+2}{4} = \frac{4(2x+3) - 3(x+2)}{12}$ $= \frac{8x+12-3x-6}{12}$ $= \frac{5x+6}{12}$	(1) (1)
d)	$(2\sqrt{3}+1)(2-\sqrt{3}) = 4\sqrt{3} - 6 + 2 - \sqrt{3}$ $= 3\sqrt{3} - 4$	(1) (1)
e)	$85\% \times \text{Cost} = \63.75 $\text{Cost} = 63.75 \div 0.85$ $\text{Cost} = \$75.00$	(1) (1)
f)	$ 3x-5 \geq 2$ $3x-5 \geq 2$ $3x \geq 7$ $x \geq \frac{7}{3}$ OR $-(3x-5) \geq 2$ $-3x+5 \geq 2$ $-3x \geq -3$ $x \leq 1$ $\therefore x \leq 1$ or $x \geq 2\frac{1}{3}$	(1) (1)

Question 2		
a)	$\frac{2x-1}{5} = \frac{3x+2}{4}$ $4(2x-1) = 5(3x+2)$ $8x-4 = 15x+10$ $-14 = 7x$ $x = -2$	(1) (1)

b)	$\frac{x^2-9}{x^2+x-12} = \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{(x+4)(x-3)}$ $= \frac{x+3}{x+4}$	(1) (1)
c)	$f(-1) = -3$ $f(1) = 2(1) - 3 = -1$ $f(-1) + f(1) = -3 + (-1) = -4$	(1)
d)	$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2-4}$ $f(a) = \frac{1}{a^2-4}$ $f(-a) = \frac{1}{(-a)^2-4} = \frac{1}{a^2-4} = f(a)$ \therefore even function	(1)
e)	(i)  Domain: - All real x, but $x \neq \frac{1}{2}$	(2)
e)	(ii)  Domain: - All Real x.	(2)
f)	$\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}$ $\sin x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ $x = 45^\circ, 135^\circ, -45^\circ, -135^\circ$	(2)

Question 3		
(a)		
(i)	$BC = \sqrt{(1-(-1))^2 + (-6-2)^2}$ $= \sqrt{2^2 + (-8)^2}$ $= \sqrt{4+64}$ $= \sqrt{68}$ $= 2\sqrt{17}$	(1)
(ii)	Midpoint = $\left(\frac{1+(-1)}{2}, \frac{-6+2}{2}\right)$ $= \left(\frac{0}{2}, \frac{-4}{2}\right)$ $= (0, -2)$	(1)
(iii)	$m = 2$ $\tan \theta = 2$ $\theta = 63^\circ 26'$	(1) (1)
(iv)	$y+6 = 2(x-1)$ $y+6 = 2x-2$ $y = 2x-8$ MUST SHOW	(1)
(v)	Solve $y = 2$ and $y = 2x-8$ $2x-8 = 2$ $2x = 10$ $x = 5$ $P(5, 2)$	(1)
(vi)	$d = \frac{ 2(5) - (2) + 4 }{\sqrt{1^2 + 2^2}}$ $= \frac{ 10 - 2 + 4 }{\sqrt{1+4}}$ $= \frac{12}{\sqrt{5}}$ $= \frac{12\sqrt{5}}{5}$	(1) (1)

(vii)	$\sin \theta = \left(\frac{12}{\sqrt{5}} \div 2\sqrt{17}\right)$ $\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{6}{\sqrt{85}}\right)$ $\theta = 40^\circ 36'$	(1)
b)	$\frac{(n-2)180}{n} = 156$ $(n-2)180 = 156n$ $180n - 360 = 156n$ $24n = 360$ $n = 15$	(1)
c)	$y = ax^2 - 2x - 14$ $y' = 2ax - 2$ At $x = 2$ $y' = 10$ $10 = 2a(2) - 2$ $12 = 4a$ $a = 3$	(1) (1)

Question 4	
i)	$f(x) = x^2 - 5x$ $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$ $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+h)^2 - 5(x+h) - (x^2 - 5x)}{h}$ (1) $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - 5x - 5h - x^2 + 5x}{h}$ $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h(2x+h-5)}{h}$ (1) $= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (2x+h-5)$ $= 2x-5$
ii)	$f'(x) = 2x - 5$ $f'(1) = 2(1) - 5$ $= -3$ (1)
iii)	Gradient of normal = $\frac{1}{3}$ $y + 4 = \frac{1}{3}(x - 1)$ (1) $3y + 12 = x - 1$ $x - 3y - 13 = 0$ (1)
b)	$\cot 330^\circ = \frac{1}{\tan 330^\circ}$ $= -\frac{1}{\tan 30^\circ}$ (1) $= -\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}$ $= -\sqrt{3}$ (1)
c)	
i)	$\angle PRS = (180 - 140) + 38$ $= 40 + 38$ SHOW (1) $= 78^\circ$

ii)	$SP^2 = 35^2 + 42^2 - 2 \times 35 \times 42 \times \cos 78$ $SP = \sqrt{35^2 + 42^2 - 2 \times 35 \times 42 \times \cos 78}$ (1) $= 49 \text{ km}$
iii)	$\frac{\sin \theta}{42} = \frac{\sin 78}{49}$ $\sin \theta = \frac{\sin 78}{49} \times 42$ SHOW (1) $\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\sin 78}{49} \times 42 \right)$ $\theta = 57^\circ$ OR $\cos \theta = \frac{49^2 + 35^2 - 42^2}{2 \times 49 \times 35}$ $= \frac{1862}{3430}$ $\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{19}{35} \right)$ $= 57^\circ$
iv)	$\angle PSR = 180 - (57 + 78)$ (1) $= 45^\circ$ Bearing = $180 + 38 + 45$ $= 263^\circ$ (1)

Question 5	
a)	
i)	$\angle ABC = (180 - 64) \div 2$ $= 58^\circ$ (base \angle 's of isosceles Δ are equal) (1)
ii)	$\angle DBC = 58 \div 2$ (base \angle 's of isosceles Δ are equal) $= 29^\circ$ $\angle ACB = 58^\circ$ (base \angle 's of isosceles Δ) $\angle ACE = 180 - 58$ $= 122^\circ$ (\angle sum of straight line BCE) $\angle ACD = \frac{1}{2} \angle ACE$ $= \frac{1}{2} \times 122$ (1) $= 61^\circ$ (given CD bisects $\angle ACE$) $\angle BDC = 180 - (29 + (61 + 58))$ $= 180 - 148$ $= 32^\circ$ (\angle sum of ΔBCD) (1)
b)	$\sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta = 1$ $LHS = \sec^2 \theta - \tan^2 \theta$ $= \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}$ $= \frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}$ (1) $= \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}$ $= 1$ $= RHS$
c)	$\sin \theta = -\frac{4}{11}$ (3rd or 4th quad) $\tan \theta > 0$ (1st or 3rd quad) $\therefore \theta$ in 3rd quadrant $\cos \theta = -\frac{\sqrt{105}}{11}$ (1) (1)

d)	$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{7}{3}, \quad \alpha\beta = -\frac{4}{3}$ (1 each) $(\alpha + \beta)^2 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2\alpha\beta$ $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$ $= \left(-\frac{7}{3}\right)^2 - 2\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right)$ $= \frac{49}{9} + \frac{8}{3}$ $= \frac{73}{9}$ (1)
e)	
i)	$AB \parallel DE$ (opp sides of parallelogram \parallel) In ΔABF and ΔECF $\angle AFB = \angle EFC$ (vertically opposite \angle 's =) $\angle ABF = \angle ECF$ (alternate \angle 's $AB \parallel DE$) (1) $\therefore \Delta ABF \parallel \Delta ECF$ (Equiangular) (1)
ii)	$FC = 16 - 10$ $= 6$ (opp sides of \parallel ogram =) $\frac{AB}{CE} = \frac{BF}{CF}$ (corresponding sides in similar Δ 's are proportional) $\frac{AB}{9} = \frac{10}{6}$ $AB = \frac{10}{6} \times 9$ $= 15$ (1)

Question 6	
e)	$(x-2)^2 = 8(y+3)$
(i)	Vertex = (2, -3) (1)
(ii)	$(x-2)^2 = 4(2)(y+3)$ $a = 2$ (1)
(iii)	Draw sketch as you go to help answer the question. Get parabola with the correct concavity. Focus = (2, -1) (1) Directrix $y = -5$ (1)
(iv)	Directrix $y = -5$ (1)
(v)	<p style="text-align: center;">(1)</p>
b)	$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AB}{BC}$ (lines cut off intercepts) $\frac{AE}{6} = \frac{7}{4}$ in the same ratio $AE = \frac{7}{4} \times 6$ $AE = 10\frac{1}{2}$ (1) $AD = AE + ED$ $= 10\frac{1}{2} + 6$ $= 16\frac{1}{2}$ (1)
c)	$9x^2 + 2x - 5 = ax(x+1) + b(x+1) + c$ Let $x = -1$ $9 - 2 - 5 = c$ $c = 2$ (1) $9x^2 + 2x - 5 = ax(x+1) + b(x+1) + 2$ Let $x = 0$ $-5 = b + 2$ $b = -7$ (1) $9x^2 + 2x - 5 = ax(x+1) - 7(x+1) + 2$

	Let $x = 1$ $9 + 2 - 5 = 2a - 14 + 2$ $6 = 2a - 12$ $2a = 18$ $a = 9$ (1) $9x^2 + 2x - 5 = 9x(x+1) - 7(x+1) + 2$
d)	$kx^2 - 4x + k$ Positive definite, $k > 0$ (1) $V < 0$ $16 - 4k^2 < 0$ $4k^2 > 16$ $k^2 > 4$ $k > 2, k < -2$ $k > 2$ (1)

Question 7	
a)	$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2 - 2x - 6}{4 - 2x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3}{x^2} - \frac{2}{x} - \frac{6}{x^2}}{\frac{4}{x^2} - 2}$ $= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 - \frac{2}{x} - \frac{6}{x^2}}{4 - 2x^2}$ $= \frac{3}{-2}$ (1)
b)	$x^2 - (k+4)x + (k-3) = 0$ Let roots be α and β $\alpha + \beta = k + 4, \alpha\beta = k - 3$
i)	One root = -2 $(-2)^2 - (k+4)(-2) + k - 3 = 0$ $4 + 2k + 8 + k - 3 = 0$ $3k = -9$ $k = -3$ (1) OR Let α and -2 be the roots. $\alpha - 2 = k + 4$ $\alpha = k + 6$ $-2\alpha = k - 3$ $-2(k+6) = k - 3$ $-2k - 12 = k - 3$ $3k = -9$ $k = -3$ (1)
ii)	Let the roots be α and $\frac{1}{\alpha}$. Use product of roots. $1 = k - 3$ $k = 4$ (1)
iii)	Let the roots be α and $-\alpha$. Use the sum of roots. $0 = k + 4$ $k = -4$ (1)

c)	$x^4 = 8(x^2 + 6)$ $x^4 = 8x^2 + 48$ $x^4 - 8x^2 - 48 = 0$ Let $m = x^2$ $m^2 - 8m - 48 = 0$ $(m-12)(m+4) = 0$ $m = 12$ or $m = -4$ (1) $x^2 = 12$ $x = \pm\sqrt{12}$ $x^2 = -4$ (no real solution) $\therefore x = \pm 2\sqrt{3}$ (1)
d)	i) $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{3x^2 - 5}{2x + 1} \right) = \frac{6x(2x+1) - 2(3x^2 - 5)}{(2x+1)^2}$ (1) $= \frac{12x^2 + 6x - 6x^2 + 10}{(2x+1)^2}$ $= \frac{6x^2 + 6x + 10}{(2x+1)^2}$ (1) OR ii) $f(x) = \sqrt[5]{(2x+7)^2}$ $= (2x+7)^{\frac{2}{5}}$ (1) $f'(x) = \frac{2}{5}(2x+7)^{\frac{2}{5}-1} \cdot 2$ $= \frac{4}{5}(2x+7)^{-\frac{3}{5}}$ (1) $= \frac{4}{5\sqrt[5]{(2x+7)^3}}$
e)	Consider the discriminant $V = 4b^2(a-c)^2 - 4(a^2-b^2)(b^2-c^2)$ $= 4b^2(a^2 - 2ac + c^2) - 4(a^2b^2 - b^4 - a^2c^2 + b^2c^2)$ $= 4a^2b^2 - 8b^2ac + 4b^2c^2 - 4a^2b^2 + 4b^4 + 4a^2c^2 - 4b^2c^2$ $= 4(b^4 - 2b^2ac + a^2c^2)$ (1) $= 4(b^2 - ac)^2$ For equal roots $V = 0$ $4(b^2 - ac)^2 = 0$ $b^2 = ac$ (1)