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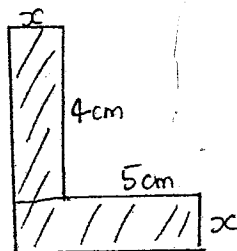
d) $4x^2 + 19x = 5$

e) $(3x-4)^2 = 8$

Q2. Solve by completing the square.
 $x^2 + 12x - 28 = 0$

Q3. Solve $2(x+2) = \frac{1}{x}$

Q4. Solve for x if the area is 19 cm^2



Q5 Solve for x

$$\frac{3}{2x} + \frac{4}{3x} + \frac{5}{4x} = x$$

Q6

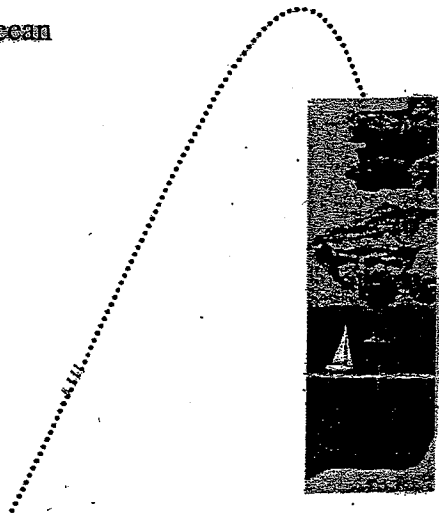
A stone is thrown from the top of a cliff to land in the ocean and its height h above sea level is given by

$$h = 84 + 13t - 2t^2$$

at any time t , where h is in metres and t is in seconds.

a. What is the height of this cliff?

b. How long will it take for the stone to land in the ocean?



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a) $(3x-2)(x+3) = 0$
 $x = \frac{2}{3}$ ✓ $x = -3$ ✓

b) $x^2 + 2x - 15 = 0$
 $(x+5)(x-3) = 0$
 $x = -5$ ✓ $x = 3$ ✓

c) $x^2 = 0$
 $x^2 - x + (\frac{1}{2})^2 = 0 + (\frac{1}{2})^2$
 $(x - \frac{1}{2})^2 = (\frac{1}{2})^2$
 $x - \frac{1}{2} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$
 $x = 0$ ✓

d) $4x^2 + 19x - 5 = 0$
 $4x^2 + 19x - 5 = 0$
 $(4x-1)(x+5) = 0$
 $x = \frac{1}{4}$ ✓ $x = -5$ ✓

e) $(3x-4)^2 = 8$
 $3x-4 = \pm\sqrt{8}$
 $3x = \pm\sqrt{8} + 4$
 $x = \frac{\pm\sqrt{8} + 4}{3}$
 $x = \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{3}$ ✓

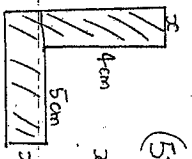
Q2 Solve by completing the square.

$x^2 + 12x - 28 = 0$
 $x^2 + 12x = 28$
 $x^2 + 12x + 6^2 = 28 + 6^2$
 $(x+6)^2 = 64$
 $x+6 = \pm 8$
 $x = 2$ ✓ $x = -14$ ✓

Q3 solve $2(x+2) = \frac{1}{x}$

$2x + 4 = \frac{1}{x}$
 $2x^2 + 4x = 1$
 $2x^2 + 4x - 1 = 0$
 $a=2, b=4, c=-1$
 $x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 4 \times 2 \times -1}}{2 \times 2}$
 $x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{24}}{4}$
 $x = \frac{-4 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{4}$
 $x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{6}}{2}$

Q4 Solve for x if the area is 19 cm²



$x^2 + 5x + 4 \times x = 19$
 $(5+x) \times x + 4 \times x = 19$
 $x^2 + 5x + 4x = 19$
 $x^2 + 9x - 19 = 0$
 $a=1, b=9, c=-19$
 $x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{81 - 4 \times 1 \times -19}}{2}$
 $x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{157}}{2}$
 $x = \frac{-9 + \sqrt{157}}{2}$
 $x \approx 1.76$ cm

Q5 SOLVE FOR x

$\frac{1}{2x} + \frac{4}{3x} + \frac{5}{4x} = x$

$12x = 18 + 16 + 15$
 $12x = 49$
 $x = \frac{49}{12}$ ✓

Q6

A stone is thrown from the top of a cliff to land in the ocean and its height h above sea level is given by

$h = 84 + 13t - 2t^2$
 $t^2 - 13t = 84$
 $t^2 - 13t + (\frac{13}{2})^2 = 84 + (\frac{13}{2})^2$
 $(t - \frac{13}{2})^2 = \frac{84 + \frac{169}{4}}{1}$
 $t - \frac{13}{2} = \pm \sqrt{84 + \frac{169}{4}}$
 $t = \frac{13 \pm 29}{4}$

a. What is the height of this cliff?

$h = 84 + 13t - 2t^2$
 $h = 84 + 13 \times \frac{13}{2} - 2 \times (\frac{13}{2})^2$
 $h = 84 + 84.5 - 42.5 = 126$ m

b. How long will it take for the stone to land in the ocean?

$t = \frac{13 \pm 29}{4}$
 $t = 10.5$ seconds

$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

