



**Randwick Boys'
Technology High School**

**Mathematics Department
Three Unit Half Yearly Examination
Year Eleven.**

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Candidates may attempt all questions.
All necessary working should be shown in every question.
Full marks may not be awarded for careless or badly arranged work.

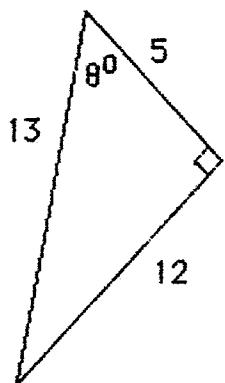
Time allowed : 2 Hours.

Number each question clearly.
Start each question on a new page.
Write your name on every page.

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QUESTION 1 (15 Marks)

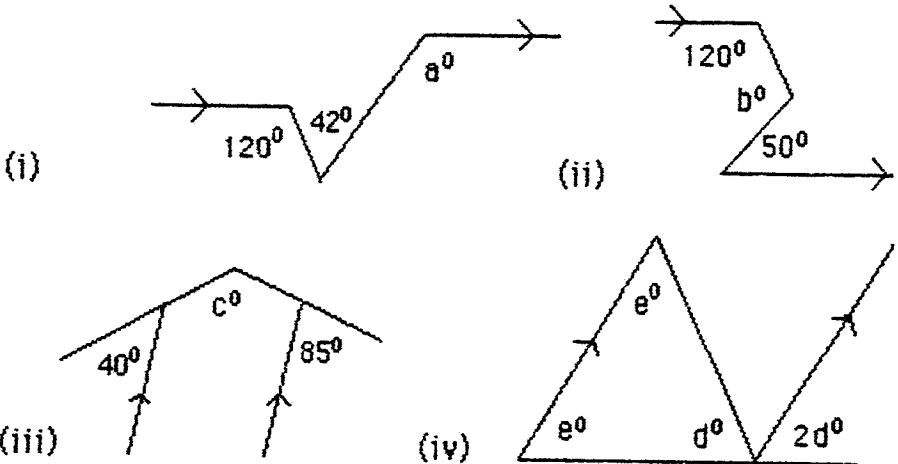
- a. Simplify: $(-3x^4y)^3$
- b. Express: $\sqrt{512}$ in the form: $a\sqrt{b}$
- c. $F = \frac{9C}{5} + 32$. Find C when F = 77.
- d. Find the exact value of: $\frac{2}{15} - \frac{27}{1000}$ as a fraction in its lowest terms.
- e. What is the domain of the following:
- (i) $y = \sqrt{3 - x}$
- (ii) $y = \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$
- f. Find the number of sides of a polygon if each exterior angle is 15° .
- g. The equation of a circle is: $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 4y - 20 = 0$
Find its centre and radius.
- h. Write down the values of $\sin \theta$, $\cos \theta$ and $\tan \theta$ from the following:



- i. Find the size of the angle z° if it is four times its supplement.

QUESTION 2. (18 Marks)

- a. Simplify: $\frac{a}{x-y} - \frac{3a}{5x-5y}$
- b. Simplify: $(a+b)^2 - (a-b)^2$
- c. A function, $f(x)$ is defined by: $f(x) = 6$ for $x < 3$
 $f(x) = 2x$ for $x \geq 3$
- (i) find $f(-2) + f(4)$
- (ii) sketch the function for $-2 \leq x \leq 6$
- (iii) What other information is required if you were asked to find $f(2a)$?
- d. Find the size of each angle marked with a prounomial. Show working out but do not give reasons.



QUESTION 3. (17 Marks)

- a. Simplify: $16 - |5 - 12|$
- b. Solve: $x + xy\sqrt{3} = 8$ leaving your answer in surd form with rational denominator.
- c. Factorise: $3x^2 + 4x - 15$

- d. Sketch the following curves on separate diagrams showing their main features.

(i) $y = \frac{4}{x - 1}$

(ii) $y = \sqrt{4 - x^2}$

(iii) $y = x(4 - x)$

(iv) $y = |x| + 4$

(v) $y = 4^{-x}$

QUESTION 4. (17 Marks)

- a. Solve for x by completing the square. Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

$$5x^2 + 4x - 1 = 0$$

b. Simplify: $\frac{x^2 - x}{3x^3 + 3x^2} \div \frac{x^2 - 1}{6x}$

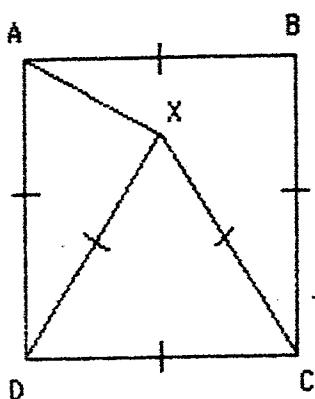
- c. Illustrate clearly on a diagram the region of the number plane where the following inequalities are simultaneously true:

$$y \leq 4 - x^2, \quad y \geq 0, \quad \text{and} \quad y > 2x.$$

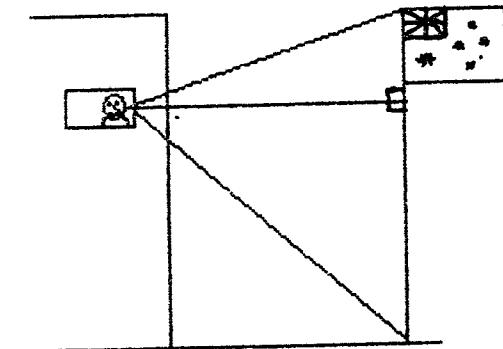
- d. ABCD is a square and CDX is an equilateral triangle. Find the size of:

(i) $\angle AxB$

(ii) the reflex $\angle AxC$



- e. Looking out of a window, 5m above a level stretch of ground, an observer finds that the angle of elevation to the top of a flag pole is $8^\circ 37'$, and the angle of depression to the foot of the pole is $10^\circ 31'$.



- (i) Draw a neat sketch on your answer paper showing all the given information.
- (ii) Calculate, to the nearest metre, the distance of the pole from the observer.
- (iii) Calculate, to the nearest metre, the height of the pole.

QUESTION 5. (18 Marks)

a. Solve: $\frac{x}{3} - \frac{3x - 4}{2} = 6$

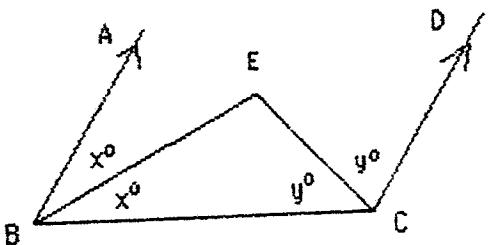
b. Solve: $\frac{2}{x - 3} \geq \frac{1}{x}$

- c. Find the equation of the locus of a point, P(x,y), which moves so that its distance from the point, A(-4,2), is equal to its distance from the point, B(5,-1).

Give a geometrical description of this locus.

- d. A ship sails due East from a lighthouse, L, for a distance of 25 nm. It then turns and sails due South for 20 nm to a point P. What is the bearing of P from L? (Draw a diagram first.)

- e. Find the size of angle BEC giving reasons.



QUESTION 6. (15 Marks)

a. Solve: $\left| \frac{1}{x - 2} \right| \geq 2$

b. If $1 + a < \frac{1}{1 - a}$ show that $a < 1$.

c. Is the function: $f(x) = x^2 - x$ odd, even or neither?
Give reasons.

d. A wheel makes 20 revolutions per minute. Through what angle does a spoke turn in one second?

e. P is any point on the side AB of a square ABCD. The line from A perpendicular to DP cuts BC at Q. AQ and DP intersect at X.

- (i) Draw a diagram showing the above information.
(ii) Prove that $DP = AQ$.

(a) $\sqrt{7.849 \times (6.27)^2} = 3.94$

(b) $\frac{3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{3}}{3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{3}}{3\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{3}}$
 $= \frac{18 - 2\sqrt{16} + 12}{(3\sqrt{2})^2 - (2\sqrt{3})^2} = \frac{30 + 12\sqrt{6}}{(3\sqrt{2})^2 - (2\sqrt{3})^2} = \frac{30 + 12\sqrt{6}}{18 - 12}$

(c) $\frac{3x^2 - x + 3}{5} = 0$
 $\therefore a = 30, b = 12$
 $a = 5, b = -2$
 $\therefore h^2 - 6h + 8 \geq 0$
 $h \leq 4$

$4(3x-2) = 5(x+12)$ ✓
 $12x - 8 = 5x + 60$
 $7x = 68$
 $x = \frac{68}{7}$ ✓

(d) $3x^2 - x - 3 = 0$
 $x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4 \cdot 3 \cdot -3}}{6}$
 $= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{37}}{6}$

(e) $(2.7 \times 10^{-23}) \times (8 \times 10^{29})$
 $= 2.16 \times 10^7$ ✓

(f) $a^{-1} + b^{-1} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = \frac{a+b}{ab}$

(g) $t^4 - 2t^2 + 1 = 0$ when $t = 2\sqrt{3}$
 $(2\sqrt{3})^4 - 2(2\sqrt{3})^2 + 1 = 0$
 $= 144 - 24 + 1$
 $= 121$ ✓

(h) $(x-5)(x+4) \times (x+5)^{-1}$
 $= x(x+4)$
 $= x+1$

(i) $2x + 3y = 5$ — (i) $\times 3$
 $3x + 4y = 6$ — (ii) $\times 2$
 $6x + 9y = 15$ — (ii)
 $6x + 8y = 12$ — (ii)
 $y = 3$ ✓

(j) $(\frac{8}{27})^{1/3} \times (\frac{4}{9})^{-1/2}$
 $= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{2}$
 $= 1$

Sub y into (i):
 $2x + 3(3) = 5$
 $2x = -4$
 $x = -2$ ✓

