

PAST EXAMINATION QUESTIONS : IDENTITIES

1. The expression $(ax + b)(x - 2) + c(x^2 + 3)$ is equal to 14 for all values of x . By substituting suitable values for x , or otherwise, calculate the numerical values of a , b and c . (N68/P2/6ii)
2. The expression $a(x - 2) + b(x - 4)$ is equal to $x + 2$ for all value of x . By giving suitable values to x , or otherwise, find the numerical values of a and b . (J72/P2/5i)
3. Given that $x^3 - 3x^2 - 4x + 16 \equiv (x - 2)(x + 3)(x - C) + Px + Q$, find the value of P , of Q and of C . (J82/P2/12b)
4. Given that $3x^2 - 7x + 4 = A(x - 2)^2 + B(x - 2) + C$ for all values of x , find the value of A , of B and of C . (sp2/1a)
5. Given that $3x^2 - 11x + 3 = A(x - 2)(x - 1) + B(x - 1) + C$ for all values of x , find the values of A , B and C . (J89/P2/1d)
6. Given that, for all values of x , $2x^3 + 3x - 14x - 5 = (Ax + 5)(x + 3)(x + 1) + C$, evaluate A , B and C . (J92/P2/1c)
7. For all values of x , $3x^3 + 5x^2 - 4x - 3 \equiv (Ax + 2)(x + B)(x - 1) + C$. Find the value of A , of B and of C . (N94/P2/1c)
8. Given that $2x^2 + x + C \equiv A(x + 1)^2 + B(x + 1) + 4$ for all values of x , find the values of A , B and C . (N95/P2/1c)
9. Given that $2x^3 + 5x^2 - 6x - 5 \equiv (Ax - 3)(x + B)(x + 1) + C$, for all values of x , find the value of each of A , B and C . (J99/P2/1b)

1. -2, -4, 2
2. a = 3, b = -2
3. 6, -8, 4
4. 3, 5, 2
5. A = 3, B = -2, C = -5
6. 2, -5, 10
7. 3, 2, 1
8. 2, -3, 3
9. A = 2, B = 3, C = 4