

Bridging the Gap

'A' Level Mathematics Year 1

NON-CALCULATOR PAPER

April 2020

Candidates answer on the Question paper.

Materials required:

- Pen
- Pencil
- Ruler

Duration: 60 mins

Candidate forename		Candidate surname	
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Teacher(s)		Class	
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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes above. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Where space is provided below the question, please write your answer there.
- You may use additional paper, but you must clearly show your candidate number and question number(s).

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- **The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.**
- **The total number of marks for this paper is 60.**

Answer **all** the questions.

1. Work out.

$$1\frac{3}{4} + 3\frac{5}{12}$$

Give your answer as a mixed number in its simplest form.

..... [3]

2. Work out $\frac{2}{15} \times \frac{15}{22}$.

Give your answer in its lowest terms.

..... [2]

3. Write as a single power of x.

i. $x^6 \times x^2$

(i)..... [1]

ii. $x^9 \div x^3$

(ii)..... [1]

4. Factorise fully.

$$4xy - 10xw$$

..... [2]

5. Multiply out and simplify fully.

$$(3x - 4)(2x + 1)$$

..... [3]

6. Evaluate.

i. $3^0 + 4^{-1}$

(i)..... [2]

ii. $16^{\frac{3}{4}}$

(ii)..... [2]

7. Simplify.

$$\left(\frac{a^5}{a^9}\right)^{-2}$$

..... [2]

8. Solve.

$$5x + 17 = x + 3$$

$x =$ [3]

9. Rearrange this formula to make a the subject.

$$5(a + b) = 2ab$$

..... [4]

10. Solve.

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

$x =$ [3]

11. Show that $\sqrt{396}$ can be written as $6\sqrt{11}$.

[2]

12. Multiply out and simplify.

$$(4 + \sqrt{3})(1 - \sqrt{3})$$

Give your answer in the form $a + b\sqrt{3}$ where a and b are integers.
Show all your working.

..... [3]

13(a). Factorise.

$$x^2 - 9$$

..... [1]

(b). Factorise.

$$x^2 - 4x + 3$$

..... [2]

(c). Use your answers to parts (a) and (b) to simplify this expression.

$$\frac{x^2 - 4x + 3}{x^2 - 9}$$

..... [1]

14. Rationalise the denominator in this expression.

$$\frac{3 + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

..... [2]

15. Express as a single fraction in its simplest form.

$$\frac{4}{x-2} - \frac{5}{x+1}$$

..... [3]

16. Write the expression $x^2 - 10x + 10$ in the form $(x - a)^2 - b$.

..... [3]

17. Solve this equation.

$$3x^2 + 5x - 11 = 0$$

Leave your answers in SURD form.

$x =$ or $x =$ [3]

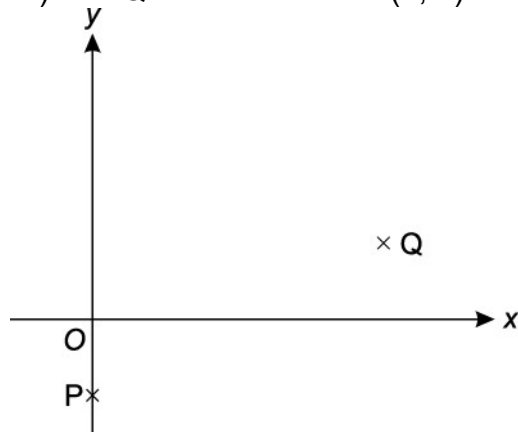
18. Solve, algebraically, these simultaneous equations.

$$x + 3y = 14$$

$$2x + y = 3$$

$x = \dots\dots\dots$
 $y = \dots\dots\dots$ [3]

19. P has coordinates (0, -1) and Q has coordinates (4, 1).



Not to scale

Find the equation of line PQ.

$\dots\dots\dots$ [3]

20. Solve.

$$y = 2x^2 + 16x - 9$$

$$y = 5x - 3$$

$$x = \dots\dots\dots y = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$x = \dots\dots\dots y = \dots\dots\dots$$

[6]

END OF QUESTION paper