

**QUESTION ONE (22 Marks)** Marks

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|---|---|
| (a) Evaluate $\sqrt{\frac{36.41+19.57}{23.62-11.39}}$ , correct to 3 significant figures. | 2 |
| (b) Express $0.\overline{54}$ as a fraction in its simplest terms.                        | 2 |
| (c) Write 2170000000 in scientific notation.  | 1 |
| (d) Simplify $ -6-2 $   | 1 |
| (e) Increase \$450 by 18%.  | 1 |
| (f) Simplify the following  |   |
| (i) $\sqrt{18} + 3\sqrt{12} - 2\sqrt{50}$   | 2 |
| (ii) $2\sqrt{6} \times 4\sqrt{15}$  | 2 |
| (g) Expand and simplify the following   |   |
| (i) $\sqrt{6}(3\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{5})$   | 1 |
| (ii) $(7 - 2\sqrt{5})(7 + 2\sqrt{5})$   | 1 |
| (iii) $(2\sqrt{5} + 3)^2$   | 2 |
| (h) Simplify each of the following by rationalising the denominator.                      |   |
| (i) $\frac{10}{3\sqrt{2}}$  | 2 |
| (ii) $\frac{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{6}}$                                  | 3 |
| (i) Given $\sqrt{80} - \sqrt{20} = \sqrt{x}$ , find $x$ .                                 | 2 |

**QUESTION TWO (19 Marks) Start a new page** Marks

(a) Expand and simplify the following

(i)  $(5a - 2)(3a + 1)$  1

(ii)  $\left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right)\left(t - \frac{1}{t}\right)$  1

(b) Simplify the following

(i)  $\frac{(2a^4)^5}{4a^2}$  2

(ii)  $(16y)^{-\frac{1}{4}} \times (4y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  2

(c) Write  $x\sqrt{x}$  in index form. 1

(d) Factorise the following

(i)  $y^2 - 16y - 80$  1

(ii)  $4x^2 + 9x - 28$  1

(iii)  $2k^3 - 16k^2 - 3k + 24$  2

(iv)  $t^3 + 27$  1

(e) Simplify the following

(i)  $\frac{5x - 10}{5}$  1

(ii)  $\frac{x-5}{3x} + \frac{x-3}{5x}$  3

(iii)  $\frac{2x^2 + x - 15}{x^2 + 3x - 28} \div \frac{6x^2 - 15x}{x^2 - 49}$  3

**QUESTION THREE (9 Marks) Start a new page**

(a) Solve for  $x$

(i)  $20x - 35 = 13x - 21$  1

(ii)  $\frac{2x+1}{5} = -3$  2

(iii)  $2 + 5(x-1) = 5x - (x-2)$  3

(iv)  $\frac{x+4}{3x} = 7 + \frac{1}{x}$  3

**END OF PAPER**

Question 1

a)  $\sqrt{\frac{36.41 + 19.57}{23.62 - 11.39}} = \sqrt{\frac{56}{12.23}} = 2.139455367$   
 $= 2.14 \text{ to 3 sig.fig.}$

b) Let  $x = 0.\dot{5}\dot{4}$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 0.545454\ldots \\100x &= 54.545454\ldots \\99x &= 54 \\x &= \frac{54}{99} \\&= \frac{6}{11} \\\therefore 0.\dot{5}\dot{4} &= \frac{6}{11}\end{aligned}$$

c)  $21700000000 = 2.17 \times 10^9$

d)  $| -6 - 2 | = |-8| = 8$

e) Increased amount

$$\begin{aligned}&= (100 + 18)\% \text{ of } \$450 \\&= 118\% \text{ of } \$450 \\&= 1.18 \times \$450 \\&= \$531\end{aligned}$$

f) i)  $\sqrt{18} + 3\sqrt{12} - 2\sqrt{50}$   
 $= \sqrt{9 \times 2} + 3\sqrt{4 \times 3} - 2\sqrt{25 \times 2}$   
 $= 3\sqrt{2} + 3 \times 2\sqrt{3} - 2 \times 5\sqrt{2}$   
 $= 3\sqrt{2} + 6\sqrt{3} - 10\sqrt{2}$   
 $= 6\sqrt{3} - 7\sqrt{2}$

ii)  $2\sqrt{6} \times 4\sqrt{15} = 8\sqrt{90}$   
 $= 8 \times \sqrt{9} \times \sqrt{10}$   
 $= 8 \times 3\sqrt{10}$   
 $= 24\sqrt{10}$

g) i)  $\sqrt{6}(3\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{5}) = 3\sqrt{36} - 2\sqrt{30}$   
 $= 3 \times 6 - 2\sqrt{30}$   
 $= 18 - 2\sqrt{30}$

ii)  $(7 - 2\sqrt{5})(7 + 2\sqrt{5}) = 7^2 - (2\sqrt{5})^2$   
 $= 49 - 4 \times 5$   
 $= 49 - 20$   
 $= 29$

iii)  $(2\sqrt{5} + 3)^2 = (2\sqrt{5} + 3)(2\sqrt{5} + 3)$   
 $= 4\sqrt{25} + 6\sqrt{5} + 6\sqrt{5} + 9$   
 $= 4 \times 5 + 12\sqrt{5} + 9$   
 $= 29 + 12\sqrt{5}$

h) i)  $\frac{10}{3\sqrt{2}} = \frac{10}{3\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$   
 $= \frac{10\sqrt{2}}{3 \times 2}$   
 $= \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{3}$

ii)  $\frac{\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{6}} = \frac{(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{6})}{(\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{6})} \times \frac{(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{6})}{(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{6})}$   
 $= \frac{(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{6})}{10 - 6}$   
 $= \frac{\sqrt{100} - \sqrt{60} - \sqrt{60} + \sqrt{36}}{4}$   
 $= \frac{10 - 2\sqrt{60} + 6}{4}$   
 $= \frac{16 - 2\sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{15}}{4}$   
 $= \frac{16 - 4\sqrt{15}}{4}$   
 $= \frac{4(4 - \sqrt{15})}{4}$   
 $= 4 - \sqrt{15}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) } \sqrt{80} - \sqrt{20} &= \sqrt{2x} \\
 \sqrt{80} - \sqrt{20} &= \sqrt{16 \times 5} - \sqrt{4 \times 5} \\
 &= 4\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{5} \\
 &= 2\sqrt{5} \\
 &= \sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{5} \\
 &= \sqrt{20} \\
 \therefore x &= 20
 \end{aligned}$$

### Question 2

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a) i) } (5a-2)(3a+1) &= 15a^2 + 5a - 6a - 2 \\
 &= 15a^2 - a - 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ii) } (t-\frac{1}{t})(t-\frac{1}{t}) &= t^2 - 1 - 1 - \frac{1}{t^2} \\
 &= t^2 - 2 - \frac{1}{t^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) ii) } \frac{(2a^4)^5}{4a^2} &= \frac{32a^{20}}{4a^2} \\
 &= 8a^{18}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{iii) } (16y)^{-\frac{1}{4}} \times (4y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{1}{(16y)^{\frac{1}{4}}} \times y^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2y^{\frac{1}{4}}} \times y^2 \\
 &= y^{\frac{3}{4}} \\
 &= \sqrt[4]{y^3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) } x\sqrt{x} &= x \times \sqrt{x} \\
 &= x \times x^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &= x^{\frac{3}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{d) i) } y^2 - 16y - 80 = (y-20)(y+4)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ii) } 4x^2 + 9x - 28 &= 4x^2 + 16x - 7x - 28 \\
 &= 4x(x+4) - 7(x+4) \\
 &= (4x-7)(x+4)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{iii) } 2k^3 - 16k^2 - 3k + 24 &= 2k^2(k-8) - 3(k-8) \\
 &= (2k^2 - 3)(k-8)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{iv) } t^3 + 27 &= t^3 + 3^3 \\
 &= (t+3)(t^2 - 3t + 9)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{v) } \frac{5x-10}{5} &= \frac{5(x-2)}{5} \\
 &= (x-2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{vi) } \frac{x-5}{3x} + \frac{x-3}{5x} &= \frac{5(x-5) + 3(x-3)}{15x} \\
 &= \frac{5x-25 + 3x-9}{15x} \\
 &= \frac{8x-34}{15x}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{vii) } \frac{2x^2+x-15}{x^2+3x-28} \div \frac{6x^2-15x}{x^2-49} &= \frac{(2x-5)(x+3)}{(x+7)(x-4)} \times \frac{(x-7)(x+7)}{3x(2x-5)} \\
 &= \frac{(x+3)(x-7)}{3x(x-4)}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Question 3

a) (i)  $20x - 35 = 13x - 2$   
 $7x = 14$   
 $x = 2$

(ii)  $\frac{2x+1}{5} = -3$

$$2x+1 = -15$$

$$2x = -16$$

$$x = -8$$

(iii)  $2 + 5(x-1) = 5x - (x-2)$

$$2 + 5x - 5 = 5x - x + 2$$

$$5x - 3 = 4x + 2$$

$$x = 5$$

(iv)  $\frac{x+4}{3x} = 7 + \frac{1}{x}$

$$(x+4) = 7 \times 3x + 3$$

$$x+4 = 21x + 3$$

$$-20x = -1$$

$$x = \frac{1}{20}$$

