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GENERAL  
MATHEMATICS

Paper 1

Monday

13<sup>th</sup> October 2014

Time allowed:

2 hours and 30 minutes

(8:00am – 10:30 am)

NO EXTRA TIME

(NO OTHER TIME)

Candidates are advised to  
fully utilise the allocated  
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### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

*To be read by the external invigilator to all candidates.*

1. The code for General Mathematics is **4**.
2. There are **7** printed pages in the question booklet.
3. An Electronic Answer Sheet for Part A, 2 pages Part B Answer Booklet and a 1 page formula sheet are inserted in the question booklet.
4. There are two parts to this paper. Answer **ALL** questions

**Part A: Multiple Choice (Questions 1 – 30) 30 marks**

This section will be electronically marked.

All answers to the Multiple Choice Part **MUST** be answered on the **ELECTRONIC ANSWER SHEET** provided.

Carefully following the instructions, fill in your Candidate Information and Subject Information.

Choose A or B or C or D from the alternatives given and use a HB pencil to shade in the correct letter to each question on the Electronic Answer Sheet.

If you make a mistake, rub the shading out completely using an eraser and shade in your correct alternative clearly.

**Part B: Short Answer (Questions 31 – 50) 20 marks**

Write your name, your school name and your 10-digit candidate number on the Part B Answer Sheet provided.

5. You are required to write only the correct answer in the space provided on the Answer Sheet
6. Calculators may be used.
7. Answer all questions on the answer sheet. Answers on any other paper including rough work paper and the question paper **will not be marked**.
8. Correction Fluid is not allowed on the answer sheet. Where you have made an error, cross it out and start on a new line.
9. Graphical Calculators are not permitted.

**Penalty For Cheating Or Assisting To Cheat In National Examinations Is Non-Certification.**

**DO NOT TURN OVER THE PAGE AND DO NOT WRITE  
UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO START.**

**PART A: MULTIPLE CHOICE**

**(QUESTIONS 1 to 30)**

**30 MARKS**

Answer each question by shading in with HB pencil, the circle directly under the correct alternative A, B, C or D. If you make a mistake, rub it out completely using an eraser rubber and shade the correct answer on the Electronic Answer Sheet.

**QUESTION 1**

520 metres is equivalent to

- A. 0.52 km                      B. 520 cm  
 C. 5.2 km                        D. 5,200 mm

**QUESTION 2**

The graph of the equation  $g^2 + 3h = 11$  is

- A. exponential                  B. linear  
 C. parabolic                      D. hyperbolic

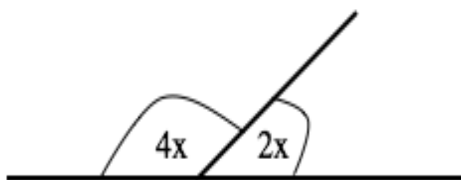
**QUESTION 3**

Which of the following PNG artefacts cannot be tessellated?

- A. Bilum                            B. Basket  
 C. Bamboo blind                D. Wood carving

**QUESTION 4**

The value of x in the diagram is



- A. 180°                            B. 90°  
 C. 45°                             D. 30°

**QUESTION 5**

A car depreciated at an annual rate of 10%. If the car cost K75, 000 when new, how much is the car worth after 4 years?

- A. K25, 792.50                  B. K34, 807.50  
 C. K49, 207.50                D. K109, 807.50

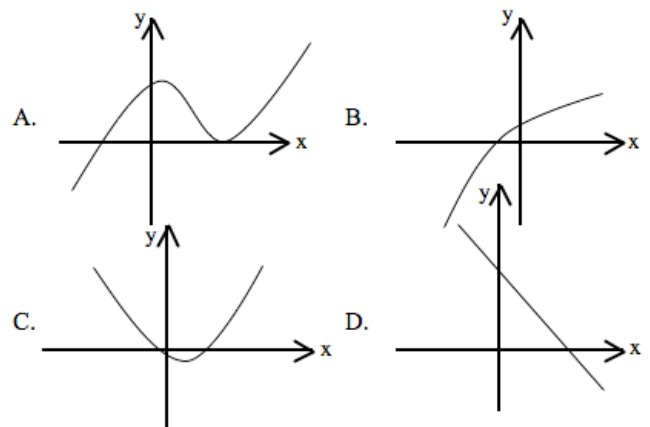
**QUESTION 6**

Jacob's base salary for 80 hours is K720. Overtime is paid for at time-and-a-half. If he is paid K828 in a certain pay period, how many overtime hours did he work?

- A. 9 hours                        B. 8 hours  
 C. 7 hours                        D. 6 hours

**QUESTION 7**

Which of the following graphs relates to an exponential equation?



**QUESTION 8**

A car travels 6 km on two litres of petrol. How far will the car travel on 5 litres?

- A. 3 km                                      B. 6 km  
 C. 12 km                                     D. 15 km

**QUESTION 9**

What is the actual distance in metres between two points that are 6.3 cm apart on a map whose scale is 1:1000 is

- A. 6, 300                                    B. 630  
 C. 63                                         D. 6.3

**QUESTION 10**

The range of the data set {11, 32, 17, 41, 19, 8, 63, 28} is

- A. 17                                         B. 63  
 C. 8    D. 55

**QUESTION 11**

Kosta earns K1, 400 per month. His expenditure per month is

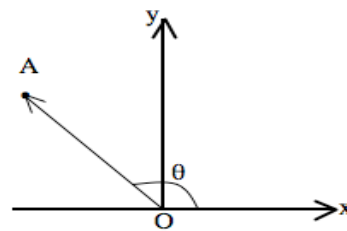
Phone bill: K100  
 Water bill: K100  
 Insurance: K50  
 Rent: K400  
 Food: K400

His annual saving is

- A. K420                                      B. K1, 200  
 C. K350                                      D. K4, 200

**QUESTION 12**

In the diagram  $\theta = 135^\circ$ , the vector  $\overline{OA}$  is



- A.  $-i + j$   
 B.  $-i - j$   
 C.  $i - j$   
 D.  $i + j$

**QUESTION 13**

For the following frequency distribution,

Class	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	Total
Frequency	17	26	82	30	155

the percentage of values below 60 is

- A. 53    B. 68  
 C. 81    D. 90

**QUESTION 14**

A woman borrows K80, 000 to start a business. The bank charges 20% interest for the duration of the loan repayment period. How much would she pay per month if she is to repay the loan in two years?

- A. K400                                         B. K2, 400  
 C. K4, 000                                      D. K16, 000

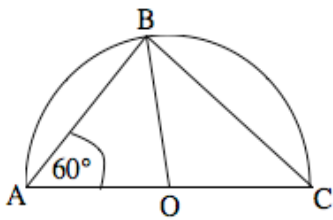
**QUESTION 15**

A class of 53 students has 31 males. If a student is selected at random from the class, the probability that the selected student is female is

- A. 21 percent                                 B. 50 percent  
 C. 42 percent                                 D. 58 percent

**QUESTION 16**

In the given semi-circle, centre O,  $\angle BAO = 60^\circ$ . The triangle ABC is



- A. right-angled
- B. isosceles
- C. equilateral
- D. scalene

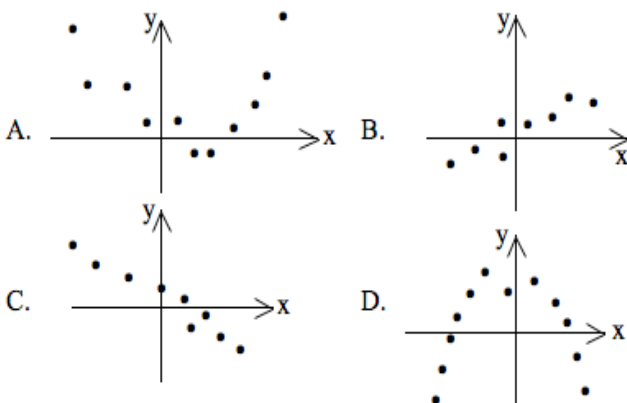
**QUESTION 17**

From a point on a power post 9 metres above ground level, the angle of depression of Fred's head is 30 degrees. How far is Fred from the power post, if he is 1.6 metres tall.

- A. 8.54 m
- B. 10.39 m
- C. 12.82 m
- D. 15.59 m

**QUESTION 18**

Which of the following scatter diagrams relates to a data set in which the variables are negatively linearly correlated?



**QUESTION 19**

In a sale, a discount of 30% was allowed on the marked price of a mattress. A customer paid K250 for the mattress. What was its price before the discount?

- A. K833.33
- B. K75
- C. K175
- D. K357.14

**QUESTION 20**

The solutions of the simultaneous equations  $6m + 5n = 28$  and  $7 - m = 2n$  are

- A.  $m = 2$  and  $n = 3$
- B.  $m = -3$  and  $n = 2$
- C.  $m = 3$  and  $n = 2$
- D.  $m = 3$  and  $n = -2$

**QUESTION 21**

If a card is drawn at random from a standard pack of 52 playing cards, the probability that it is a Jack OR a Diamond is

- A. 0.25
- B. 0.31
- C. 0.02
- D. 0.75

**QUESTION 22**

K2, 000 is invested at 5% compounded annually.

What is the investment value after 5 years?

- A. K2, 540
- B. K1, 255
- C. K255
- D. K2, 552.56

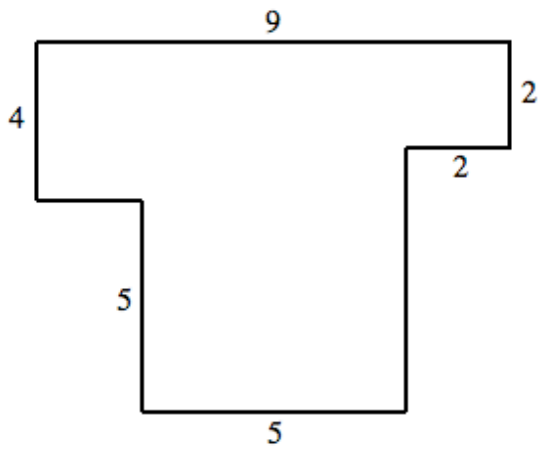
**QUESTION 23**

The sum of the roots of  $x^2 - 3x - 18 = 0$

- A. -3
- B. 3
- C. 6
- D. 9

**QUESTION 24**

The lengths in this diagram are in centimetres. The area of the shape is



- A. 43 cm<sup>2</sup>
- B. 49 cm<sup>2</sup>
- C. 57 cm<sup>2</sup>
- D. 58 cm<sup>2</sup>

**QUESTION 25**

The solutions of the equation  $t^2 + 4t = 21$  are

- A.  $t = 3$  or  $t = -7$
- B.  $t = 7$  or  $t = -3$
- C.  $t = 3$  or  $t = 7$
- D.  $t = -3$  or  $t = -7$

**QUESTION 26**

The mean of the data set (42, 53, 16, 21, 31) is

- A. 32.6
- B. 18.9
- C. 2.4
- D. 66.6

**QUESTION 27**

An equivalent expression of  $y = 5^x$  is

- A.  $y = \log_5 x$
- B.  $x = \log_5 y$
- C.  $5 = \log_x y$
- D.  $x = \log_y 5$

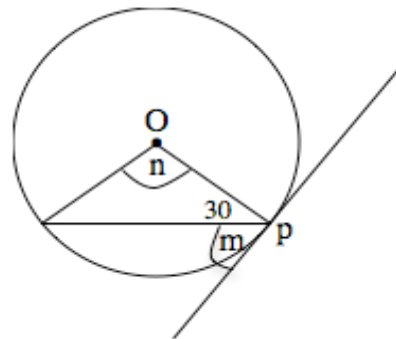
**Question 28**

In rectangle ABCD,  $\overline{CB}$  and  $\overline{AB}$  represents vectors  $u$  and  $v$  respectively and vector  $\overline{AC}$  is represented in terms of  $u$  and  $v$  as

- A.  $v + u$
- B.  $v - u$
- C.  $-v - u$
- D.  $-v + u$

**QUESTION 29**

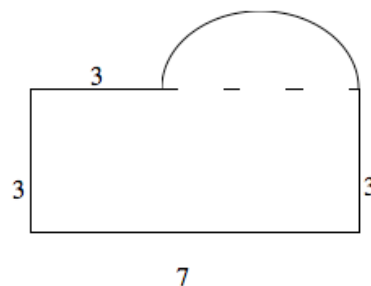
In the diagram O is the centre of the circle. The size of the angle labelled 'm' is



- A. 30°
- B. 60°
- C. 90°
- D. 110°

**QUESTION 30**

The perimeter of this figure with a semi circular top is



- A.  $16 + \pi$
- B.  $16 + 2\pi$
- C.  $16 + 3\pi$
- D.  $16 + 4\pi$

**SECTION B: SHORT ANSWERS**

Carefully work out your answers and write down your final answers only in the space provided on your Section B Answer booklet.

**QUESTION 31**

The standard deviation of a data set is 4.2. What is the variance of the data set?

**QUESTION 32**

Express 0.00052 in standard index form.

**QUESTION 33**

If  $w = 42 - 6.1(8^v)$ , what is the value of  $w$  when  $v = 3$ ?

**QUESTION 34**

The estimated regression of  $s$  on  $t$  is:  $s = 15 - 2.4t$ . Predict the value that  $s$  would have if  $t = 3.8$ .

**QUESTION 35**

Find three consecutive whole numbers whose average is 27.

**QUESTION 36**

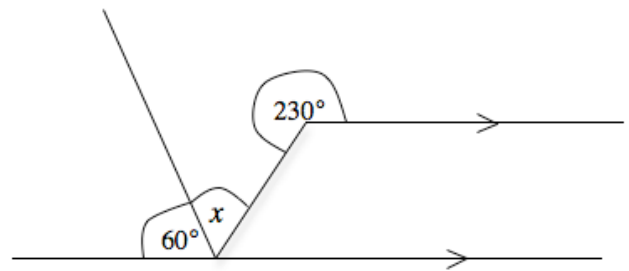
The principle of K2,000 is invested at the rate of 8% per annum. How many years of investment will return a simple interest of K720?

**QUESTION 37**

The first quartile and the inter-quartile range of a data set are 17.1 and 28.3 respectively. What is the third quartile?

**QUESTION 38**

Find the value of  $x$  in the diagram below.



**QUESTION 39**

Solve the simultaneous equations  $2g + 7h = 13$  and  $6h - 4g = 14$ . Write your answers as decimals.

**QUESTION 40**

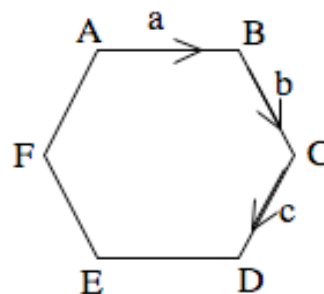
The incomes of Jude and Jake are in the ratios of 2:5. If Jake earns K800, how much does Jude earn?

**QUESTION 41**

A young man buys a motorbike for K2,500 on instalment. A deposit of 20% is paid and interest of 15% is charged on the balance. How much interest will he pay?

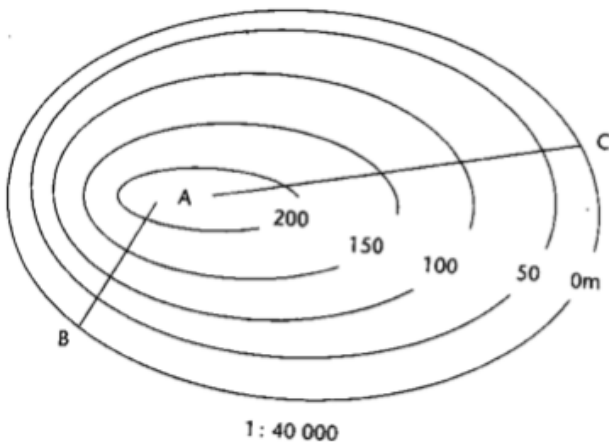
**QUESTION 42**

Let ABCDEF be a regular hexagon.



Express vector DF in terms of a, b and c.

Question 43 and 44 refer to the diagram below.



A contour of top town is shown above. Points B and C are at sea level and the top of the hill A has a altitude of 210 metres.

To reach the top of the hill, Tom has the choice of two paths BA and CA.

**QUESTION 43**

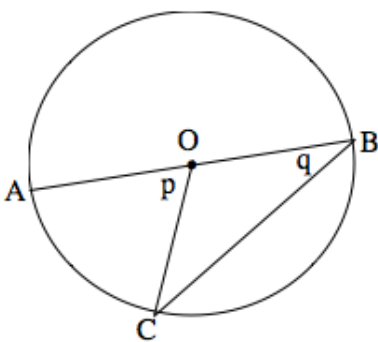
Which part would be the steepest walk to the top of the hill?

**QUESTION 44**

Justify your answer to **Question 43**.

**QUESTION 45**

Find the size of angle  $p$ , given  $q = 30^\circ$ . O is the centre of the circle.



**QUESTION 46**

K1, 000 is invested at 5% compounded per annum. Calculate the interest earned after four years.

**QUESTION 47**

A bag contains three red, two blue and four black marbles.

One marble is drawn at random from the bag. What is the probability that the selected is blue?

**QUESTION 48**

Shade the region  $z \leq 2p + 5$ , showing where the boundary cuts the axes.

**QUESTION 49**

Jeff makes a loss of 20% as a result of selling his car for K15, 000. How much did he pay for the car?

**QUESTION 50**

A ship sails for 100 km on the bearing  $030^\circ$ . It sails for another 200 km on the bearing of  $170^\circ$ .

Draw the diagram showing the path of the ship.

**END OF EXAMINATION**