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Algebra exam review

1 Here are some patterns made from dots.



Pattern number 1 Pattern number 2 Pattern number 3 Pattern number 4

Write down a formula for the number of dots, d , in terms of the Pattern number, n .

(Total 2 marks)

2 David and Clare are studying a number pattern.
The first three numbers in the pattern are 1, 2 and 6.

David says the next two numbers are 13 and 23.
Clare says the next two numbers are 15 and 31.

i Explain why David could be right.

(1)

ii Explain why Clare could be right.

(1)

(Total 2 marks)

3 The n th term of a sequence is given by this formula.

$$n\text{th term} = 20 - 3n$$

a Work out the 8th term of the sequence.

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(1)



b Find the value of n for which $20 - 3n = -22$

$n = \dots\dots\dots$
(2)

Here are the first five terms of a different sequence.

8 11 14 17 20

c Find an expression, in terms of n , for the n th term of this sequence.

n th term = $\dots\dots\dots$
(2)

(Total 5 marks)

4 The table shows the first three terms of a sequence.

Term number	1	2	3		
Term	2	5	10		

The rule for this sequence is

$\text{Term} = (\text{Term number})^2 + 1$

a Work out the next two terms of this sequence.

$\dots\dots\dots, \dots\dots\dots$
(2)

b One term of this sequence is 101.
Find the term number of this term.

$\dots\dots\dots$
(2)

(Total 4 marks)

5 Solve the equation $3x^2 + 2x - 6 = 0$
Give your answers correct to 3 significant figures.

$\dots\dots\dots$
(Total 3 marks)

6 Here are the first five terms of a number sequence.

3 7 11 15 19

a Write down an expression, in terms of n , for the n th term of this sequence.

$\dots\dots\dots$
(2)

Adeel says that 319 is a term in the number sequence.

b Is Adeel correct?
You must justify your answer.

$\dots\dots\dots$
 $\dots\dots\dots$
(2)

(Total 4 marks)

7 The table shows some rows of a number pattern.

Row 1	1^2	–	(0×2)
Row 2	2^2	–	(1×3)
Row 3	3^2	–	(2×4)
Row 4	4^2	–	(3×5)
Row n		

a In the table, write down an expression, in terms of n , for Row n .

(1)

b Simplify fully your expression for Row n .
You must show your working.

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(2)

(Total 3 marks)

8 i Factorise $x^2 - 7x + 12$

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ii Solve the equation

$$x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$$

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(Total 3 marks)

9 The diagram below shows a 6-sided shape.
All the corners are right angles.
All measurements are given in centimetres.

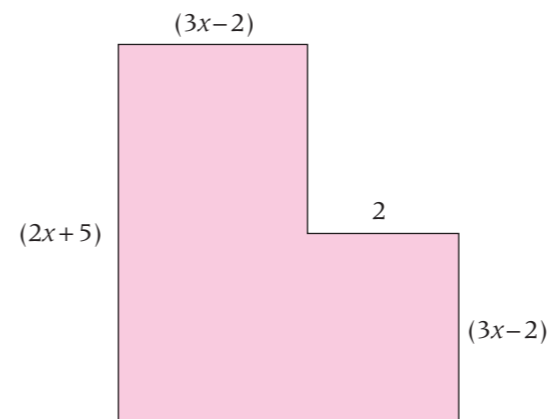


Diagram **NOT** accurately drawn

The area of the shape is 25 cm^2 .

a Show that $6x^2 + 17x - 39 = 0$

(3)

b i Solve the equation

$$6x^2 + 17x - 39 = 0$$

$x = \dots\dots\dots$ or $x = \dots\dots\dots$

ii Hence work out the length of the longest side of the shape.

.....cm

(4)

(Total 7 marks)

10 Solve the equation

$$\frac{7}{x+2} + \frac{1}{x-1} = 4$$

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(Total 7 marks)