



# Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

**JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2012**

**MATHEMATICS – HIGHER LEVEL**

**PAPER 1 (300 marks)**

**FRIDAY, 8 JUNE – AFTERNOON, 2.00 to 4.30**

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Attempt **ALL** questions.

Each question carries 50 marks.

**Graph paper may be obtained from the Superintendent.**

The symbol  indicates that supporting work **must** be shown to obtain full marks.


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1. (a) (i) List the divisors of 30.  
(ii) State which of these divisors are prime numbers.
- (b) (i) €900 is invested for two years at 3% per annum compound interest.  
✍ Find the value of the investment at the end of the second year.
- (ii) John has a gross weekly wage of €600.  
After tax his net weekly wage is €554.  
✍ Calculate his tax credits if he is taxed at the standard rate of 20%.
- (c) (i) ✍ By rounding to the nearest whole number, estimate the value of
- $$\frac{3 \cdot 89 \times 7 \cdot 24 - \sqrt{8 \cdot 94}}{8 \cdot 52 - 3 \cdot 65}$$
- (ii) ✍ Evaluate  $\frac{3 \cdot 89 \times 7 \cdot 24 - \sqrt{8 \cdot 94}}{8 \cdot 52 - 3 \cdot 65}$ , correct to two decimal places.
- (iii) ✍ Simplify  $\sqrt{5}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}) - \sqrt{8}(\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{5})$  without the use of a calculator.  
Express your answer in the form  $a + b\sqrt{c}$ , where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ .

2. (a) Fuel consumption in a car is measured in litres per 100 km.

Alan's car travels 1250 km on a tank of 68 litres.



 Calculate his car's fuel consumption in litres per 100 km.

(b)  $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$  is the universal set.

$P = \{3, 5, 6, 8, 10\}$ ,  $Q = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12\}$  and  $R = \{2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12\}$  are three subsets of  $U$ .

(i) Represent the above information on a Venn diagram.


Hence list the elements of:

(ii)  $(P \cup Q \cup R)'$

(iii)  $(P \cap Q) \setminus R$ .


(c) An electronics company imports tablet computers from China at a cost of 696 Yuan (元) per tablet.




(i)  Find the cost of each tablet, in euro, if  $\text{€}1 = 8.7 \text{元}$ .

The company must also pay a shipping cost on each tablet imported.

By selling a tablet at  $\text{€}105.40$ , the company can make a profit of 24%.

(ii)  Find the shipping cost per tablet.

The company imports 1000 tablets from China. It sells 600 of them at  $\text{€}105.40$  each (i.e. at a profit of 24%) and the remainder at a profit of 15%.

(iii)  Find the overall profit, in euro, made by the company.

3. (a) ✍ Given that 1 billion is a thousand million, find the sum of €3.6 billion and €700 million.

Give your answer in the form  $a \times 10^n$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $1 \leq a < 10$ .

(b) (i) ✍ Simplify  $\frac{6x^2 - 17x + 12}{3x - 4}$ .

(ii) ✍ Factorise  $4c^2 - 3d - 2cd + 6c$ .

(iii) ✍ Express in its simplest form:

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

- (c) Roisín cycled from Wicklow to Bray, a distance of 30 km. She left Wicklow at 10:30 and arrived in Bray at 12:20, having stopped in Greystones for 20 minutes. Greystones is 22 km from Wicklow.

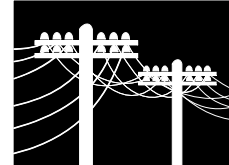


- (i) Roisín's average speed between Wicklow and Greystones was  $x$  km/h. Write an expression in  $x$  for the time taken for this part of her journey.
- (ii) Her average speed for the second part of her journey, between Greystones and Bray, was 6 km/h slower than her speed between Wicklow and Greystones. Write an expression in  $x$  for the time it took to complete the second part of her journey.
- (iii) Write an equation in  $x$  to represent the above information.
- (iv) ✍ Solve the equation to find Roisín's speed for each part of the journey.

4. (a) ✎ Graph on the number line the solution set of

$$4 - x \geq 2x - 5, x \in \mathbb{N}.$$

- (b) Electricity is charged to a consumer at a day rate and at a night rate.



Day rate units are charged at 14 cent per unit and night rate units are charged at 7 cent per unit.

A consumer uses a total of 1100 units for a billing period, at a cost of €129.50.

- (i) By letting  $x$  equal the number of day rate units used and  $y$  equal the number of night rate units used, write two equations to represent the above information.
- (ii) ✎ Solve these equations to find the number of each type of unit used.
- (c) (i) ✎ Solve the equation  $x^2 - 6x + 4 = 0$ ,  
giving your answer in the form of  $a \pm \sqrt{b}$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (ii) ✎ Hence, or otherwise, find two values for  $p$  for which  
 $(3 + p)^2 - 6(3 + p) + 4 = 0$ .
- (iii) ✎ Show that the sum of the two values of  $p$  is zero.

5. (a) ✎ Given that  $4d = \frac{2c}{3} + \frac{a}{5}$ , write  $a$  in terms of  $c$  and  $d$ .

(b) (i) ✎ Find the value of  $3x^2 - 5x + \frac{4}{x}$ , when  $x = \frac{2}{3}$ .

(ii) ✎ Solve the equation  $\frac{x-1}{3} - \frac{5x+2}{4} = 1$ .


(c) Let  $f$  be the function  $f: x \rightarrow 10 - x - 2x^2$ .

(i) ✎ Draw the graph of  $f$  for  $-3 \leq x \leq 3$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .


(ii) Use your graph to estimate the maximum value of  $f(x)$ .

(iii) Use your graph to estimate the values of  $x$  for which  $f(x) = 6$ .

6. (a) Let  $g$  be the function  $g : x \rightarrow 2^{x-3}$ .

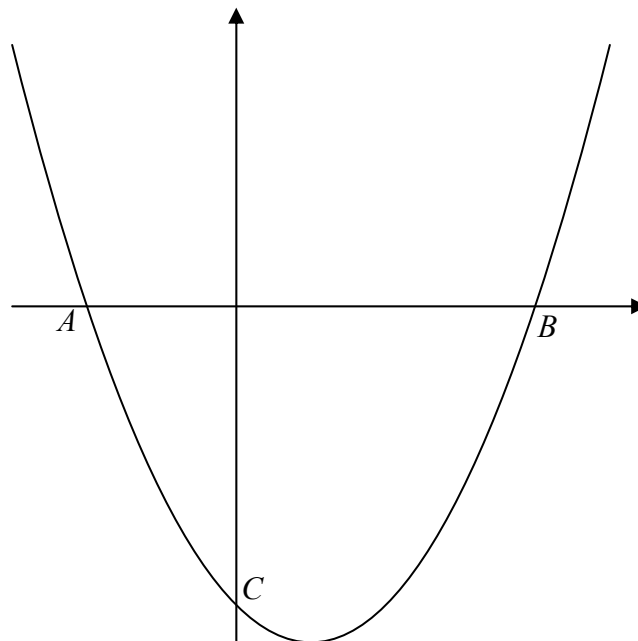
 Find the value of  $g(3)$ .

(b) Let  $f$  be the function  $f : x \rightarrow x^2 - 3x$ .

(i)  Express  $f(t)$  and  $f(2t + 1)$  in terms of  $t$ .

(ii)  Hence, find the values of  $t$  for which  $f(t) = f(2t + 1)$ .

(c) The diagram shows part of the graph of the function  $f : x \rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 8, x \in \mathbb{R}$ .



(i) The graph intersects the  $x$  axis at  $A$  and  $B$  and the  $y$  axis at  $C$ .

 Find the co-ordinates of  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ .

(ii) Hence, write down the range of values of  $x$  for which  $x^2 - 2x - 8 \leq 0$ .

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