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Teacher's Introduction

Content

This pack contains 14 challenge level topic tests, which together form 'Set B' in a paired range of tests for the AQA Pure Mathematics AS / Year 1 A Level content.

Each test comes with fully worked solutions, containing helpful tips, hints and technique boxes for students struggling on a particular question.

These topic tests have been **fully cross-referenced** to the Pearson, Hodder and Collins textbooks for your convenience (see reference sheet on page 2). Each test has been designed to reflect the specification fully.

About the challenge tests

These **challenge** tests have been designed to **stretch and challenge** your students. 50% of the marks come from questions similar in style to our fundamentals tests. These questions isolate and test the core skills in each topic. The other 50% of the marks come from questions of increased difficulty that progress and start to combine the concepts in the topic.

Suggested use of the A and B tests

Each test in Set A has a corresponding test in Set B that features the same styles of questions but with different numbers. This allows for a variety of **flexible** uses including:

- Test → Homework: Students use test B as a homework to consolidate on areas of weakness identified from completing test A under test conditions in class.
- Homework → Test: Students revise as homework using test A before doing test B in class under test conditions.
- Test → Classwork: Students work through test B with teacher input to consolidate on areas of weakness identified from completing test A under test conditions in class.
- Classwork → Test: Students work through test A with teacher input, before checking their learning by completing test B under test conditions.

Timings

The recommended times for students to complete each test are given at the top of individual tests. Suggested times for our entire range of topic tests are also compiled in a table on the timings sheet for convenience (see page 3). For these challenge tests, the relevant times are the third and fourth times listed under each topic.

Calculator use

Although students are allowed to use a calculator in their examinations, the first topic (Algebraic Expressions) should be done without a calculator, as indicated by the non-calculator symbol () at the top of the tests. This encourages students to develop their non-calculator skills, saving time in their examinations on basic algebra and arithmetic.

Also available from ZigZag Education

The perfect starting point for students of all abilities are our **fundamentals** tests. These isolate and test the core skills in each topic so that your students can show what they can do. They get a confidence boost and you can see at a glance where each student's weaknesses lie.

To prepare students for the exam itself, our **expert** tests contain 25% repeated marks from the fundamentals and challenge tests, and 75% exam-style material with compound/multistep questions.

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Cross-referencing Grid

				Chap	ter Refe	rence	
Topic	AQA spec. points	Subtopics	Edexcel Pearson textbook [ISBN: 9781292183398]	Edexcel Hodder textbook [ISBN: 9781471853043]	Edexcel Collins textbook [ISBN: 9780008204952]	AQA Hodder textbook [ISBN: 9781471852862]	OCR A Hodder textbook [ISBN: 9781471853067]
Algebraic Expressions	B1, B2, B6	Index laws, expanding brackets, factorising, negative and fractional indices, surds, rationalising denominators	1	2, 3.1, 7.1	1.1, 1.4, 1.6-1.8	2, 3.1, 7.1	2, 3.1, 7.1
Quadratics	В3	Solving quadratic equations, completing the square, functions, quadratic graphs, discriminants, modelling	2	3, 8.1	2.1- 2.4, 3.1, 3.7- 3.8, 8.2	3, 8.1	3, 8.1
Simultaneous Equations and Inequalities	B3, B5	Linear simultaneous equations, quadratic simultaneous equations, simultaneous equations on graphs, linear inequalities, quadratic inequalities, inequalities on graphs, regions	3	4	2.5–2.8	4	4
Graphs and Transformations	B7, B9	Cubic graphs, quartic graphs, reciprocal graphs, points of intersection, translations, stretching, transformations	4	8	3	8	8
Straight Line Graphs	C1	Equations of straight lines, parallel and perpendicular lines, length and area, modelling	5	5.1–5.3	3.6, 4	5.1–5.3	5.1–5.3
Circles	C2	Midpoints and perpendicular bisectors, equation of a circle, intersections of straight lines and circles, use tangent and chord properties, circles and triangles	6	5.4–5.5	5	5.4–5.5	5.4–5.5
Algebraic Methods	A1, B6	Algebraic fractions, dividing polynomials, the factor theorem, mathematical proof, methods of proof	7	1, 7	1.5, 11	1, 7	1, 7
Binomial Expansion	D1	Pascal's triangle, factorial notation, binomial expansion, binomial problems, binomial estimation	8	9	1.2-1.3	9	9
Trigonometric Ratios	E1	The cosine rule, the sine rule, areas of triangles, solving triangle problems, graphs of sine, cosine and tangent, transforming trigonometric graphs	9	6.2– 6.5, 8.4	6.1– 6.5, 3.7–3.8	6.2– 6.5, 8.4	6.2- 6.5, 8.4
Trigonometric Identities and Equations	E3	Angles in all four quadrants, exact values of trigonometric ratios, trigonometric identities, simple trigonometric equations, harder trigonometric equations and identities	10	6.1–6.2	6.1, 6.4–6.6	6.1–6.2	6.1–6.2
Vectors	J1, J2, J3, J4, J5	Vectors, representing vectors, magnitude and direction, position vectors, solving geometric problems, modelling	11	12	10	12	12
Differentiation	G1, G2, G3	Gradients of curves, finding derivatives, differentiating x ⁿ , differentiating quadratics, gradients, tangents and normals, increasing and decreasing functions, second order derivatives, stationary points, sketching, modelling	12	10	8	10	10
Integration	H1, H2, H3	Integrating x ⁿ , indefinite integrals, finding functions, definite integrals, areas under curves, areas under the x-axis, areas between curves and lines	13	11	9	11	11
Exponentials and Logarithms	F1, F2, F3, F4, F5, F6, F7	Exponential functions, y = e ^x , exponential modelling, logarithms, laws of logarithms, solving equations using logarithms, working with natural logarithms, logarithms and nonlinear data	14	13	7	13	13

Timings Sheet

For the **fundamentals** tests, refer to the tests marked X.1a and X.1b. For the **challenge** tests, refer to the tests marked X.2a and X.2b. For the **expert** tests, refer to the tests marked X.3a and X.3b.

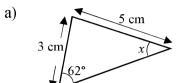
Topic test reference	Recommended time (minutes)	Topic test reference	Recommended time (minutes)	Topic test reference	Recommended time (minutes)	
Algebraic Ex	pressions	Cir	Circles		ctors	
1.1.a	14	6.1a	15	11.1a	9	
1.1b	15	6.1b	11	11.1b	9	
1.2a	21	6.2a	11	11.2a	17	
1.2b	17	6.2b	11	11.2b	15	
1.3a	14	6.3a	11	11.3a	11	
1.3b	12	6.3b	13	11.3b	11	
Quadra	atics	Algebraio	Methods	Differe	ifferentiation	
2.1a	19	7.1a	5	12.1a	13	
2.1b	16	7.1b	5	12.1b	9	
2.2a	23	7.2a	7	12.2a	17	
2.2b	19	7.2b	5	12.2b	13	
2.3a	26	7.3a	7	12.3a	17	
2.3b	25	7.3b	7	12.3b	17	
Simultaneous and Inequ		Binomial Expansion		Integration		
3.1a	10	8.1a	11	13.1a	15	
3.1b	8	8.1b	9	13.1b	13	
3.2a	13	8.2a	21	13.2a	15	
3.2b	11	8.2b	17	13.2b	13	
3.3a	23	8.3a	13	13.3a	13	
3.3b	17	8.3b	13	13.3b	11	
Graphs and Trai	nsformations	Trigonom	etric Ratios	Exponentials and Logarit		
4.1a	17	9.1a	11	14.1a	19	
4.1b	9	9.1b	11	14.1b	11	
4.2a	17	9.2a	19	14.2a	15	
4.2b	15	9.2b	13	14.2b	11	
4.3a	19	9.3a	23	14.3a	15	
4.3b	13	9.3b	21	14.3b	11	
Straight Line	Straight Line Graphs		Trigonometric Identities and Equations			
5.1a	9	10.1a	17			
5.1b	7	10.1b	17			
5.2a	7	10.2a	15			
5.2b	7	10.2b	13			
5.3a	13	10.3a	19			
5.3b	11	10.3b	15			

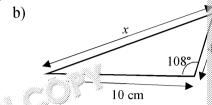
Trigonometric Ratios – Test B (13 mins)

Subtopics: The cosine rule, the sine rule, areas of triangles, solving triangle problems, transforming trigonometric graphs

For this test you should give your answers to three significant figures

1. Find the value of x in the following triangles:





2. Given that the area of the right is 6.4 cm² and the angle x is x, y, y, and the value of x.

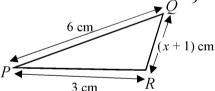


3. **Sketch** the graphs of the following equations, indicating **all** points of in **maximum** and **minimum** points where appropriate:

a)
$$v = \tan \theta$$
, $-90^{\circ} \le \theta \le 90^{\circ}$

b)
$$y = \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}\theta\right), \ 0^{\circ} \le \theta \le 360$$

- 4. The triangle PQR has side lengths PQ = 11 cm, PR = 6 cm, and angle possible values of the angle PRQ.
- 5. The triangle ABC has side lengths AB = 4 cm, AC = 9 cm, and BC = 1 largest angle in the triangle ABC.
- 6. In the triangle below, $\cos P = \frac{5}{9}$



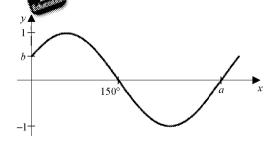
- a) Calculate the value of x.
- b) Find the **area** of the triang

7. Sketch the graphs of the following equations, indicating all points of in maximum and minimum points where appropriate:

a)
$$y = -\tan \theta$$
, $0^{\circ} \le \theta \le 180^{\circ}$

b,
$$y = \sin(\theta + 180^\circ), 0^\circ \le \theta$$

8. The diagram below part of the graph of y = f(x). It crosses the and (a 1) diagram is at the point (0, b). Given that $f(x) = \cos(x - b)$



- a) Find the value
- b) Find the min
- c) Find the value

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Solutions to Quadratics – Test B

1. a)
$$2x^2 - 6x = 20$$

$$\therefore 2x^2 - 6x - 20 = 0$$
 M1

$$(2x+4)(x-5) = 2(x+2)(x-5) = 0$$
 M1

$$x + 2 = 0$$
 or $x - 5 = 0$

$$\therefore x = -2 \text{ or } x = 5 \text{ A1}$$

b)
$$(x-3)^2 = -16x$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 6x + 9 = -16x$$

$$\therefore x^2 + 10x + 9 = 0$$
 M1

$$(x+9)(x+1) = 0$$
 M1

$$x = -9 \text{ or } x = -1 \text{ A}$$

$$(x+9)(x+1) = 0 \quad M1$$

$$x = -9 \text{ or } x = -1 \quad A1$$

$$x+4 = \frac{5}{x}$$

$$x(x+4) = 0 \quad M1$$

$$\therefore x(x+4) =$$



$$-4$$
 $y=0$ M1
5) $(x-1)=0$ M1

$$\therefore x = -5 \text{ or } x = 1 \text{ A1}$$

d)
$$x^3 - 12x^2 + 20x = 0$$

$$\therefore x(x^2-12x+20)=0$$
 M1

$$x(x-10)(x-2) = 0$$
 M1

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = 10 \text{ or } x = 2 \text{ A1}$$

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$$a = 3$$
, $b = -4$, $c = 1$

$$x = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(3)(1)}}{2(3)} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 12}}{6} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{4}}{6} = \frac{4 \pm 2}{6}$$
 for all forms

$$\therefore x = 1 \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{3} \text{ A1}$$

b)
$$7x^2 = 2x + 4$$
 $\therefore 7x^2 - 2x - 4 = 0$

$$a = 7, b = -2, c = -4$$

$$x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(7)(-4)}}{2(7)} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 112}}{14} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{116}}{14} = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{29}}{14} = \frac{1}{14}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1 + \sqrt{29}}{7} \text{ or } x = \frac{1 - \sqrt{29}}{7} \text{ A1}$$

c)
$$a = 3$$
, $b = -2$, $c = -4$

$$x = \frac{-(-2) \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4(3)(-4)}}{2(3)} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 48}}{6} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{52}}{6} = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{13}}{6} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{13}}{3}$$

$$1 + \sqrt{13} \qquad 1 - \sqrt{13}$$

$$x = \frac{1 + \sqrt{13}}{3}$$
 or $x = \frac{1 - \sqrt{13}}{3}$

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



$$4x^{-} = 1$$

$$x^2 - 7x + 1 = 0$$
 M1

$$x = \frac{-(-7) \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(4)(1)}}{2(4)} = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{33}}{8} \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{7 + \sqrt{33}}{8} \text{ or } x = \frac{7 - \sqrt{33}}{8} \text{ A1}$$

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3. a)
$$x^2 - 4x - 5 = \left(x - \frac{4}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{4}{2}\right)^2 - 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x - 2)^2 - 4 - 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-2)^2 - 4 - 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-2)^2 - 9 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x-2)^2 = 9 \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$x - 2 = \pm \sqrt{9} = \pm 3$$

$$\therefore x - 2 = \pm \sqrt{9} = \pm 3$$

$$\therefore x = 2 \pm 3$$

$$\therefore x = 2 + 3 = 1 \text{ or } x = 2 - 3 = -1$$
 A1

b)
$$2x^2 - 5x + 1 = 0$$

 $\therefore 2\left(x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x\right) = -1$
 $\therefore x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x = -\frac{1}{2}$
 $\therefore \left(x - \frac{5}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{2}$

$$\therefore x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \left(x - \frac{5}{2}\right) \quad \left(\frac{2}{2}\right) =$$



$$\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{2} = \frac{25}{16} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{17}{16}$$
 M1

$$\therefore x - \frac{5}{4} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{17}{16}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{17}}{4}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{5}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{17}}{4} \text{ or } x = \frac{5}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{17}}{4}$$
 A1

c)
$$(2x-4)^2 = 8x$$

$$(2x-4)(2x-4) = 8x$$

$$\therefore 4x^2 - 8x - 8x + 16 = 8x$$

$$\therefore 4x^2 - 24x + 16 = 0$$
 M1

$$\therefore x^2 - 6x + 4 = 0$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 6x = -4$$

$$(x-3)^2-3^2=-4$$

$$(x-3)^2 = 9-4=5$$
 M1

$$\therefore x-3=\pm\sqrt{5}$$

$$\therefore x = 3 \pm \sqrt{5}$$

$$\therefore x = 3 + \sqrt{5} \text{ or } x = 3 - \sqrt{5} \text{ A1}$$

[7 Marks]

4.
$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = (x - 3)^2 - 3^2 + 9$$

= $(x - 3)^2$ (where $p = 1$, $q = -3$ and $r = 0$) A1 [1 Mark]

5.
$$3x^2 - 2x + 7 = 3\left(x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x\right) + 7$$

 $= 3\left(\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right) + 7$
 $= 3\left(x - \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \frac{20}{3}$ (where $p = 3$, $q = -\frac{1}{3}$ and $r = \frac{20}{3}$) A1 [3 Marks]

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6. a)
$$f(x) = -x - 2$$
 : $f(11) = -11 - 2 = -13$ A1
 $g(x) = (x+7)(x+2)$: $g(-1) = (-1+7)(-1+2) = (6)(1) = 6$ A1

b)
$$3f(x) = g(x)$$

 $3(-x-2) = (x+7)(x+2)$
 $\therefore -3x-6 = x^2 + 9x + 14$
 $\therefore x^2 + 12x + 20 = 0$ M1
 $\therefore (x+10)(x+2) = 0$
 $\therefore x = -10$ or $x = -2$ A1

[4 Marks]

7. a)
$$a = 1$$
, $b = -8$, $c = 21$
 $b^2 - 4ac = (-8)^2 - 4(1)(21) = 64 - 84 = -20$
 $-20 < 0$: no real roots **A1**

b)
$$g(x) = (-2x+1)(x-5)$$

 $= -2x^2 + 10x$ \Rightarrow $= -5$
 $= -2x^2 + 10x$ \Rightarrow $= -2x^2 + 10x$ \Rightarrow $= -2x$

c)
$$a = 5$$
, $b = -1$, $c = 7$
 $b^2 - 4ac = (-1)^2 - 4(5)(7) = 1 - 140 = -139$ **A1**
 $-139 < 0$: no real roots **A1**

d)
$$j(x) = (4x-1)(3x+2) = 12x^2 + 8x - 3x - 2$$

 $= 12x^2 + 5x - 2$ M1
 $a = 12$, $b = 5$, $c = -2$
 $b^2 - 4ac = 5^2 - 4(12)(-2) = 25 + 96 = 121$ A1
 $121 > 0$: two real roots A1

[10 Marks]

8.
$$\sqrt{4x+5} = x$$
$$\therefore 4x+5 = x^2$$
$$\therefore x^2 - 4x - 5 = 0 \quad M1$$

Quadratic formula says $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

Here,
$$a = 1$$
, $b = -4$, $c = -5$
So $x = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times (-5)}}{2 \times 1} = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{36}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 6}{2}$ M1

 $\therefore x = 5 \text{ or } x = -1 \text{ (both solutions allowed as } x > -\frac{5}{4} \text{)}$ A1 [3 Marks]

9.
$$a = 1$$
, $b = 5$, $c = k$
 $b^2 - 4ac > 0$ for two distinct real roots **M1**

So there are two distinct real roots i^c (k) = 25 - 4k > 0 M1

$$\therefore 25 > 4k$$

$$\therefore 25 \qquad (f_0)$$

so accept
$$k \in \left(-\infty, \frac{25}{4}\right)$$
 A1

[3 Marks]

10.
$$a = 3$$
, $b = -4$, $c = k$

 $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ for no real solutions M1

So there are no real solutions if $(-4)^2 - 4(3)k = 16 - 12k < 0$ M1

16 < 12k

$$\therefore k > \frac{4}{3} \left(\text{for OCR also accept } k \in \left(\frac{4}{3}, \infty\right) \right)$$
 A1

[3 Marks]

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