# Mathematical Methods 

## Paper 1 - Technology-free

## Time allowed

- Perusal time - 5 minutes
- Working time - 90 minutes


## General instructions

- Answer all questions in this question and response book.
- Calculators are not permitted.
- QCAA formula book provided.
- Planning paper will not be marked.


## Section 1 (10 marks)

- 10 multiple choice questions


## Section 2 (45 marks)

- 9 short response questions

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## Section 1

## Instructions

- Choose the best answer for Questions 1-10.
- This section has 10 questions and is worth 10 marks.
- Use a 2B pencil to fill in the $A, B, C$ or $D$ answer bubble completely.
- If you change your mind or make a mistake, use an eraser to remove your response and fill in the new answer bubble completely.



## Section 2

## Instructions

- Write using black or blue pen.
- Questions worth more than one mark require mathematical reasoning and/or working to be shown to support answers.
- If you need more space for a response, use the additional pages at the back of this book.
- On the additional pages, write the question number you are responding to.
- Cancel any incorrect response by ruling a single diagonal line through your work.
- Write the page number of your alternative/additional response, i.e. See page ...
- If you do not do this, your original response will be marked.
- This section has nine questions and is worth 45 marks.


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## Question 11 (5 marks)

Solve for $x$ in the following.
a) $\ln (2 x)=5$ [2 marks]
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b) $\log _{4}(4 x+16)-\log _{4}\left(x^{2}-2\right)=1$ [3 marks]

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## Question 12 (3 marks)

The probability that a debating team wins a debate can be modelled as a Bernoulli distribution. Given that the probability of winning a debate is $\frac{4}{5}$
a) Determine the mean of this distribution. [1 mark]
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b) Determine the variance of this distribution. [1 mark]
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c) Determine the standard deviation of this distribution. [1 mark]

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## Question 13 (9 marks)

a) Determine the derivative of $f(x)=3 e^{2 x+1}$ [1 mark]
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b) Given that $g(x)=\frac{\ln (x)}{x}$, determine the simplest value of $g^{\prime}(e)$. [3 marks]
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c) Determine the second derivative of $h(x)=x \sin (x)$. (Give your answer in simplest form.) [5 marks]
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## Question 14 ( 6 marks)

The rate that water fills an empty vessel is given by $\frac{d V}{d t}=0.25 e^{0.25 t}$ (in litres per hour), $0 \leq t \leq 8 \ln (6)$, where $t$ is time (in hours).
a) Determine the function that represents the volume of water in the vessel (in litres). [2 marks]
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The vessel is full when $t=8 \ln (6)$.
b) Determine the volume of water, to the nearest litre, the vessel can hold when full. [2 marks]
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The table shows the approximate rate the water flows into the vessel at certain times.

| $\boldsymbol{t}$ | $\frac{\boldsymbol{d} \boldsymbol{V}}{\boldsymbol{d t}}$ |
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| 1 | 0.32 |
| 2 | 0.41 |
| 3 | 0.53 |

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c) Use information from the table and the trapezoidal rule to determine the approximate volume of water in the vessel after three hours. [2 marks]
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## Question 15 (4 marks)

The derivative of a function is given by $f^{\prime}(x)=e^{x}(x-4)$.
Determine the interval on which the graph of $f(x)$ is both decreasing and concave up.
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## Question 16 (3 marks)

A section of the graphs of the first and second derivatives of a function are shown.
Sketch a possible graph of the function on the same axes over the domain $0 \leq x \leq 2 \pi$.
Explain all reasoning used to produce the sketch.


Note: If you make a mistake in the graph, cancel it by ruling a single diagonal line through your work and use the additional response space on page 17 of this question and response book.
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## Question 17 (4 marks)

Determine the value of $b$ given $\int_{a}^{b} 3 x^{2} d x=117$ and $\int_{a}^{b-1} 3 x^{2} d x=56$ for $b>1$.
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## Question 18 (4 marks)

A percentile is a measure in statistics showing the value below which a given percentage of observations occur.

The continuous random variable $X$ has the probability density function
$f(x)=\left\{\begin{array}{cc}2 x-2, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0, & \text { otherwise }\end{array}\right.$
Determine the 36th percentile of $X$.
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## Question 19 (7 marks)

Two triangles are said to be similar if their corresponding angles are congruent and the corresponding sides are in proportion, e.g. if $\triangle U V W$ is similar to $\triangle X Y Z$ then
$\angle U=\angle X, \angle V=\angle Y$ and $\angle W=\angle Z$ and $\frac{U V}{X Y}=\frac{V W}{Y Z}=\frac{U W}{X Z}$
Two parallel walls $A B$ and $C D$, where the northern ends are $A$ and $C$ respectively, are joined by a fence from $B$ to $C$. The wall $A B$ is 20 metres long, the angle $A B C=30^{\circ}$ and the fence $B C$ is 10 metres long.
A new fence is being built from $A$ to a point $P$ somewhere along $C D$. The new fence $A P$ will cross the original fence $B C$ at $O$.
Let $O B=x$ metres, where $0<x \leq 10$.
Determine the value of $x$ that minimises the total area enclosed by $\triangle O B A$ and $\triangle O C P$. Verify that this total area is a minimum.
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## Additional response space for Question 16

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