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Marking Scheme

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Higher Level

Note to teachers and students on the use of published marking schemes

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Marking schemes are working documents. While a draft marking scheme is prepared in advance of the examination, the scheme is not finalised until examiners have applied it to candidates' work and the feedback from all examiners has been collated and considered in light of the full range of responses of candidates, the overall level of difficulty of the examination and the need to maintain consistency in standards from year to year. This published document contains the finalised scheme, as it was applied to all candidates' work.

In the case of marking schemes that include model solutions or answers, it should be noted that these are not intended to be exhaustive. Variations and alternatives may also be acceptable. Examiners must consider all answers on their merits, and will have consulted with their Advising Examiners when in doubt.

Future Marking Schemes

Assumptions about future marking schemes on the basis of past schemes should be avoided. While the underlying assessment principles remain the same, the details of the marking of a particular type of question may change in the context of the contribution of that question to the overall examination in a given year. The Chief Examiner in any given year has the responsibility to determine how best to ensure the fair and accurate assessment of candidates' work and to ensure consistency in the standard of the assessment from year to year. Accordingly, aspects of the structure, detail and application of the marking scheme for a particular examination are subject to change from one year to the next without notice.

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Paper 1

Solutions and Marking scheme

300 marks

Marking Scheme – Paper 1, Section A and Section B

Structure of the marking scheme

Candidate responses are marked according to different scales, depending on the types of response anticipated. Scales labelled A divide candidate responses into two categories (correct and incorrect). Scales labelled B divide responses into three categories (correct, partially correct, and incorrect), and so on. The scales and the marks that they generate are summarised in this table:

Scale label	A	B	C	D	E
No of categories	2	3	4	5	6
5 mark scales		0, 2, 5	0, 3, 4, 5		
10 mark scales			0, 4, 8, 10	0, 3, 5, 8, 10	
15 mark scales			0, 5, 10, 15	0, 5, 7, 11, 15	
20 mark scales				0, 5, 10, 15, 20	

A general descriptor of each point on each scale is given below. More specific directions in relation to interpreting the scales in the context of each question are given in the scheme, where necessary.

Marking scales – level descriptors

A-scales (two categories)

- incorrect response
- correct response

B-scales (three categories)

- response of no substantial merit
- partially correct response
- correct response

C-scales (four categories)

- response of no substantial merit
- response with some merit
- almost correct response
- correct response

D-scales (five categories)

- response of no substantial merit
- response with some merit
- response about half-right
- almost correct response
- correct response

E-scales (six categories)

- response of no substantial merit
- response with some merit
- response almost half-right
- response more than half-right
- almost correct response
- correct response

Marking Scheme

Section A

Question 1

- (a) 15D
- (b) 10D

Question 2

- (a) 10C
- (b) 10C
- (c) 5C

Question 3

- (a) 10D
- (b) 15D

Question 4

- (a) 15D
- (b) 10C

Question 5

- (a)(i) 10C
- (a)(ii) 10D
- (b) 5C

Question 6

- (a) 10C
- (b)(i) 10C
- (b)(ii) 5B

Section B

Question 7

- (a) 15C
- (b) 5C
- (c) 20D
- (d) 5C
- (e)(i) 5B
- (e)(ii) 5C

Question 8

- (a) 10C
- (b) 10C
- (c) 10C
- (d) 10D

Question 9

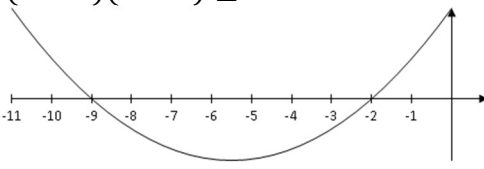
- (a) 10C
- (b)(i) 5B
- (b)(ii) 5C
- (c)(i) 10C
- (c)(ii) 5B
- (d)(i) 10C
- (d)(ii) 5C
- (d)(iii) 5C

Note: In certain cases, typically involving incorrect rounding, omission of units, a misreading that does not oversimplify the work or an arithmetical error that does not oversimplify the work, a mark that is one mark below the full-credit mark may also be awarded. Throughout the scheme indicate by use of * where an arithmetic error occurs.

Detailed marking notes

Model Solutions & Marking Notes

Note: The model solutions for each question are not intended to be exhaustive – there may be other correct solutions. Any Examiner unsure of the validity of the approach adopted by a particular candidate to a particular question should contact his / her Advising Examiner.

Q1	Model Solution – 25 Marks	Marking Notes
(a)	$\begin{array}{l} (i) \quad 2x + 3y - z = -4 \qquad \times (2) \\ (ii) \quad 3x + 2y + 2z = 14 \qquad \times (-3) \\ \\ \quad \quad 4x + 6y - 2z = -8 \\ \quad \quad \underline{-9x - 6y - 6z = -42} \\ \\ \quad \quad -5x - 8z = -50 \\ (iii) \quad \underline{x - 3z = -13} \qquad \times (5) \\ \quad \quad \underline{-5x - 8z = -50} \\ \quad \quad \underline{5x - 15z = -65} \\ \quad \quad \underline{-23z = -115} \\ \quad \quad z = 5 \\ \quad \quad \Rightarrow x = 2 \\ \Rightarrow y = -1 \qquad \qquad \{2, -1, 5\} \end{array}$	<p>Scale 15D (0, 5, 7, 11, 15)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Matches coefficient of 1 variable in 2 equations Writes x in terms of z in eq (iii)</p> <p><i>Mid Partial Credit:</i> 1 unknown found with errors Eliminates one unknown 1 unknown found and stops</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> 2 unknowns found</p>
(b)	$\begin{array}{l} \frac{2x - 3}{x + 2} \geq 3 \qquad \times (x + 2)^2 \\ \\ (2x - 3)(x + 2) \geq 3(x + 2)^2 \\ 2x^2 + x - 6 \geq 3x^2 + 12x + 12 \\ x^2 + 11x + 18 \leq 0 \\ (x + 2)(x + 9) \leq 0 \end{array}$  $-9 \leq x < -2$	<p>Scale 10D (0, 3, 5, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit</i> Use of $(x + 2)^2$ Relevant work but with linear inequality Squares both sides with some subsequent work (low partial credit at most)</p> <p><i>Mid Partial Credit:</i> Quadratic inequality involving 0</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit</i> Roots of quadratic found</p> <p>Note: Accept $-9 \leq x \leq -2$</p>

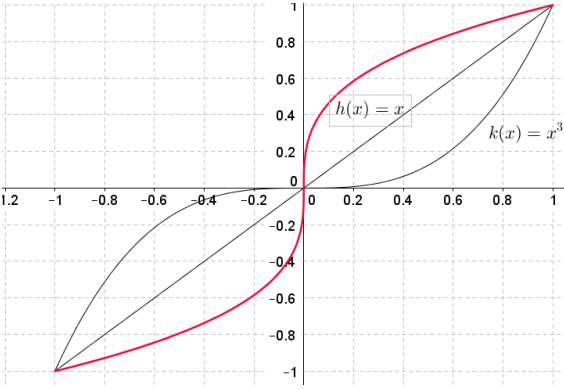
Q2	Model Solution – 25 Marks	Marking Notes
(a)	$\frac{5x - 8}{x^2} = \frac{x + 8}{5x - 8}$ $(5x - 8)^2 = x^2(x + 8)$ $25x^2 - 80x + 64 = x^3 + 8x^2$ $x^3 - 17x^2 + 80x - 64 = 0$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> $\frac{5x-8}{x^2}$ or $\frac{x+8}{5x-8}$ Some effort at finding r in a geometric sequence (must use at least one of the terms) $r = \frac{T_n}{T_{n-1}}$ or similar</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> $\frac{5x - 8}{x^2} = \frac{x + 8}{5x - 8}$ $(5x - 8)^2$ and $x^2(x + 8)$</p> <p><i>0 credit:</i> Treats as an arithmetic sequence</p>
(b)	$f(x) = x^3 - 17x^2 + 80x - 64$ $f(1) = (1)^3 - 17(1)^2 + 80(1) - 64 = 0$ $\Rightarrow (x - 1) \text{ is a factor}$ $x^3 - 17x^2 + 80x - 64 = 0$ $x^2(x - 1) - 16x(x - 1) + 64(x - 1)$ $x^2 - 16x + 64 = 0$ $(x - 8)(x - 8) = 0$ $x = 8$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Shows $f(1) = 0$ Any correct substitution</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Quotient in quadratic form found</p> <p>Accept $x = 8$ without work if $f(1) = 0$ has been shown</p>

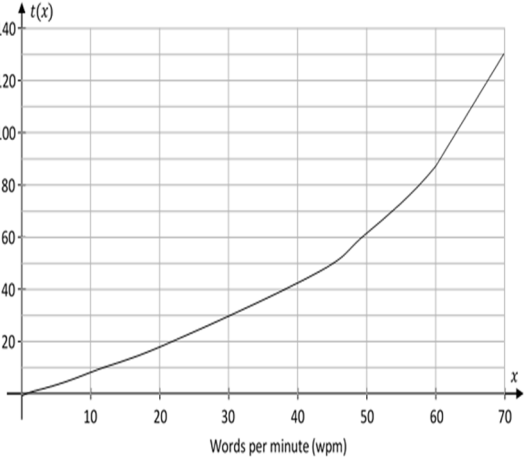
<p>(c)</p>	<p><u>$x = 1$</u> $1^2, \quad 5(1) - 8, \quad 1 + 8$ $1, -3, 9$ which doesn't have a sum to infinity ($r > 1$)</p> <p><u>$x = 8$</u> $8^2, \quad 5(8) - 8, \quad 8 + 8$ $64, 32, 16 \dots$ $a = 64$ and $r = \frac{1}{2}$</p> $S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{64}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{64}{\frac{1}{2}} = 128$	<p>Scale 5C (0, 3, 4, 5)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Substitution used to identify $x = 8$ as the required value Substitution used to exclude $x = 1$ as the required value Finds $\frac{a}{1-r}$ for $x = 1$</p> $S_{\infty} = \frac{x^2}{1 - \frac{5x - 8}{x^2}}$ <p>Relevant substitution into correct formula</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> GP identified (a and r) If the candidate works with both $x = 1$ and $x = 8$ but fails to eliminate $x = 1$ or chooses the incorrect answer</p> <p>Note: if $r > 1$ then Low Partial Credit at most</p>
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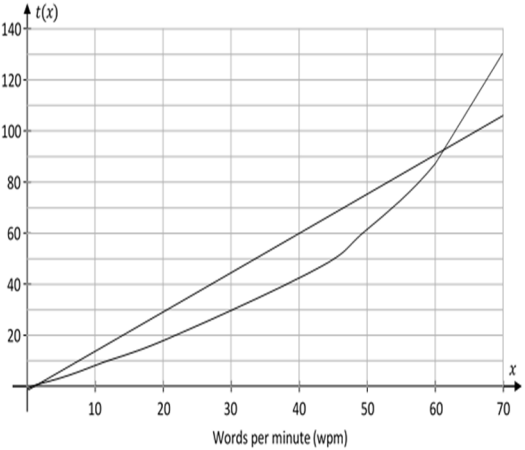
Q3	Model Solution – 25 Marks	Marking Notes
(a)	$h'(x) = -2 \sin(2x)$ $\text{At } x = \frac{\pi}{3}: h'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = -2 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$ $= -2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = -\sqrt{3}$ $\tan \theta = -\sqrt{3}$ $\theta = 120^\circ$	<p>Scale 10D (0, 3, 5, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Differentiation indicated Use of 2</p> <p><i>Mid Partial Credit:</i> Derivative found</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> tan θ = evaluated derivative $\theta = -60^\circ$</p> <p>Note: Must use differentiation to gain any credit Note: If integration symbol appears then 0 credit</p>
(b)	$\frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} - 0} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos(2x) dx$ $= \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{\sin(2x)}{2} \right) \Big _0^{\frac{\pi}{4}}$ $= \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{2}}{2} - \frac{\sin 0}{2} \right)$ $= \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{2}{\pi}$	<p>Scale 15D (0, 5, 7, 11, 15)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Integration indicated</p> <p><i>Mid Partial Credit:</i> cos 2x integrated correctly $\left(\frac{\sin(2x)}{2}\right)$ –2 sin 2x and finishes correctly</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Substitutes limits into integral and stops Integral evaluated at $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ (i.e. omits $\frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} - 0}$) and finishes</p> <p>Note: errors in integration could include An error in the trig function (including sign) An error in the angle An error in the application of the chain rule</p> <p>Note: Must have integration to gain any credit</p>

Q4	Model Solution – 25 Marks	Marking Notes
(a)	<p>P(1) $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^1 = \cos(1\theta) + i \sin(1\theta)$</p> <p>P(k): Assume $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^k = \cos(k\theta) + i \sin(k\theta)$</p> <p>Test P(k + 1): $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{k+1} =$ $= \cos(k + 1)\theta + i \sin(k + 1)\theta$</p> <p>$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{k+1}$ $= (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^k \cdot (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^1$</p> <p>$= (\cos(k\theta) + i \sin(k\theta)) \cdot (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)$</p> <p>$= [\cos(k\theta) \cos \theta - \sin(k\theta) \sin \theta]$ $+ i[\cos(k\theta) \sin \theta + \cos \theta \sin(k\theta)]$</p> <p>$= \cos(k + 1)\theta + i \sin(k + 1)\theta$</p> <p>Thus the proposition is true for $n = k + 1$ provided it is true for $n = k$ but it is true for $n = 1$ and therefore true for all positive integers.</p>	<p>Scale 15D (0, 5, 7, 11, 15)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Step P(1)</p> <p><i>Mid Partial Credit:</i> Step P(k) or Step P(k + 1)</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Uses Step P(k) to prove Step P(k + 1)</p> <p>Note: Accept Step P(1), Step P(k), Step P(k + 1) in any order</p> <p><i>Full credit -1:</i> Omits conclusion but otherwise correct</p> <p><i>Full credit:</i> $[r(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)]^n$ $= r^n (\cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta))$ proved correctly</p>
(b)	$\left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i\right)^3 = 1 \left(\cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)^3$ $= \left(\cos(3) \frac{2\pi}{3} + i \sin(3) \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$ $= (\cos 2\pi + i \sin 2\pi) =$ $1 + 0i$ $= 1$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Modulus or argument correct Some correct multiplication Apply De Moivre correctly with incorrect modulus and argument</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> $\left(\cos(3) \frac{2\pi}{3} + i \sin(3) \frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$ Multiplication correct but un-simplified</p> <p><i>Full credit -1:</i> $\cos 2\pi + i \sin 2\pi$ or $\cos 360^\circ + i \sin 360^\circ$</p> <p>Accept: Answer with reference to cube root of unity</p>

Q5	Model Solution – 25 Marks	Marking Notes
(a) (i)	$\text{row 2: } S_{45} = \frac{45}{2} [14 + 44(5)] = 5265$ $\text{row 1: } S_{45} = \frac{45}{2} [8 + 44(3)] = 3150$ $\therefore \text{Difference} = 2115$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10) <i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Formulates S_{45} for row 1 or row 2 $3+5+7 \dots$ Identifies a or r for either row 1 or row 2</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> S_{45} found for row 1 or row 2</p> <p><i>Full credit –1:</i> Fails to subtract</p>
(a) (ii)	$T_1(\text{in row 60}): T_{60} = 4 + (60 - 1)3 = 181$ $T_2(\text{in row 60}) = T_{60} \text{ of } 7, 12, 17, 22 \dots$ $T_{60} = 7 + (60 - 1)5 = 302$ $\therefore T_{70} \text{ of } 181, 302, \dots$ $= 181 + (70 - 1)121 = 8530$	<p>Scale 10D (0, 3, 5, 8, 10) <i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Identifies T_{60} in column 1 or T_{70} in row 1 or equivalent Some relevant substitution into correct formula Identifies a or d for either row 1 or row 2</p> <p><i>Mid Partial Credit:</i> Finds a in row 60 or row 70 Finds d in row 60 or row 70</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Formulates substituted expression for T_{70} in row 60 or T_{60} in column 70 Finds both a and d in row 60 or row 70</p>
(b)	$a_3 = a_2 - a_1 = 2 - 4 = -2$ $a_4 = a_3 - a_2 = -2 - 2 = -4$ $a_5 = a_4 - a_3 = -4 - (-2) = -2$ $a_6 = a_5 - a_4 = -2 - (-4) = 2$ $a_7 = a_6 - a_5 = 2 - (-2) = 4$ $a_8 = a_7 - a_6 = 4 - 2 = 2$ <p>Therefore, the sequence consists of a repeating pattern of $4, 2, -2, -4, -2, 2$ $\therefore a_{2016} = 2$ (multiple of 6) $\Rightarrow a_{2019} = -2$</p>	<p>Scale 5C (0, 3, 4, 5) <i>Low Partial Credit:</i> $a_3 = -2$ $a_3 = a_2 - a_1$ or similar</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Any 4 from a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6, a_7 and a_8 found</p> <p><i>Full credit –1:</i> $a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6,$ and a_{2019} found</p>

Q6	Model Solution – 25 Marks	Marking Notes
(a)	$x^3 = x$ $\Rightarrow x^3 - x = 0$ $\Rightarrow x(x^2 - 1) = 0$ $x(x - 1)(x + 1) = 0$ $x = 0 \text{ or } x = \pm 1$ $(-1, -1), (0, 0), (1, 1)$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Equation written One correct solution from the graph Solution of the form (a, a) where $a \neq 0, 1$</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Equation factorised (3 factors) 2 correct points x values only</p>
(b) (i)	$2 \int_0^1 x - x^3 dx$ $= 2 \left[\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{4} \right] = 2 \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} - 0 \right] =$ $\frac{1}{2} \text{ unit}^2$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Integral indicated One relevant area found</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Integral evaluated at $x = 1$ (upper limit) $\int_{-1}^1 x - x^3 dx = 0$</p>
(b) (ii)		<p>Scale 5B (0, 2, 5)</p> <p><i>Partial Credit:</i> Incomplete image 2 correct image points $k^{-1}(x) = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$</p>

Q7	Model Solution – 55 Marks	Marking Notes																		
(a)	$35.96 = k \ln \left(1 - \frac{35}{80} \right)$ $35.96 = k \ln \left(\frac{45}{80} \right)$ $k = \frac{35.96}{\ln \left(\frac{45}{80} \right)}$ $k = -62.5 \text{ to one place of decimals}$	<p>Scale 15C (0, 5, 10, 15)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Effort at transposing Some substitution into function Full substitution and stops</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Function written in terms of k and fully substituted One incorrect substitution worked correctly and with some reference to $k \neq -62.5$</p>																		
(b)	$100 = -62.5 \ln \left(1 - \frac{x}{80} \right)$ $\frac{100}{-62.5} = \ln \left(1 - \frac{x}{80} \right)$ $e^{\frac{100}{-62.5}} = 1 - \frac{x}{80}$ $x = -80 \left(e^{\frac{100}{-62.5}} - 1 \right)$ $x = 64 \text{ wpm (To the nearest whole number)}$	<p>Scale 5C (0, 3, 4, 5)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Some substitution into function Trial and improvement (more than 1 iteration) Correct answer without work</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> $e^{\frac{100}{-62.5}} = 1 - \frac{x}{80}$ Equation rewritten in terms of x or $\frac{x}{80} =$</p>																		
(c)	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">x (wpm)</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">0</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">10</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">20</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">30</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">40</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">50</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">60</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">70</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">$t(x)$ (days)</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">0</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">8</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">18</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">29</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">43</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">61</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">87</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">130</td> </tr> </table>		x (wpm)	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	$t(x)$ (days)	0	8	18	29	43	61	87	130
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(c)		<p>Scale 20D (0, 5, 10, 15, 20)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> One entry correct One plot (from candidates table) correct</p> <p><i>Mid Partial Credit:</i> 4 entries correct and 4 plots of table values</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> All plots consistent with candidates table values (with at least 1 correct value) Table correct but incorrect plots</p>																		

<p>(d)</p>		<p>Scale 5C (0, 3, 4, 5) <i>Low Partial Credit:</i> One point on line identified One point (not origin) plotted</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> 2 points on line identified and plotted</p>
<p>(e) (i)</p>	<p>Approx 62 wpm</p>	<p>Scale 5B(0, 2, 5) <i>Partial Credit:</i> Point of intersection indicated on graph $h(x)$ written in terms of x</p> <p>Tolerance: ± 2 wpm</p>
<p>(e) (ii)</p>	<p>For Maximum Value: Set $h'(x) = 0$ $h(x) = 1.5x + 62.5 \ln\left(1 - \frac{x}{80}\right)$</p> $h'(x) = 1.5 + 62.5 \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{x}{80}} \right) \times \left(-\frac{1}{80} \right)$ $= 0$ $\frac{62.5}{80 - x} = 1.5$ $x = 80 - \frac{62.5}{1.5}$ $x = 38.3 = 38 \text{ words}$ $h\left(38\frac{1}{3}\right) = 1.5\left(38\frac{1}{3}\right)$ $+ 62.5 \ln\left(1 - \frac{38\frac{1}{3}}{80}\right) = 16.73$ <p>= 17 days</p>	<p>Scale 5C (0, 3, 4, 5) <i>Low Partial Credit:</i> Any correct differentiation $h(x) = 1.5x + 62.5 \ln\left(1 - \frac{x}{80}\right)$ $h'(x) = 0$</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Differentiation correct but un-simplified Value for x and stops</p>

Q8	Model Solution – 40 Marks	Marking Notes
(a)	$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}$ <p>At $x = 0$: $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(0)^2}$</p> $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}(1)$ <p>$\therefore (0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}})$ is the y intercept</p>	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> $x = 0$ Value for x substituted into $f(x)$</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$</p> <p><i>Full credit – 1:</i> (0, 0.3989)</p>
(b)	$\text{Area} = \left[(2) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi e}} \right) \right] = 0.4839$ $= 0.484 \text{ Units}^2$	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> length = 2 Width = [y co-ordinate]</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> $\left[(1) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi e}} \right) \right]$</p> <p><i>Full credit –1:</i> Area = –0.484</p> <p><i>Zero Credit:</i> Integrating original function</p>
(c)	<p>$C(1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi e}})$ due to symmetry</p> $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} (-x)$ <p>At $x = 1$: $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(1)^2} (-1) < 0$</p> $\left[= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi e}} (-0.24197) < 0 \right]$ <p>\Rightarrow Decreasing</p>	<p>Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)</p> <p><i>Low Partial Credit:</i> $x = 1$ identified Some correct differentiation Indicates significance of $\frac{dy}{dx} < 0$</p> <p><i>High Partial Credit:</i> Derivative found</p>

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