

This test is divided into non-calculator (30 minutes) and calculator (20 minutes) sections which can be delivered separately.

The following marks are awarded for each question.

B	Unconditional accuracy mark
M	Method mark – the correct method must be shown but there may be an arithmetic error; the sight of the value given in brackets implies the award of the method mark
A	Accuracy mark – unless the question specifies that working must be shown then the sight of the correct answer implies the award of full marks (unless the answer clearly comes from incorrect working)
C	Communication mark
P	Process mark to show correct process for problem solving. Any other process of a similar standard to achieve an accurate result is acceptable to achieve this mark
FT	Incorrect values may be followed through from one step to the next provided that the correct method is seen in each step and the only errors are arithmetic. This is shown in mark schemes by putting a number in inverted commas
OE	Or equivalent answer mark

Non-Calculator			
Q	Answer	Mark	Comment
1	-2, -1, 0, 1	B2	B1 for -2, -1, 0, 1, 2 or any three correct with none incorrect, e.g. -1, 0, 1
3	3	M1	for $5x < 19 - 3$ OE; accept = or incorrect inequality symbol
		M1	for $x < (19 - 3) \div 5$ OE; accept = or incorrect inequality symbol, e.g. $x = \frac{16}{5}$
		A1	

5	$x = -2, y = 1.5$	M1	for method to eliminate one variable e.g. $(6x + 4y = -6) - (6x + 18y = 15)$ and $14y = 21$; allow one arithmetic error
		M1	for method to find the other variable e.g. $3x + 2("21 \div 14") = -3$; allow one arithmetic error
		A1	for $x = -2$ and $y = 1.5$ OE, e.g. $\frac{3}{2}$

7a	$(x =) 5$	M1	for $(x + 3)(x - 2) = 24$
		M1	(indep) for expansion of brackets e.g. $x^2 - 2x + 3x - 6 (= 24)$; condone one error
		M1	for $(x \pm 6)(x \pm 5) = 0$ or any method to solve for x
		A1	accept $(x =) 5$ and $(x =) -6$
7b	8 (cm) and 3 (cm)	B1	FT from $x = 6$, i.e. 9 and 4
9a	$p = -3, q = -6$	M1	for $(x - 3)^2 - 9 + 3$; allow one error with -9 or $+3$ or missing -9 or $+3$
		A1	accept $(x - 3)^2 - 6$
9b	$(x =) 3 \pm \sqrt{6}$	M1	for " $(x + p)^2 = -q$ " e.g. $(x - 3)^2 = 6$
		M1	for " $(x + p) = \sqrt{-q}$ " e.g. $x - 3 = \sqrt{6}$
		A1	

 Calculator			
11	$-\frac{9}{4} < x < \frac{14}{4}$	M1	for $-\frac{9}{4} < x$ OE or $x < \frac{14}{4}$ OE
		A1	for $-\frac{9}{4} < x < \frac{14}{4}$ OE
13	$(x =) 0.298$ and $(x =) -1.44$	M1	for $(x =) \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{8^2 - 4(7)(-3)}}{2(7)}$ OE; allow one sign error
		M1	for simplification to $(x =) \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{148}}{14}$
		A1	accept 0.297 to 0.298 and -1.44 to -1.441 with at least M1 scored; award no mark for answers only

Non-Calculator			
Question	Topic	Step	Mark
1	Write down whole number values that satisfy an inequality	6th	2
3	Solve simple linear inequalities in one variable and represent the solution on a number line e.g. $3n + 2 < 11$ and $2n - 1 > 1$	7th	3
5	Solve two linear simultaneous equations algebraically, where neither or one equation needs multiplying	8th	3
7a	Rearrange and solve equations involving square root of $(x \pm b)$	8th	4
7b	Rearrange and solve equations involving square root of $(x \pm b)$	8th	1
9a	Solve quadratic equations of the form $x^2 + bx + c$ by completing the square	10th	2
9b	Solve quadratic equations of the form $ax^2 + bx + c$ by completing the square	12th	3

 Calculator			
Question	Topic	Step	Mark
11	Solve more complex linear inequalities in one variable and represent the solution on a number line e.g. $-6 <$	8th	2
13	Solve simple quadratic equations by using the quadratic formula	10th	3

