

## Gr 11 Paper 1 - Algebra - 2020

### Equations:

1. Solve for  $x$ :

a.  $-2(x + 2)(3x - 2) = 0$

b.  $2(x + 3)^2 - 8 = 0$

2. Solve for  $x$  in terms of  $p$  in simplest form:

c.  $(x - p + 3)^2 = 9$

d.  $x^2 - 2px + p = 0$

### Surd Equations

3. Solve for  $x$ :

a.  $(\sqrt{x - 1} - 3)(\sqrt{x - 1} + 2) = 0$

b.  $x = 2 - \sqrt{2x - 5}$

c.  $\sqrt{x^2 + x + 10} + 2 = x(x + 1)$

### Completing the Square

4. Solving for  $x$  by completing the square, leaving your answers in terms of  $a$ :

$$2x^2 - 2x = a.$$

5. Solve for  $x$  in terms of  $m$  by completing the square:  $x^2 - 4mx = m^2$

### Simultaneous Equations

6. Solve the following equations simultaneously:

$$y + 7 = 2x \text{ and } x^2 - xy + 3y^2 = 15$$

### Inequalities:

Solve for  $x$ :

1.  $(x - 3)(2x + 3) \leq 0$

2.  $x^2 \geq 2x$

3.  $(x + 2)^2 < 1$

4.  $x^2 \geq 16$

### Exponential Equations: $x$ is in the exponent position

Solve for  $x$ :

1.  $4^{x-2} - 16^{3x+4} = 0$

2.  $2^{4x} - 8 \cdot 2^x = 0$

3.  $2^{2x} - 4^{x-1} = 6$

4.  $5^{x+2} = 24 + 5^x$



5.  $4^x + 4 \cdot 2^x - 5 = 0$

6.  $9^x - 2 \cdot 3^{x+2} + 81 = 0$

**Exponential Equations:  $x$  is in the base position**Solve for  $x$ :

1.  $2x^{\frac{2}{3}} - 32 = 0$

2.  $2 - 16x^{\frac{-3}{2}} = 0$

3.  $162 - 2\sqrt[3]{x^4} = 0$

**Nature of Roots**

1. Given:  $9x^2 - 12px = -4p^2$

For which value(s) of  $p$  will the equation have equal roots?

2. a. Show that the roots of  $2x^2 - 5x = 3$  are real and rational.

b. Determine the value that must be added to the negative root so that the roots are equal.

3. The equations  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$  and  $x^2 + bx + a = 0$  both have real and equal roots. Solve for  $a$  and  $b$ , where  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ .4. Determine the value(s) of  $k$  if  $x^2 + 2kx + 5k + 6$  is a perfect square.**Root questions**1. If 2 and  $-4$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ , determine the values of  $b$  and  $c$ .2. The roots of a quadratic equation are given as  $5 - \sqrt{2}$  and  $5 + \sqrt{2}$ . Determine the equation in the form  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ .**Number Patterns**1. Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term in each of the following:

a.  $-1; -5; -11; -19 \dots \dots \dots$

b.  $2; 1; 2; 5; 10 \dots \dots \dots$

c.  $-3; -7; -11; -15 \dots \dots \dots$

d.  $\frac{1}{2}; 1; \frac{3}{2}; 2 \dots \dots \dots$



2. Consider the following arithmetic sequence:

$$(x + 5); (37 - x); (x + 13) \dots \dots \dots$$

- a. Determine the value of  $x$ . b. Determine the general term.

3. The share price of a certain company formed a quadratic pattern over a specific time interval. The share price at the end of each day for the first 5 days was:

Day 1 : R32 699

Day 2 : R32 896

Day 3 : R33 091

Day 4 : R33 284

Day 5 : R33 475

- a. Determine a formula for the  $n$ th term of the pattern.  
b. At the end of which day, will the share price be at its maximum?

4. If  $f$  is a quadratic function such that:  $f(0) = 2f(1) = 4$  and  $f(2) = 16$ , find the value of  $f(3)$ .

5. The sequence  $4; 9; x; 37; \dots$  is a quadratic sequence

- a. Calculate  $x$   
b. Hence, or otherwise, determine the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of the sequence