

Practice
Questions



INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS MATHEMATICS

STUDENT'S NAME:

DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL INSTRUCTED.

Read the instructions on the **ANSWER SHEET** and fill in your **NAME, SCHOOL** and **OTHER INFORMATION**.

Use a 2B or B pencil.

Do **NOT** use a pen.

Rub out any mistakes completely.

You **MUST** record your answers on the **ANSWER SHEET**.

There are **3 MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS** (1–3).

Use the information provided to choose the **BEST** answer from the four possible options.

On your **ANSWER SHEET** fill in the oval that matches your answer.

There is **ONE FREE-RESPONSE QUESTION** (4).

Write your answer in the box provided on the **ANSWER SHEET**.

Your score will be the number of correct answers.

Marks are **NOT** deducted for incorrect answers.

You may use a ruler and spare paper.

A **CALCULATOR** is required.

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OF THE YEAR LEVELS THAT SHOULD
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TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

MULTIPLE CHOICE

Questions 1 to 3.

Example: $4 + 6 = ?$

- (A) 2
- (B) 9
- (C) 10
- (D) 24

The answer is 10, so fill in the oval as shown.

- (A) (B) (C) (D)

FREE RESPONSE

Question 4.

Example: $6 + 6 = ?$

- The answer is 12, so WRITE your answer in the boxes.
- Write only ONE digit in each box as shown.

	1	2
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1 (A) (B) (C) (D)

2 (A) (B) (C) (D)

3 (A) (B) (C) (D)

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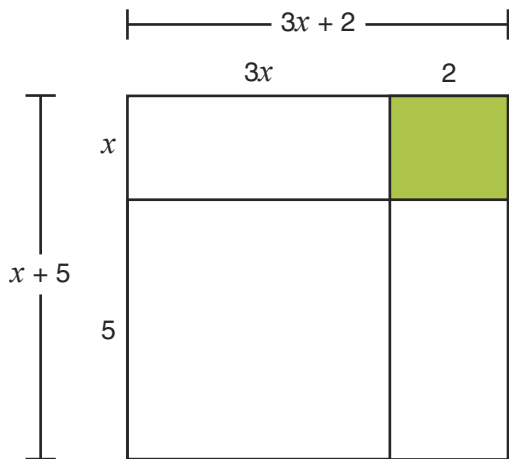
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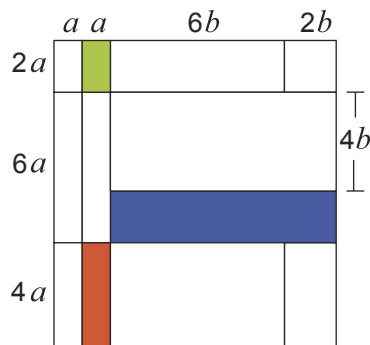
1. The diagram below represents the products of $(x + 5)$ and $(3x + 2)$.



What product is represented by the shaded rectangle?

- (A) $2x$
 (B) $6x$
 (C) x^2
 (D) $3x^2$

2. This picture is based on the style of the Dutch artist Piet Mondrian (1872–1944).



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Which expression gives the total area of the three coloured rectangles in the picture?

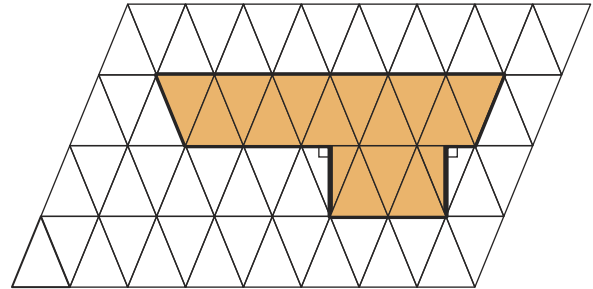
- (A) $6a^2 + 48ab - 32b^2$
 (B) $20a^2 + 24b^2$
 (C) $4a^2 + 36ab - 24b^2$
 (D) $6a^2 + 16b^2$

3. The area of one of these isosceles triangles is 60 square units.



The length of the base of the triangle is 10 units.

The grid below is made up of triangles exactly the same size as the triangle above.



What is the **perimeter** of the shaded shape?

- (A) 105
 (B) 150
 (C) 160
 (D) 162

4. Harry has written the expression shown.

$$\frac{9a^2}{b} + \frac{243}{ab} + \frac{9b^2}{a}$$

What is the least possible value of Harry's expression if a and b are positive integers?

(Write only the number on your answer sheet.)

END OF PAPER

**THE FOLLOWING YEAR LEVELS
SHOULD SIT FOR THIS PAPER:**

AUSTRALIA: Year 12

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NEW ZEALAND: Year 13

PACIFIC: Year 12

SINGAPORE: Junior College 1

SOUTH AFRICA: Grade 12



Question solutions–Paper J

Question 1

Answer key: A
Category: Algebra

Options *Reasoning for options*
A $2x$ Correct.
B $6x$ Incorrect. Combination of top two numbers.
C x^2 Incorrect. x times x .
D $3x^2$ Incorrect rectangle chosen.

Difficulty level: Easy. Approx 80 – 100% expected correct.

Question 2

Answer key: A
Category: Algebra

Options *Reasoning for options*
A Correct.
Area of green rectangle: $2a \times a = 2a^2$
Area of red rectangle: $a \times 4a = 4a^2$
Area of blue rectangle: $8b \times (6a - 4b) = 48ab - 32b^2$
Total area: $2a^2 + 4a^2 + 48ab - 32b^2 = 6a^2 + 48ab - 32b^2$
B Incorrect guess.
C Incorrect guess.
D Incorrect guess.

Difficulty level: Medium. Approx 31 – 79% expected correct.

Question 3

Answer key: C
Category: Space

Options *Reasoning for options*
A 105 Incorrect. Horizontal total, not including one half portion.
B 150 Incorrect. Does not count two half portions of horizontal.
C 160 Correct. $(50 + 60 + 24 + 26)$
D 162 Incorrect addition. $(50 + 60 + 26 + 26)$

Difficulty level: Hard. Less than 31% expected correct.

Question 4

Answer key: 81
Category: Algebra

Reasoning
Uses $a = b = 3$ to give $3^3 + 3^3 + 3^3$

Difficulty level: Hard. Less than 31% expected correct.