

1. (a) Add $6x(x-1)^2$, $(3x+1)^2$ and $-2(8x^2+3)$.

(b) Divide their sum by $2x-5$.

[16 marks.]

2. (a) Solve $1.3 = 0.02x - 0.7$.

(b) If $\frac{a-x}{3} = \frac{b-4x}{2} = 1$ when $x=2$, find the value of a^2-b^2 .

[16 marks.]

3. Factorize :

(a) $x^2 - 16(x-4)$;

(b) $12x^2 - x - 20$;

(c) $(x-2)^3 - (x-2)$.

[17 marks.]

4. (a) Find the value of

$$\frac{a^2-2}{6ab} \times \frac{18b^3}{5a^4-10a^2} \text{ when } b^2 = \frac{1}{3}a^3.$$

(b) If $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{c}$ show that $b = \frac{ac}{a-c}$.

[17 marks.]

5. (a) Express y yards in kilometres.
(8 kilometres = 5 miles).

(b) If a , b , and c are consecutive numbers, show that
$$a^2 - c^2 = 4b.$$

(c) What values of x will make $(x+7)(x-3) = 0$?
(17 marks.)

6. A man gives 3d. to each of a number of boys and has 1s. 9d. left over: if he had 1s. 6d. more he could divide the money between them by giving $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. to each boy. How many boys are there?

[17 marks.]