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CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

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**MATHEMATICS.**

Monday, June 28th—10 to 1 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS.

- (a) Not more than *eight* questions to be attempted.
  - (b) The marks allotted to each question are shown in brackets under.
  - (c) Mathematical Tables are supplied.
  - (d) Special credit will be given to candidates who display neatness and order in answering.
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1. Find the cost of a metal casting weighing 3 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. at £3 13s. 8d. per cwt.  
Answer to nearest penny. [10 Marks.]

2. A circular disc has a circumference of 7.45 inches. Find (a) the diameter of the disc, (b) the area of one face of the disc, correct to 2 decimal places in each case. (Take  $\pi=3.14$ ). [10 marks.]

3. (a) Find  $a$  if  $4(2a-3)-6(a+1)=3(a-5)$ .  
(b) In the equation  $E=aW+b$ ,  $E=52$  lbs. when  $W=120$  lbs. and  $E=80$  lbs. when  $W=260$  lb. Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ . [10 marks.]

4. (a) Express 5s. 6d. as a percentage of £2 3s. 6d. correct to 2 decimal places.

(b) A rectangle is 1 ft. 8 ins. long and 1 ft. 3 ins. broad. Its length is increased by 15 per cent. and its breadth decreased by  $6\frac{2}{3}$  per cent. Find the change per cent. in its area.

[10 marks.]

5. A cylindrical oil drum is 15 inches in diameter and 18 inches in height. Find its capacity in gallons if 1 gallon is equal to 277 cubic inches. Answer to nearest tenth of a gallon.

[10 marks.]

6. Rearrange the formula  $c = \frac{ax}{x-b}$  so as to obtain an expression for  $x$  in terms of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .

If  $a=1.2$ ,  $b=19.5$  and  $c=6.5$  find the value of  $x$  correct to one decimal place.

[10 marks.]

7. Prove that the sum of the three angles of any triangle is equal to two right angles.

Construct an isosceles triangle having the vertical angle equal to  $45^\circ$  and the base  $3\frac{1}{4}$  inches long. Explain briefly your method of construction, marking in the number of degrees in each base angle.

[12 marks.]

8. A box, which measures 3 ft. 9 ins. long, 2 ft. 3 ins. wide, and 1 ft. 9 ins. high externally, is made of wood  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ins. thick, and has a lid. Find (a) the number of sq. ft. of paper required to cover all its faces internally, (b) the weight of wood in the box to nearest lb. if 1 cubic foot of the wood weighs 30 lb.

[12 marks.]

9. (a) Write down in their simplest forms the values of each of the following:

$$2 \times 2^{-3} ; \frac{1}{27^{-\frac{1}{3}}} ; 64^{\frac{1}{6}} ; (5^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} ; 16^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

(b) Find by logarithms the value of  $\sqrt{\frac{.02821 \times 6.895}{24.37}}$ .

[14 marks.]



10. If  $y=3x^2+4x-15$  find the values of  $y$  for each of the following values of  $x$  :  $-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3$ . Plot the graph showing how  $y$  varies with respect to  $x$  and so find the values of  $x$  which satisfy the equation  $3x^2+4x-15=0$ . What is the least value  $y$  can have ?

[14 marks.]

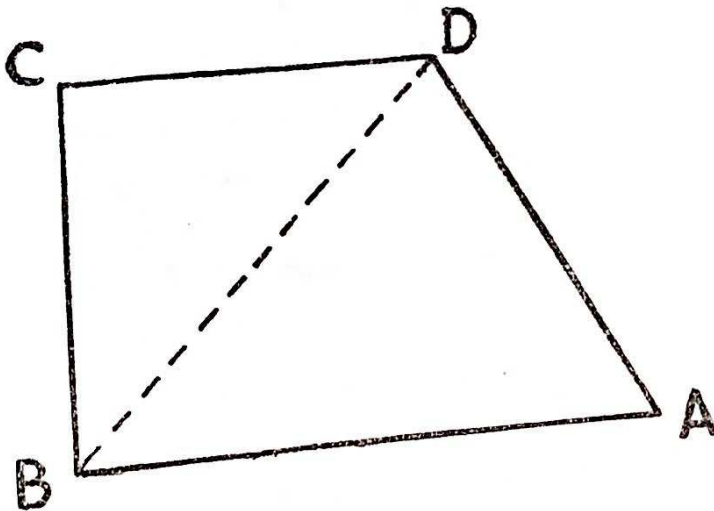
11. Construct a circle of radius 1.5 ins. and draw a tangent to it from a point which is 3.8 ins. from the centre. Show method of drawing the tangent.

If the external point is  $P$ , the centre of the circle  $O$  and the point of contact of the tangent with the circle is  $T$ , calculate (i) the length of  $PT$  and (ii) the number of degrees in the angle  $OPT$  and check your results by measurements.

[14 marks.]

12. In the figure  $ABCD$ ,  $AB=20$  ft.,  $BC=13$  ft.,  $B=C=90^\circ$  and  $A=60^\circ$ .

Find the length of the diagonal  $BD$  by *calculation* (not by a drawing to scale).



[14 marks.]