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CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

for

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MATHEMATICS.

Thursday, 13th June—10 to 1 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS.

- (a) Attempt Question 1 and six others.
 (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.
 (e) All the work must be shown in the answer book.
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1. (a) Simplify $\frac{5\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{3}}{5\frac{1}{5} + 2\frac{1}{3}} \div \frac{70}{113}$.

(b) Evaluate $\sqrt{(0.85)^2 - (0.75)^2}$.

(c) If $a = \frac{b-1}{b+1}$ find b in terms of a and find its value when $a = \frac{1}{2}$.

(d) Multiply £53 13s. 7½d. by 4¼. If the resulting sum is divided equally amongst 29 people, how much will each receive?

(e) A casting weighs 4 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. and is composed of 92% copper and 8% tin. How many lb. of tin does it contain?

[20 marks.]

[P.T.O.]

2. Show that the area of an equilateral triangle of side S is $\frac{S^2\sqrt{3}}{4}$. Hence find the weight of a regular hexagonal prism of side 8 cms. and length 50 metres, given that 1 cubic metre of the material of the prism weighs 25 lb.

[10 marks.]

3. Factorize

(i) $ax^2 - ay^2$.

(ii) $6x^2 - 11x - 10$.

(iii) $(3x-4)^2 - 3x^2 + 4x$.

[10 marks.]

4. The atmospheric pressure is given as 14.74 lb. per square inch. Express this pressure in grams per square centimetre, given 1 cm. = 0.4 in. and 1 Kg. = 2.2 lbs.

[10 marks.]

5. Using the table-book, write down the value of the following :—

(a) $\log 4.323$; $\log 0.0024$;
antilog $\bar{2}.1749$; antilog 0.8371 .

(b) Solve, using logs :—

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{0.736}{28.1 \times 7.63}}$$

[12 marks.]

6. Solve the equations :—

(i) $1 - \frac{x-3}{4} = x$.

(ii) $3x + y = 9$.
 $4x - \frac{1}{3}y = 5$.

(iii) $4x^2 - 7x - 15 = 0$.

[12 marks.]

7. Explain clearly how to construct geometrically a tangent to a circle from an external point.

A is a point outside the circle whose centre is O. If OA is 10 cms. and the length of the tangent from A to the circle is 8 cms., calculate the radius of the circle.

[14 marks.]

8. If $\sin\theta = \frac{3}{5}$, find $\cos\theta$ and $\tan\theta$.

ABC is a triangle with a right angle at C. CB is 30 ft. long and the angle BAC is 20 degrees. If CB is produced to a point P such that the angle PAC is 55 degrees, find the length of CP to the nearest foot.

[14 marks.]

9. A swimming-pool, 30 ft. long and 15 ft. wide, is surrounded by a concrete paving to a width of 3 ft. 6 in. What is the area of the paving in sq. ft.? The depth of the water in the pool increases uniformly from 3 ft. at one end to 6 ft. 6 in. at the other. How many gallons does the pool contain? (1 cubic foot = $6\frac{1}{4}$ gallons.)

[14 marks.]

10. The following table gives a series of values of x and y which are dependent one upon the other:

x	..	1.3	1.6	2.0	2.4	2.8
y	..	8.2	9.4	11	12.6	14.2

Draw a graph showing the relationship between x and y and determine

- the value of y when $x=0$;
- the slope of the graph;
- the equation giving the relationship between x and y .

[14 marks.]