

A238 Functions

Q1.

f and g are functions such that

$$f(x) = 3x^2 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$$

Find $gf(4)$.

Give your answer as a fraction.

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(Total for question = 2 marks)

Q2.

f and g are functions such that

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{x^2} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = 4x^3$$

(a) Find $f(-5)$

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(1)

(b) Find $fg(1)$

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(2)

(Total for question = 3 marks)

Q3.

The function f is such that

$$f(x) = 4x - 1$$

(a) Find $f^{-1}(x)$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \dots\dots\dots$$

(2)

The function g is such that

$$g(x) = kx^2 \text{ where } k \text{ is a constant.}$$

Given that $fg(2) = 12$

(b) work out the value of k

$$k = \dots\dots\dots$$

(2)

(Total for question = 4 marks)

Q4.

For all values of x

$$f(x) = 2x - 3 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x^2 + 2$$

(a) Find $g(-4)$

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(1)

(b) Show that $gf(x) = 4x^2 - 12x + 11$

(2)

(c) Solve $fg(x) = gf(x)$

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(4)

(Total for question = 7 marks)

Q5.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2} + \frac{1}{x-3}$$

(a) Work out $f(5)$

Give your answer as a fraction.

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(2)

(b) Write down a value of x for which $f(x)$ is not defined.

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(1)

Given that $f(x) = 4$

(c) find the possible values of x .

Give your answer in the form $\frac{p \pm \sqrt{q}}{r}$ where p , q and r are positive integers.

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(5)

(Total for question = 8 marks)

Q6.

The function f is given by

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 4$$

(a) Show that $f^{-1}(50) = 3$

(2)

The functions g and h are given by

$$g(x) = x + 2 \text{ and } h(x) = x^2$$

(b) Find the values of x for which

$$hg(x) = 3x^2 + x - 1$$

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(4)

(Total for question = 6 marks)

Q7.

$$f(x) = x^3$$

$$g(x) = 4x - 1$$

(a) Find $fg(2)$

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(2)

$$h(x) = fg(x)$$

(b) Find an expression for $h^{-1}(x)$

$h^{-1}(x) =$
(3)

(Total for question = 5 marks)

Q8.

For all values of x

$$f(x) = (x + 1)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = 2(x - 1)$$

(a) Show that $gf(x) = 2x(x + 2)$

(2)

(b) Find $g^{-1}(7)$

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(2)

(Total for question = 4 marks)

Q9.

$$f(x) = 4\sin x^\circ$$

(a) Find $f(23)$

Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

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(1)

$$g(x) = 2x - 3$$

(b) Find $fg(34)$

Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures.

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(2)

$$h(x) = (x + 4)^2$$

Ivan needs to solve the following equation $h(x) = 25$

He writes

$$(x + 4)^2 = 25$$

$$x + 4 = 5$$

$$x = 1$$

This is not fully correct.

(c) Explain why.

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(1)

(Total for question = 4 marks)

Q10.

The functions f and g are such that

$$f(x) = 3x - 1 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x^2 + 4$$

(a) Find $f^{-1}(x)$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Given that $fg(x) = 2gf(x)$,

(b) show that $15x^2 - 12x - 1 = 0$

(5)

(Total for question = 7 marks)

Q11.

The functions f and g are such that

$$f(x) = 5x + 3 \quad g(x) = ax + b \quad \text{where } a \text{ and } b \text{ are constants.}$$

$$g(3) = 20 \quad \text{and} \quad f^{-1}(33) = g(1)$$

Find the value of a and the value of b .

$$a = \dots\dots\dots$$

$$b = \dots\dots\dots$$

(Total for question = 5 marks)

Q12.

The functions f and g are such that

$$f(x) = 3(x - 4) \text{ and } g(x) = \frac{x}{5} + 1$$

(a) Find the value of $f(10)$

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(1)

(b) Find $g^{-1}(x)$

$g^{-1}(x) =$
(2)

(c) Show that $ff(x) = 9x - 48$

(2)
(Total for question = 5 marks)

Q13.

$$f(x) = 3x^2 - 2x - 8$$

Express $f(x + 2)$ in the form $ax^2 + bx$

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(Total for question is 3 marks)