

**MATHEMATICS Compulsory Part**  
**PAPER 1**  
**Question-Answer book**

Time allowed : 2 hours 15 minutes

This paper must be answered in English

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. After the announcement of the start of the examination, you should first write your Candidate Number, Class and Class Number in the spaces provided.
2. This paper consists of THREE sections, A(1), A(2) and B.
3. Do not write in the margins. Answers written in the margins will not be marked.
4. Unless otherwise specified, all working must be clearly shown.
5. Unless otherwise specified, numerical answers should be either exact or correct to 3 significant figures.
6. The diagrams in this paper are not necessarily drawn to scale.

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**3.** Factorize

(a)  $a^2 + 3ab + 2b^2$ ,

(b)  $a^2 + 3ab + 2b^2 - 4a^2b - 8ab^2$ .

(3 marks)

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**4.** The cost of a wallet is \$120. The percentage profit is 25% if the wallet is sold at its marked price.

(a) Find the marked price of the wallet.

(b) If the wallet is sold at a discount of 10% on its marked price, what is the new percentage profit?

(4 marks)

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5. Consider the compound inequality

$$-6x \geq 12 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{2x+5}{3} > 2(x+1) \quad \dots\dots(*)$$

(a) Solve (\*).

(b) Write down the greatest negative integer satisfying (\*).

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6. Cathy and John bought some stamps. If Cathy gives 3 stamps to John, they will have the same number of stamps. If John gives 3 stamps to Cathy, the number of stamps that Cathy has will be 4 times that of John. Find the total number of stamps Cathy and John have. (4 marks)

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7. The bar chart below shows the distribution of the ratings of a restaurant voted by a group of customers. It is known that the mean rating is 2.7.



- (a) Find the value of  $k$ .
- (b) If a customer is randomly picked from the group, find the probability that his rating is higher than the median of the ratings voted by the group of customers. (4 marks)

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8. It is given that  $f(x)$  is the sum of two parts, one part varies inversely as  $\sqrt{x}$  and the other part is a constant. Suppose that  $f(4) = 15$  and  $f(25) = 9$ .

(a) Find  $f(x)$ .

(b) Solve the equation  $f(x) = 10$ .

(5 marks)

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**SECTION A(2) (35 marks)**

10. The coordinates of the points  $A$  and  $B$  are  $(-4, 3)$  and  $(6, 5)$  respectively. Let  $L$  be the perpendicular bisector of the line segment  $AB$ .

(a) Find the equation of  $L$ . (3 marks)

(b) If  $AB$  is a chord of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 2ax + 4ay - 85 = 0$ , where  $a$  is a constant, find the value of  $a$ . (3 marks)

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13. A factory introduces a new machine for manufacturing water pipes. At first, 20 trial pipes are produced. The factory manager records the lengths of the 20 trial pipes in the following stem-and-leaf diagram.

<u>Stem (10 cm)</u>	<u>Leaf (1 cm)</u>
12	$a$ 7 8 8 8 8 9
13	0 5 6 6 7 8
14	0 1 $b$ 4
15	3 8 9

It is given that the range and the inter-quartile range of the lengths of the 20 trial pipes are 35 cm and 13 cm respectively.

- (a) Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ . (3 marks)
- (b) Two more trial pipes are added to the above sample. It is found that the mean is decreased by 1 cm and the range is increased by 1 cm. Find the lengths of each of the trial pipes. (4 marks)

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19. Figure 3 shows a regular tetrahedron  $VABC$  of side  $a$  cm.  $M$  and  $N$  are the mid-points of  $VB$  and  $VC$  respectively.

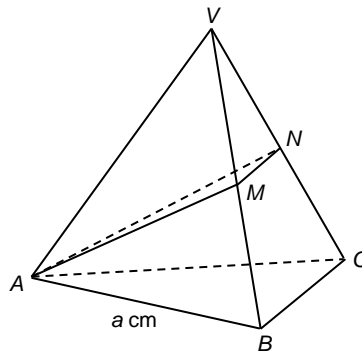


Figure 3

- (a) Find  $\angle MAN$ . (4 marks)
- (b) It is given that  $X$  and  $Y$  are the points on  $VB$  and  $VC$  respectively such that  $VX = VY$ ,  $VX < \frac{1}{2}VB$  and  $VY < \frac{1}{2}VC$ . Tommy claims that  $\angle XAY$  is smaller than  $\angle MAN$ . Do you agree? Explain your answer. (4 marks)

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