



**ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS**

Paper 1 Suggested Solutions

**4016/01**

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1. **Topic: Arithmetic (Percentages & Fractions)**

(a)  $\frac{3}{35} \times 100 \approx 8.57\%$  (3 sig. fig.)

(b)  $17\frac{1}{2} \div 100 = \frac{7}{40}$

Answer (a)  $\frac{8.57}{\quad\quad\quad} \%$  [1]

(b)  $\frac{7}{40}$  [1]

2. **Topic: Arithmetic (Approximation & Estimation)**

$$\frac{3.93}{(7.47 + 3.02) 5.67} = 0.06607$$

$$\approx 0.066 \text{ (2 sig. fig.)}$$

Answer  $\frac{0.066}{\quad\quad\quad}$  [2]

3. **Topic: Algebra**

$$3x^3 - 12xy^2 = 3x(x^2 - 4y^2)$$

$$= 3x(x + 2y)(x - 2y)$$

$a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$

Answer  $\frac{3x(x + 2y)(x - 2y)}{\quad\quad\quad}$  [2]

4. **Topic: Algebra (Indices)**

(a)  $3^{23} \div 27 = 3^k$

$$3^{23} \div 3^3 = 3^k$$

$$3^k = 3^{23-3}$$

$$k = 20$$

$\frac{a_m}{a_n} = a^{m-n}$

(b)  $1 \div 2x^{-5} = 1 \div (2x^{-5})$

$$= 1 \div \left(\frac{2}{x^5}\right)$$

$$= 1 \times \frac{x^5}{2}$$

$$= \frac{x^5}{2}$$

$a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n}$

Answer (a)  $\frac{20}{\quad\quad\quad}$  [1]

(b)  $\frac{x^5}{2}$  [1]

5. **Topic: Arithmetic (Directed numbers in practical situations)**

(a) Difference in temperature between the first and third day =  $t - (-3)$

$$= (t + 3)^\circ\text{C}$$

(b) Mean temperature for 3 days =  $\frac{(-3) + 5 + t}{3}$

$$= \frac{t + 2}{3}^\circ\text{C}$$

Answer (a)  $\frac{(t + 3)}{\quad\quad\quad}^\circ\text{C}$  [1]

(b)  $\frac{t + 2}{3}^\circ\text{C}$  [1]



6. **Topic: Arithmetic (Ratio & Proportion)**

Let  $\$(x)$  be the unit share of money.

$$\Rightarrow A's \text{ share} = \$(2x)$$

$$\text{Total sum of money} = \$(2x + 3x + 4x) = \$(9x)$$

If the money was divided equally,  $A$  would have  $\$(\frac{9x}{3}) = \$(3x)$ .

Given that  $A$  would have received an extra  $\$20$ ,

$$\$(3x - 2x) = \$20$$

$$x = 20$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Total sum of money} &= \$(9x) \\ &= \$(9 \times 20) \\ &= \mathbf{\$180} \end{aligned}$$

**Alternative Method:**

	Before	After
$A$ 's share	2	3
$B$ 's share	3	3
$C$ 's share	4	3
Total sum	9	9

Extra shares of money  $A$  receives =  $3 - 2 = 1$

$$\therefore 1 \text{ share} \rightarrow \$20$$

$$9 \text{ shares} \rightarrow \$20 \times 9 = \mathbf{\$180}$$

$$\text{Answer } \$ \underline{\hspace{2cm} 180 \hspace{2cm}} \quad [2]$$

7. **Topic: Algebra (Solving Quadratic Equations by Factorisation)**

(a)  $2x^2 - 5x - 3 = (2x + 1)(x - 3)$

(b)  $2x^2 - 5x - 3 = 0$

$$(2x + 1)(x - 3) = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x = 3$$

By inspection,

$2x$	$1$	$x$
$x$	$-3$	$-6x$
$2x^2$	$-3$	$-5x$

Hence question: use factorized expression from (a).

$$\text{Answer (a)} \quad \frac{(2x + 1)(x - 3)}{\hspace{2cm}} \quad [1]$$

$$(b) \quad x = \underline{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{ or } \underline{3} \quad [1]$$

8. **Topic: Inequalities**

Given  $-2 \leq 2x + 4 < 18$

$$-2 \leq 2x + 4 \quad \text{and} \quad 2x + 4 < 18$$

$$-6 \leq 2x \qquad \qquad \qquad 2x < 14$$

$$x \geq -3 \qquad \qquad \qquad x < 7$$

$$\therefore -3 \leq x < 7.$$

Inequality sign reversed when multiplying both sides by  $-1$





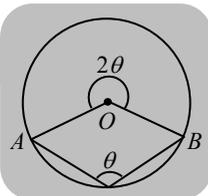
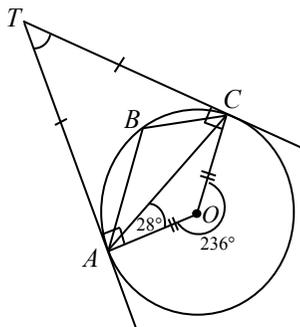
9. **Topics: Geometry**

- (a)  $OA = OC = \text{radius of circle}$   
 $\Rightarrow \triangle OAC$  is isosceles

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \angle AOC &= 180^\circ - 28^\circ - 28^\circ \\ &= 124^\circ \\ &\text{(sum of interior } \angle\text{s of } \triangle) \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Reflex  $\angle AOC = 360^\circ - 124^\circ$   
 ( $\angle\text{s at a point}$ )  
 $= 236^\circ$

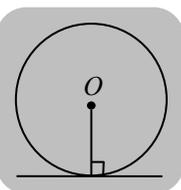
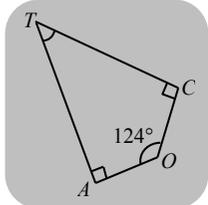
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \angle ABC &= \frac{236^\circ}{2} \text{ (}\angle \text{ at centre} = 2 \times \angle\text{s at circumference)} \\ &= 118^\circ \end{aligned}$$



- (c)  $\angle OAT = \angle OCT = 90^\circ$  (radius of circle  $\perp$  tangent)

In quadrilateral  $OATC$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \angle ATC &= 360^\circ - 90^\circ - 90^\circ - 124^\circ \\ &= 56^\circ \end{aligned}$$



- Answer* (a)  $\widehat{AOC} = \underline{124^\circ}$  [1]  
 (b)  $\widehat{ABC} = \underline{118^\circ}$  [1]  
 (c)  $\widehat{ATC} = \underline{56^\circ}$  [1]

10. **Topic: Factors & Multiples**

- (a)  $168 = 2^3 \times 3 \times 7$

2	168
2	84
2	42
3	21
7	7
	1

- (b) (i) Given  $4900 = 2^2 \times 5^2 \times 7^2$   
 $= 2 \times 2 \times 5 \times 5 \times 7 \times 7$

and  $168 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 7$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LCM of } 4900 \text{ and } 168 &= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 5 \times 7 \times 7 \\ &= 2^3 \times 3 \times 5^2 \times 7^2 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) HCF of 4900 and 168  $= 2 \times 2 \times 7$   
 $= 28$

*Answer* (a)  $168 = \frac{2^3 \times 3 \times 7}{1}$  [1]

(b) (i)  $\frac{2^3 \times 3 \times 5^2 \times 7^2}{28}$  [1]

(ii)  $\frac{28}{28}$  [1]

11. **Topic: Probability**

- (a)  $P(\text{Total of the three numbers shown is } 18) = P(6, 6, 6)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} \\ &= \frac{1}{216} \end{aligned}$$

- (b)  $P(\text{Three dice show the same number})$

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(1, 1, 1) + P(2, 2, 2) + P(3, 3, 3) + P(4, 4, 4) + P(5, 5, 5) + P(6, 6, 6) \\ &= \frac{1}{216} \times 6 \\ &= \frac{1}{36} \end{aligned}$$

Note: There's only one chance to throw the three dice  $\Rightarrow$  the events above are mutually exclusive since if for e.g. (1, 1, 1) occurs, none of the rest can possibly occur. Hence it's a case of (1, 1, 1) OR (2, 2, 2) OR (3, 3, 3) OR ...





(c) P(Total of the three numbers shown is 17)

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(6, 6, 5) + P(6, 5, 6) + P(5, 6, 6) \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} \times 3 \\ &= \frac{1}{72} \end{aligned}$$

Answer (a)  $\frac{1}{216}$  [1]

(b)  $\frac{1}{36}$  [1]

(c)  $\frac{1}{72}$  [1]

**12. Topic: Set Language & Notation**

$$\epsilon = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

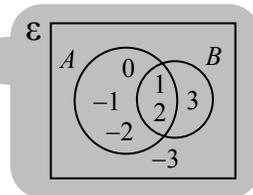
$$A = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$$

$$B = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

(a)  $A' = \{-3, 3\}$

(b)  $A \cap B = \{1, 2\}$

(c)  $A \cup B = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$



Answer (a)  $\{-3, 3\}$  [1]

(b)  $\{1, 2\}$  [1]

(c)  $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$  [1]

**13. Topic: Variation**

(a)  $V = \frac{k}{P}$ ,  $k$  is a constant.

Given  $V = 3 \text{ m}^3$ ,  $P = 200 \text{ N/m}^2$ .

$$\Rightarrow 3 = \frac{k}{200}$$

$$k = 600$$

$$\therefore V = \frac{600}{P}$$

When  $P = 150 \text{ N/m}^2$ ,  $V = \frac{600}{150} = 4 \text{ m}^3$

(b) When  $V = 5 \text{ m}^3$ ,  $5 = \frac{600}{P}$

$$P = \frac{600}{5} = 120 \text{ N/m}^2$$

Inverse variation:

$$y \propto \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow y = \frac{k}{x}$$

Answer (a)  $\frac{4}{120} \text{ m}^3$  [2]

(b)  $120 \text{ N/m}^2$  [1]

**14. Topic: Standard form**

(a)  $3 \times 10^5 \text{ km/s}$

$$= 3 \times 10^5 \times 1000 \text{ m/s}$$

$$= 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

(b) Distance = 1m; Speed =  $3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$

$$\therefore \text{Time taken} = \frac{1}{3 \times 10^8}$$

$$= 3 \frac{1}{3} \times 10^{-9} \text{ s}$$

$$= 3 \frac{1}{3} \text{ nanoseconds}$$

1 nano =  $1.0 \times 10^{-9}$

Answer (a)  $\frac{3 \times 10^8}{3 \times 10^8} \text{ m/s}$  [1]

(b)  $3 \frac{1}{3} \text{ nanoseconds}$  [2]





## 15. Topic: Matrices

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 2 & 3 \\ 6 & 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \times 3 + 2 \times 1 + 3 \times 0 \\ 6 \times 3 + 6 \times 1 + 2 \times 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 23 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ax + by + cz \\ dx + ey + fz \end{pmatrix}$$

Answer (a)  $\frac{\begin{pmatrix} 23 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix}}{\hspace{10em}}$  [2]

(b) The matrix represents the total number of points awarded to City (23 points) and United (24 points). [1]

## 16. Topic: Algebra (Algebraic manipulation)

$$(a) \frac{3a^2}{7bc} \div \frac{9a}{14b} = \frac{3a^2}{7bc} \times \frac{14b}{9a}$$

$$= \frac{2a}{3c}$$

$$(b) \frac{2x}{(2x-3)^2} - \frac{1}{2x-3} = \frac{2x - (2x-3)}{(2x-3)^2}$$

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

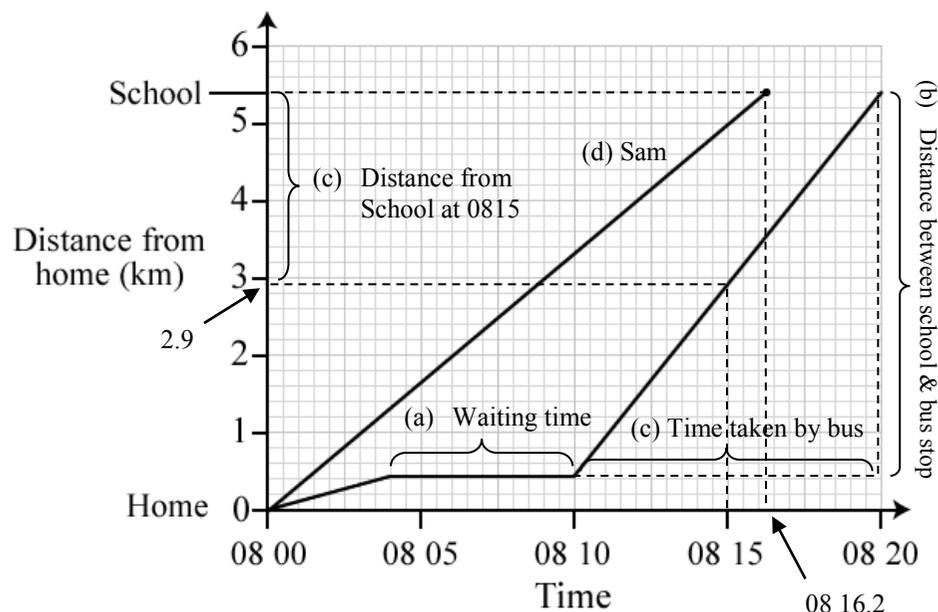
$$= \frac{3}{(2x-3)^2}$$

Answer (a)  $\frac{\frac{2a}{3c}}{\hspace{10em}}$  [2]

(b)  $\frac{\hspace{10em}}{(2x-3)^2}$  [2]



17. **Topic: Graphs in Practical Situations (Distance-Time Graphs)**



- (a) Time between 0804 and 0810 is **6 minutes**.  
 (b) At 0815, distance from house = 2.9 km  
 Distance from house to school = 5.4 km  
 $\therefore$  Distance she was from school = 5.4 km – 2.9 km  
 = **2.5 km**

Since the sets of marks are not skewed by extreme values, it's more accurate to compare their mean marks (instead of median or mode) so that all marks are taken into account.

(c) Distance between school and bus stop = 5.4 km – 0.4 km = 5 km

Time taken by bus to reach school = 10 mins =  $\frac{10}{60}$  hr

$\therefore$  Speed of bus =  $\frac{5}{\frac{10}{60}}$

Speed =  $\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$  = **30 km/h**

(d) Time taken by Sam =  $\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Speed}}$   
 =  $\frac{5.4}{20}$   
 = 0.27 hr  
 = 0.27 × 60 minutes  
 = **16.2 minutes**

- Answer (a) 6 minutes [1]  
 (b) 2.5 km [1]  
 (c) 30 km/h [1]  
 (d) See graph [1]

18. **Topic: Statistics (Mean, Median & Mode)**

Mode = the number which occurs most frequently.

- (a) Mode = **75 marks**  
 (b) Middle position = 8<sup>th</sup> position  
 Median = **69 marks**

38, 58, 59, 59, 64, 67, 68, **69**,  
 71, 73, 75, 76, 78, 79, 80

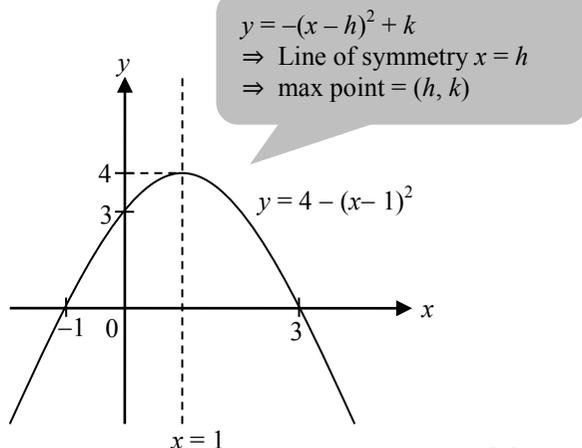
- (c) Mean mark of boys = 62 marks  
 Mean mark of girls = 67.6 marks  
 $\therefore$  **The girls performed better.**

- Answer (a) 75 marks [1]  
 (b) 69 marks [1]

- (c) The girls performed better because their mean mark (67.6) is higher than the mean mark (62) of the boys. [1]

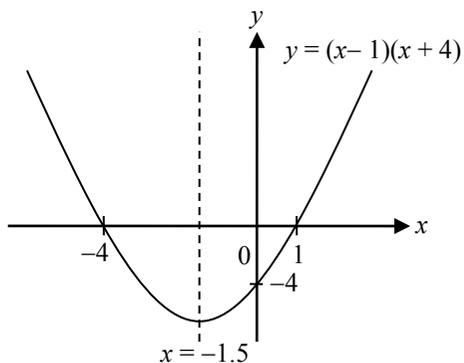
19. Topic: Graphs (Graphs of Quadratic Functions)

Answer (a)



[2]

(b) (i)



[2]

(b) (ii)  $x = -1.5$  [1]

Line of symmetry of quadratic graph passes through max/min point.

$$\therefore x = \frac{-4+1}{2} = -1.5$$

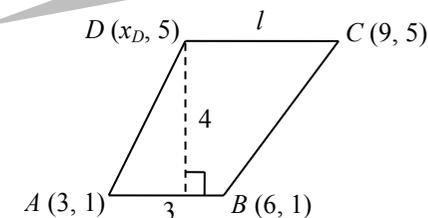
20. Topic: Coordinate Geometry

(a) Area of  $\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2}(6 - 3)(5 - 1)$   
 $= 6 \text{ units}^2$

Area of trapezium  
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times (\text{sum of parallel sides}) \times \text{height}$

(b) Area of trapezium  $= \frac{1}{2}(3 + l)(4)$   
 $14 = 2(3 + l)$   
 $3 + l = 7$   
 $l = 4$   
 $\Rightarrow x_D = 9 - 4 = 5$

$\therefore$  Coordinates of  $D = (5, 5)$



(c) Area of  $\triangle ABE = 9 \text{ units}^2$   
 $\frac{1}{2}(3)(h) = 9$   
 $h = 6$

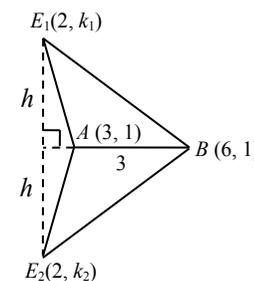
From the diagram,

$$k_1 = 1 + 6 = 7$$

$$k_2 = 1 - 6 = -5$$

$$\Rightarrow E(2, 7) \text{ or } E(2, -5)$$

$\therefore k = 7 \text{ or } k = -5.$



Answer (a)  $\underline{\quad 6 \quad}$  units<sup>2</sup> [1]

(b)  $(\underline{\quad 5 \quad}, \underline{\quad 5 \quad})$  [2]

(c)  $k = \underline{\quad 7 \quad} \text{ or } \underline{\quad -5 \quad}$  [2]





21. **Topic: Arithmetic**

(a) Walking distance = 1000m = 1 km

$\therefore$  Walking time =  $\frac{1}{4}$  h  
= **15 minutes**

Time =  $\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Speed}}$

(b) Running distance = 1.3 km

Running time = 5 minutes =  $\frac{5}{60}$  hour

$\therefore$  Running speed =  $1.3 \div \frac{5}{60}$   
= **15.6 km/h**

Speed =  $\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$

(c) Total distance = 1 + 1.3 = 2.3 km

Total time = 15 + 5 = 20 minutes =  $\frac{20}{60}$  hour

$\therefore$  Average speed =  $2.3 \div \frac{20}{60}$   
= **6.9 km/h**

Average speed =  $\frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total time}}$

Answer (a) 15 minutes [1]

(b) 15.6 km/h [2]

(c) 6.9 km/h [2]

22. **Topics: Algebra**

(a) Next two odd numbers after  $2n-1$  are

$(2n-1)+2 = 2n+1$  and

$(2n-1)+2+2 = 2n+3.$

Note:  $2n-1$  is odd.

(b) (i) Sum of three odd numbers =  $(2n-1) + (2n+1) + (2n+3)$

=  $6n+3$

=  **$3(2n+1)$**

(ii) **Since  $3(2n+1)$  has 3 as a factor, we conclude the sum is a multiple of 3.**

(c) Sum =  $(2n-1)^2 + (2n+1)^2 + (2n+3)^2$   
=  $4n^2 - 4n + 1 + 4n^2 + 4n + 1 + 4n^2 + 12n + 9$   
=  **$12n^2 + 12n + 11$**

$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$   
 $(a-b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$

Answer

(a)  $2n+1$  and  $2n+3$  [1]

(b) (i)  $3(2n+1)$  [1]

(b)(ii) **Since  $3(2n+1)$  has 3 as a factor, we conclude the sum is a multiple of 3.** [1]

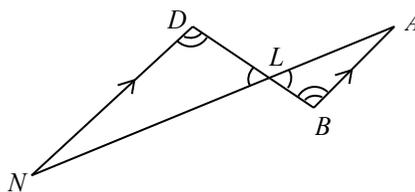
(c)  $12n^2 + 12n + 11$  [2]





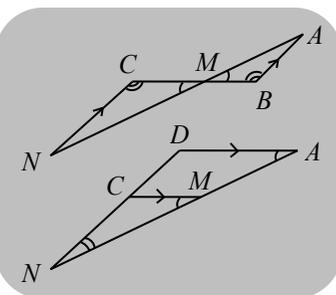
23. **Topics: Similarity & Congruency**

- (a) In  $\triangle ALB$  and  $\triangle NLD$ ,  
 $\angle ALB = \angle NLD$  (vert. opp.  $\angle$ s)  
 $\angle LBA = \angle LDN$   
 (alt.  $\angle$ s,  $AB \parallel DC$  since  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram)

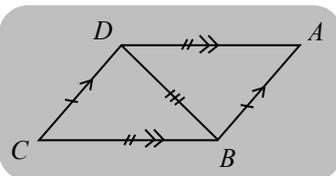


$\therefore \triangle ALB$  is similar to  $\triangle NLD$

- (b) Choose any one:  
 $\triangle NCM$  is similar to  $\triangle ABM$ .  
 $\triangle NCM$  is similar to  $\triangle NDA$ .



- (c)  $\triangle DAB$  is congruent to  $\triangle BCD$ .



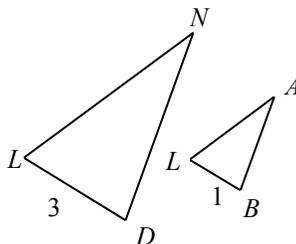
- (d) Given  $DL = 3LB \Rightarrow \frac{LB}{DL} = \frac{1}{3}$

- (i) Since  $\triangle ALB$  &  $\triangle NLD$  are similar, (from (a))

$$\frac{AB}{ND} = \frac{LB}{LD} = \frac{1}{3}$$

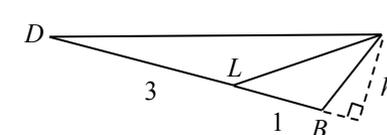
$$\frac{AB}{CN} = \frac{AB}{\frac{2}{3}ND} = \frac{1}{3} \div \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} ND &= CN + DC \\ &= CN + AB \\ &= CN + \frac{1}{3}ND \\ \Rightarrow CN &= \frac{2}{3}ND \end{aligned}$$



$$\frac{LB}{LD} = \frac{AB}{ND} = \frac{AL}{NL} = \frac{1}{3}$$

(ii)  $\frac{\text{Area of } \triangle ABL}{\text{Area of } \triangle ADL} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(LB)(h)}{\frac{1}{2}(LD)(h)}$   
 $= \frac{LB}{LD} = \frac{1}{3}$



- (iii) Since  $\triangle LMB$  &  $\triangle LAD$  are similar,

$$\frac{\text{Area of } \triangle LMB}{\text{Area of } \triangle LAD} = \left(\frac{LB}{LD}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{9}$$

Area of similar figures  $\Rightarrow \frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2$

Answer

(a)	In $\triangle$ s $ALB$ and $NLD$ $\angle ALB = \angle NLD$ (vert. opp. $\angle$ s) $\angle LBA = \angle LDN$ (alt. $\angle$ s, $AB \parallel DC$ since $ABCD$ is a //gram) $\therefore \triangle ALB$ is similar to $\triangle NLD$ .	[2]
(b)	$\triangle ABM$ or $\triangle NDA$	[1]
(c)	$\triangle DAB$ and $\triangle BCD$	[1]
(d)(i)	$\frac{1}{2}$	[1]
(d)(ii)	$\frac{1}{3}$	[1]
(d)(iii)	$\frac{1}{9}$	[1]

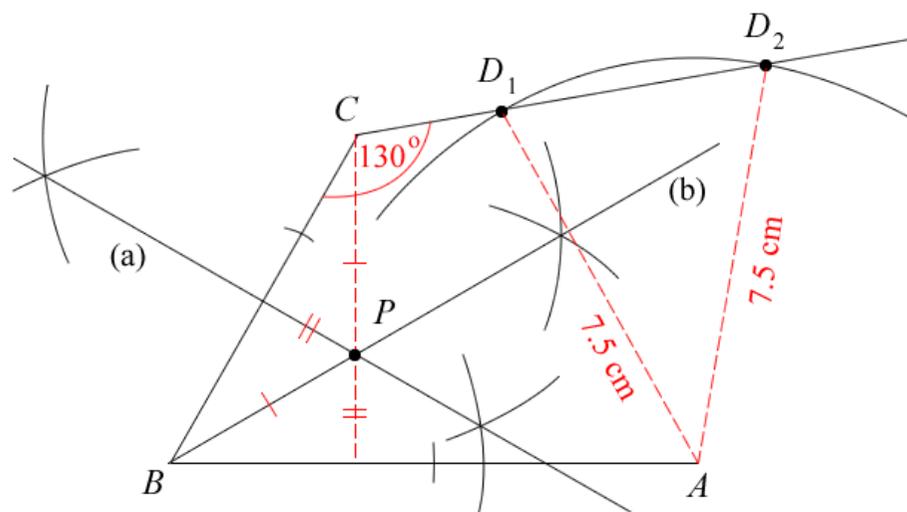




24. **Topic: Geometrical Constructions**

Answer (a), (b) and (d)

[1], [1], [2]



Answer (c) The point  $P$  is equidistant from the lines BC and AB  
and equidistant from the points B and C [1]

