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**[braille page 1]**

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Time: 2 hours

**YOU MUST HAVE**

Ruler  
Compasses

**YOU WILL BE GIVEN**

Diagram Booklet  
Bumpons for Question 5(a)  
Bumpons for Question 12(c)  
Bumpons for Question 15  
Bumpons for Question 19(a)  
Bumpons for Question 20(a)  
Bumpons for Question 20(b)

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

Write your centre number, candidate number, surname and other names on your answer paper.

Answer ALL questions.

Answer the questions on your answer paper or on the separate diagrams.

**CALCULATORS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**

**INFORMATION**

The total mark for this paper is 90.

The number of marks for EACH question are shown in brackets, for example: [2 marks] – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

There may be spare copies of some diagrams.

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## ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.

Try to answer every question.

Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Please note: this paper contains facing pages.

[A contents page for this examination paper will be found as a separate booklet. This is to assist the candidate in locating selected books].

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Answer ALL questions.

Write your answers on your answer paper.

You must write down all the stages in your working.

You must NOT use a calculator.

1. (a) Expand and simplify  $(y + 3)(2y - 3)$  [2 marks]

(b) Expand and simplify  $(2 + 5x)^2$  [2 marks]

(c) Simplify  $(8r^{12})^{\frac{1}{3}}$  [2 marks]

(d) Simplify  $t^{-2} \times t^{-\frac{3}{4}}$  [1 mark]

[Total for Question 1 is 7 marks]

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2. Make  $x$  the subject of  $w = \frac{3x^2 + 2}{x^2 + 1}$

[Total for Question 2 is 3 marks]

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3. Use the quadratic formula to solve the equation  $3x^2 - 2x = 6$

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

[Total for Question 3 is 2 marks]

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4. Look at the diagram for Question 4 in the diagram booklet.

Describe the four inequalities that have been drawn on the grid to bound the shaded region R.

[Total for Question 4 is 5 marks]

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5. (a) Look at the diagram for Question 5(a) in the diagram booklet.

On the grid in the diagram booklet, construct the graph of

$$x^2 + y^2 = 49$$

Drawing film and bompoms are provided if you wish to use them.

[2 marks]

Given that  $a > 0$ , the point  $A$  with coordinates  $(0, a)$  lies on the graph of  $x^2 + y^2 = 49$

(b) Write the equation of the tangent to this graph at  $A$ . [1 mark]

[Total for Question 5 is 3 marks]

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6. (a) Solve  $7 - 2y < 3y - 8$  [2 marks]

(b) (i) Factorise  $x^2 + x - 6$  [1 mark]

(ii) Hence solve  $x^2 + x - 6 < 0$  [2 marks]

[Total for Question 6 is 5 marks]

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7. (a) Find an equation of the straight line which passes through the origin and is parallel to the straight line with equation  $3x = 4y + 7$  [1 mark]

(b) Find the gradient of a line perpendicular to the line with equation  $2x = 5y + 8$  [2 marks]

[Total for Question 7 is 3 marks]

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8. Here is a quadratic equation.

$$9x^2 - 12x + 4 = 0$$

Use the discriminant to determine whether the equation has

2 real and different roots  
OR 2 real and equal roots  
OR no real roots.

[Total for Question 8 is 2 marks]

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9. (a) Factorise  $6x^2y^2 - 9x^3y$  [2 marks]

(b) Factorise  $p^4 - p^2q^2$  [2 marks]

[Total for Question 9 is 4 marks]

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10.  $x^2 + 6x + 13$  can be written in the form  $(x + a)^2 + b$

(a) Find the value of  $a$  and the value of  $b$ . [2 marks]

$$a = \underline{\quad}$$

$$b = \underline{\quad}$$

The curve with equation  $y = x^2 + 6x + 13$  has a turning point at the point  $A$ .

(b) Write down the coordinates of  $A$ . [1 mark]

[Total for Question 10 is 3 marks]

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**[braille page 10]**

11. The first term of an arithmetic series is 4  
The common difference of the series is 7

(a) Find an expression, in terms of  $n$ , for the  $n$ th term of the series.  
Give your answer in its simplest form. [2 marks]

The  $p$ th term of the series is 102

(b) Work out the value of  $p$ . [1 mark]

(c) Find the sum of the first 100 terms of this series. [2 marks]

[Total for Question 11 is 5 marks]

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12. The average speed,  $v$  km/h, for a journey of a given distance is inversely proportional to the time,  $t$  hours, taken to complete the journey.

When  $v = 60$ ,  $t = 4$

(a) Find a formula for  $v$  in terms of  $t$ . [3 marks]

(b) Calculate the value of  $t$  when  $v = 80$  [2 marks]

(c) Look at the diagram for Question 12(c) in the diagram booklet.

Using the axes in the diagram booklet, sketch the graph of  $v$  against  $t$ .

Drawing film and bumpons are provided if you wish to use them.

[1 mark]

[Total for Question 12 is 6 marks]

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13. Here is a quadratic equation  $6x^2 + 5x - 12 = 0$

(i) Write down the sum of the roots of this equation. [1 mark]

(ii) Write down the product of the roots of this equation.

[1 mark]

[Total for Question 13 is 2 marks]

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14.  $V = \frac{f(wh - 3)}{3} + f$

Work out the value of  $h$  when  $V = 20$ ,  $f = 12$  and  $w = \frac{f}{2}$

[Total for Question 14 is 3 marks]

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15. Look at the diagram for Question 15 in the diagram booklet.

Using the axes in the diagram booklet, sketch the graph  $y = \frac{1}{x-2}$

Drawing film and bumpy paper are provided if you wish to use them.

Write any asymptotes and the coordinates of any point of intersection of the graph with the axes.

[Total for Question 15 is 4 marks]

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16. Solve the simultaneous equations

$$y = 3x^2 + 6x - 1$$

$$y - 1 = x$$

[Total for Question 16 is 4 marks]

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**[braille page 14]**

17. (a) Expand and simplify  $(3 + \sqrt{12})(5 - 3\sqrt{3})$  [3 marks]

(b) Rationalise the denominator of  $\frac{2 - \sqrt{13}}{1 - \sqrt{13}}$

Give your answer in the form  $\frac{p - \sqrt{13}}{q}$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers.

[3 marks]

[Total for Question 17 is 6 marks]

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18. The straight line  $L$  passes through the points  $A$  and  $B$ .

The coordinates of  $A$  are  $(3, -8)$

The coordinates of  $B$  are  $(-1, 7)$

Find an equation for  $L$

Give your answer in the form  $ax + by + c = 0$  where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are integers.

[Total for Question 18 is 3 marks]

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19. Look at the diagram for Question 19(a) in the diagram booklet. It shows a graph. The table on the facing page shows the values of

$y = 2^{x-1}$  for integer values of  $x$  from  $-2$  to  $4$

(a) On the grid in the diagram booklet, plot the points for the graph of  $y = 2^{x-1}$  for values of  $x$  from  $-2$  to  $4$

Bumpers are provided if you wish to use them. [2 marks]

(b) Use your graph to find an estimate, to one decimal place, for the solution of  $2^x = 12$  [2 marks]

(c) Use the trapezium rule to find an estimate for the area of the region under the curve and between  $x = 1$ ,  $x = 4$  and the  $x$ -axis. Use 3 strips of equal width. [2 marks]

[Total for Question 19 is 6 marks]

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**[braille page 17]**

$x$	$y$
-2	$\frac{1}{8}$
-1	$\frac{1}{4}$
0	$\frac{1}{2}$
1	1
2	2
3	4
4	8

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20. Look at the diagram for Question 20(a) in the diagram booklet. It shows the graph of  $y = f(x)$

3 distinct points have been labelled A, B and C

(a) On the grid in the diagram booklet, plot the positions of  $A_1$ ,  $B_1$  and  $C_1$  for the graph of  $y = f(x) - 2$

Bumpons are provided if you wish to use them. [2 marks]

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[Question 20 continued]

(b) Look at the diagram for Question 20(b) in the diagram booklet. It shows the graph of  $y = f(x)$

3 distinct points have been labelled A, B and C

On the grid in the diagram booklet, plot the positions of  $A_2$ ,  $B_2$  and  $C_2$  for the graph of  $y = f(2x)$

Bumpons are provided if you wish to use them. [2 marks]

[Total for Question 20 is 4 marks]

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21. (a) Express  $\frac{3}{x+4} + \frac{1}{x-4}$  as a single fraction.

Give your answer in its simplest form. [3 marks]

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve  $\frac{3}{x+4} + \frac{1}{x-4} = \frac{4}{5}$  [3 marks]

[Total for Question 21 is 6 marks]

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22. Look at the diagram for Question 22 in the diagram booklet.

It shows a speed-time graph for the first 35 minutes of a training ride for a cyclist.

(a) For how many minutes is the cyclist accelerating? [1 mark]

(b) Work out the greatest acceleration of the cyclist.

Give your answer in  $\text{km/h}^2$  [2 marks]

(c) What does the area under the graph represent? [1 mark]

[Total for Question 22 is 4 marks]

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Diagram Booklet

Diagram for Question 4

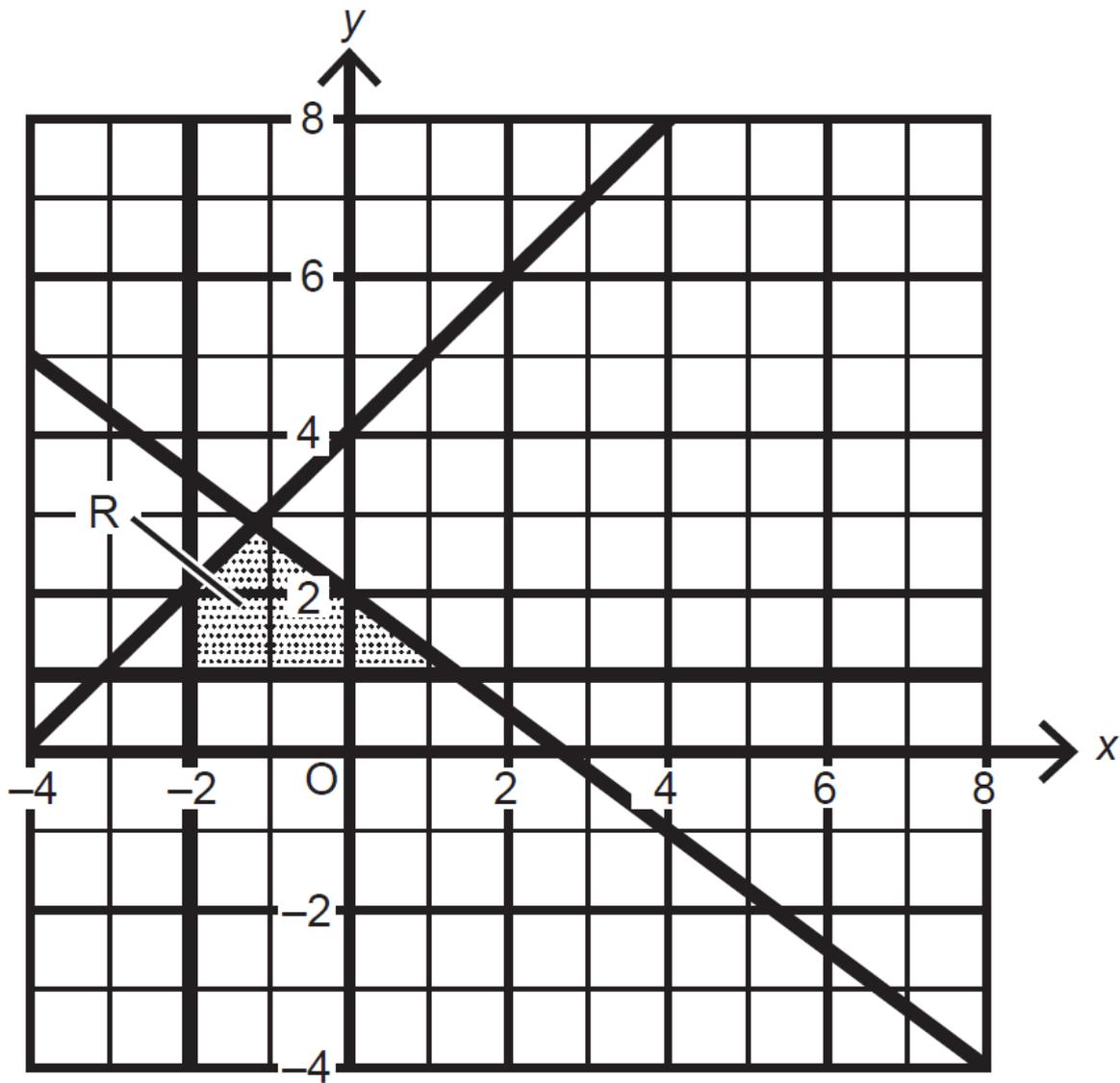


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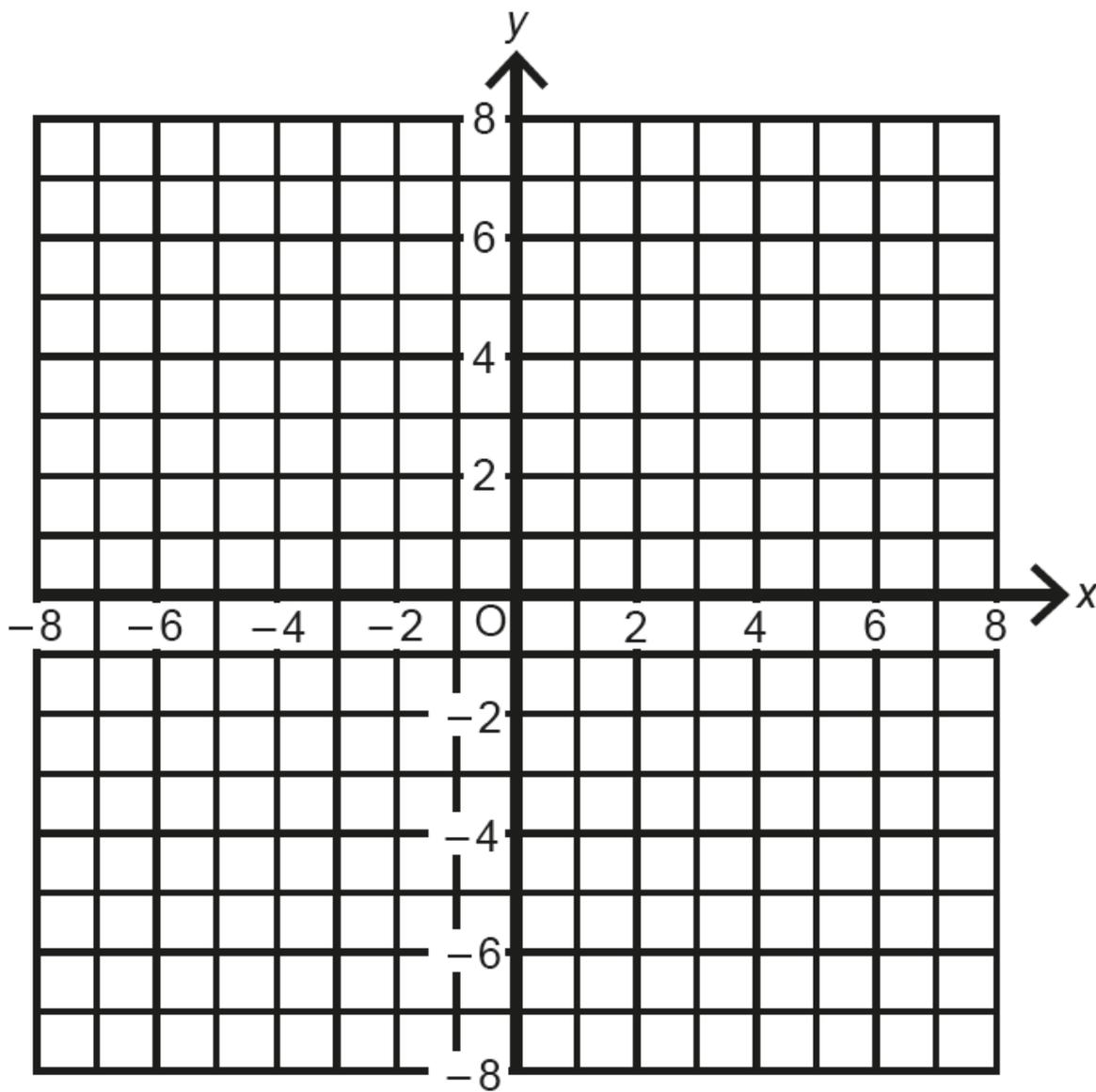


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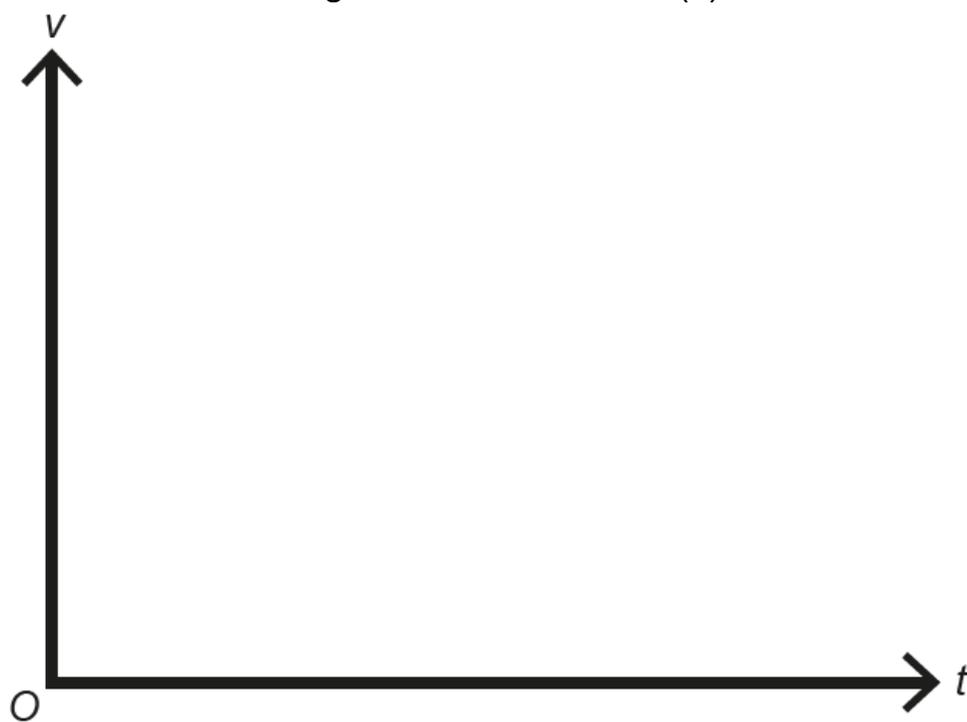


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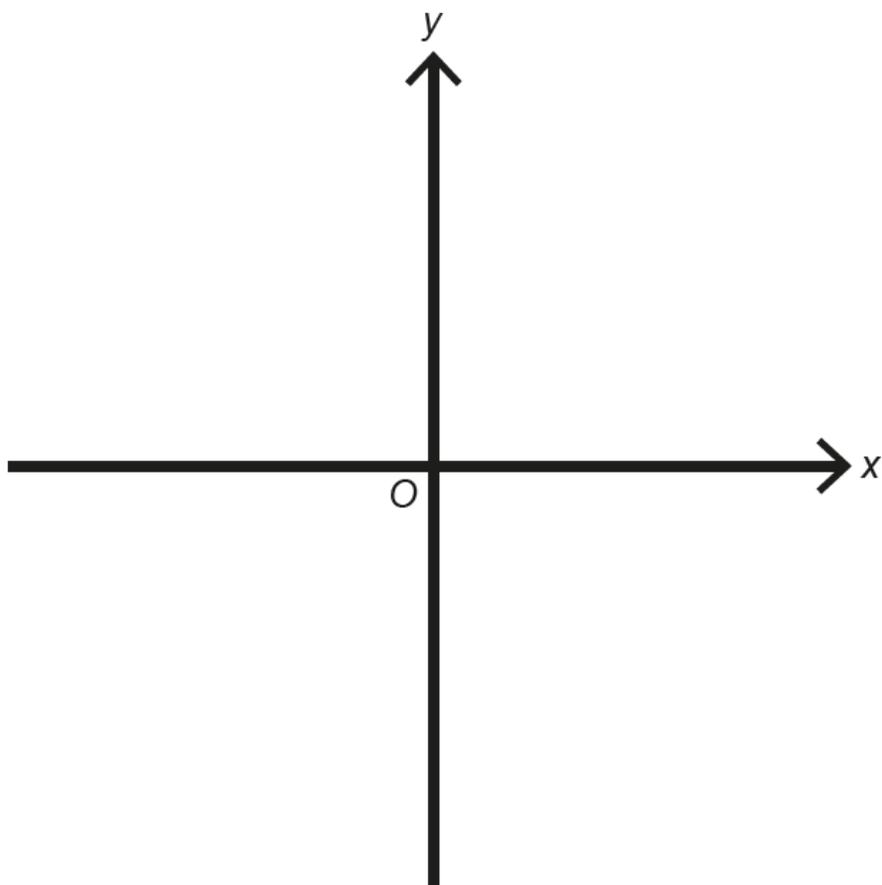
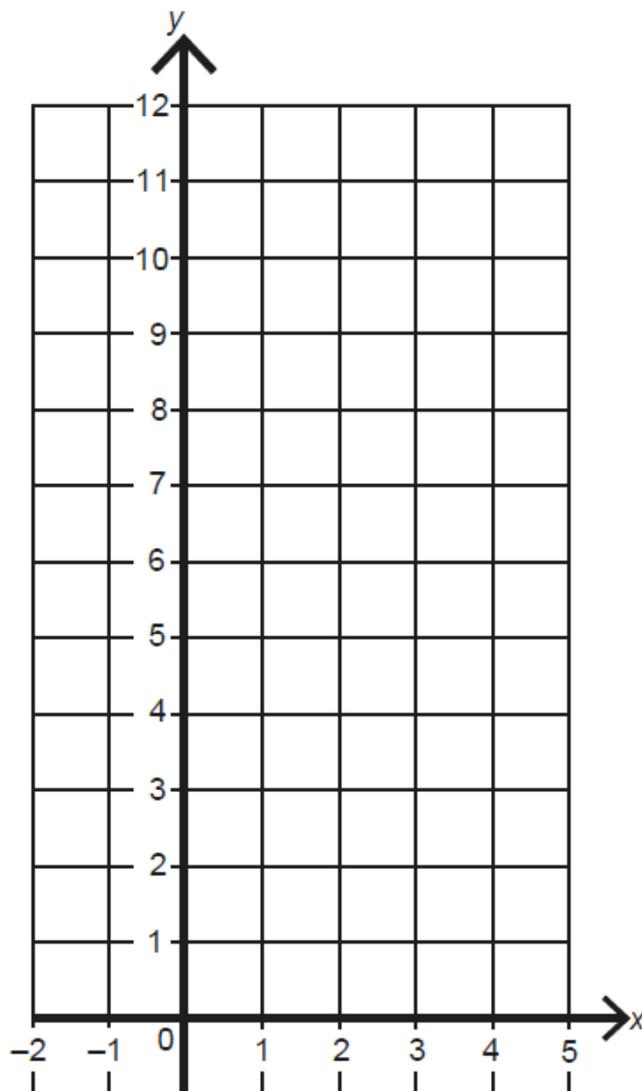
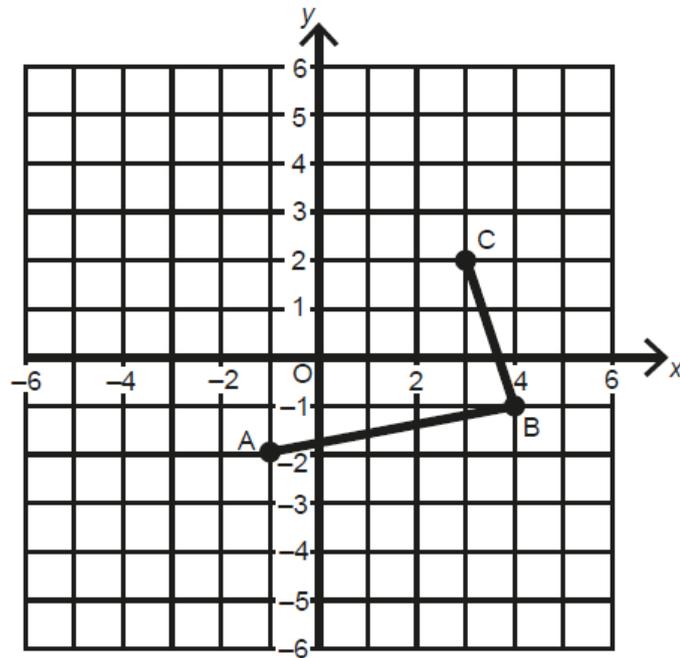


Diagram for Question 19(a)



## Diagram for Question 20(a)

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## Diagram for Question 20(b)

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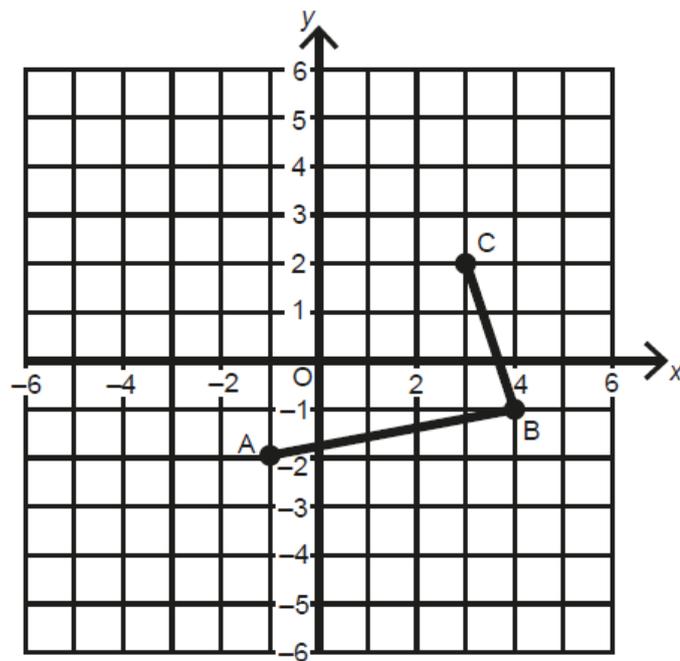


Diagram for Question 22

