



**B O A R D O F S T U D I E S**  
NEW SOUTH WALES

## **2011 General Mathematics HSC Examination 'Sample Answers'**

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## Section II

### Question 23 (a)

*Sample answer:*

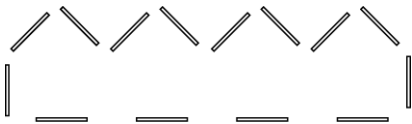
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Deductions} &= \$350 + \$2000 + \$250 \\ &= \$2600 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Taxable income} &= \$56\,350 - \$2600 \\ &= \$53\,750 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Levy} &= 1.5\% \times \$53\,750 \\ &= \$806.25 \end{aligned}$$

### Question 23 (b) (i)

*Sample answer:*



### Question 23 (b) (ii)

*Sample answer:*

$$\begin{aligned} N &= 3F + 2 \\ &= 3 \times 100 + 2 \\ &= 302 \end{aligned}$$

### Question 23 (b) (iii)

*Sample answers:*

$$\begin{aligned} N &= 3F + 2 = 543 \\ 3F &= 541 \\ F &= 180.33 \dots \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  No, it will not be possible using exactly 543 sticks.

OR 180 figures can be made with one stick left over.

OR 2 more sticks will be needed to make 181 figures.

**Question 23 (c)***Sample answers:*

$$\begin{aligned} &1.340 \times 5000 \\ &= \$6700 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 23 (d) (i)***Sample answer:*

$$\frac{10\,000}{1\,000} = 10 \text{ m}^3$$

**Question 23 (d) (ii)***Sample answer:*

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \pi \times 0.67 \times 0.75 \\ &= 1.57865 \text{ m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$V = Ah$$

$$10 = 1.57865 \times h$$

$$h = 6.33 \text{ m}$$

OR

$$633 \text{ cm}$$

**Question 24 (a) (i)***Sample answer:*

$$900 \text{ mm}$$

**Question 24 (a) (ii)***Sample answer:*

$$2000 \text{ mm} \times 2000 \text{ mm}$$

**Question 24 (a) (iii)***Sample answer:*

$$6485 + 3690 - 2 \times 240$$
$$= 9695 \text{ mm}$$

OR

9700 mm by measurement

**Question 24 (a) (iv)***Sample answer:*

1800 mm

**Question 24 (b) (i)***Sample answer:*

$$72 - (16 + 11 + 8 + 12 + 15)$$
$$= 10$$

**Question 24 (b) (ii)***Sample answer:*

$$\frac{8}{72}$$

**Question 24 (b) (iii)***Sample answer:*

5

**Question 24 (c) (i)***Sample answer:*

055°

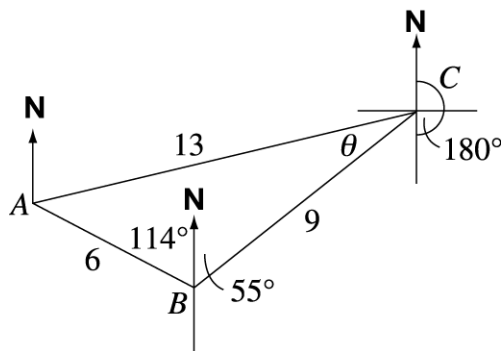
**Question 24 (c) (ii)**

*Sample answer:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 AC^2 &= 6^2 + 9^2 - 2(6)(9) \cos 114^\circ \\
 &= 160.928 \\
 AC &= 13
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 24 (c) (iii)**

*Sample answer:*



$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\sin \theta}{6} &= \frac{\sin 114^\circ}{13} \\
 \sin \theta &= \frac{6 \sin 114^\circ}{13} \\
 &= 0.4216 \\
 \theta &= 25^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{Bearing} &= 180^\circ + 55^\circ + 25^\circ \\
 &= 260^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 25 (a) (i)**

*Sample answer:*

Categorical

**Question 25 (a) (ii)**

*Sample answer:*

How many text messages did you send last month?

**Question 25 (a) (iii)**

*Sample answers:*

5% of each Year of students (Year 7 to Year 12)  
 OR 5% of students in each postcode

**Question 25 (a) (iv)****Sample answers:**

All Year 7 to Year 12 students in NSW  
OR All high school students in NSW

**Question 25 (b) (i)****Sample answer:**

Year 12 (has 100%)

**Question 25 (b) (ii)****Sample answer:**

Year 9:  $\frac{55}{70} = 79\%$

Year 10:  $\frac{50}{60} = 83\%$

A higher proportion of Year 10 has mobile phones.

**Question 25 (b) (iii)****Sample answer:**

The percentage of students in each Year group who own mobile phones increases from Year 7 through to Year 12.

**Question 25 (c) (i)****Sample answer:**

580

**Question 25 (c) (ii)****Sample answer:**

$\frac{172}{319} = 0.54$

**Question 25 (c) (iii)***Sample answer:*

$$\frac{113}{271} \times 100 \div 41.69741697\% \\ = 42\% \text{ (correct to the nearest per cent)}$$

**Question 25 (d) (i)***Sample answer:*

Outlier is 71.

**Question 25 (d) (ii)***Sample answer:*

$$\text{Interquartile range} = 20 - 11 \\ = 9$$

**Question 26 (a) (i)***Sample answer:*

$$x = 5$$

**Question 26 (a) (ii)***Sample answer:*

$$\frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$$

**Question 26 (a) (iii)***Sample answer:*

$$\frac{2}{3}$$

**Question 26 (a) (iv)***Sample answer:*

$$\frac{4}{12} \times 12 + \frac{6}{12} \times 0 - \frac{2}{12} \times 3 = 3.50$$

$$3.50 - 5 = -1.50$$

Elise expects a loss of \$1.50.

**Question 26 (b) (i)***Sample answer:*

$$5 \times 3^6 = 3645$$

Conclusion:  $t = 6$  is too small.

**Question 26 (b) (ii)***Sample answer:*

$$\text{Try } t = 7 \quad 5 \times 3^7 = 10\,935 \quad \text{too small}$$

$$\text{Try } t = 8 \quad 5 \times 3^8 = 32\,805 \quad \therefore \text{exceeds } 18\,000$$

$$\therefore t = 8$$

**Question 26 (c)***Sample answer:*

$$\text{Deposit: } 15\% \text{ of } \$20\,000 = \frac{15}{100} \times \$20\,000 = \$3000$$

$$\text{Balance: } \$20\,000 - \$3000 = \$17\,000$$

$$\text{Interest: } \$17\,000 \times \frac{19}{100} \times 5 = \$16\,150$$

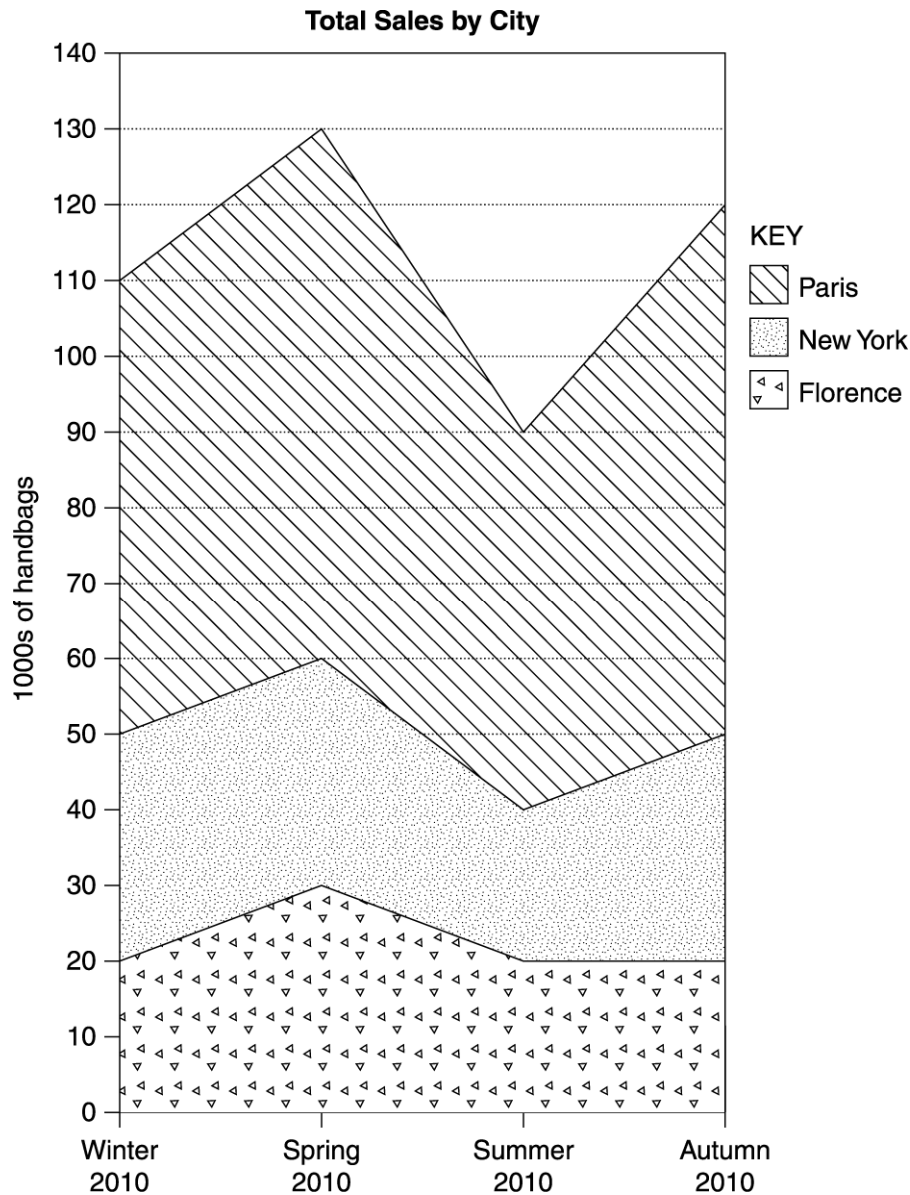
$$\text{Amount to be repaid: } \$17\,000 + \$16\,150 = \$33\,150$$

$$\text{Repayment: } \frac{\$33\,150}{5 \times 12} = \$552.50$$



**Question 27 (a)**

*Sample answer:*


**Question 27 (b) (i)**

*Sample answer:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Distance} &= \frac{91}{360} \times 2\pi \times 6400 \text{ km} \\
 &= 10\,164.8 \text{ km} \\
 &= 10\,165 \text{ km}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 27 (b) (ii)***Sample answer:*

(4°S, 152°E)

**Question 27 (c) (i)***Sample answer:*

$$\frac{400 - 500}{50} = -2$$

**Question 27 (c) (ii)***Sample answers:*No, it is not correct. Both z-scores are  $-2$ .

OR

Both brands are 2 standard deviations below the mean.

**Question 27 (d)***Sample answer:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Josephine: } A &= 50\,000(1.06)^{15} \\ &= 119\,827.9097 \\ &= 119\,827.91 \text{ (to the nearest cent)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gain} &= \$119\,827.91 - \$50\,000 \\ &= \$69\,827.91 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Emma: } A &= \frac{500 \left[ (1.005)^{180} - 1 \right]}{0.005} \\ &= 145\,409.36 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gain} &= \$145\,409.36 - 500 \times 12 \times 20 \\ &= \$55\,409.36 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Josephine will have the better financial gain.

**Question 28 (a) (i)***Sample answer:*

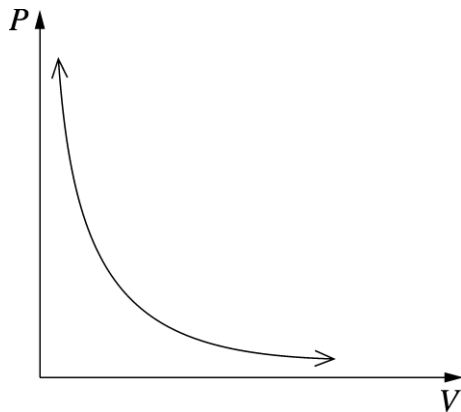
$$P = \frac{a}{V}$$

**Question 28 (a) (ii)***Sample answer:*

$$P = \frac{a}{V} \qquad P = \frac{6}{V}$$

$$3 = \frac{a}{2} \qquad P = \frac{6}{4}$$

$$a = 6 \qquad = 1.5$$

**Question 28 (a) (iii)***Sample answer:***Question 28 (b) (i)***Sample answer:*

$$m = \frac{60\,000}{-15} = -4000$$

**Question 28 (b) (ii)***Sample answers:*

- Rate of depreciation each year  
OR Amount the tractor reduces in value each year

**Question 28 (b) (iii)***Sample answer:*

$$V_0 = 60\,000 \quad D = 4000 \quad S = V_0 - Dn$$

$$S = 60\,000 - 4000n$$

OR  $y = mx + b$

$$S = -4000n + 60\,000$$

**Question 28 (b) (iv)***Sample answer:*

$$n < 0 \text{ and } n > 15$$

Time period cannot be negative.

After 15 years, the tractor has no value, ie value cannot be negative.

**Question 28 (b) (v)***Sample answer:*

$$\begin{aligned} S &= V_0 (1-r)^{14} \\ &= 60\,000(1-0.20)^{14} \\ &= 2638.827907 \\ &= \$2638.83 \text{ (to the nearest cent)} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 28 (b) (vi)***Sample answer:*

$S$  is decreasing and  $S > 0$ .

OR Value of the tractor will always be greater than zero.

