

**Exercise 2C**

**1 a**  $pq(-8) = p\left(\frac{-8}{4}\right)$   
 $= p(-2)$   
 $= 1 - 3(-2)$   
 $= 7$

**b**  $qr(5) = q[(5 - 2)^2]$   
 $= q(9)$   
 $= \frac{9}{4}$

**c**  $rq(6) = r\left(\frac{6}{4}\right)$   
 $= r\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$   
 $= \left(\frac{3}{2} - 2\right)^2$   
 $= \frac{1}{4}$

**d**  $p^2(-5) = p(1 - 3(-5))$   
 $= p(16)$   
 $= 1 - 3(16)$   
 $= -47$

**e**  $pqr(8) = pq[(8 - 2)^2]$   
 $= pq(36)$   
 $= p\left(\frac{36}{4}\right)$   
 $= p(9)$   
 $= 1 - 3(9)$   
 $= -26$

**2 a**  $fg(x) = f(x^2 - 4)$   
 $= 4(x^2 - 4) + 1$   
 $= 4x^2 - 15$

**b**  $gf(x) = g(4x + 1)$   
 $= (4x + 1)^2 - 4$   
 $= 16x^2 + 8x - 3$

**2 c**  $gh(x) = g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$   
 $= \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 - 4$   
 $= \frac{1}{x^2} - 4$

**d**  $fh(x) = f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$   
 $= 4 \times \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + 1$   
 $= \frac{4}{x} + 1$

**e**  $f^2(x) = ff(x)$   
 $= f(4x + 1)$   
 $= 4(4x + 1) + 1$   
 $= 16x + 5$

**3 a**  $fg(x) = f(x^2)$   
 $= 3x^2 - 2$

**b**  $gf(x) = g(3x - 2)$   
 $= (3x - 2)^2$

When  $fg(x) = gf(x)$  then  
 $3x^2 - 2 = (3x - 2)^2$   
 $3x^2 - 2 = 9x^2 - 12x + 4$   
 $0 = 6x^2 - 12x + 6$   
 $0 = x^2 - 2x + 1$   
 $0 = (x - 1)^2$

Hence  $x = 1$

**4 a**  $qp(x) = q\left(\frac{1}{x-2}\right)$

$$= 3 \times \left(\frac{1}{x-2}\right) + 4$$

$$= \frac{3}{x-2} + \frac{4(x-2)}{x-2}$$

$$= \frac{4x-5}{x-2}$$

**b** If  $qp(m) = 16$  then

$$3\left(\frac{1}{m-2}\right) + 4 = 16$$

$$\frac{3}{m-2} = 12$$

$$3 = 12(m-2)$$

$$\frac{3}{12} = m-2$$

$$\frac{1}{4} = m-2$$

$$m = \frac{9}{4}$$

**5 a**  $fg(6) = f\left(\frac{3(6)-2}{2}\right)$

$$= f(8)$$

$$= |9-4(8)|$$

$$= |-23|$$

$$= 23$$

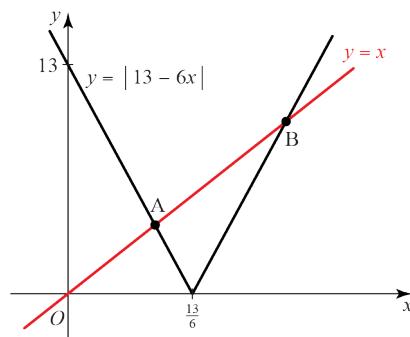
**5 b**  $fg(x) = f\left(\frac{3x-2}{2}\right)$

$$= \left|9 - 4\left(\frac{3x-2}{2}\right)\right|$$

$$= |9 - 6x + 4|$$

$$= |13 - 6x|$$

Now  $fg(x) = x$  when  $|13 - 6x| = x$



At A:  $13 - 6x = x$   
 $13 = 7x$   
 $x = \frac{13}{7}$

At B:  $-(13 - 6x) = x$   
 $5x = 13$   
 $x = \frac{13}{5}$

The solutions are

$$x = \frac{13}{7} \text{ and } x = \frac{13}{5}$$

**6 a**  $f^2(x) = f\left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right)$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right)+1} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1+x+1}{x+1}\right)} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{x+1}{x+2} \right)$$

**b**  $f^3(x) = f\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right)$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right)+1} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{\left(\frac{x+1+x+2}{x+2}\right)} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{x+2}{2x+3} \right)$$

**7 a**  $st(x) = s(x+3)$   
 $= 2^{x+3}$

**b**  $ts(x) = t(2^x)$   
 $= 2^x + 3$

**8 a**  $gf(x) = g(e^{5x})$   
 $= 4 \ln(e^{5x})$   
 $= 4(5x)$   
 $= 20x$

**b**  $fg(x) = f(4 \ln x)$   
 $= e^{5(4 \ln x)}$   
 $= e^{\ln x^{20}}$   
 $= x^{20}$

**9 a**  $qp(x) = q(\ln(x+3))$   
 $= e^{3(\ln(x+3))} - 1$   
 $= e^{\ln(x+3)^3} - 1$   
 $= (x+3)^3 - 1$

Since  $x > -3$ , so  $qp(x) > -1$

**b**  $qp(7) = (7+3)^3 - 1$   
 $= 999$

**c** From part **a**  
 $qp(x) = (x+3)^3 - 1$   
When  $qp(x) = 124$

$$(x+3)^3 - 1 = 124$$

$$(x+3)^3 = 125$$

$$x+3 = 5$$

$$x = 2$$

**10**  $t^2(x) = t(5 - 2x)$   
 $= 5 - 2(5 - 2x)$   
 $= 5 - 10 + 4x$   
 $= -5 + 4x$

$$t^2(x) - (t(x))^2 = 0$$

$$-5 + 4x - (5 - 2x)^2 = 0$$

$$-5 + 4x - 25 + 20x - 4x^2 = 0$$

$$-4x^2 + 24x - 30 = 0$$

$$2x^2 - 12x + 15 = 0$$

Using the formula:

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{(-12)^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 15}}{2 \times 2}$$

$$= \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{24}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{12 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{4}$$

$$= 3 \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

**11 a** Range of  $g$  is  $-8 \leq x \leq 12$

**b** From the graph,

$$g(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x + 12 \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 14$$

and  $g(0) = 12$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So } gg(0) &= g(12) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(12) + 12 \\ &= 6\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{c } gh(7) &= g\left(\frac{2(7)-5}{10-7}\right) \\ &= g(3) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(3) + 12 \\ &= 10.5\end{aligned}$$