

FP1 Complex Number Questions

5 (a) (i) Calculate $(2 + i\sqrt{5})(\sqrt{5} - i)$. *(3 marks)*

(ii) Hence verify that $\sqrt{5} - i$ is a root of the equation

$$(2 + i\sqrt{5})z = 3z^*$$

where z^* is the conjugate of z . *(2 marks)*

(b) The quadratic equation

$$x^2 + px + q = 0$$

in which the coefficients p and q are real, has a complex root $\sqrt{5} - i$.

(i) Write down the other root of the equation. *(1 mark)*

6 It is given that $z = x + iy$, where x and y are real numbers.

(a) Write down, in terms of x and y , an expression for

$$(z + i)^*$$

where $(z + i)^*$ denotes the complex conjugate of $(z + i)$. *(2 marks)*

(b) Solve the equation

$$(z + i)^* = 2iz + 1$$

giving your answer in the form $a + bi$. *(5 marks)*

1 (a) Solve the following equations, giving each root in the form $a + bi$:

(i) $x^2 + 16 = 0$; *(2 marks)*

(ii) $x^2 - 2x + 17 = 0$. *(2 marks)*

(b) (i) Expand $(1 + x)^3$. *(2 marks)*

(ii) Express $(1 + i)^3$ in the form $a + bi$. *(2 marks)*

(iii) Hence, or otherwise, verify that $x = 1 + i$ satisfies the equation

$$x^3 + 2x - 4i = 0 *(2 marks)*$$

3 It is given that $z = x + iy$, where x and y are real numbers.

(a) Find, in terms of x and y , the real and imaginary parts of

$$z - 3iz^*$$

where z^* is the complex conjugate of z .

(3 marks)

(b) Find the complex number z such that

$$z - 3iz^* = 16$$

(3 marks)

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5(a)(i)	Full expansion of product Use of $i^2 = -1$ $(2 + \sqrt{5}i)(\sqrt{5} - i) = 3\sqrt{5} + 3i$	M1 m1 A1	3	$\sqrt{5}\sqrt{5} = 5$ must be used – Accept not fully simplified
(ii)	$z^* = x - iy$ ($= \sqrt{5} + i$) Hence result	M1 A1	2	Convincingly shown (AG)
(b)(i)	Other root is $\sqrt{5} + i$	B1	1	

6(a)	$(z + i)^* = x - iy - i$	B2	2	
(b)	$\dots = 2ix - 2y + 1$ Equating R and I parts $x = -2y + 1, -y - 1 = 2x$ $z = -1 + i$	M1 M1 A1✓ m1A1✓	5	$i^2 = -1$ used at some stage involving at least 5 terms in all ft one sign error in (a) ditto; allow $x = -1, y = 1$
Total			7	

1(a)(i)	Roots are $\pm 4i$	M1A1	2	M1 for one correct root or two correct factors
(ii)	Roots are $1 \pm 4i$	M1A1	2	M1 for correct method
(b)(i)	$(1 + x)^3 = 1 + 3x + 3x^2 + x^3$	M1A1	2	M1A0 if one small error
(ii)	$(1 + i)^3 = 1 + 3i - 3 - i = -2 + 2i$	M1A1	2	M1 if $i^2 = -1$ used
(iii)	$(1 + i)^3 + 2(1 + i) - 4i$ $\dots = (-2 + 2i) + (2 - 2i) = 0$	M1 A1	2	with attempt to evaluate convincingly shown (AG)
Total			10	

3(a)	Use of $z^* = x - iy$ $z - 3iz^* = x + iy - 3ix - 3y$ $R = x - 3y, I = -3x + y$	M1 m1 A1	3	Condone sign error here Condone inclusion of i in I Allow if correct in (b)
(b)	$x - 3y = 16, -3x + y = 0$ Elimination of x or y $z = -2 - 6i$	M1 m1 A1F	3	Accept $x = -2, y = -6$; ft $x + 3y$ for $x - 3y$
Total			6	