



Mark schemes

**Q1.**

(a)  $\sqrt{8 \times 2}$  or  $\sqrt{16}$  or  $2\sqrt{2}$  ( $\times \sqrt{2}$ )

or  $\sqrt{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2}$  or  $\sqrt{4 \times 4}$

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Accept – 4

M1

A1

(b)  $\frac{12}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\frac{12\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$4\sqrt{3}$$

M1

A1

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**Q2.**

(a)  $(\sqrt{175} =) \sqrt{(25 \times 7)}$  or  $\sqrt{25} \times \sqrt{7}$   
 $\sqrt{(5 \times 5 \times 7)}$  or  $\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{7}$

$$5\sqrt{7}$$

Accept  $a = 5$  and  $b = 7$  or  $5 \times \sqrt{7}$

M1

A1

(b)  $\frac{24\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3}} \left( = \frac{24\sqrt{3}}{3} \right)$

$$8\sqrt{3}$$

Accept  $8 \times \sqrt{3}$

M1

A1

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**Q3.**

Use of  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$  or  $\frac{\sqrt{18}}{\sqrt{18}}$

or  $\sqrt{50} = \sqrt{25 \times 2}$  or  $\sqrt{18} = \sqrt{9 \times 2}$

$$\text{eg } \frac{26\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ or } \frac{12\sqrt{18}}{18}$$

$$\text{eg } \frac{12}{3\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

M1

One term simplified

$$\text{ie } \frac{13\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$10\sqrt{2} \text{ or } 5\sqrt{2}$$

A1

Two terms simplified

$$\text{ie } \frac{13\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$10\sqrt{2} \text{ or } 5\sqrt{2}$$

A1

$$21\sqrt{2} \text{ or } a = 21$$

A1

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**Q4.**

$$1 : 2 : 5$$

*B2 For any ratio that is one step away from the answer*

$$\text{e.g. } \sqrt{12} : 2\sqrt{12} : 5\sqrt{12}$$

$$\sqrt{1} : \sqrt{4} : \sqrt{25}$$

$$2 : 4 : 10$$

*B1 For at least two of the three terms in their simplest form*

$$\text{i.e. two of } 2\sqrt{3} : 4\sqrt{3} : 10\sqrt{3}$$

*B1 For any correct equivalent ratio*

$$\text{e.g. } \sqrt{2} : \sqrt{8} : \sqrt{50}$$

$$\sqrt{3} : \sqrt{12} : \sqrt{75}$$

B3

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**Q5.**

$$(w^2 =) 162 \text{ or } (h^2 =) 150$$

$$\text{Allow M1 for } 81 \times 2 - 25 \times 6$$

M1

$$\sqrt{12}$$

A1

$$2\sqrt{3}$$

ft their  $\sqrt{12}$  if possible

B1 ft

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**Q6.**

$$\sqrt{10}\sqrt{15} - \sqrt{10}\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}\sqrt{15} - \sqrt{2}\sqrt{3}$$

or better ...

Allow one error (sign or term) in the expansion

M1

Eliminating the two 'middle' terms

These must be the correct two middle terms

M1

$$\sqrt{10}\sqrt{15} \text{ simplified to } 5\sqrt{6}$$

M1

$$4\sqrt{6}$$

A1

**Alternative method 1**

$$(\sqrt{5}\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5}\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3})$$

or

$$\sqrt{5}\sqrt{5}\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}\sqrt{5}\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}\sqrt{3}$$

or better ...

Allow one error (sign or term) in the expansion

M1

Eliminating the two 'middle' terms

These must be the correct two middle terms

M1

$$\sqrt{5}\sqrt{5}\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3} \text{ simplified to } 5\sqrt{6}$$

M1

$$4\sqrt{6}$$

A1

**Alternative method 2**

$$(\sqrt{5}\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5}\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3})$$

M1

$$\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{5} + 1)(\sqrt{5} - 1)$$

M1

$$\sqrt{2}\sqrt{3} \times (5-1)$$

M1

$$4\sqrt{6}$$

A1

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**Q7.**

(a)  $\sqrt{4}$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } \frac{\sqrt{8}}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } \sqrt{\frac{8}{2}} \text{ or } \sqrt{\frac{4}{1}} \text{ or } \frac{\sqrt{16}}{2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\sqrt{8}\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ or } \frac{2}{1}$$

M1

$$2$$

A1

(b) two correct steps

*eg two of:*

$\sqrt{4} = 2$  or  $\sqrt{1} = 1$  or  *Cancels  $\sqrt{5}$  or combines any two surds*

M1

$$\sqrt{144}$$

M1

*oe eg  $\sqrt{12}\sqrt{12}$  or  $\sqrt{4}\sqrt{36}$*

$$k = 12$$

A1

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**Q8.**

(a) 4

B1

(b)  $2 + 3\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2} + 9$

*Allow one error*

M1

$$11 + 6\sqrt{2}$$

A1

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**Q9.**

(a)  $\sqrt{2 \times 32}$  or  $\sqrt{64}$  or

$$(\sqrt{2} \times) 4\sqrt{2} \text{ or } 2\sqrt{16} \text{ or } (\sqrt{2} \times) \sqrt{2}\sqrt{16}$$

M1

8

A1

(b)  $\frac{21\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}\sqrt{7}}$  or  $\frac{21\sqrt{7}}{7}$  or  $\frac{21\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{49}}$

M1

$$3\sqrt{7}$$

A1

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**Q10.**

$$\frac{16}{\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{4}} \text{ or } \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

(a) or  $\sqrt{\frac{256}{2}}$  or  $\sqrt{128}$  or  $\sqrt{64} \times \sqrt{2}$

oe

M1

$$8\sqrt{2}$$

*do not ignore further work*

A1

$$25 - 5\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} + 3$$

(b) or  $25 - 10\sqrt{3} + 3$

*allow one error in four terms*

M1

$$28 - 10\sqrt{3}$$

or  $a = 28$  and  $b = 10$

A1

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**Q11.**

$$15 - 3\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3}$$

oe

*Must have 4 terms with at least 3 correct for M1*

*Terms may be in box method but must have correct signs*

M1

$$18 - 8\sqrt{3}$$

A1

$$9 - 4\sqrt{3}$$

oe Final answer must be in form  $a \pm b\sqrt{3}$

Do not award A1 if further incorrect work, eg  $9 - 4\sqrt{3} = 5\sqrt{3}$

ft if M awarded and at most one error, ie 3 correct terms with no further errors in collecting or 4 correct terms and one error in collecting

A1ft

### Additional Guidance

$$15 - 3\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{9}$$

M1

$$12 - 8\sqrt{3}$$

A0

$$6 - 4\sqrt{3}$$

A1ft

$$15 + 3\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{9}$$

M1

$$18 - 2\sqrt{3}$$

A0

$$9 - \sqrt{3}$$

A1ft

$$15 - 3\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{3}$$

M1

$$15 - 7\sqrt{3}$$

A0

$$7\frac{1}{2} - \frac{7}{2}\sqrt{3}$$

A1ft

$$15 - 3\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{9}$$

M1

$$18 + 8\sqrt{3}$$

A0

$$9 + 4\sqrt{3}$$

A1ft

$$\frac{15 - 3\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} + 3}{2}$$

M1

$$2(15 - 3\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} + 3)$$

First A1 for  $18 - 8\sqrt{3}$  by implication

A1

$$30 - 6\sqrt{3} - 10\sqrt{3} + 6$$

$$36 - 16\sqrt{3}$$

A0

$$15 + 3\sqrt{3} - 5\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{9}$$

M0

	5	$-\sqrt{3}$
3	15	$-3\sqrt{3}$
$-\sqrt{3}$	$-5\sqrt{3}$	-3

M1

	5	$-\sqrt{3}$
3	15	$3\sqrt{3}$
$-\sqrt{3}$	$5\sqrt{3}$	3

M0

(but can be recovered)

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## Q12.

### Alternative method 1

Correct order **and** all three correct values  $\sqrt{20}$ ,  $\sqrt{24}$  and  $\sqrt{28}$

*B2 three correct values  $\sqrt{24}$ ,  $\sqrt{28}$  and  $\sqrt{20}$*

*or  $\sqrt{20}$  and  $\sqrt{24}$*

*or  $\sqrt{20}$  and  $\sqrt{28}$*

*or  $\sqrt{24}$  and  $\sqrt{28}$*

*B1  $\sqrt{20}$  or  $\sqrt{24}$  or  $\sqrt{28}$*

B3

### Alternative method 2

Correct order **and** all three correct values  $2\sqrt{5}$ ,  $2\sqrt{6}$  and  $2\sqrt{7}$

*B2 three correct values  $2\sqrt{6}$ ,  $2\sqrt{7}$  and  $2\sqrt{5}$*

*or  $2\sqrt{5}$  and  $2\sqrt{6}$*



$$\begin{aligned} & \text{or } 2\sqrt{5} \text{ and } 2\sqrt{7} \\ & \text{or } 2\sqrt{6} \text{ and } 2\sqrt{7} \\ & \text{B1 } 2\sqrt{5} \text{ or } \frac{10\sqrt{5}}{5} \text{ or } 2\sqrt{6} \text{ or } 2\sqrt{7} \end{aligned}$$

B3

**Alternative method 3**

Correct order **and** all three correct values 20, 24 and 28

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{B2 three correct values 24, 28 and 20} \\ & \text{or 20 and 24} \\ & \text{or 20 and 28} \\ & \text{or 24 and 28} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{B1 } 20 \text{ or } \frac{100}{5} \text{ or } 24 \text{ or } 4 \times 3 \times 2 \\ & \text{or } 12 \times 2 \text{ or } 8 \times 3 \text{ or } 4 \times 6 \text{ or } 28 \end{aligned}$$

B3

**Additional Guidance**

Correct order is  $\frac{10}{\sqrt{5}}$ ,  $2\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2}$ ,  $\sqrt{\frac{56}{2}}$

20, 24, 28 using Alt 3

B2

B1 values using Alt 3 can be seen inside square root

$$\sqrt{\frac{100}{5}} \text{ or } \sqrt{4 \times 3 \times 2} \text{ or } \sqrt{12 \times 2} \text{ or } \sqrt{8 \times 3} \text{ or } \sqrt{4 \times 6}$$

B1

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**Q13.**

**Alternative method 1**

$$\frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ or } \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

oe

$$5 - \sqrt{3} \sqrt{6 \frac{3}{4}} = 3k$$

M1

$$\left( \sqrt{6 \frac{3}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{27}{4}} \right)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{27}}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{4}} \text{ or } \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

M1

$$\left( \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{3} - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$\frac{10\sqrt{3}}{6} - \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{6}$$

oe

Dep on M1 M1

Any correct common denominator with at least one numerator correct

$$\frac{10\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{2} = 3k$$

M1dep

$$\frac{1\sqrt{3}}{6} \text{ or } \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \text{ or } \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{3}$$

oe but must be  $k\sqrt{3}$

A1

### Alternative method 2

$$\left(\sqrt{6\frac{3}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{27}{4}} =\right)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{27}}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{4}} \text{ or } \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

M1

$$\left(\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{3} - \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} =\right)$$

$$\frac{10}{2\sqrt{3}} - \frac{9}{2\sqrt{3}} \text{ or } \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

oe

Any correct common denominator with at least one numerator correct

$$\text{ft their } \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

M1dep

$$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

oe

M1dep

$$\frac{1\sqrt{3}}{6} \text{ or } \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \text{ or } \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{3}$$

oe but must be  $k\sqrt{3}$

A1

### Additional Guidance

Alt 1 first M1 and alt 2 third M1

oe Multiplying by eg  $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3}}$

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**Q14.**

$$\frac{10}{3\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} \text{ or } \frac{10\sqrt{5}}{15}$$

$$\frac{10}{3\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{3\sqrt{5}} \text{ or } \frac{30\sqrt{5}}{45}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{\sqrt{20}}{3}$$

oe

*Must multiply numerator and denominator*

$$\text{eg } \frac{10}{\sqrt{45}} \text{ is M0}$$

$$\frac{10}{\sqrt{45}} \times \frac{\sqrt{45}}{\sqrt{45}} \text{ is M1}$$

M1

$$\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{3}$$

A1

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**Q15.**

**Alternative method 1**

$$(\sqrt{12} =) 2\sqrt{3}$$

M1

$$\left(\frac{15}{\sqrt{3}} =\right) \frac{15\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3}} \text{ or } \frac{15\sqrt{3}}{3} \text{ or } 5\sqrt{3}$$

M1

$$7\sqrt{3} \text{ or } a = 7, b = 3$$

A1

**Alternative method 2**

$$\frac{\sqrt{36} + 15}{\sqrt{3}} \left( = \frac{21}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

M1

$$\frac{21}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ or } \frac{21\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

M1

$$7\sqrt{3} \text{ or } a = 7, b = 3$$

A1

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**Q16.**

$$7\sqrt{7}$$

B1

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