1. 



Diagram NOT accurately drawn
(a) Work out the size of an exterior angle of a regular pentagon.
$\qquad$ .${ }^{\circ}$

The area of the pentagon is $8560 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$.
(b) Change $8560 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ to $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$.
$\qquad$

Each side of another regular pentagon has a length of 101 mm , correct to the nearest millimetre.
(c) (i) Write down the least possible length of each side.
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(ii) Write down the greatest possible length of each side.
$\qquad$
2.


Diagram NOT
accurately drawn
$A, B, C, D$ and $E$ are five points on a circle.
Angle $B E A=25^{\circ}$ and angle $C D E=95^{\circ}$.
$A B=A E$.
(a) (i) Work out the size of angle $B A E$.
$\qquad$ .
(ii) Give reasons for your answer.
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$\qquad$
$\qquad$
(b) Work out the size of angle CBE.
$\qquad$
.$^{\circ}$
(Total 4 marks)
3.


Diagram NOT
accurately drawn
$A B C D E F$ is a regular hexagon and $A B Q P$ is a square.
Angle $C B Q=x^{\circ}$.

Work out the value of $x$.
$x=$
(Total 4 marks)
4. Here is a regular polygon with 9 sides.


Work out the size of an exterior angle.
5.


Diagram NOT accurately drawn
$A B=A C$.
$B C D$ is a straight line.
Angle $A C D=(115+x)^{\circ}$.
Find, in terms of $x$, the size of angle $B A C$.
Give your answer in its simplest form.
6.


Diagram NOT accurately drawn

The diagram shows a regular octagon.
Work out the size of the angle marked $x$.
$\qquad$
$\mathrm{x}=$
.
(Total 4 marks)

1. (a) 7
$360 \div 5$
M1 for $360 \div 5$ oe
Al for 72
(b) 85.6 $8560 \div(10 \times 10)$ M1 for $8560 \div(10 \times 10)$ oe Al for 85.6
$\begin{aligned} \text { (c) (i) } & 100.5 \\ & \text { Least length }=100.5 \\ & \text { B1 for } 100.5\end{aligned}$
(ii) 101.5
Greatest length $=101.5$
B1 for 101.5 or 101.499 or better
2. (a) (i) $180-2 \times 25=130$

M1 for $180-2 \times 25$
Al cao
(ii) Reason

B1 for mentioning isosceles and equal (or base) angles or equal sides and equal (or base) angles
(b) $180-95=85 \quad 1$ B1 cao
3. Interior angle of hexagon $=$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 180-(360 \div 6)=120 \\
& 360-(90+120)
\end{aligned}
$$

150
Alternative 1
M1 for $360 \div 6$
Al for 60
M1 (dep on M1) for " 60 " +90
Al cao
Alternative 2
M1 for $360 \div 6$
Al for 60
M1 (dep on M1) for $360-(2 \times \times 60$ " +90 )
Al cao
Alternative 3
M1 for $(6-2) \times 180 \div 6$
Al for 120
M1 (dep on M1) for $360-(90+$ " 120 ")
Al cao
4. 40

M1 for $360 \div 9$ oe.
Al cao
5. $50+2 x$

Angle $B C A=$
$180-(115+x)(=65-x)$
$180-2 "(65-x)$ "
M1 for angle $B C A=180-(115+x)$
M1 for $180-2$ " $(180-(115+x)$ )"
Al for $2 x+50$ or $2(x+25)$
OR
M1 for $360-2(115+x)$
M1 for $180-(360-2(115+x))$
Al for $2 x+50$ or $2(x+25)$
6. $\quad$ Ext angle $=\frac{360}{8}=45$

Angle B $=180-45=135$
$x=\frac{(180-135)}{2}$
OR $x=\frac{45}{2}$
22.5

M1 for $\frac{360}{8}$
Al for 45
M1 for $\frac{\text { " } 45 \text { " }}{2}$ or $\frac{180-135 "}{2}$
Al cao
Alternative Scheme
M1 for $\frac{180 \times 6}{8}$
Al for 135
M1 for $\frac{180-" 135 "}{2}$
Al cao

## 1. Mathematics A Paper 3

In part (a), there seemed to be considerable confusion about whether interior or exterior angles sum to $360^{\circ}$. Many of those who worked out $360 \div 5$ then spoilt their method by subtracting the result of this calculation from $180^{\circ}$. Less than $15 \%$ of candidates answered part (b) correctly as the majority chose to divide 8560 by 10 . Even some of those candidates who divided by 100 did not obtain 85.6. In part (c) candidates had most success with the lower bound. The concept of upper bound was not well understood and the majority of candidates gave a number below 101.5 , such as 101.4 or 101.49 .

## Mathematics B Paper 16

In part (a) many candidates correctly worked out $360 / 5$ but then subtracted from 180 , giving an answer of $108^{\circ}$, showing a lack of understanding of interior and exterior angles of a polygon. Only a quarter of the candidature gained full marks in this part.
The success in part (b) showed a marked improvement on last year but still only a minority ( $16 \%$ ) dividing by 100 ; the vast majority dividing by 10 to give $856 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$.
Part (c) $35 \%$ correctly identified the least value as 100.5 mm , but only $12 \%$ gained the mark for the greatest possible length.
2. In part (a) many candidates correctly gave the required angle as $130^{\circ}$ in (i), realising that angle $E B A$ was $25^{\circ}$ and that the angles in a triangle add up to $180^{\circ}$. Some candidates, however, had difficulty with angle notation and did not identify the angle required. The final answer was often given as $180^{\circ}$ or $25^{\circ}$, in some cases with the correct angle written on the diagram. Many candidates failed to provide a sufficient explanation to gain the mark in (ii). Those who did mention an isosceles triangle often went no further and did not mention equal sides. Due to the lines on the sides $A B$ and $A E$, these sides were often said to be parallel or the triangle was said to be equilateral. Many had difficulty identifying the angles and sides with letters, referring, for example, to angle $A E$ and side $A$. Most candidates did attempt to give reasons of some sort, with few giving just working. Part (b) was answered very poorly. A significant number of candidates gave an answer of $95^{\circ}$, assuming the opposite angles to be equal. Some incorrectly assumed that some angles in the diagram were right angles.

## 3. Higher Tier

Many candidates were able to score at least two marks for this question; usually for finding $60^{\circ}$ by any one of a number of methods. Candidates should be encouraged to look at their answers critically. The most common incorrect final answer ( $210^{\circ}$ ) was an angle clearly unfeasible in the context of the question.

Some popular errors in method include:

- using $360 / 6$ to find $60^{\circ}$ and marking this as the interior angle of the hexagon
- extending the line CB into the square and assuming that the angle this created is $45^{\circ}$
- counting the number of sides of the hexagon incorrectly and thus working out the interior angle as, e.g. $720 / 5=144^{\circ}$
- assuming that the interior angle $A B C$ is equal to $x$


## Intermediate Tier

It was disappointing that fully correct answers were not more common but many candidates were able to gain some method marks. Where working was set out in a manner that was easy to follow, marks could often be awarded, and it was encouraging that many candidates had annotated or added to the diagram. There was much confusion, though, over whether the interior or exterior angle of a regular hexagon is $60^{\circ}$. Those who split the hexagon into 6 equilateral triangles tended to achieve full marks but a large number divided $360^{\circ}$ by 6 in order to find the interior angle. The most common incorrect answer was $210^{\circ}$ as a result of subtracting $(90+60)$ from 360. Another common incorrect answer was $135^{\circ}$ (from $90+45$ ).
4. This was often answered correctly, however a notable number of candidates were not convincing in their understanding of exterior and interior angles. Often $40^{\circ}$ was shown on the diagram as the interior angle, which then lost the marks. Wrong answers of $140^{\circ}$ and $320^{\circ}$ were often seen.
5. This was poorly answered, mainly because the standard of written algebra seen was so low. A typical start was for the candidate to omit to use brackets and just write $180-115+x$, or just $65+x$. This approach frequently lead to the incorrect answer of $50-2 x$ or, after a double error, to the correct answer of $50+2 x$. Surprisingly, of those who got the correct unsimplified expression, many were unable to simplify to $50+2 x$.

## 6. Intermediate Tier

Only the more able candidates showed a real understanding of exterior and interior angles of regular polygons. Some candidates scored one or two marks without demonstrating fully convincing arguments, a few found the correct answer fortuitously. Many recognised the triangle containing the angle $x$ to be isosceles, and gained a mark if the interior angle had been calculated.

## Higher Tier

A variety of methods were seen for this question; few of them were fully correct. The majority of candidates were aware that they had to calculate $360 \div 8$ but many believed that this gave them an interior angle of the octagon rather than an exterior angle.

