



# EXAM PAPERS PRACTICE

## Functions

### Question Paper

## Question 1



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$$f(x) = (x + 2)^3 - 5$$

$$g(x) = 2x + 10$$

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{x}, x \neq 0$$

Find

(a)  $gf(x)$ ,

[2]

(b)  $f^{-1}(x)$ ,

[3]

(c)  $gh\left(-\frac{1}{5}\right)$ .

[2]

## Question 2



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$$f(x) = (x - 1)^3 \quad g(x) = (x - 1)^2 \quad h(x) = 3x + 1$$

(a) Work out  $fg(-1)$ .

[2]

(b) Find  $gh(x)$  in its simplest form.

[2]

(c) Find  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

[2]

### Question 3

(a)  $f(x) = 1 - 2x$ .

(i) Find  $f(-5)$ . [1]

(ii)  $g(x) = 3x - 2$ .

Find  $gf(x)$ . Simplify your answer. [2]

(b)  $h(x) = x^2 - 5x - 11$ .

Solve  $h(x) = 0$ . [4]

Show all your working and give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

## Question 4

$$f: x \rightarrow 1 - 2x \text{ and } g: x \rightarrow \frac{x}{2}.$$

(a) Find  $fg(7)$ . [2]

(b) (i) Solve  $f(x) = g(x)$ . [2]

(ii) The graphs of  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = g(x)$  meet at  $M$ .  
Find the coordinates of  $M$ . [1]



## Question 5

$$f(x) = 2x + 3 \quad g(x) = x^2$$

(a) Find  $fg(6)$ . [2]

(b) Solve the equation  $gf(x) = 100$ . [3]

(c) Find  $f^{-1}(x)$ . [2]

(d) Find  $ff^{-1}(5)$ . [1]



## Question 6

$$f(x) = 5x + 4$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2x}, \quad x \neq 0$$

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

Find

(a)  $fg(5)$ , [2]

(b)  $gg(x)$  in its simplest form, [2]

(c)  $f^{-1}(x)$ , [2]

(d) the value of  $x$  when  $h(x) = 8$ . [2]



## Question 7

$$f(x) = x + \frac{2}{x} - 3, x \neq 0$$

$$g(x) = \frac{x}{2} - 5$$

Find

(a)  $fg(18)$ ,

[2]

(b)  $g^{-1}(x)$ .

[2]





## Question 8

$$f(x) = 4(x + 1) \qquad g(x) = \frac{x^3}{2} - 1$$

(a) Write down the value of  $x$  when  $f^{-1}(x) = 2$ .

[1]

(b) Find  $fg(x)$ . Give your answer in its simplest form.

[2]

(c) Find  $g^{-1}(x)$ .

[3]

## Question 9

$$f(x) = x^2 + 1 \quad g(x) = \frac{x+2}{3}$$

(a) Work out  $ff(-1)$ .

[2]

(b) Find  $gf(3x)$ , simplifying your answer as far as possible.

[3]

(c) Find  $g^{-1}(x)$ .

[2]



## Question 10

$$f(x) = 3x + 5 \quad g(x) = 4x - 1$$

(a) Find the value of  $gg(3)$ .

[2]

(b) Find  $fg(x)$ , giving your answer in its simplest form.

[2]

(c) Solve the equation.

$$f^{-1}(x) = 11$$

[1]



## Question 11

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+4} \quad (x \neq -4)$$

$$g(x) = x^2 - 3x$$

$$h(x) = x^3 + 1$$

(a) Work out  $fg(1)$ . [2]

(b) Find  $h^{-1}(x)$ . [2]

(c) Solve the equation  $g(x) = -2$ . [3]

## Question 12



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$$f(x) = x^3$$

$$g(x) = 2x - 3$$

(a) Find

(i)  $g(6)$ , [1]

(ii)  $f(2x)$ . [1]

(b) Solve  $fg(x) = 125$ . [3]

(c) Find the inverse function  $g^{-1}(x)$ . [2]



### Question 13

$$f(x) = x^2 \quad g(x) = 2^x \quad h(x) = 2x - 3$$

(a) Find  $g(3)$ . [1]

(b) Find  $hh(x)$  in its simplest form. [2]

(c) Find  $fg(x + 1)$  in its simplest form. [2]



## Question 14

- The function  $f(x)$  is given by

$$f(x) = 3x - 1.$$

Find, in its simplest form,

(a)  $f^{-1}f(x)$ , [1]

(b)  $ff(x)$ . [2]



## Question 15

$$f: x \mapsto 5 - 3x.$$

(a) Find  $f(-1)$ . [1]

(b) Find  $f^{-1}(x)$ . [2]

(c) Find  $ff^{-1}(8)$ . [1]





## Question 16

$$f(x) = \frac{x+3}{x}, x \neq 0.$$

(a) Calculate  $f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$ .

[1]

(b) Solve  $f(x) = \frac{1}{4}$ .

[2]



## Question 17

$$f(x) = 10^x.$$

(a) Calculate  $f(0.5)$ .

[1]

(b) Write down the value of  $f^{-1}(1)$ .

[1]



## Question 18

$$f(x) = \frac{x+1}{2} \text{ and } g(x) = 2x + 1.$$

(a) Find the value of  $gf(9)$  . [1]

(b) Find  $gf(x)$  , giving your answer in its simplest form. [2]

(c) Solve the equation  $g(x)^{-1} = 1$ . [2]



## Question 19

$f: x \rightarrow 2x - 1$  and  $g: x \rightarrow x^2 - 1$ .  
Find, in their simplest forms,

(a)  $f^{-1}(x)$ ,

[2]

(b)  $gf(x)$ .

[2]