

Q1. (2018)

13	Alternative method 1		
	Any correct factorisation of the numerator or the denominator	M1	eg $8(x^2 - 1)$ or $4(x + 1)$ or $2(4x^2 - 4)$ or $2(2x + 2)$ or $4(2x^2 - 2)$ or $(4x + 4)(2x - 2)$ or $(4x - 4)(2x + 2)$ or $(8x + 8)(x - 1)$ or $(8x - 8)(x + 1)$ or $-2(-4x^2 + 4)$ does not need to be seen in a fraction may be implied eg $\frac{2x^2 - 2}{x + 1}$ or $\frac{4x^2 - 4}{2x + 2}$
	Correct fraction with a common algebraic factor in the numerator and the denominator	A1	eg $\frac{8(x + 1)(x - 1)}{4(x + 1)}$ or $\frac{2(2x + 2)(2x - 2)}{2(2x + 2)}$ or $\frac{2(x + 1)(x - 1)}{(x + 1)}$ or $\frac{4(x + 1)(2x - 2)}{4(x + 1)}$ or $\frac{(4x + 4)(2x - 2)}{4x + 4}$
	$2x - 2$ or $a = 2$ and $b = -2$ with M1A1 scored	A1	

13 cont	Alternative method 2		
	$4ax^2 + 4ax + 4bx + 4b$	M1	oe expands $(ax + b)(4x + 4)$ to 4 terms with at least 3 terms correct
	Any 2 of $4a = 8$ $4b = -8$ $4a + 4b = 0$	A1	
	$a = 2$ and $b = -2$ and shows that third equation is satisfied with M1A1 scored	A1	
	Additional Guidance		
	M1 is implied by the first A1 eg $\frac{8(x + 1)(x - 1)}{4(x + 1)}$		M1A1
	$1(8x^2 - 8)$ or $-1(8 - 8x^2)$ etc		M0
	$2x - 2$ without M1A1 scored		M0A0A0
	M1A1 scored and $2x - 2$ followed by attempt to solve $2x - 2 = 0$		M1A1A1
	M1A1 scored and $2x - 2$ followed by $2(x - 1)$		M1A1A1
	M1A1 scored followed by $2(x - 1)$ but $2x - 2$ not seen		M1A1A0

Q2. (2020)

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
19	$4a + 2b$ and $10a + 5b$	M1	
	$2(2a + b)$ or $5(2a + b)$	M1	
	$\frac{2(2a + b)}{5(2a + b)}$ and $\frac{2}{5}$ or $\frac{2(2a + b)}{5(2a + b)}$ and 0.4	A1	
	Additional Guidance		
	$\frac{2}{5}$ with no working or only from substitution of values		M0M0A0
	Ignore substitution of values eg $\frac{2(2a + b)}{5(2a + b)} = \frac{2}{5}$ followed by substitution of values		M1M1A1
	$\frac{4a + 2b}{10a + 4b} = \frac{2}{5}$		M1M0A0
	$2b + 4a$ and $5b + 10a$ are equivalent to $4a + 2b$ and $10a + 5b$ etc		

Q3. (2022)

Q	Answer	Mark	Comments
25	$x = 2y + 5$ or $x - 5 = 2y$ or $y - 5 = 2x$ or $\frac{y-5}{2}$	M1	oe eg $x = 2f^{-1} + 5$ or $f(x) - 5 = 2x$
	$\frac{x-5}{2}$	A1	oe eg $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{5}{2}$ may be implied eg by $12f^{-1}(x) = 6(x - 5)$ implied by $\frac{y-5}{2}$ if $\frac{x-5}{2}$ used in subsequent working
	Correctly expands $3(2x + 5) - 12 \times \text{their } \frac{x-5}{2}$ to a linear expression	M1	$6x + 15 - 6x + 30$ if M1A1 their $\frac{x-5}{2}$ must be a function of x their $\frac{x-5}{2}$ cannot be $2x + 5$ implied by a correct linear expression or value for $3(2x + 5) - 12 \times \text{their } \frac{x-5}{2}$
	$\frac{x-5}{2}$ and 45	A1	
	Additional Guidance		
	45 with no working		Zero
	45 from wrong working does not score 4 marks – mark the working seen		
	First A1 Condone $y = \frac{x-5}{2}$ or $f = \frac{x-5}{2}$ or $f(x) = \frac{x-5}{2}$ or $x = \frac{x-5}{2}$		
	For $6x + 15 - 6x + 30$ allow $\frac{12x + 30 - 12x + 60}{2}$ but not $6x + 15 - \frac{12x - 60}{2}$		
	$x = 2y + 5$ $\frac{x+5}{2}$		M1A0
	$6x + 15 - \frac{12x}{2} - \frac{60}{2}$ (implied by -15)		M1A0
	$-2x - 5$ $6x + 15 + 24x + 60$ (implied by $30x + 75$)		M0A0 M1A0