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2nd TERM EXAM  
MATH CP  
PAPER 1

2017 – 2018  
Form 4 Second Term Examination

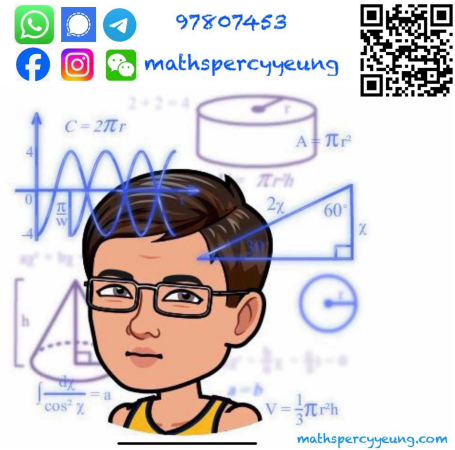
**MATHEMATICS Compulsory Part**  
**PAPER 1**

**Question–Answer Book**

5<sup>th</sup> June, 2018  
8:15 am – 9:45 am (1 hour 30 minutes)  
**This paper must be answered in English**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Write your name, class and class number in the spaces provided on this cover.
2. This paper consists of THREE sections, A(1), A(2) and B.
3. Attempt ALL questions in this paper. Write your answers in the spaces provided in this Question – Answer Book. Do not write in the margins. Answers written in the margins will not be marked.
4. Unless otherwise specified, all working must be clearly shown.
5. Unless otherwise specified, numerical answers should be either exact or correct to 3 significant figures.
6. The diagrams in this paper are not necessarily drawn to scale.



Sections	Marks
A (1 – 4)	<b>/14</b>
A (5 – 10)	<b>/27</b>
<b>A Total</b>	<b>/41</b>
<b>B Total</b>	<b>/29</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>/70</b>



**3. Factorize**

(a)  $a^2 - 10ab + 25b^2$ ,

(b)  $a^2 - 10ab + 25b^2 - a + 5b$ .

(3 marks)

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**4. A merchant bought an article for \$ $x$ . He put it in his shop for sale at a marked price 70% higher than its cost. The article was then sold to a customer at a discount of 5%.**

(a) What was the percentage gain for the merchant by selling the article?

(b) If the customer paid \$2 907 for the article, find the value of  $x$ .

(5 marks)

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**Section B (29 marks)**

**10.** Solve  $2^{2x} - 14(2^x) - 32 = 0$ .

(3 marks)

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**11.** It is given that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + (7 - 2k)x + (k - 1) = 0$ .  
Given that  $\alpha + \beta = 3\alpha\beta$ .

(a) Find the value of  $k$ ,

(b) (i) Find the value of  $\alpha^3 + \beta^3$ .

(ii) Hence, write down the quadratic equation in  $y$  with roots  $\alpha^3$  and  $\beta^3$ . (6 marks)

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15. In Figure 6, the straight line  $L$  shows the relation between  $\log_4 x$  and  $\log_4 y$ . It is given that  $L$  passes through the points  $(1, 2)$  and  $(9, 6)$ . If  $y = kx^a$ , find the values of  $k$  and  $a$ .

(3 marks)

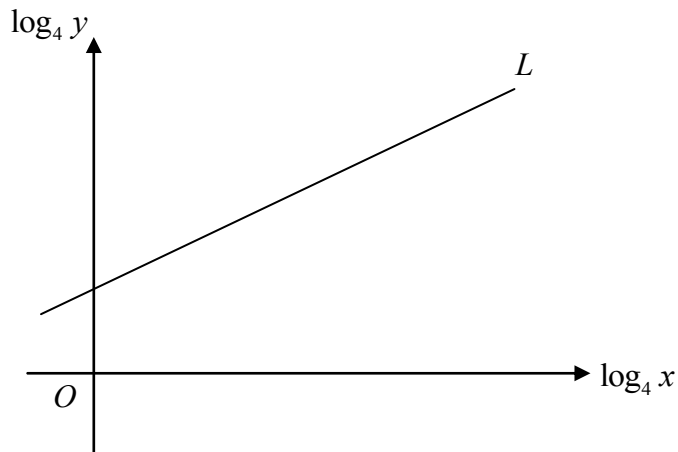


Figure 6

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