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GCSE (1 – 9)

Simultaneous Equations

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- Answer all Questions.
- Answer the Questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- Diagrams are **NOT** accurately drawn, unless otherwise indicated.
- You must **show all your working out.**

Information

- The marks for each Question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each Question.*

Advice

- Read each Question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to answer every Question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end

1 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x + 3y = 18 \\ + \quad - \\ x - 3y = 7 \end{array}$$

$$5x = 25$$

$$x = 5$$

$$4(5) + 3y = 18$$

$$20 + 3y = 18$$

$$3y = -2$$

$$y = \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$x = \dots \frac{5}{\dots}$$

$$y = \dots \frac{-2}{3} \dots$$

(Total for question 1 is 3 marks)

2 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$x - 3y = -23 \quad \times 5$$

$$5x + 2y = 4$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 5x - 15y = -115 \\ - \quad - \\ 5x + 2y = 4 \end{array}$$

$$5x + 2y = 4$$

$$-17y = -119$$

$$y = \frac{119}{17}$$

$$= 7$$

$$5x + 2(7) = 4$$

$$5x + 14 = 4$$

$$5x = -10$$

$$x = -2$$

$$x = \dots -2 \dots$$

$$y = \dots 7 \dots$$

(Total for question 2 is 3 marks)

3 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned}2x + 5y &= -10 \\ 2x - y &= 8\end{aligned}$$

$$6y = -18$$

$$y = -3$$

$$2x + 5(-3) = -10$$

$$2x - 15 = -10$$

$$2x = 5$$

$$x = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$x = \dots \frac{5}{2} \dots$$

$$y = \dots -3 \dots$$

(Total for question 3 is 3 marks)

4 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$4x + 2y = 10 \quad \times 5$$

$$5x + 3y = 12 \quad \times 4$$

$$20x + 10y = 50$$

$$20x + 12y = 48$$

$$-2y = 2$$

$$y = -1$$

$$4x + 2(-1) = 10$$

$$4x - 2 = 10$$

$$4x = 12$$

$$x = 3$$

$$x = \dots 3 \dots$$

$$y = \dots -1 \dots$$

(Total for question 4 is 3 marks)

5 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 5y &= 4 \\ 7x - 5y &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$9x = 3$$

$$x = \frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 5y = 4$$

$$\frac{2}{3} + 5y = 4$$

$$\frac{2}{3} + 5y = \frac{12}{3}$$

$$5y = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$x = \dots\dots\dots \frac{1}{3} \dots\dots\dots$$

$$y = \dots\dots\dots \frac{2}{3} \dots\dots\dots$$

(Total for question 5 is 3 marks)

6 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 2y &= 7 \\ 7x + 2y &= 13 \end{aligned}$$

$$10x = 20$$

$$x = 2$$

$$7(2) + 2y = 13$$

$$14 + 2y = 13$$

$$2y = -1$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\dots\dots\dots x = 2 \dots\dots\dots y = -\frac{1}{2} \dots\dots\dots$$

(Total for question 6 is 3 marks)

7 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned}2x - 3y &= 4 && \times 2 \\4x - y &= 13\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{4x} - \underline{6y} &= \underline{8} \\4x - y &= 13 \\-5y &= -5 \\y &= 1\end{aligned}$$

$$4x - 1 = 13$$

$$4x = 14$$

$$x = \frac{14}{4} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$x = \dots \frac{7}{2} \dots$$

$$y = \dots 1 \dots$$

(Total for question 8 is 3 marks)

8 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned}3x + y &= 15 && \times 2 \\5x + 2y &= 24\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{6x} + \underline{2y} &= \underline{30} \\5x + 2y &= 24 \\x &= 6\end{aligned}$$

$$3(6) + y = 15$$

$$18 + y = 15$$

$$y = -3$$

$$x = 6 \quad y = -3$$

(Total for question 8 is 3 marks)

9 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$3x - y = -4 \quad \times 2$$

$$2x - 3y = 9 \quad \times 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6x - 2y = -8 \\ \underline{\quad\quad\quad} \\ 6x - 9y = 27 \end{array}$$

$$6x - 9y = 27$$

$$7y = -35$$

$$y = -5$$

$$3x - (-5) = -4$$

$$3x + 5 = -4$$

$$3x = -9$$

$$x = -3$$

$$x = \dots -3 \dots$$

$$y = \dots -5 \dots$$

(Total for question 9 is 3 marks)

10 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$6x + 5y = 4.5$$

$$3x - 2y = 9 \quad \times 2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6x - 4y = 18 \\ \underline{\quad\quad\quad} \\ 6x + 5y = 4.5 \end{array}$$

$$6x + 5y = 4.5$$

$$-9y = 13.5$$

$$y = -\frac{13.5}{9} = \frac{-27}{18} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$3x - 2\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) = 9$$

$$3x + 3 = 9$$

$$3x = 6$$

$$x = 2$$

$$x = \dots \cancel{4} 2 \dots$$

$$y = \dots -\frac{3}{2} \dots$$

(Total for question 10 is 3 marks)

11 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned}3x &= 9 + y \\ x + 5y &= 5\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}3x - y &= 9 \\ x + 5y &= 5 \quad \times 3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}3x - y = 9 \\ - \quad - \quad - \\ 3x + 15y = 15\end{array}$$

$$-16y = -6$$

$$y = \frac{6}{16} = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$x + 5\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) = 5$$

$$x = \frac{25}{8}$$

$$x + \frac{15}{8} = 5$$

$$y = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$x = \frac{40}{8} - \frac{15}{8} = \frac{25}{8}$$

(Total for question 11 is 3 marks)

12 Solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned}3y + 11 &= 4x \\ 10x + 2y + 1 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$11 = 4x - 3y$$

$$4x - 3y = 11 \quad (1) \quad \times 5$$

$$10x + 2y = -1 \quad (2) \quad \times 2$$

$$20x - 15y = 55$$

$$20x + 4y = -2$$

$$-19y = 57$$

$$y = -3$$

$$4x - 3(-3) = 11$$

$$4x + 9 = 11$$

$$4x = 2$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = -3$$

(Total for question 12 is 3 marks)

13

In a shop 2 coffees and 3 cakes cost £9.95

In the same shop 1 coffee and 4 cakes cost £10.35.

Work out the price for one coffee and the price for one cake.

$$2x + 3y = 9.95$$

$$x + 4y = 10.35 \quad \times 2$$

$$2x + 8y = 20.70$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x + 8y = 20.70 \\ - \quad - \quad - \\ 2x + 3y = 9.95 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$5y = 10.75$$

$$y = 2.15$$

$$x + 4(2.15) = 10.35$$

$$x + 8.60 = 10.35$$

$$x = 1.75$$

Coffee £..... 1.75

Cake £..... 2.15

(Total for question 13 is 3 marks)

14

Sweets are sold in small packs and in big packs.

There is a total of 175 sweets in 4 small packs and 3 big packs.

There is a total of 154 sweets in 5 small packs and 2 big packs.

Work out the number of sweets in each small pack and in each big pack.

$$4s + 3b = 175 \quad \times 2$$

$$5s + 2b = 154 \quad \times 3$$

$$8s + 6b = 350$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8s + 6b = 350 \\ - \quad - \quad - \\ 15s + 6b = 462 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$-7s = -112$$

$$s = 16$$

$$5(16) + 2b = 154$$

$$80 + 2b = 154$$

$$2b = 74$$

$$b = 37$$

Small Pack 16

Big Pack 37

(Total for question 14 is 3 marks)