

**Higher Mathematics**  
**Multiple choice questions 2**

1. Triangle ABC has vertices A(-2,-5), B(-7,5) and C (1,1). AD is a median. The gradient of AD is

- A  $-\frac{1}{2}$                       B 2                      C -8                      D 8

2. Here are two statements about the points P(1,-2) and Q(7,6).

- (i) The length of PQ is 10 units  
(ii) The gradient of PQ is  $\frac{3}{4}$

Which of the following is true

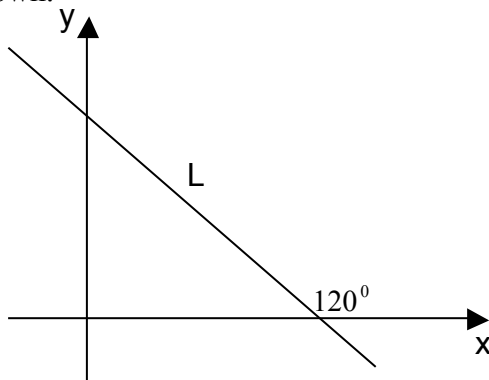
- A Neither statement is true  
B Only statement (i) is true  
C Only statement (ii) is true  
D Both statements are true

3. A line L is perpendicular to the line  $2x - 5y - 8 = 0$ .

What is the gradient of the line L?

- A  $\frac{2}{5}$                       B  $-\frac{2}{5}$                       C 2                      D  $-\frac{5}{2}$

4. The diagram shows a line L; the angle between L and the positive direction of the x-axis is  $120^\circ$ , as shown.



The gradient of L is

- A  $\sqrt{3}$                       B  $-\sqrt{3}$                       C  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$                       D  $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

5. A recurrence relation is defined as  $u_{n+1} = 0.2u_n + 90$ ,  $u_6 = 50$ .

What is the value of  $u_8$ ?

- A 110                      B 100                      C 112                      D 118

6. A sequence is generated by the recurrence relation  $u_{n+1} = 0.6u_n - 80$ .

The limit of this sequence is

- A  $-\frac{400}{3}$                       B  $-200$                       C  $-800$                       D  $200$

7.  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 5$  and  $g(x) = 2x - 1$ . The value of  $g(f(-3))$  is

- A  $25$                       B  $61$                       C  $93$                       D  $45$

8. Functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined on suitable domains by  $f(x) = \sin x$  and  $g(x) = x - \frac{\pi}{3}$

The value of  $f(g(\frac{\pi}{2}))$  is

- A  $\frac{1}{2}$                       B  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$                       C  $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{3}$                       D  $1$

9.  $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{(x+3)(x-2)}$ . A suitable domain for  $f(x)$  is

- A  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 1$                       B  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 1, -3, 2$                       C  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -3, 2$                       D  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 3, -2$

10. What is the derivative of  $(3x - 5)^4$

- A  $4(3x - 5)^3$                       B  $12(3x - 5)^3$                       C  $\frac{(3x-5)^5}{5}$                       D  $\frac{(3x-5)^5}{15}$

11. A curve has equation  $y = 3x^2 - 5x$ . The gradient of this curve at the point  $(-1, 8)$  is

- A  $1$                       B  $-11$                       C  $-6$                       D  $4$

12. A curve has equation  $y = 2x^2 - 8x$ . The gradient of this curve at the point P is 4.  
The coordinates of P are

- A  $(3, 6)$                       B  $(3, -6)$                       C  $(4, 0)$                       D  $(-1, 10)$

13. What is the derivative of  $\frac{1}{3x^2}$ .

- A  $-\frac{6}{x^3}$                       B  $-\frac{1}{x^3}$                       C  $-\frac{2}{3x^3}$                       D  $-\frac{1}{6x^3}$

14.  $A = 3\pi r^2 - 4\pi r$ . The rate of change of A with respect to r when  $r = 4$  is

- A  $20\pi$                       B  $32\pi$                       C  $24\pi$                       D  $8\pi$

15. The derivative of a function is  $f'(x) = x^3 - 8$ . Here are two statements about  $f$ :

- (i)  $f$  is increasing at  $x = 1$
- (ii)  $f$  is stationary at  $x = 2$

Which of the following is true?

- A Neither statement is correct
- B Only statement (i) is correct
- C Only statement (ii) is correct
- D Both statements are correct

16.  $x^2 - 6x + 1$  is expressed in the form  $(x + a)^2 + b$ . The values of  $a$  and  $b$  are

- A  $a = 3, b = 8$
- B  $a = -3, b = -10$
- C  $a = -3, b = -8$
- D  $a = -3, b = 10$

17.  $3x^2 + 12x - 2$  is expressed in the form  $p(x + q)^2 + r$ . The value of  $r$  is

- A  $-6$
- B  $6$
- C  $-14$
- D  $-10$

18.  $2\cos x + \sqrt{3} = 0$ . The solution to this equation when  $\pi \leq x \leq \frac{3\pi}{2}$

- A  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$
- B  $\frac{4\pi}{3}$
- C  $\frac{5\pi}{6}$
- D  $\frac{7\pi}{6}$

19. Given  $0 \leq a \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\sin a = \frac{1}{2}$ , the exact value of  $\cos 2a$  is

- A  $\frac{1}{2}$
- B  $-\frac{1}{2}$
- C  $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
- D  $\frac{3}{2}$

20.  $f(x) = 3\sin\left(2x - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + 8$ . The range of values of  $f(x)$  are

- A  $0 \leq f(x) \leq 11$
- B  $-3 \leq f(x) \leq 5$
- C  $3 \leq f(x) \leq 11$
- D  $5 \leq f(x) \leq 11$

21. How many solutions does the equation  $(2\sin x + 1)(\sin x + 1) = 0$  have in the

range  $\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{3\pi}{2}$

- A 1
- B 2
- C 3
- D 4

22.  $k$  and  $a$  are given by

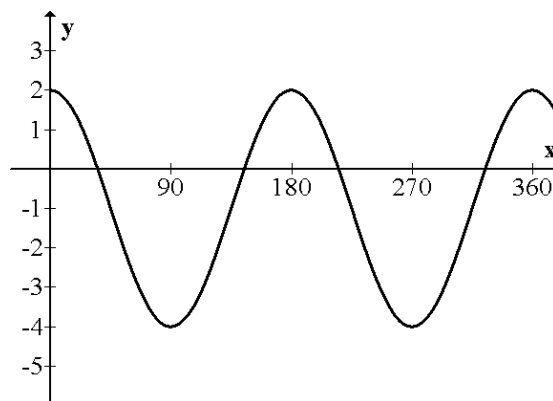
$$k \sin a = \sqrt{3}$$

$$k \cos a = 1$$

where  $k > 0$  and  $0 \leq a \leq 90$ . The values of  $k$  and  $a$  are

- A  $k = 2, a = 60$       B  $k = 2, a = 30$       C  $k = \sqrt{10}, a = 60$       D  $k = \sqrt{10}, a = 30$

23. The diagram shows a graph of the form  $y = a \cos bx + c$ .



The equation of this graph is

- A  $y = 3 \cos x - 1$       B  $y = 3 \cos 2x - 1$       C  $y = 2 \cos 2x - 2$       D  $y = 6 \cos 2x - 4$

24. Here are two statements about the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 8x + 12 = 0$ .

- (i) The roots are real and rational  
(ii) The roots are equal

Which of the following is true?

- A Neither statement is correct  
B Only statement (i) is correct  
C Only statement (ii) is correct  
D Both statements are correct

25. A function  $f$  is given by  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 12x + 8$ .

Which of the following describes the roots of  $f(x) = 0$ .

- A The roots are unreal  
B The roots are equal  
C The roots are rational and distinct  
D The roots are real and distinct

26. The  $y$ -axis is a tangent to the circle with centre  $(-4, 7)$ . The equation of this circle is

- A  $(x - 4)^2 + (y + 7)^2 = 16$       B  $(x + 4)^2 + (y - 7)^2 = 16$   
C  $(x - 4)^2 + (y + 7)^2 = 49$       D  $(x - 4)^2 + (y + 7)^2 = 16$

27. A circle has equation  $x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 8y - 39 = 0$ . The radius of this circle has length

- A 64                      B 8                      C  $\sqrt{139}$                       D  $\sqrt{46}$

28. A circle has centre  $(-2,4)$  and a tangent to the circle is drawn at the point  $(4,7)$ .  
The gradient of this tangent is

- A 2                      B -2                      C  $-\frac{1}{2}$                       D  $\frac{1}{2}$

29. The line  $y = 2x - 5$  intersects the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 10$  at two points. The x-coordinates of the points of intersection are

- A  $x = 2, -2$                       B  $x = -1, -3$                       C  $x = 1, 3$                       D  $x = -1, 1$

30. The vectors  $\mathbf{u} = 2\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{k}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = 6\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} + a\mathbf{k}$  are perpendicular. The value of  $a$  is

- A 3                      B -3                      C 2                      D -2

31.  $A(2,-1,3)$ ,  $E(4,-5,9)$  and  $B(7,-11,18)$  are three collinear points. E lies between A and B.  
The ratio in which E divides AB is

- A 1:2                      B 2:3                      C 3:2                      D 2:1

32. Vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are such that  $|\mathbf{u}| = 4$  and  $|\mathbf{v}| = 6$  and  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 10$ .  
The value of  $\mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})$  is

- A 20                      B 26                      C 46                      D 60

33. The vector  $\mathbf{a}$  has components  $\begin{pmatrix} -6 \\ -8 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . A unit vector parallel to  $\mathbf{a}$  is

- A  $-\frac{3}{5}\mathbf{i} - \frac{4}{5}\mathbf{j}$                       B  $-\frac{4}{5}\mathbf{i} + \frac{3}{5}\mathbf{j}$                       C  $-6\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}$                       D  $-\frac{3}{50}\mathbf{i} - \frac{4}{50}\mathbf{j}$

34. For what values of  $x$  is  $x^2 + 6x < 0$

- A  $x < -6, x > 0$                       B  $x < 0, x > 6$                       C  $-6 < x < 0$                       D  $0 < x < 6$

35. For what values of  $x$  is  $7x - x^2 - 6 > 0$

- A  $x < 1, x > 6$                       B  $x < -6, x > -1$                       C  $-6 < x < -1$                       D  $1 < x < 6$

36. Given  $f(x) = 2\sin^2 x$ ,  $f'(x)$  is equal to

- A  $4\cos x$                       B  $4\cos^2 x$                       C  $4\sin x \cos x$                       D  $2\sin^3 x$

37. Find  $\int 4\cos(2x + 3) dx$ .

- A  $4\sin(2x + 3) + C$     B  $-4\sin(2x + 3) + C$     C  $2\sin(2x + 3) + C$     D  $-2\sin(2x + 3) + C$

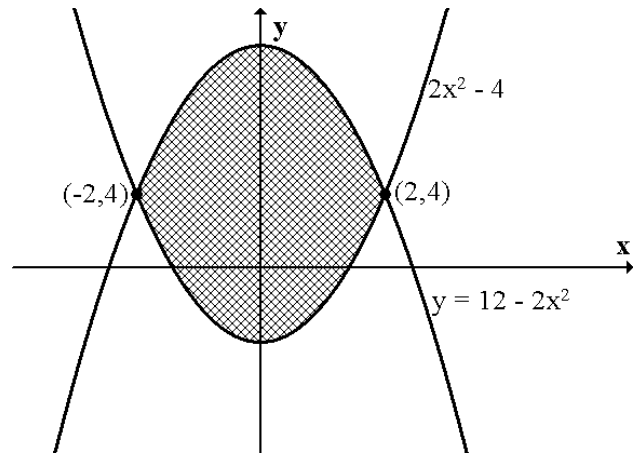
38. The shaded area shown opposite is given by

A  $\int_{-2}^2 (2x^2 - 4) - (12 - 2x^2) dx$

B  $\int_{-2}^4 (2x^2 - 4) - (12 - 2x^2) dx$

C  $\int_{-2}^2 (12 - 2x^2) - (2x^2 - 4) dx$

D  $\int_{-2}^4 (12 - 2x^2) - (2x^2 - 4) dx$



39. The diagram shows the graph of  $y = x^2 - 2x - 12$ .

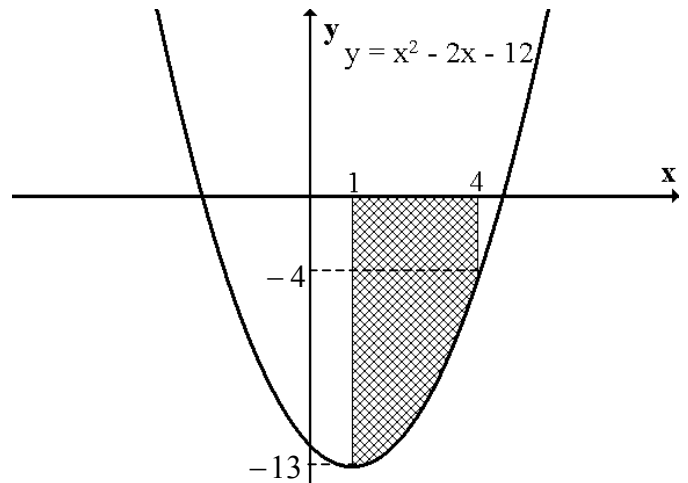
The shaded area is given by

A  $\left[\frac{1}{3}x^3 - x^2 - 12x\right]_1^4$

B  $\left[\frac{1}{3}x^3 - x^2 - 12x\right]_{-13}^4$

C  $[2x - 2]_1^4$

D  $[2x - 2]_{-13}^4$



40. The diagram shows the graph of  $y = f(x)$ .  
The graph has an equation of the form  $y = k(x + a)(x + b)$ .

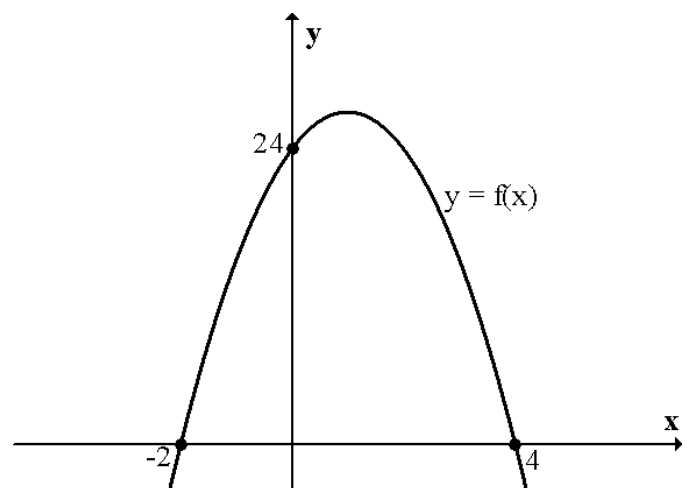
The equation of this graph is

A  $y = 3(x + 2)(x - 4)$

B  $y = -3(x + 2)(x - 4)$

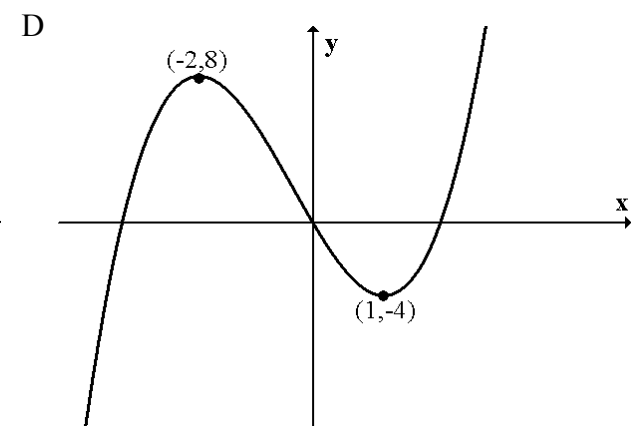
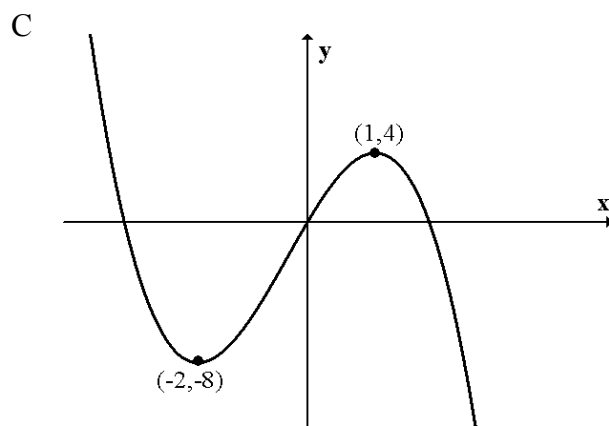
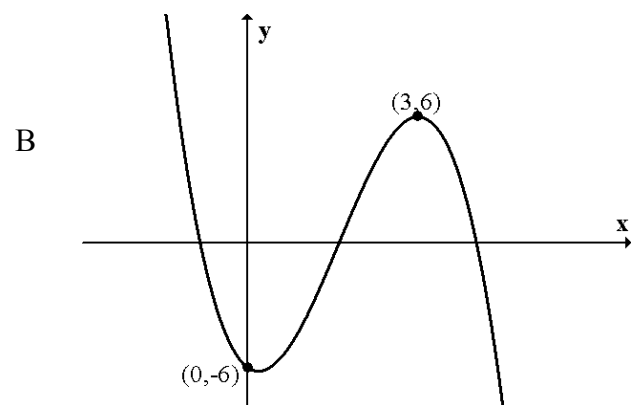
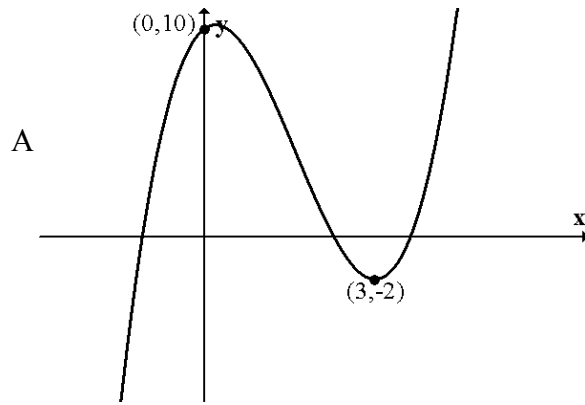
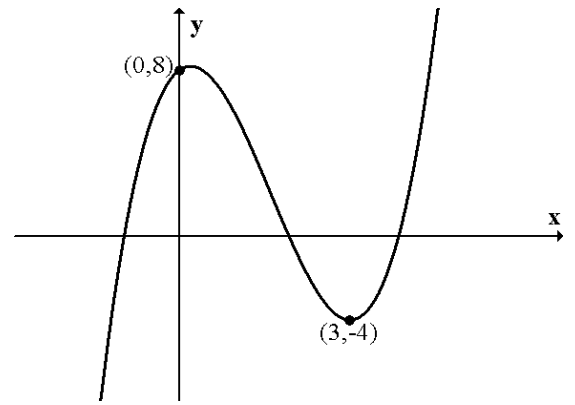
C  $y = -3(x - 2)(x + 4)$

D  $y = 3(x - 2)(x + 4)$



41. The diagram opposite shows part of the graph of  $y = f(x)$ .

Which of the following shows the graph of  $y = -f(x + 2)$ .



42. The diagram shows part of the graph of  $y = 4k^x$ .

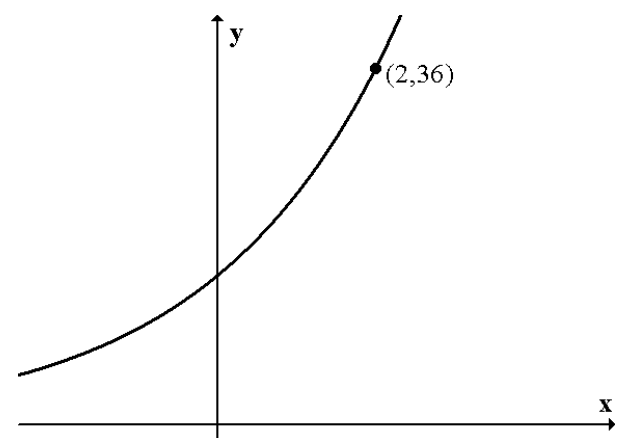
The value of  $k$  is

A 3

B 2

C 9

D 18



43. The exact value of  $4 \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \cos \left( -\frac{\pi}{3} \right)$  is

A -1

B 3

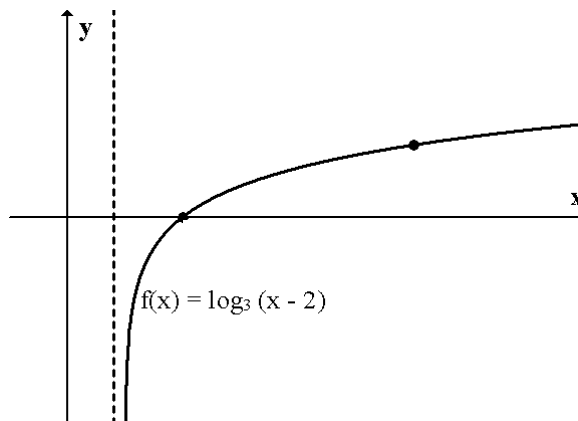
C -3

D  $\sqrt{3}$

44. The diagram shows the graph of  $f(x) = \log_3(x - 2)$ .  
The point  $(c, 2)$  lies on this graph.

The value of  $c$  is

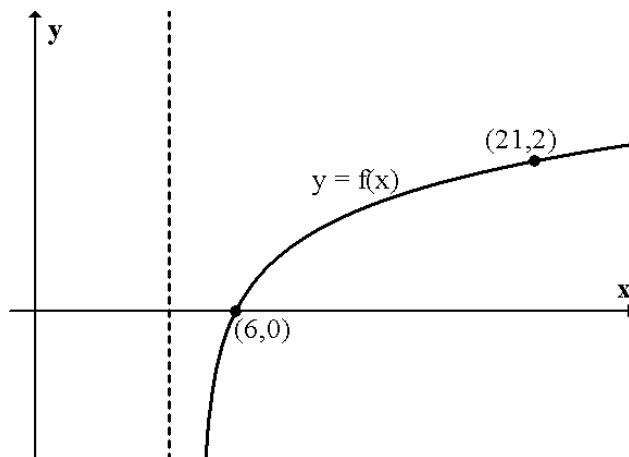
- A 10                      B 11  
C 5                         D 6



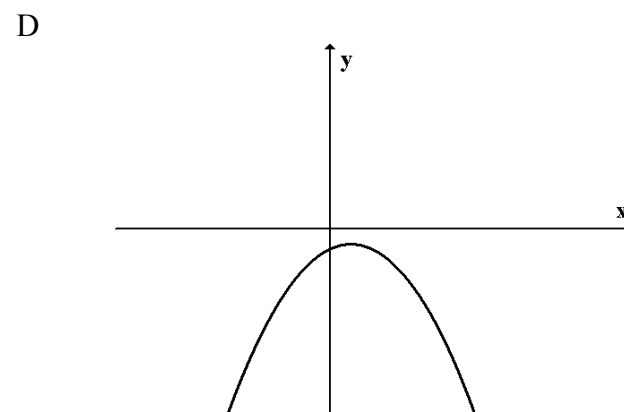
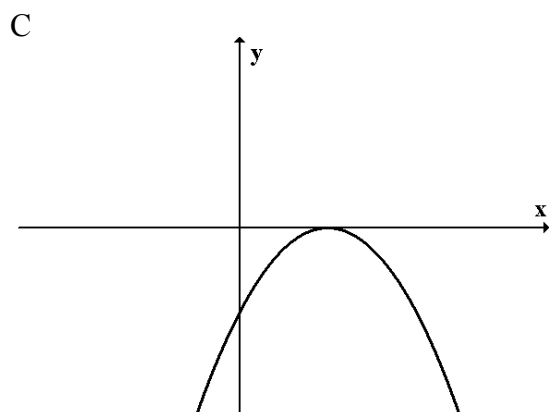
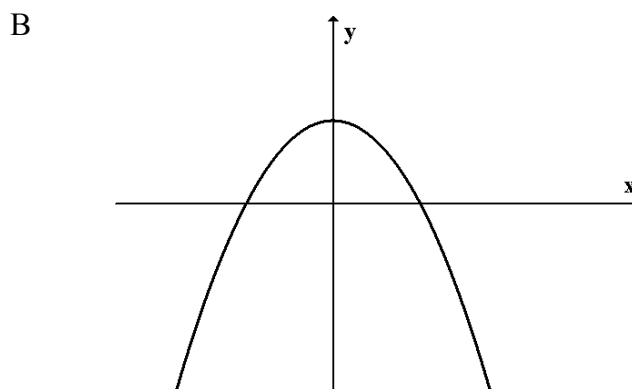
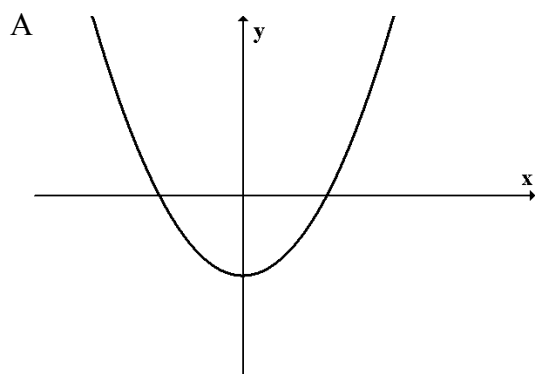
45. The diagram shows the graph of  $y = f(x)$ .

The equation of  $f(x)$  is

- A  $f(x) = \log_4(x - 5)$   
B  $f(x) = \log_4(x + 5)$   
C  $f(x) = \log_2(x - 5)$   
D  $f(x) = \log_2(x + 5)$



46. Which of the following shows a parabola with equation  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ , where  $a < 0$  and  $b^2 - 4ac = 0$ .





47.  $x - 2$  is a factor of  $x^3 - 9x + k$ . The value of  $k$  is

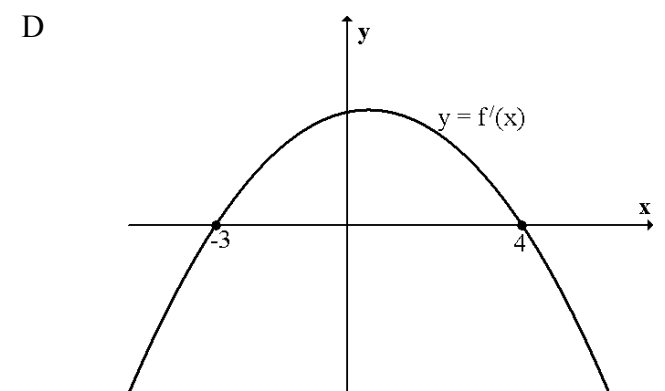
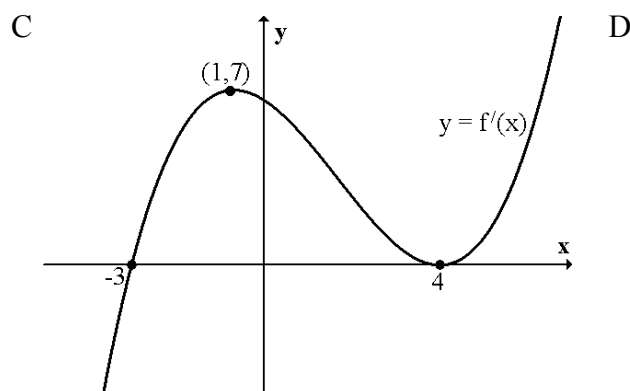
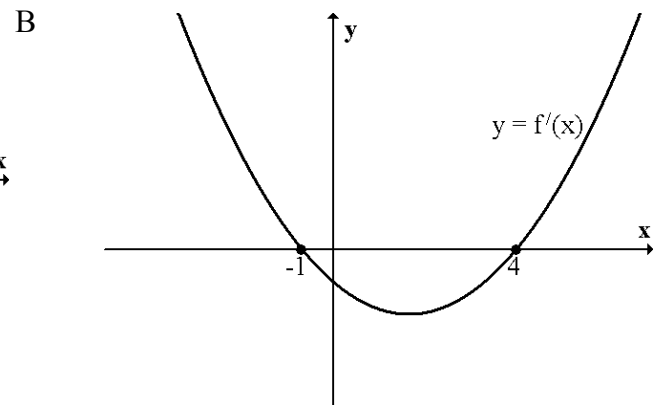
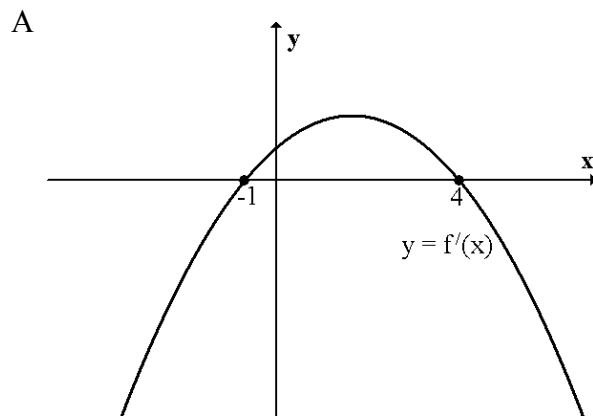
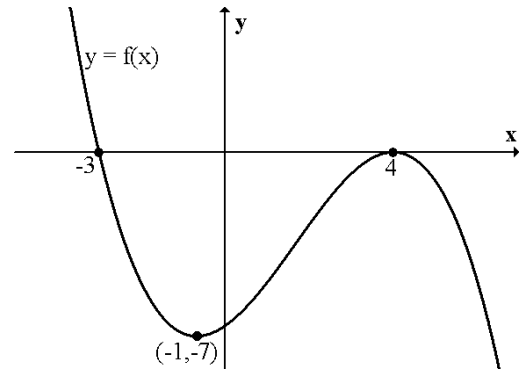
- A 13                      B -13                      C 10                      D -10

48.  $\frac{1}{2} \log_2 36 - \log_2 3$  is equal to

- A 3                      B 1                      C 0                      D 6

49. The diagram opposite shows the graph of  $y = f(x)$ .

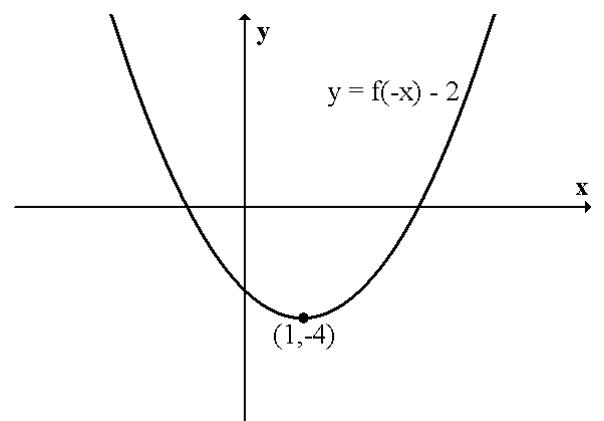
Which of the following could be the graph of  $y = f'(x)$ .



50. The diagram shows the graph of  $y = f(-x) - 2$ .

The graph of  $y = f(x)$  has a stationary point at

- A (-1, 4)                      B (-1, -2)  
C (-1, 0)                      D (-1, -4)



**Answers:**

1.	C		26.	B
2.	B		27.	B
3.	D		28.	B
4.	B		29.	C
5.	A		30.	A
6.	B		31.	B
7.	A		32.	C
8.	A		33.	A
9.	C		34.	C
10.	B		35.	D
11.	B		36.	C
12.	B		37.	C
13.	C		38.	C
14.	A		39.	A
15.	C		40.	B
16.	C		41.	C
17.	C		42.	A
18.	D		43.	D
19.	A		44.	B
20.	D		45.	A
21.	B		46.	C
22.	A		47.	C
23.	B		48.	B
24.	B		49.	A
25.	D		50.	B