# MARKSCHEME 

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## MATHEMATICS

## Standard Level

## Paper 1

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## Instructions to Examiners

## Abbreviations

M Marks awarded for attempting to use a correct Method; working must be seen.
(M) Marks awarded for Method; may be implied by correct subsequent working.

A Marks awarded for an Answer or for Accuracy; often dependent on preceding $\boldsymbol{M}$ marks.
(A) Marks awarded for an Answer or for Accuracy; may be implied by correct subsequent working.
$\boldsymbol{R}$ Marks awarded for clear Reasoning.
$\boldsymbol{N} \quad$ Marks awarded for correct answers if no working shown.
$\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{G}$ Answer given in the question and so no marks are awarded.

## Using the markscheme

## 1 General

Mark according to RM assessor instructions and the document "Mathematics SL: Guidance for e-marking May 2014". It is essential that you read this document before you start marking. In particular, please note the following. Marks must be recorded using the annotation stamps, using the RM assessor tool. Please check that you are entering marks for the right question.

- If a part is completely correct, (and gains all the "must be seen" marks), use the ticks with numbers to stamp full marks. Do not use the ticks with numbers for anything else.
- If a part is completely wrong, stamp $\boldsymbol{A 0}$ by the final answer.
- If a part gains anything else, all the working must have annotations stamped to show what marks are awarded. This includes any zero marks.

All the marks will be added and recorded by RM assessor.

## 2 Method and Answer/Accuracy marks

- Do not automatically award full marks for a correct answer; all working must be checked, and marks awarded according to the markscheme.
- It is generally not possible to award $\boldsymbol{M 0}$ followed by $\boldsymbol{A 1}$, as $\boldsymbol{A} \operatorname{mark}(\mathrm{s})$ depend on the preceding $\boldsymbol{M} \operatorname{mark}(\mathrm{s})$, if any. An exception to this rule is when work for $\boldsymbol{M} \boldsymbol{1}$ is missing, as opposed to incorrect (see point 4).
- Where $\boldsymbol{M}$ and $\boldsymbol{A}$ marks are noted on the same line, eg M1A1, this usually means $\boldsymbol{M 1}$ for an attempt to use an appropriate method (eg substitution into a formula) and $\boldsymbol{A 1}$ for using the correct values.
- Where there are two or more $\boldsymbol{A}$ marks on the same line, they may be awarded independently; so if the first value is incorrect, but the next two are correct, award A0A1A1.
- Where the markscheme specifies (M2), N3, etc., do not split the marks, unless there is a note.
- Once a correct answer to a question or part-question is seen, ignore further working.
- Most $\boldsymbol{M}$ marks are for a valid method, ie a method which can lead to the answer: it must indicate some form of progress towards the answer.


## $N$ marks

If no working shown, award $\boldsymbol{N}$ marks for correct answers - this includes acceptable answers (see accuracy booklet). In this case, ignore mark breakdown (M, A, R).

- Do not award a mixture of $\boldsymbol{N}$ and other marks.
- There may be fewer $\boldsymbol{N}$ marks available than the total of $\boldsymbol{M}, \boldsymbol{A}$ and $\boldsymbol{R}$ marks; this is deliberate as it penalizes candidates for not following the instruction to show their working.
- There may not be a direct relationship between the $\boldsymbol{N}$ marks and the implied marks. There are times when all the marks are implied, but the $N$ marks are not the full marks: this indicates that we want to see some of the working, without specifying what.
- For consistency within the markscheme, $\boldsymbol{N}$ marks are noted for every part, even when these match the mark breakdown.
- If a candidate has incorrect working, which somehow results in a correct answer, do not award the $\boldsymbol{N}$ marks for this correct answer. However, if the candidate has indicated (usually by crossing out) that the working is to be ignored, award the $N$ marks for the correct answer.


## 4 Implied and must be seen marks

Implied marks appear in brackets eg (M1).

- Implied marks can only be awarded if the work is seen or if implied in subsequent working (a correct final answer does not necessarily mean that the implied marks are all awarded). There are questions where some working is required, but as it is accepted that not everyone will write the same steps, all the marks are implied, but the $N$ marks are not the full marks for the question.
- Normally the correct work is seen in the next line.
- Where there is an (M1) followed by $\boldsymbol{A 1}$ for each correct answer, if no working shown, one correct answer is sufficient evidence to award the (M1).

Must be seen marks appear without brackets eg M1.

- Must be seen marks can only be awarded if the work is seen.
- If a must be seen mark is not awarded because work is missing (as opposed to $\boldsymbol{M 0}$ or $\boldsymbol{A 0}$ for incorrect work) all subsequent marks may be awarded if appropriate.


## 5 Follow through marks (only applied after an error is made)

Follow through (FT) marks are awarded where an incorrect answer (final or intermediate) from one part of a question is used correctly in subsequent part(s) or subpart(s). Usually, to award FT marks, there must be working present and not just a final answer based on an incorrect answer to a previous part. However, if the only marks awarded in a subpart are for the final answer, then $\boldsymbol{F T}$ marks should be awarded if appropriate. Examiners are expected to check student work in order to award FT marks where appropriate.

- Within a question part, once an error is made, no further $\boldsymbol{A}$ marks can be awarded for work which uses the error, but $\boldsymbol{M}$ and $\boldsymbol{R}$ marks may be awarded if appropriate. (However, as noted above, if an $\boldsymbol{A}$ mark is not awarded because work is missing, all subsequent marks may be awarded if appropriate).
- Exceptions to this rule will be explicitly noted on the markscheme.
- If the question becomes much simpler because of an error then use discretion to award fewer $\boldsymbol{F T}$ marks.
- If the error leads to an inappropriate value ( $e g$ probability greater than 1 , use of $r>1$ for the sum of an infinite GP, $\sin \theta=1.5$, non integer value where integer required), do not award the $\operatorname{mark}(\mathrm{s})$ for the final answer(s).
- The markscheme may use the word "their" in a description, to indicate that candidates may be using an incorrect value.
- If a candidate makes an error in one part, but gets the correct answer(s) to subsequent part(s), award marks as appropriate, unless the question says hence. It is often possible to use a different approach in subsequent parts that does not depend on the answer to previous parts.
- In a "show that" question, if an error in a previous subpart leads to not showing the required answer, do not award the final $\boldsymbol{A 1}$. Note that if the error occurs within the same subpart, the $\boldsymbol{F T}$ rules may result in further loss of marks.
- Where there are anticipated common errors, the $\boldsymbol{F T}$ answers are often noted on the markscheme, to help examiners. It should be stressed that these are not the only $\boldsymbol{F} \boldsymbol{T}$ answers accepted, neither should $N$ marks be awarded for these answers.


## Mis-read

If a candidate incorrectly copies information from the question, this is a mis-read (MR). A candidate should be penalized only once for a particular mis-read. Use the MR stamp to indicate that this is a misread. Do not award the first mark in the question, even if this is an $\mathbf{M}$ mark, but award all others (if appropriate) so that the candidate only loses one mark for the misread.

- If the question becomes much simpler because of the $\boldsymbol{M R}$, then use discretion to award fewer marks.
- If the $\boldsymbol{M R}$ leads to an inappropriate value ( $e g$ probability greater than 1 , use of $r>1$ for the sum of an infinite GP, $\sin \theta=1.5$, non integer value where integer required), do not award the mark(s) for the final answer(s).
- Miscopying of candidates' own work does not constitute a misread, it is an error.


## 7 Discretionary marks (d)

An examiner uses discretion to award a mark on the rare occasions when the markscheme does not cover the work seen. In such cases the annotation DM should be used and a brief note written next to the mark explaining this decision.

## 8 Alternative methods

Candidates will sometimes use methods other than those in the markscheme. Unless the question specifies a method, other correct methods should be marked in line with the markscheme. If in doubt, contact your team leader for advice.

- Alternative methods for complete parts are indicated by METHOD 1, METHOD 2, etc.
- Alternative solutions for parts of questions are indicated by EITHER . . . OR. Where possible, alignment will also be used to assist examiners in identifying where these alternatives start and finish.


## 9 Alternative forms

Unless the question specifies otherwise, accept equivalent forms.

- As this is an international examination, accept all alternative forms of notation.
- In the markscheme, equivalent numerical and algebraic forms will generally be written in brackets immediately following the answer.
- In the markscheme, simplified answers, (which candidates often do not write in examinations), will generally appear in brackets. Marks should be awarded for either the form preceding the bracket or the form in brackets (if it is seen).


## 10 Calculators

No calculator is allowed. The use of any calculator on paper 1 is malpractice, and will result in no grade awarded. If you see work that suggests a candidate has used any calculator, please follow the procedures for malpractice. Examples: finding an angle, given a trig ratio of 0.4235 .

## 11 Style

The markscheme aims to present answers using good communication, eg if the question asks to find the value of $k$, the markscheme will say $k=3$, but the marks will be for the correct value 3 -there is usually no need for the " $k=$ ". In these cases, it is also usually acceptable to have another variable, as long as there is no ambiguity in the question, eg if the question asks to find the value of $p$ and of $q$, then the student answer needs to be clear. Generally, the only situation where the full answer is required is in a question which asks for equations - in this case the markscheme will say "must be an equation".

The markscheme often uses words to describe what the marks are for, followed by examples, using the eg notation. These examples are not exhaustive, and examiners should check what candidates have written, to see if they satisfy the description. Where these marks are M marks, the examples may include ones using poor notation, to indicate what is acceptable. A valid method is one which will allow candidate to proceed to the next step eg if a quadratic function is given in factorised form, and the question asks for the zeroes, then multiplying the factors does not necessarily help to find the zeros, and would not on its own count as a valid method.

## 12 Candidate work

If a candidate has drawn a line through work on their examination script, or in some other way crossed out their work, do not award any marks for that work.

Candidates are meant to write their answers to Section A on the question paper (QP), and Section B on answer booklets. Sometimes, they need more room for Section A, and use the booklet (and often comment to this effect on the QP), or write outside the box. That is fine, and this work should be marked.

The instructions tell candidates not to write on Section B of the QP. Thus they may well have done some rough work here which they assume will be ignored. If they have solutions on the answer booklets, there is no need to look at the QP. However, if there are whole questions or whole part solutions missing on answer booklets, please check to make sure that they are not on the QP, and if they are, mark those whole questions or whole part solutions that have not been written on answer booklets

## 13. Diagrams

The notes on how to allocate marks for sketches usually refer to passing through particular points or having certain features. These marks can only be awarded if the sketch is approximately the correct shape. All values given will be an approximate guide to where these points/features occur. In some questions, the first $\boldsymbol{A 1}$ is for the shape, in others, the marks are only for the points and/or features. In both cases, unless the shape is approximately correct, no marks can be awarded (unless otherwise stated). However, if the graph is based on previous calculations, $\boldsymbol{F T}$ marks should be awarded if appropriate.

## 14. Accuracy of Answers

If the level of accuracy is specified in the question, a mark will be allocated for giving the final answer to the required accuracy. When this is not specified in the question, all numerical answers should be given exactly or correct to three significant figures

Candidates should NO LONGER be penalized for an accuracy error (AP). Examiners should award marks according to the rules given in these instructions and the markscheme. Accuracy is not the same as correctness - an incorrect value does not achieve relevant $\boldsymbol{A}$ marks. It is only final answers which may lose marks for accuracy errors, not intermediate values. Please check work carefully for $\boldsymbol{F T}$.

Do not accept unfinished numerical final answers such as $3 / 0.1$ (unless otherwise stated). As a rule, numerical answers with more than one part (such as fractions) should be given using integers (eg 6/8). Calculations which lead to integers should be completed, with the exception of fractions which are not whole numbers.

## Clarification of intermediate values accuracy instructions

Intermediate values do not need to be given to the correct three significant figures. But, if candidates work with rounded values, this could lead to an incorrect answer, in which case award $\boldsymbol{A 0}$ for the final answer. However, do not penalise inaccurate intermediate values that lead to an acceptable final answer.

## All examiners must read this section carefully, as there are some changes (in red) since M13.

These instructions apply when answers need to be rounded, they do not apply to exact answers which have 3 or fewer figures. The answers will give a range of acceptable values, and any answer given to 3 or more sf that lies in this range will be accepted as well as answers given to the correct $2 s f$ (which will usually not be in the acceptable range). Answers which are given to 1 sf are not acceptable. There is also a change to the awarding of $N$ marks for acceptable answers.

Where numerical answers are required as the final answer to a part of a question in the markscheme, the markscheme will show
a truncated 6 sf value
the exact value if applicable, the correct 3 sf answer and the range of acceptable values. This range includes both end values. Once an acceptable value is seen, ignore any subsequent values (even if rounded incorrectly).
Units (which are generally not required) will appear in brackets at the end.

## Example

1.73205
$\sqrt{3}$ (exact), 1.73 [1.73, 1.74] (m)
Note that 1.73 is the correct $3 \mathrm{sf}, 1.74$ is incorrectly rounded but acceptable, 1.7 is the correct 2 sf value but 1.72 is wrong.

For subsequent parts, the markscheme will show the answers obtained from using unrounded values, and the answers from using previous correct 3 sf answers. Examiners will need to check the work carefully if candidates use any other acceptable answers. If other acceptable answers lead to an incorrect final answer (ie outside the range), do not award the final $\boldsymbol{A 1}$. This should not be considered as $\boldsymbol{F T}$.

Intermediate values do not need to be given to the correct 3 sf . If candidates work with fewer than 3 sf, or with incorrectly rounded values, this could lead to an incorrect answer, in which case award $\boldsymbol{A 0}$ for the final answer. However, do not penalise intermediate inaccurate values that lead to an acceptable final answer.

In questions where the final answer gains $\boldsymbol{A} \mathbf{2}$, if other working shown, award $\boldsymbol{A 1}$ for a correctly rounded 1 sf answer.

If there is no working shown, award the $N$ marks for any acceptable answer, eg in the example above, if 1.73 achieves $\boldsymbol{N 4}$, then $1.74,1.7,1.7320$ all achieve $N 4$, but 2 achieves N0 .

The following table shows what achieves the final mark if this is the only numerical answer seen, as long as there is other working.

|  | Correctly rounded | Incorrectly rounded |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 sf | No | No |
| 2 sf | Yes | No |
| 3 sf | Yes | Yes (if in the acceptable range) |
| 4 or more sf | Yes (if in the acceptable range) | Yes (if in the acceptable range) |

## SECTION A

1. (a) $y$-intercept is $-6,(0,-6), y=-6$

A1
N1
[1 mark]
(b) valid attempt to solve
eg $\quad(x-2)(x+3)=0, x=\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1+24}}{2}$, one correct answer

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x=2, x=-3
$$

A1A1
N3
[3 marks]
(c)


AlA1A1

Note: The shape must be an approximately correct concave up parabola. Only if the shape is correct, award the following:
$\boldsymbol{A 1}$ for the $y$-intercept in circle and the vertex approximately on $x=-\frac{1}{2}$, below $y=-6$,
A1 for both the $x$-intercepts in circles,
A1 for both end points in ovals.
2. (a) correct approach
eg $\quad d=u_{2}-u_{1}, 5-2$

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d=3
$$

A1
(b) correct approach
eg $\quad u_{8}=2+7 \times 3$, listing terms
$u_{8}=23$
A1
N2
[2 marks]
(c) correct approach
eg $\quad S_{8}=\frac{8}{2}(2+23)$, listing terms, $\frac{8}{2}(2(2)+7(3))$
$S_{8}=100$
A1
N2
[2 marks]
Total [6 marks]
3. (a) evidence of summing probabilities to 1
eg $\quad \frac{5}{20}+\frac{4}{20}+\frac{1}{20}+p=1, \sum=1$
correct working
eg $\quad p=1-\frac{10}{20}$
$p=\frac{10}{20}\left(=\frac{1}{2}\right)$
A1 N2
[3 marks]
(b) correct substitution into $\mathrm{E}(X)$
eg $\quad \frac{4}{20}(q)+\frac{1}{20}(10)+\frac{10}{20}(-3)$
valid reasoning for fair game (seen anywhere, including equation)
(M1)
eg $\mathrm{E}(X)=0$, points lost $=$ points gained
correct working
eg $\quad 4 q+10-30=0, \frac{4}{20} q+\frac{10}{20}=\frac{30}{20}$
$q=5$

A1
N2
[4 marks]
4. (a) correct application of $\ln a^{b}=b \ln a$ (seen anywhere)
eg $\quad \ln 4=2 \ln 2,3 \ln 2=\ln 2^{3}, 3 \log 2=\log 8$
correct working
eg $\quad 3 \ln 2-2 \ln 2, \ln 8-\ln 4$
$\ln 2($ accept $k=2)$
(b) METHOD 1
attempt to substitute their answer into the equation
eg $\quad \ln 2=-\ln x$
correct application of a log rule
eg $\quad \ln \frac{1}{x}, \ln \frac{1}{2}=\ln x, \ln 2+\ln x=\ln 2 x(=0)$
$x=\frac{1}{2}$

## METHOD 2

attempt to rearrange equation, with $3 \ln 2$ written as $\ln 2^{3}$ or $\ln 8$
eg $\quad \ln x=\ln 4-\ln 2^{3}, \ln 8+\ln x=\ln 4, \ln 2^{3}=\ln 4-\ln x$
correct working applying $\ln a \pm \ln b$
eg $\quad \frac{4}{8}, 8 x=4, \ln 2^{3}=\ln \frac{4}{x}$
$x=\frac{1}{2}$
A1
N2
[3 marks]
Total [6 marks]
5. (a) $q=3$

A1
N1 [1 mark]
(b) correct expression for $f(0)$
eg $\quad p+\frac{9}{0-3}, 4=p+\frac{9}{-q}$
recognizing that $f(0)=4$ (may be seen in equation)
correct working
eg $\quad 4=p-3$

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p=7
$$

(c) $y=7$ (must be an equation, do not accept $p=7$ )

A1
6. substitution of limits or function
eg $\quad A=\int_{0}^{4} f(x), \int \frac{x}{x^{2}+1} \mathrm{~d} x$
correct integration by substitution/inspection
$\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(x^{2}+1\right)$
substituting limits into their integrated function and subtracting (in any order)
eg $\quad \frac{1}{2}\left(\ln \left(4^{2}+1\right)-\ln \left(0^{2}+1\right)\right)$
correct working
eg $\quad \frac{1}{2}\left(\ln \left(4^{2}+1\right)-\ln \left(0^{2}+1\right)\right), \frac{1}{2}(\ln (17)-\ln (1)), \frac{1}{2} \ln 17-0$
$A=\frac{1}{2} \ln (17)$
Note: Exception to $\boldsymbol{F T}$ rule. Allow full $\boldsymbol{F T}$ on incorrect integration involving a $\ln$ function.
7. attempt to find $\cos C \hat{A} B$ (seen anywhere)
eg $\quad \cos \theta=\frac{\overrightarrow{\mathrm{AB}} \cdot \overrightarrow{\mathrm{AC}}}{|\overrightarrow{\mathrm{AB}}| \overrightarrow{\mathrm{AC}} \mid}$
$\cos \mathrm{CAB}=\frac{-5 \sqrt{3}}{10}\left(=-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$
valid attempt to find $\sin C \hat{A} B$
$e g$ triangle, Pythagorean identity, $\mathrm{CAB}=\frac{5 \pi}{6}, 150^{\circ}$
$\sin \mathrm{C} \hat{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{B}=\frac{1}{2}$
correct substitution into formula for area
eg $\frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times \sin \frac{\pi}{6}$
area $=\frac{10}{4} \quad\left(=\frac{5}{2}\right)$
A1

## SECTION B

8. (a) correct working
(A1)
eg $\quad 1-\frac{1}{6}$
$p=\frac{5}{6}$
A1
eg $\quad \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{6}$
$\mathrm{P}(C \cap L)=\frac{1}{12}$
A1 N2
[2 marks]
(c) multiplying along the other branch
eg $\quad \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3}$
adding probabilities of their 2 mutually exclusive paths
(M1)
eg $\quad \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{6}+\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3}$
correct working
eg $\frac{1}{12}+\frac{1}{6}$
$\mathrm{P}(L)=\frac{3}{12}\left(=\frac{1}{4}\right)$
A1
N3
[4 marks]
continued ...

## Question 8 continued

(d) recognizing conditional probability (seen anywhere)
eg $\quad \mathrm{P}(C \mid L)$
correct substitution of their values into formula
eg $\quad \frac{\frac{1}{12}}{\frac{3}{12}}$
$\mathrm{P}(C \mid L)=\frac{1}{3}$
A1
N2
(e) valid approach
(M1)
eg $\quad X \sim \mathrm{~B}\left(3, \frac{1}{4}\right),\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{2},\binom{3}{1}$, three ways it could happen
correct substitution
eg $\quad\binom{3}{1}\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{1}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{2}, \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4}+\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4}+\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}$
correct working
eg $\quad 3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\left(\frac{9}{16}\right), \frac{9}{64}+\frac{9}{64}+\frac{9}{64}$
$\frac{27}{64}$
A1
N2
9. (a) recognizing that the local minimum occurs when $f^{\prime}(x)=0$
valid attempt to solve $3 x^{2}-8 x-3=0$
eg factorization, formula
correct working
$(3 x+1)(x-3), x=\frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64+36}}{6}$
$x=3$
A2
Note: Award $\boldsymbol{A 1}$ if both values $x=\frac{-1}{3}, x=3$ are given.
(b) valid approach
(M1)
$f(x)=\int f^{\prime}(x) \mathrm{d} x$
$f(x)=x^{3}-4 x^{2}-3 x+c \quad($ do not penalize for missing " $+c$ ")
$c=6$
A1A1A1
$f(x)=x^{3}-4 x^{2}-3 x+6$
(c) applying reflection
eg $\quad f(-x)$

recognizing that the minimum is the image of A
(M1)
eg $\quad x=-3$
correct expression for $x$
A1
$e g \quad-3+m,\binom{-3+m}{-12+n},(m-3, n-12)$
10. (a) attempt to substitute $x=1$
$e g \quad \boldsymbol{r}=\binom{1}{\frac{2}{1}}+t\binom{1^{2}}{-2}, L_{1}=\binom{1}{2}+t\binom{1}{-2}$
correct equation (vector or Cartesian, but do not accept " $L_{1}=$ ")
$e g \quad \boldsymbol{r}=\binom{1}{2}+t\binom{1}{-2}, y=-2 x+4 \quad$ (must be an equation)
A1
N2
(b) appropriate approach
eg $\quad\binom{0}{y}=\binom{a}{\frac{2}{a}}+t\binom{a^{2}}{-2}$
correct equation for $x$-coordinate
eg $\quad 0=a+t a^{2}$
$t=\frac{-1}{a}$
substituting their parameter to find $y$
eg $\quad y=\frac{2}{a}-2\left(\frac{-1}{a}\right),\binom{a}{\frac{2}{a}}-\frac{1}{a}\binom{a^{2}}{-2}$
correct working
$e g \quad y=\frac{2}{a}+\frac{2}{a},\binom{a}{\frac{2}{a}}-\binom{a}{-\frac{2}{a}}$
finding correct expression for $y$
eg $\quad y=\frac{4}{a},\binom{0}{\frac{4}{a}}$
$\mathrm{P}\left(0, \frac{4}{a}\right)$

AG

## Question 10 continued

(c) valid approach

M1
$e g \quad$ distance formula, Pythagorean Theorem, $\overrightarrow{\mathrm{PQ}}=\binom{2 a}{-\frac{4}{a}}$
correct simplification
$e g \quad(2 a)^{2}+\left(\frac{4}{a}\right)^{2}$
$d=4 a^{2}+\frac{16}{a^{2}}$
AG
(d) recognizing need to find derivative
$e g \quad d^{\prime}, d^{\prime}(a)$
correct derivative
eg $\quad 8 a-\frac{32}{a^{3}}, 8 x-\frac{32}{x^{3}}$
setting their derivative equal to 0
eg $\quad 8 a-\frac{32}{a^{3}}=0$
correct working
eg $\quad 8 a=\frac{32}{a^{3}}, 8 a^{4}-32=0$
working towards solution
eg $\quad a^{4}=4, a^{2}=2, a= \pm \sqrt{2}$
$a=\sqrt[4]{4}(a=\sqrt{2}) \quad($ do not accept $\pm \sqrt{2})$

