Pearson Edexcel AS Mathematics 8MA0

Unit Test 4 Trigonometry

Time allowed: 50 minutes

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1. The diagram shows $\triangle ABC$ with AC = 8x - 3, BC = 4x - 1, $\angle ABC = 120^{\circ}$ and $\angle ACB = 15^{\circ}$.



- (a) Show that the exact value of x is $\frac{9+\sqrt{6}}{20}$.
- (b) Find the area of $\triangle ABC$ giving your answer to 2 decimal places.

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2. The diagram shows the position of three boats, P, Q and R. Boat Q is 7 km from boat P on a bearing of 327° . Boat R is 15 km from boat P on a bearing of 041° .



- (a) Find the distance between boats Q and R to 1 decimal place.
- (b) Find the 3 figure bearing of boat R from boat Q.

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3. Find all the solutions, in the interval $0 \le x \le 360^{\circ}$, to the equation

 $8 - 7\cos(x) = 6\sin^2(x),$

giving solutions to 1 decimal place where appropriate.



- 4. (a) Calculate the value of $-2\tan(-120^\circ)$.
 - (b) On the same set of axes sketch the graphs of $y = 2\sin(x 60^\circ)$ and $y = -2\tan(x)$, in [7] the interval $-180^\circ \le x \le 180^\circ$, showing the coordinates of points of intersection with the coordinate axes in exact form.
 - (c) Explain how you can use the graph to identify solutions to the equation

$$y = 2\sin(x - 60^\circ) + 2\tan(x) = 0$$

in the interval $-180^{\circ} \le x \le 180^{\circ}$.

(d) Write down the number of solutions of the above equation.

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5. Find, to 1 decimal place, the values of θ in the interval $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$ for which

 $4\sqrt{3}\sin\left(3\theta + 20^\circ\right) = 4\cos\left(3\theta + 20^\circ\right)$



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6. A teacher asks one of her students to solve the equation $2\cos(2x) + \sqrt{3} = 0$ for $0 \le x \le 180^{\circ}$. The attempt is shown below.

$$2\cos 2x = -\sqrt{3}$$

$$\cos 2x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$2x = \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

$$2x = 150^{\circ}$$

$$x = 75^{\circ}$$
w or $x = 360^{\circ} - 75^{\circ} = 295^{\circ}$ so reject as out of range.

- (a) Identify the mistake made by the student.
- (b) Write down the correct solutions to the equation.

Total: 3

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- 7. A buoy is a device which floats on the surface of the sea and moves up and down as waves pass. For a certain buoy, its height, above its position in still water, y in metres, is modelled by a sine function of the form $y = \frac{1}{2}\sin(180t^{\circ})$, where t is the time in seconds.
 - (a) Sketch a graph showing the height of the buoy above its still water level for $0 \le t \le 10$ [3] showing the coordinates of points of intersection with the *t*-axis.
 - (b) Write down the number of times the buoy is 0.4 m above its still water position during the [1] first 10 seconds.
 - (c) Give one reason why this model might not be realistic.

Total: 5

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