IB Questionbank Mathematical Studies 3rd edition

1. The function $f(x) = a^x + b$ is defined by the mapping diagram below.



- (a) Find the values of *a* and *b*.
- (b) Write down the image of 2 under the function f.
- (c) Find the value of *c*.

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of y.

(a)

The mapping below is of the form $f: x \mapsto a \times 2^x + b$ and maps the elements of x to elements

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-1.75

0

-1.5

30



0

-2

-1

g

- (ii) List the elements in the range of f.
- (b) Find a and b.
- (c) Find the value of g.

(Total 6 marks)



(2) (Total 6 marks)

(1)

(3)

3. Consider the function $f(x) = p(0.5)^x + q$ where *p* and *q* are constants. The graph of f(x) passes through the points (0, 6) and (1, 4) and is shown below.



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- 6. It is thought that a joke would spread in a school according to an exponential model $N = 4 \times (1.356)^{0.4t}$, $t \ge 0$; where N is the number of people who have heard the joke, and t is the time in minutes after the joke is first told.
 - (a) How many people heard the joke initially?
 - (b) How many people had heard the joke after 16 minutes?

There are 1200 people in the school.

(c) Estimate how long it would take for everybody in the school to hear this joke.

(Total 6 marks)

- 7. The equation $M = 90 \times 2^{-t/20}$ gives the amount, in grams, of radioactive material held in a laboratory over *t* years.
 - (a) What was the original mass of the radioactive material?

The table below lists some values for *M*.

| t | 60 | 80 | 100 |
|---|-------|----|--------|
| М | 11.25 | v | 2.8125 |

- (b) Find the value of *v*.
- (c) Calculate the number of years it would take for the radioactive material to have a mass of 45 grams.

(Total 8 marks)

8. The following diagram shows the graph of $y = 3^{-x} + 2$. The curve passes through the points (0, *a*) and (1, *b*).

Diagram not to scale



- (a) Find the value of
 - (i) *a*;
 - (ii) *b*.
- (b) Write down the equation of the asymptote to this curve.

(Total 8 marks)



9. The graph below shows the curve $y = k(2^x) + c$, where k and c are constants.

Find the values of *c* and *k*.

(Total 4 marks)

10. In an experiment researchers found that a specific culture of bacteria increases in number according to the formula

$$N=150\times 2^t,$$

where N is the number of bacteria present and t is the number of hours since the experiment began.

Use this formula to calculate

- (a) the number of bacteria present at the start of the experiment;
- (b) the number of bacteria present after 3 hours;
- (c) the number of hours it would take for the number of bacteria to reach 19 200.