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# Mathematics A

## Surds and Indices

**Higher Tier**

Past Paper Style Questions  
Arranged by Topic

Paper Reference

**1MA0/1H**

**You must have:** Ruler graduated in centimetres and millimetres, protractor, pair of compasses, pen, HB pencil, eraser. Tracing paper may be used.

Total Marks

### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*
- **Calculators must not be used.**



### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 100
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Questions labelled with an **asterisk** (\*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed.

### 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.

Turn over ►



1. Work out  $(2 + \sqrt{5})(2 - \sqrt{5})$

Give your answer in its simplest form.

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2. (a) Write down the value of  $64^{\frac{1}{2}}$

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(1)

(b) Write  $\sqrt{45}$  in the form  $k\sqrt{5}$ , where  $k$  is an integer.

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(1)

**(Total 2 marks)**



3. Find the value of

(i)  $8^0$

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(ii)  $64^{\frac{1}{2}}$

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(iii)  $\left(\frac{27}{8}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$

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**(Total 4 marks)**



4. (a) Simplify  $4x \times 5y$

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(1)

(b) Simplify  $x \times x \times x \times x$

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(1)

(c) Expand  $4(3n - 7)$

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(2)

(d) Expand and simplify  $2(2x + 3) + 3(x + 1)$

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(2)

(e) Simplify  $n^2 \times n$

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(1)

(f) Simplify  $p^5 \div p^3$

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(1)

**(Total 8 marks)**



5. (a) Simplify  $q^5 \times q^4$

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(1)

(b) Simplify  $r^5 \div r^2$

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(1)

(c) Simplify  $12tv^6 \div 6tv^5$

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(2)

(d) Simplify  $(9w^2y^6)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

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(2)

(e) For  $y > 1$ , write the following expressions in order of size.  
Start with the expression with the least value.

$y^0$   $y^2$   $y$   $y^{-2}$   $y^{\frac{1}{2}}$

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(2)

**(Total 8 marks)**



6. (a) Simplify  $n^3 \times n^4$

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(1)

(b) Simplify  $q^7 \div q^3$

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(1)

(c) Simplify  $a^2b^3 \times 3ab^2$

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(2)

**(Total 4 marks)**

7. (a) Expand and simplify  $3(a + 4) + 5(2a + 1)$

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(2)

(b) Simplify  $x^4 \times x^6$

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(1)

(c) Simplify  $y^8 \div y^5$

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(1)

(d) Simplify  $(z^4)^3$

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(1)

**(Total 5 marks)**



8. (a) Simplify  $v^6 \times v^2$

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(1)

(b) Simplify  $\frac{m^8}{m^3}$

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(1)

(c) Simplify  $(2y)^3$

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(2)

(d) Simplify  $3a^2h \times 4a^5h^4$

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(2)

**(Total 6 marks)**



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