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# Factorise

(9 – 1) Topic booklet

# Higher

These questions have been collated from previous years GCSE Mathematics papers.

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

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.*
- Diagrams are NOT accurately drawn, unless otherwise indicated.
- You must **show all your working out**.
- If the question is a **1H** question you are not allowed to use a calculator.
- If the question is a **2H** or a **3H** question, you may use a calculator to help you answer.

## Information

- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
  - *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

## 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.

**Answer ALL questions  
Write your answers in the space provided.  
You must write down all the stages in your working.**

**1 Factorise fully  $15x^3 + 3x^2y$**



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**(2)**

June 2022 – Paper 2H

**(Total for Question 1 is 2 marks)**

**1 Factorise fully  $9x^2 + 6x$**



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**(2)**

November 2019 – Paper 3H

**(Total for Question 1 is 2 marks)**

**1 Factorise fully  $6x^2 + 15x$**



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**(2)**

November 2023 – Paper 2H

**(Total for Question 1 is 2 marks)**

1 Factorise  $y^2 + 27y$

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(1)

Specimen 2 – Paper 1H

**(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)**

6 Factorise  $x^2 + 3x - 4$



Specimen 1 – Paper 3H

**(Total for Question 6 is 2 marks)**



9 Factorise  $y^2 + 7y + 6$

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(2)

Sample 1 – Paper 3H

**(Total for Question 9 is 2 marks)**

10 Factorise fully  $50 - 2y^2$

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(2)

November 2018 – Paper 1H

**(Total for Question 10 is 2 marks)**

13 Factorise  $(x + y)^2 + 3(x + y)$

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(1)

November 2019 – Paper 1H

**(Total for Question 13 is 1 mark)**



14 Factorise fully  $4p^2 - 36$

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(2)

June 2022 – Paper 3H

**(Total for Question 14 is 2 marks)**

15 Factorise  $3k^2 + 11k - 4$



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(2)

June 2024 – Paper 3H

**(Total for Question 15 is 2 marks)**

15 Factorise  $a^2 - b^2$

(1)

June 2018 – Paper 1H

**(Total for Question 15 is 1 mark)**

15 Factorise  $a^2 - b^2$



(1)

June 2023 – Paper 3H

**(Total for Question 15 is 1 mark)**

16 Factorise fully  $20x^2 - 5$

Sample 1 – Paper 1H

**(Total for Question 16 is 2 marks)**

17 (a) Factorise  $6x^2 - 5x - 4$

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(2)

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve  $6x^2 - 5x - 4 < 0$

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(2)