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# Level 3 Certificate MATHEMATICAL STUDIES

Paper 2B Critical Path and Risk Analysis

Date

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

## Materials

For this paper you must have:

AQA

- a clean copy of the Preliminary Material (enclosed)
- a scientific calculator or a graphics calculator
- a copy of the formulae sheet
- a ruler.

#### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer all questions.
- You must answer the questions in the space provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Show all necessary working; otherwise, marks for method may be lost.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.
- The final answer to questions should be given to an appropriate degree of accuracy.
- You may **not** refer to the copy of the Preliminary Material that was available prior to this examination. A clean copy is enclosed for your use.

#### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.
- You may ask for more answer paper and graph paper, which must be tagged securely to this answer booklet.
- The paper reference for this paper is 1350/2B.

#### Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

**1** Gerry is a teaching assistant.

The four students he supports each completed a short test consisting of four questions. Their marks in the short test are shown in the table.

Student	Question 1	Question 1	Question 3	Question 4	Total mark	Percentage (%)
Rachel	3	3	4	5	15	60
Shafi	3	3	4	9	19	76
Ash	2	1	2	5	10	40
Karen	3	2	4	5	14	56
Mode	3	3	4	5		·

1 (a) A teacher wants to find out the **maximum total mark** available in the short test.

Circle the maximum total mark.

[1 mark]

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1 (b)	Identify <b>one</b> formatting error in Gerry's table and suggest <b>three</b> improvemer make to the table.	
		[4 marks]
	Error	
	Improvement 1	
	Improvement 2	
	Improvement 3	
	Question 1 continues on the next page	

1 (c) Amy gave the same test to the five students she supports. Their marks are shown in the table.

Student	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4	Total mark	Percentage (%)
Ben	3	2	5	6	16	64
Cho	3	1	6	8	18	72
Liz	2	1	2	5	10	40
Nick	3	4	3	7	17	68
Paul	3	3	4	6	16	64

In a meeting, Amy presented her students' marks to her colleagues.

Two of her colleagues made the statements below.

'Most of the students that Amy supports did very well in Question 1.'

(Richard)

'The mean percentage for the five students that Amy supports is 60%.'

(Din)

Critically analyse these two statements. Show working to justify your comments where necessary.

## [4 marks]

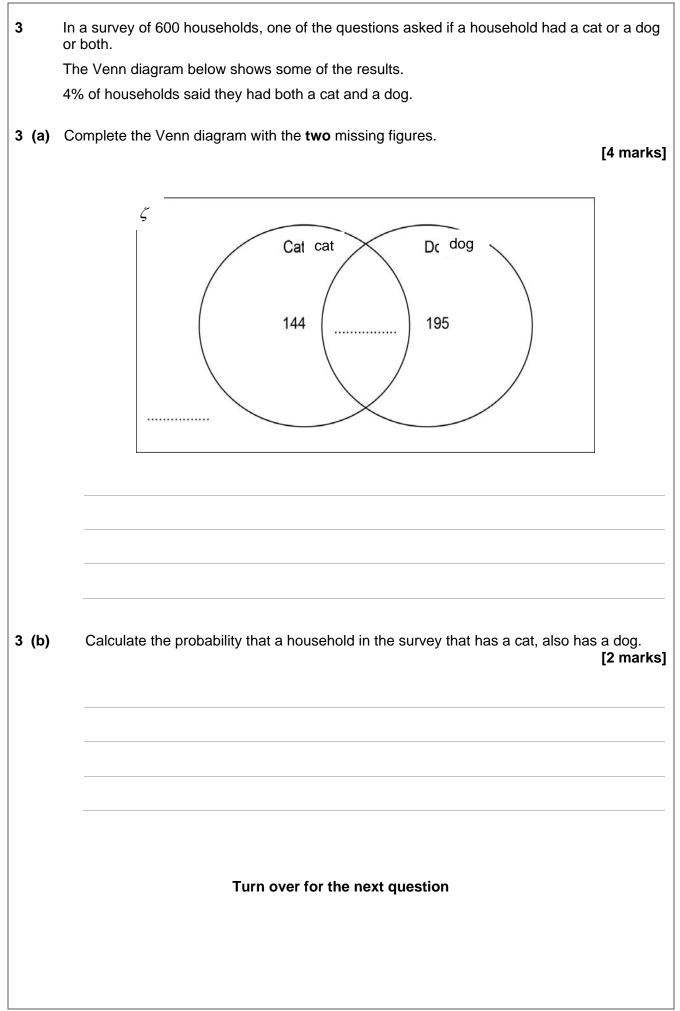
Richard's statement

Turn over for the next question	

2	Use <b>Communications Market Report</b> in the Preliminary Material.		
2 (a)	A journalist suggested that the format and content of the report were not presented well.		
	Give <b>three</b> examples to support her suggestion. [3 marks]		
	Example 1		
	Example 1		
	Example 2		
	Example 2		
	Example 3		

2 (b)	Christopher wants to find out the average time, in hours, spent per day browsin PCs or laptops in 2013 using the data from the CMR.	ng online on
	His calculation is as follows.	
	$31.24 \times 12 = 374.88$ hours $374.88 \div 355 = 1.056$ hours The average time spent per day browsing online is 1.056 hours.	
	Critically analyse Christopher's calculation.	[3 marks]
	Question 2 continues on the next page	

2 (c)	Three online bloggers made claims about the CMR as follows.
	'The number of superfast broadband connections had increased by a factor of three fifths in one year.'
	(Rasheed)
	'Overall, BT lost over 20000 landline customers in 2013.' (Francoise)
	'Overall in 2014, the number of national radio stations declined.' (Eugene)
	Does the data support these claims? Justify your answers. [5 marks]
	Rasheed
	Francoise
	Eugene



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In an online football game you can buy packs of player cards.

Each pack contains one 'special card', which is silver, gold or platinum.

The probabilities of getting each type of special card are shown in the table.

Type of special card	Probability
Silver	0.3
Gold	0.45
Platinum	0.25

# 4 (a) Ahmed buys two packs of player cards.

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Work out the probability that he gets two different types of special card.

[5 marks]

<b>4 (b)</b> gamers.	Ellie buys 80 packs of player cards. She tries to resell all the <b>silver</b> and <b>gold</b> special cards in the packs to other online		
	She receives		
	5 credits for each silver card sold		
	8 credits for each gold card sold.		
	She expects to sell 62.5% of the silver cards and 75% of the gold cards within 24 hours.		
	Calculate how many credits she can expect to receive within the 24 hours.		
	[5 marks]		

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# 5 A company makes bird baths from stone blocks.

into a

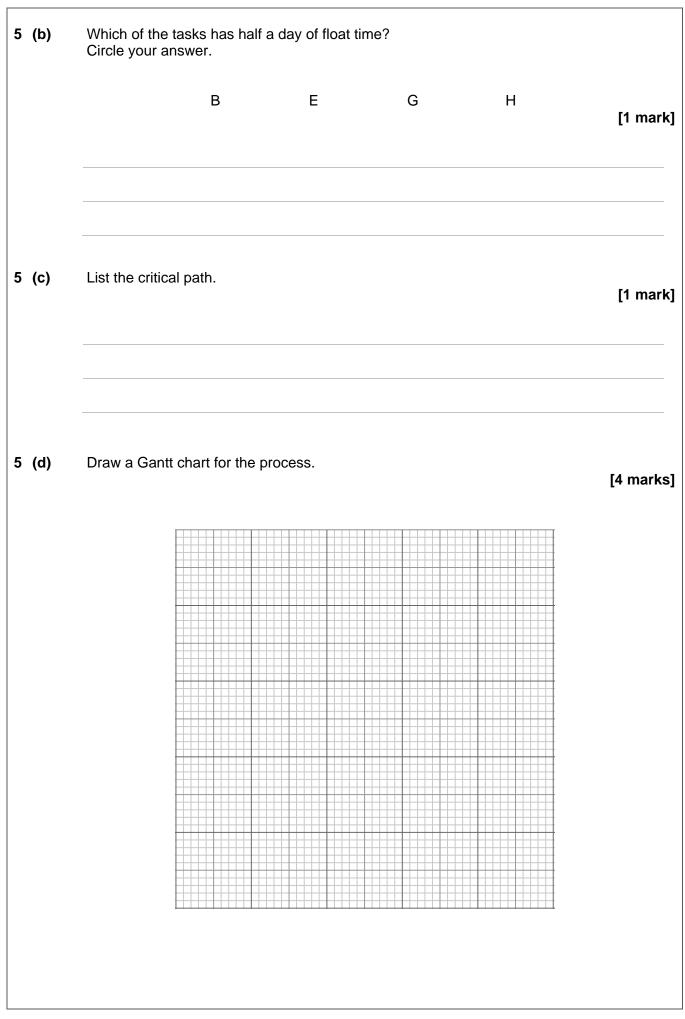
Once an order is received, the process of making and supplying a bird bath can be split number of activities, as shown.

Task	Activity	Immediate predecessor	Duration (days)
А	Receive and print out order	-	0.5
В	Upload order to company tracking system	A	1
С	Order stone blocks from supplier	A	1.5
D	Issue work order for employees	B, C	1
E	Create invoice and send to customer	В	1
F	Make bird bath	D	4.5
G	Process payment	E	0.5
Н	Print receipt	G	0.5
I	Package bird bath and send to customer	F, H	1.5

**5 (a)** Construct an activity network for this project.

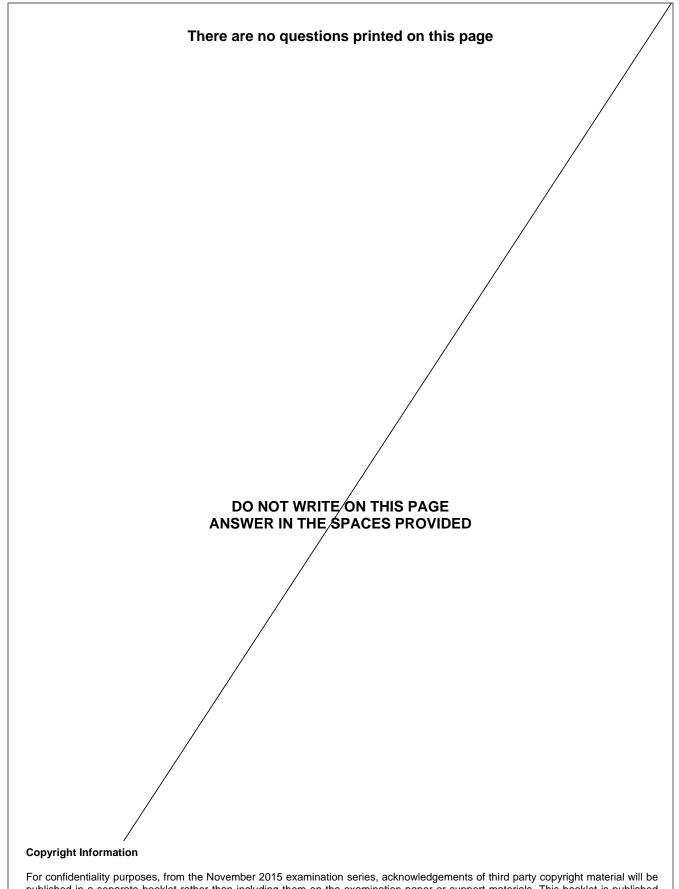
State the earliest start time and latest finish time for each activity.

[8 marks]



6	A company has a £6 million contract to build a boat next year. The contract has a 0.65 probability of delay. The penalty for delay is 10% of the value of the contract.
6 (a)	<ul> <li>Taking either of the following actions now would reduce the risk of delay.</li> <li>Reorganising the company at a cost of £120 000 would reduce the probability of delay to 0.3</li> <li>Upgrading the IT systems at a cost of £185 000 would reduce the probability of delay to 0.16</li> <li>Calculate the expected penalty if no action is taken to reduce the risk of delay.</li> </ul>
U (a)	[3 marks]

6 (h)	The company wants to reduce the risk of dolay
6 (b)	The company wants to reduce the risk of delay.
	State with justification which <b>one</b> of the actions you would recommend to the company. [7 marks]
	END OF QUESTIONS



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