

## EdExcel Further Pure 1

## Complex Numbers

## Section 1: Introduction to complex numbers

## Exercise

1. Find the roots of the following equations:

(i)  $z^2 + 25 = 0$

(ii)  $4z^2 + 9 = 0$

(iii)  $z^2 - 2z + 2 = 0$

(iv)  $4z^2 + 4z + 5 = 0$

(10 marks)

2. In each of the following cases find

(a)  $z_1 + z_2$

(b)  $z_1 - z_2$

(c)  $z_1 z_2$

(d)  $z_1^*$

(e)  $z_2^*$

(f)  $z_1^* + z_2^*$

(g)  $z_1^* - z_2^*$

(h)  $z_1^* z_2^*$

(i)  $z_1 = 2 + 3i$ ;  $z_2 = 1 - 2i$

(ii)  $z_1 = -2i$ ;  $z_2 = 3 + i$

What do you notice about the results?

(20 marks)

3. Given that
- $z = (a + i)^4$
- where
- $a$
- is real, find values for
- $a$
- such that

(a)  $z$  is real,

(b)  $z$  is wholly imaginary.

(8 marks)

4. Simplify and write in the form
- $a + bi$

(i)  $\frac{1}{3+2i} + \frac{1}{3-2i}$

(ii)  $3+i + \frac{4}{3-i}$

(iii)  $\frac{3}{1-i} - \frac{2i}{2+i}$

(8 marks)

5. Find the values of
- $p$
- and
- $q$
- given that one root of the equation
- $z^2 + pz + q = 0$
- is

(i)  $2 - i$

(ii)  $1 - 3i$

(iii)  $2i$

(iv)  $5 - 3i$

(8 marks)

6. Given that
- $\frac{5}{a+bi} + \frac{2}{1+3i} = 1$
- , where
- $a$
- and
- $b$
- are real, find
- $a$
- and
- $b$
- .

(6 marks)

Total : 60

# COMPLEX NUMBERS - EXAM QUESTIONS

1 The complex numbers  $2 + 3i$  and  $4 - i$  are denoted by  $z$  and  $w$  respectively. Express each of the following in the form  $x + iy$ , showing clearly how you obtain your answers.

(i)  $z + 5w$ , [2]

(ii)  $z^*w$ , where  $z^*$  is the complex conjugate of  $z$ , [3]

(iii)  $\frac{1}{w}$ . [2]

(Q3, June 2005)

2 Use an algebraic method to find the square roots of the complex number  $21 - 20i$ . [6]

(Q4, June 2005)

3 (i) Express  $(1 + 8i)(2 - i)$  in the form  $x + iy$ , showing clearly how you obtain your answer. [2]

(ii) Hence express  $\frac{1 + 8i}{2 + i}$  in the form  $x + iy$ . [3]

(Q1, Jan 2006)

4 One root of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are real, is the complex number  $2 - 3i$ .

(i) Write down the other root. [1]

(Q3, June 2006)

5 The complex number  $z$  satisfies the equation  $z + 2iz^* = 12 + 9i$ . Find  $z$ , giving your answer in the form  $x + iy$ . [5]

(Q3, Jan 2010)

6 The complex numbers  $3 - 2i$  and  $2 + i$  are denoted by  $z$  and  $w$  respectively. Find, giving your answers in the form  $x + iy$  and showing clearly how you obtain these answers,

(i)  $2z - 3w$ , [2]

(ii)  $(iz)^2$ , [3]

(iii)  $\frac{z}{w}$ . [3]

(Q5, June 2006)

7 Express  $\frac{2 + 3i}{5 - i}$  in the form  $x + iy$ , showing clearly how you obtain your answer. [4]

(Q1, Jan 2009)

8 Use an algebraic method to find the square roots of the complex number  $15 + 8i$ . [6]

(Q2, Jan 2007)

9 (i) Use an algebraic method to find the square roots of the complex number  $5 + 12i$ . [5]

(ii) Find  $(3 - 2i)^2$ . [2]

(iii) Hence solve the quartic equation  $x^4 - 10x^2 + 169 = 0$ . [4]

(Q9, June 2008)