
GCSE Mathematics

The Sine Rule

Mark Scheme - Higher Tier | Grades 6-8

M = method mark, A = accuracy mark (dependent on the preceding M mark), B = independent mark.

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Edexcel-style questions

Q1 Grade 6 Edexcel style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$b / \sin 65^\circ = 10 / \sin 40^\circ$	M1
(a)	$b = 10 \times \sin 65^\circ \div \sin 40^\circ$	M1
(a)	$b = 14.1 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Q2 Grade 7 Edexcel style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\sin B / 11 = \sin 45^\circ / 9$	M1
(a)	$\sin B = 11 \times \sin 45^\circ \div 9$	M1
(a)	$B = 59.8^\circ \text{ (1 d.p.)}$	A1

Q3 Grade 7 Edexcel style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\text{angle } C = 180^\circ - 50^\circ - 60^\circ = 70^\circ$	M1
(a)	$c / \sin 70^\circ = 8 / \sin 50^\circ$	M1
(a)	$c = 9.81 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Q4 Grade 6 Edexcel style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	two sides and the included angle are known (SAS)	M1
(a)	cosine rule	A1

Q5 Grade 8 Edexcel style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\text{angle } R = 180^\circ - 52^\circ - 71^\circ = 57^\circ$	M1
(a)	$QR / \sin 52^\circ = 45 / \sin 57^\circ$	M1
(a)	$QR = 42.3 \text{ m (3 s.f.)}$	A1

AQA-style questions

Q6 Grade 6 AQA style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$b / \sin 70^\circ = 12 / \sin 50^\circ$	M1
(a)	$b = 12 \times \sin 70^\circ \div \sin 50^\circ$	M1
(a)	$b = 14.7 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Q7 Grade 7 AQA style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\sin B / 10 = \sin 38^\circ / 7$	M1
(a)	$\sin B = 10 \times \sin 38^\circ \div 7$	M1
(a)	$B = 61.6^\circ \text{ (1 d.p.)}$	A1

Q8 Grade 7 AQA style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\text{angle } C = 180^\circ - 42^\circ - 68^\circ = 70^\circ$	M1
(a)	$c / \sin 70^\circ = 9 / \sin 42^\circ$	M1
(a)	$c = 12.6 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Q9 Grade 6 AQA style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	two angles and a side are known	M1
(a)	sine rule	A1

Q10 Grade 8 AQA style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\text{angle } R = 180^\circ - 48^\circ - 63^\circ = 69^\circ$	M1
(a)	$QR / \sin 48^\circ = 38 / \sin 69^\circ$	M1
(a)	$QR = 30.2 \text{ m (3 s.f.)}$	A1

OCR-style questions

Q11 Grade 6 OCR style**Total: 3**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$b / \sin 80^\circ = 8 / \sin 35^\circ$	M1
(a)	$b = 8 \times \sin 80^\circ \div \sin 35^\circ$	M1
(a)	$b = 13.7 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Q12 Grade 7 OCR style**Total: 3**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\sin B / 12 = \sin 60^\circ / 14$	M1
(a)	$\sin B = 12 \times \sin 60^\circ \div 14$	M1
(a)	$B = 47.9^\circ \text{ (1 d.p.)}$	A1

Q13 Grade 8 OCR style**Total: 3**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\text{angle } C = 180^\circ - 55^\circ - 45^\circ = 80^\circ$	M1
(a)	$c / \sin 80^\circ = 11 / \sin 55^\circ$	M1
(a)	$c = 13.2 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Q14 Grade 7 OCR style**Total: 2**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	all three sides are known and no angle is known (SSS)	M1
(a)	cosine rule	A1

Q15 Grade 8 OCR style**Total: 3**

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\text{angle } R = 180^\circ - 60^\circ - 55^\circ = 65^\circ$	M1
(a)	$QR / \sin 60^\circ = 52 / \sin 65^\circ$	M1
(a)	$QR = 49.7 \text{ m (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Teachably-style questions

Q16 Grade 6 Teachably style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$b / \sin 60^\circ = 15 / \sin 55^\circ$	M1
(a)	$b = 15 \times \sin 60^\circ \div \sin 55^\circ$	M1
(a)	$b = 15.9 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Q17 Grade 7 Teachably style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\sin B / 13 = \sin 48^\circ / 10$	M1
(a)	$\sin B = 13 \times \sin 48^\circ \div 10$	M1
(a)	$B = 75.0^\circ \text{ (1 d.p.)}$	A1

Q18 Grade 8 Teachably style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\text{angle } C = 180^\circ - 38^\circ - 97^\circ = 45^\circ$	M1
(a)	$c / \sin 45^\circ = 6 / \sin 38^\circ$	M1
(a)	$c = 6.89 \text{ cm (3 s.f.)}$	A1

Q19 Grade 7 Teachably style

Total: 2

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	a side and its opposite angle are known, plus another side	M1
(a)	sine rule	A1

Q20 Grade 8 Teachably style

Total: 3

Part	Mark scheme	Marks
(a)	$\text{angle } R = 180^\circ - 44^\circ - 82^\circ = 54^\circ$	M1
(a)	$QR / \sin 44^\circ = 29 / \sin 54^\circ$	M1
(a)	$QR = 24.9 \text{ m (3 s.f.)}$	A1

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