

A-Level Starter Activity



Topic: Solving Linear Simultaneous Equations
Chapter Reference: Pure 1, Chapter 3

**8
minutes**

1. Solve the following simultaneous equations,

$$2y = x + 6$$

$$y = 2x - 3$$

(3)

2. Solve the following simultaneous equations,

$$3x - 2y = 9$$

$$x + 4y = 10$$

(3)

3. Solve the following simultaneous equations,

$$5x + 4y = 3$$

$$x - 2y = 2$$

(3)

Solutions

1.

$2y = x + 6$ $y = 2x - 3$	M1
$2(2x - 3) = x + 6$ $4x - 6 = x + 6$ $3x = 12$ $x = 4$	M1
$y = 2(4) - 3$ $y = 5$	M1

2.

$3x - 2y = 9$ $x + 4y = 10$	M1
$x = 10 - 4y$ $3(10 - 4y) - 2y = 9$ $30 - 14y = 9$ $14y = 21$ $y = 1.5$	M1
$x + 4(1.5) = 10$ $x = 4$	M1

3.

$5x + 4y = 3$ $x - 2y = 2$	M1
$x = 2 + 2y$ $5(2 + 2y) + 4y = 3$ $10 + 10y + 4y = 3$ $14y = -7$ $y = -\frac{1}{2}$	M1
$x = 2y + 2$ $x = (2 \times -\frac{1}{2}) + 2$ $x = 1$	M1



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Topic: Quadratic and Linear Inequalities

Chapter Reference: Pure 1, Chapter 3

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1. Find the set of values of x for which,

 - $3(x - 2) < 8 - 2x$ (2)
 - $(2x - 7)(1 + x) < 0$ (3)
 - Both $3(x - 2) < 8 - 2x$ and $(2x - 7)(1 + x) < 0$ (1)

2. Find the coordinates of the points of intersection of the curve $y = 12 - x - x^2$ and the line $3x + y = 4$ (5)

Solutions

1a.

$3(x - 2) < 8 - 2x$ $3x - 6 < 8 - 2x$ $5x < 14$ $x < \frac{14}{5}$	M1
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1b.

$(2x - 7)(1 + x) < 0$ $x = \frac{7}{2}$	M1
$x = -1$	M1
$-1 < x < \frac{7}{2}$	

1c.

$-1 < x < \frac{14}{5}$	M1
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2.

$4 - 2x = 12 - x - x^2$ $x^2 - 2x - 8 = 0$ $(x - 4)(x + 2) = 0$ $x = 4$ $y = 4 - 3(4) = -8$	M1
$x = -2$ $y = 4 - 3(-2) = 10$	M1



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Topic: Drawing Quadratic Inequalities

Chapter Reference: Pure 1, Chapter 3

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minutes

1. Draw the graph of $x^2 + 11x + 28 \leq 0$ and indicate the solutions of x . (4)

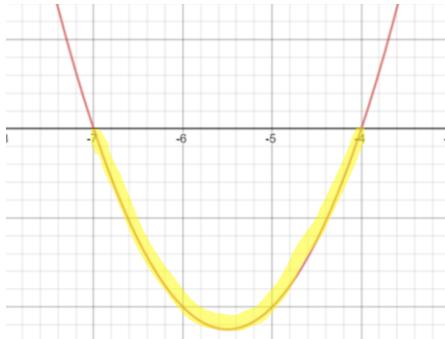
2. Draw the graph of $3x^2 + 2x - 5 > 0$ and indicate the solutions of x . (3)

Solutions

1.

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + 11x + 28 &\leq 0 \\(x + 7)(x + 4) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= -7 \\x &= -4\end{aligned}$$

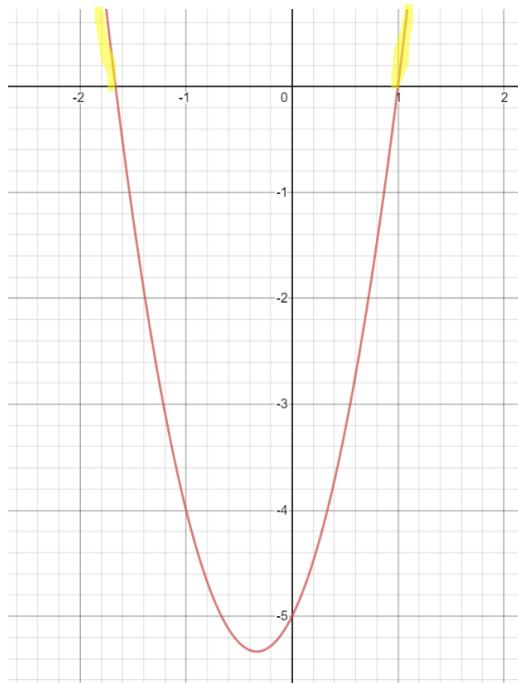
M1**M1**Shape **M1****Solutions** are points below the x -axis **M1**

$$-4 \leq x \leq -7$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}3x^2 + 2x - 5 &= 0 \\(3x + 5)(x - 1) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x &= -\frac{5}{3} \\x &= 1\end{aligned}$$

M1**M1**Shape **M1****Solutions** are points above the x -axis **M1**

$$\begin{aligned}x &> -\frac{5}{3} \\x &> 1\end{aligned}$$

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Topic: Solving Quadratic Simultaneous Equations

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minutes

1. Solve the following simultaneous equations,

$$y - 3x = 4$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 34$$

(5)

2. Solve the following simultaneous equations,

$$x = 3 + 2y$$

$$x^2 + 2y^2 = 27$$

(5)

Solutions

1.

$y = 4 + 3x$ $x^2 + (4 + 3x)(4 + 3x) = 34$ $x^2 + 16 + 12x + 12x + 9x^2 = 34$ $10x^2 + 24x - 18 = 0$	M1
$5x^2 + 12x - 9 = 0$ $(x + 3)(5x - 3) = 0$	M1
$x = -3$ $x = \frac{3}{5}$	M1
When $x = -3$, $y = 4 + 3(-3)$ $y = -5$	M1
When $x = \frac{3}{5}$, $y = 4 + 3(\frac{3}{5})$ $y = 5\frac{4}{5}$	M1

2.

$(3 + 2y)^2 + 2y^2 = 27$ $(3 + 2y)(3 + 2y) + 2y^2 = 27$ $9 + 4y^2 + 6y + 6y + 2y^2 = 27$	M1
$6y^2 + 12y - 18 = 0$ $y^2 + 2y - 3 = 0$	M1
$(y - 1)(y + 3) = 0$ $y = 1$ $y = -3$	M1
When $y = 1$, $x = 3 + 2(1)$ $x = 5$	M1
When $y = -3$, $x = 3 + 2(-3)$ $x = -3$	M1

