

Marking Scheme: Three questions carry 10 marks each. Questions have 3 subparts each. Subparts (a) and (b) carry 3 marks each and subpart (c) carries 4 marks.

Question 1:

- **a.** Subtract a 2b c from the sum of 3a b + c and a + b 3c.
- **b.** Evaluate: $(1/2)^{-2} + (2/3)^{-2} + (3/4)^{-2}$
- c. Multiply the following binomials:
 (i) (ax by) (ax + by)
 (ii) (x + 9) by (y + 2)

Question 2:

- **a.** If $5^{2x+1} x 25 = 5^{x+4}$, find the value of x.
- **b.** Multiply polynomial by monomial:
- (i) $(x + x^2 + 1)$ and 5x (ii) $(am + bm^2 + 5m)$ and m^2
- c. Find the product of the three monomials:
 (i) 7ab²c⁵, 4a³b²c² and 2abc²
 (ii) xy², 2x²y and xy

Question 3:

- a. If $P = a^2 2bc + b^2$, $Q = -b^2 + bc c^2$ and $R = c^2 + cb + a^2$ then, find the value of P + Q + R.
- **b.** Find the value of: $(3^{-1} + 4^{-1})^{-1} \div 5^{-1}$
- c. i. By what number should $(-6)^{-1}$ be multiplied so that the product becomes 9^{-1} ? ii. Find the value of n, when $3^n = 243$