Permutations/Combinations/Binomial Theorem

January 2014

Question 4 (calculator)

2 marks

Find and simplify the last term in the expansion of $(2y - 3x)^7$.

Question 6

2 marks

How many different ways can 4 girls and 4 boys be arranged in a row if the girls and the boys must alternate?

Question 28

Solve the following equation:

 $_{n}P_{2}=_{n}C_{3}$

Question 38

2 marks

Evaluate the coefficient of the term containing x^3 in the expansion of $(1 + x)^7$.

Justify your answer.

June 2013

Question 4 (calculator)

3 marks

The 4th term in the binomial expansion of $\left(qx^2 - \frac{3}{x}\right)^{10}$ is 414 720 x^{11} .

Determine the value of q algebraically.

Question 5

1 mark

Bella has 2 pairs of shoes, 3 pairs of pants, and 10 shirts. Carey has 4 pairs of shoes, 4 pairs of pants, and 4 shirts. An outfit is made up of one pair of shoes, one pair of pants, and one shirt.

Who can make more outfits? Justify your answer.

Question 6

2 marks

In the binomial expansion of $(x - y)^{10}$, how many terms will be positive?

Justify your answer.

Question 16

3 marks

Solve algebraically:

$$_{n}C_{2} = 4n + 5$$