

# SHREWSBURY SCHOOL.

## ARITHMETIC PRIZE 1938

1. (a) £114 : 7 : 6 amounts to £164 : 4 : 10 in 12 years at Compound Interest. What would it amount to in—  
 (i) 6 years (ii) 18 years.
- (b) Find the interest at compound rate on £3 : 7 : 9 at 4% for 16 years to the nearest penny.

2. Evaluate  $\left\{ (.01371)^{.01371} + (.145)^{.145} \right\}^{3.172}$

3. Factorise (i)  $2x^3 - 3x^2 - 174x - 385$   
 (ii)  $a^3x^3 + ac^2x^2 + ad^2x - bc^2x - b^3 - bd^2$   
 (iii)  $x^8 - 56x^4 + 16$ .

4. A man buys goods on the understanding that he will receive a discount proportional to the amount bought.

He finds that if he had bought two different quantities of goods together instead of separately he could actually have bought  $\frac{1}{20}$  more for the same money. If no discount at all had been allowed he could have bought  $\frac{1}{20}$  less. Find the ratio of the two separate quantities bought.

5. In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\hat{BAC} = 90^\circ$ ;  $ABXY$ ,  $ACZW$  are squares outside  $\triangle ABC$ ;  $BZ$ ,  $CX$  cut  $AC$ ,  $AB$  at  $K$  and  $H$ ; prove  $AH = AK$ .

6. (i) Show how to construct a triangle given the length of its medians.  
 (ii) Show how to construct a right-angled triangle given the length of its hypotenuse and the sum of the lengths of the other two sides. No calculation is permitted.

7.  $ABCD A'B'C'D'$  is a rectangular solid;  $AA'$ ,  $BB'$ ,  $CC'$ ,  $DD'$  are vertical;  $AB = x''$ ,  $BC = (x + 1)''$ ,  $AA' = x(x + 1)''$ . Calculate (i)  $AC'$  (ii) the shortest distance from  $A$  to  $C$  by a path crossing  $A'B'C'D'$ . (iii) the volume of the tetrahedron  $ABCB'$ .

8. A road 324 ft. long and 20 ft. wide is at an inclination of 1 in 3. A man walks up the road in a zig-zag path whose inclination to the horizontal is 1 in 5. How far does he walk in reaching the top and what is the angle between his path and the line of greatest slope of the road.