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Part A: Knowledge and Understanding (20 marks)

1) Indicate whether each statement is True or False (5 marks)

a) the slope of the tangent to $f(x) = \sqrt{1 - 2x}$ at $(-4, 3)$ is $\frac{-2}{3}$

b) you can use product rule to differentiate a rational function

c) if f and g are differentiable, then the derivative of $f(x) + g(x)$ is $f'(x) + g'(x)$.

d) If a function is differentiable at point $(a, f(a))$, then $f(x)$ is continuous at $x = a$.

e) the derivative of $f(x) = 240(1 - \frac{x}{30})$ is $f'(x) = -8x$.

2) The following limit represents the derivative of some function $f(x)$ at some number

a. State $f(x)$ and a . (2 marks)

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+h)^9 - 1}{h}$$

3) Write an expression for $h'(x)$ if $h(x) = p(x)q(x)r(x)s(x)$ (1 marks)

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4) Differentiate $f(x) = (3x + 1)^4(x^3 - x + 1)^5$ and express answer in simplified factored form. (4 marks)

5) Differentiate $f(x) = \frac{3x^2(1-2x^3)}{(1+x)^3}$. Do not simplify. (2 marks)

6) Use the chain rule in Leibniz notation to find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ when $x = 3$ (5 marks)

$$y = 2u^3 + 3u^2 - 1 \quad u = \frac{1}{2-x}$$

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Part B: Application (20 marks)

1) For which values of x is the slope of the tangent to the curve $f(x) = \frac{5x}{x+2}$ parallel with equation $2x - 5y - 9 = 0$? (6 marks)

2) Determine the equation of the tangent to the curve $f(x) = (\sqrt{x^2 - 9})^3$ at $x = 5$. (5 marks)

3) The function $s(t) = (2t^3 + 3t^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ represents the displacement s , in metres, of a particle after t seconds. Determine the velocity when $t = 3$. (4 marks)

4) Find $h'(2)$ given $h(x) = f(g(x))$, $f(u) = 2u^3 - 2u$, $g(2) = 3$ and $g'(2) = 4$. (5 marks)

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Part C: Thinking (14 marks)

1) If $f(x)$ is a differentiable function, determine an expression for the derivative of

$$g(x) = 4x^3 f(3x^2 - 2x + 1)$$

2) Find numbers a , b and c so that the graph $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ has x intercepts -4 and 5 , and a tangent with a slope of 6 when $x = 2$.

3) Show that $\frac{dy}{dx} = (2a + 5b)x^{2a+5b-1}$ if $y = \frac{x^{3a+3b}}{x^{a-2b}}$ and a and b are integers.

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Part D: Communication (8 marks)

1) A classmate says "the derivative of a quartic polynomial function is a cubic polynomial function". Is this statement always true, sometimes true, or never true? (2 marks)

2) Illustrate two situations in which a function does not have a derivative at $x = 2$. (2 marks)

3) Explain when and how you would use the chain rule? (2 marks)

4) State two methods you can use to differentiate $f(x) = (x^2 - 4x + 2)(x^4 + 2)$? (2 marks)

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