

| Question | Scheme | Marks | AOs |
|----------|---|------------|------|
| 9 | $2\log_4(2-x) - \log_4(x+5) = 1$ | | |
| | Uses the power law $\log_4(2-x)^2 - \log_4(x+5) = 1$ | M1 | 1.1b |
| | Uses the subtraction law $\log_4 \frac{(2-x)^2}{(x+5)} = 1$ | M1 | 1.1b |
| | $\frac{(2-x)^2}{(x+5)} = 4 \rightarrow 3\text{TQ in } x$ | dM1 | 3.1a |
| | $x^2 - 8x - 16 = 0$ | A1 | 1.1b |
| | $(x-4)^2 = 32 \Rightarrow x =$ | M1 | 1.1b |
| | $x = 4 - 4\sqrt{2}$ oe only | A1 | 2.3 |
| | | (6) | |

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Notes:

M1: Uses the power law of logs $2\log_4(2-x) = \log_4(2-x)^2$

M1: Uses the subtraction law of logs following the above $\log_4(2-x)^2 - \log_4(x+5) = \log_4 \frac{(2-x)^2}{(x+5)}$

Alternatively uses the addition law following use of $1 = \log_4 4$ That is $1 + \log_4(x+5) = \log_4 4(x+5)$

dM1: This can be awarded for the overall strategy leading to a 3TQ in x . It is dependent upon the correct use of both previous M's and for undoing the logs to reach a 3TQ equation in x

A1: For a correct equation in x

M1: For the correct method of solving their 3TQ = 0

A1: $x = 4 - 4\sqrt{2}$ or exact equivalent only. (For example accept $x = 4 - \sqrt{32}$)