

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
<b>6 (a)</b>	$(1+kx)^{10} = 1 + \binom{10}{1}(kx)^1 + \binom{10}{2}(kx)^2 + \binom{10}{3}(kx)^3 \dots$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
	$= 1 + 10kx + 45k^2x^2 + 120k^3x^3 \dots$	A1	1.1b
		<b>(3)</b>	
<b>(b)</b>	Sets $120k^3 = 3 \times 10k$	B1	1.2
	$4k^2 = 1 \Rightarrow k = \dots$	M1	1.1b
	$k = \pm \frac{1}{2}$	A1	1.1b
		<b>(3)</b>	
<b>(6 marks)</b>			

(a)

**M1:** An attempt at the binomial expansion. This may be awarded for either the second or third term or fourth term. The coefficients may be of the form  ${}^{10}C_1$ ,  $\binom{10}{2}$  etc or eg  $\frac{10 \times 9 \times 8}{3!}$

**A1:** A correct unsimplified binomial expansion. The coefficients must be numerical so cannot be of the form  ${}^{10}C_1$ ,  $\binom{10}{2}$ . Coefficients of the form  $\frac{10 \times 9 \times 8}{3!}$  are acceptable for this mark.

The bracketing must be correct on  $(kx)^2$  but allow recovery

**A1:**  $1 + 10kx + 45k^2x^2 + 120k^3x^3 \dots$  or  $1 + 10(kx) + 45(kx)^2 + 120(kx)^3 \dots$   
Allow if written as a list.

(b)

**B1:** Sets their  $120k^3 = 3 \times$  their  $10k$  (Seen or implied)  
For candidates who haven't cubed allow  $120k = 3 \times$  their  $10k$

If they write  $120k^3 x^3 = 3 \times$  their  $10kx$  only allow recovery of this mark if  $x$  disappears afterwards.

**M1:** Solves a cubic of the form  $Ak^3 = Bk$  by factorising out/cancelling the  $k$  and proceeding correctly to at least one value for  $k$ . Usually  $k = \sqrt{\frac{B}{A}}$

**A1:**  $k = \pm \frac{1}{2}$  o.e ignoring any reference to 0