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**In this question you must show all stages of your working.****Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.**

The value of a car, £ $V$ , is modelled by the equation

$$V = 1500 + Ae^{-kt}$$

where  $A$  and  $k$  are positive constants and  $t$  is the age of the car in years.

Given that

- the initial value of the car was £20 000
  - the value of the car was £12 000 when it was 2.5 years old
- (a) find a complete equation for the model, giving the exact value of  $A$  and the value of  $k$  to 3 significant figures.

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- (b) Show that the rate of change in the value of the car can be expressed in the form

$$-k(V - 1500)$$

**(3)**

- (c) State a limitation of this model.

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