

| Question | Scheme | Marks | AOs |
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| 12(a) | $4 1-3 -5=...$ or $4 -1-3 -5=...$ | M1 | 1.1b |
| | 3 and 11 | A1 | 1.1b |
| | | (2) | |
| (b) | $2(-5)+17=...$ | M1 | 1.1b |
| | $gf(x) \geq 7$ | A1 | 2.2a |
| | | (2) | |
| (c) | $k \dots -4$ | B1 | 2.2a |
| | Minimum at $(3, -5)$ so $k \dots -\frac{5}{3}$ | M1 | 3.1a |
| | $k < "-\frac{5}{3}"$ | A1ft | 1.1b |
| | | A1 | 2.5 |
| | | (4) | |

(8 marks)

Notes

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| (a) | <p>M1: Attempts $4 1-3 -5=...$ or $4 -1-3 -5=...$ proceeding to a value. Either correct value (3 or 11) that is clearly their answer can imply the M mark. Alternatively, attempts any of $-4(-1-3)-5$ or $-4(1-3)-5$ or $-4(-1)+7$ or $-4(1)+7$ i.e. without the modulus signs using the ‘left’ branch of the function.</p> <p>A1: Both 3 and 11 found and no other values that are clearly meant to be their answers (i.e. ignore reference to $a = 1$ or $a = -1$). Accept “3, 11” or “3 or 11” or “3 and 11” or $\{3, 11\}$ but not (3, 11). Condone $y = 3, 11$ but not $x = 3, 11$.</p> |
| (b) | <p>M1: Attempts $2(-5)+17$ which may be implied by sight of 7 used in their range, including in an incorrect range e.g. $f(x) > 7$ Alternatively, attempts $gf(x) = 2(4 x-3 -5)+17$ ($= 8 x-3 + "7"$) and replaces $x-3$ with 0 or x with 3 or simply deduces the minimum value of their “7” in this case. Must be an attempt at gf and not fg.</p> <p>A1: Deduces the range $gf(x) \geq 7$ using correct notation. Condone $y \geq 7$ but not e.g. $x \geq 7$ or $g(x) \geq 7$ or $f(x) \geq 7$ or $fg(x) \geq 7$ Other acceptable notation includes: $gf(x) \in [7, \infty)$ Do not accept $gf(x) \in [7, \infty]$ or $gf(x) \in (7, \infty)$</p> |
| (c) | <p>B1: Deduces $k \dots -4$ allow any equality or inequality here. Condone $k \dots \pm 4$ (but not just $k \dots 4$) and condone e.g. “gradient $\dots -4$” May be seen coming from e.g. $kx = -4x + 7 \rightarrow (k+4)x = 7$ or $x = \frac{7}{k+4}$ which is acceptable but see the note below. Should not be x or y for this mark but may be m. Note: Finding the ‘discriminant’ of a linear equation e.g. $(k+4)x - 7 = 0$ in order to obtain $k \dots -4$ is invalid and cannot earn either the B1 or the final A1 mark unless there is an alternative valid reason given.</p> <p>M1: Attempts to use the vertex to find the (upper) limit for k. Look for $\frac{\pm 5}{\pm 3}$ but allow this mark to be scored for $\frac{\pm B}{\pm A}$ if there is clear evidence that they think the vertex is at (A, B)</p> |

Allow use of m , x , y or another variable for this mark.

Alt 1 via squaring and the discriminant:

$$\begin{aligned}kx &= 4|x-3| - 5 \Rightarrow kx + 5 = 4|x-3| \\ \Rightarrow k^2x^2 + 10kx + 25 &= 16(x^2 - 6x + 9) \\ \Rightarrow (k^2 - 16)x^2 + (10k + 96)x - 119 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (10k + 96)^2 - 4(k^2 - 16)(-119) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 576k^2 + 1920k + 1600 &= 0 \Rightarrow k = -\frac{5}{3}\end{aligned}$$

Scores M1 for setting $kx = 4|x-3| - 5$, isolating $|x-3|$ (or $4|x-3|$), squaring both sides, using $b^2 - 4ac \dots 0$ where ... is any equality or inequality, and solving the resulting 3TQ using the usual rules and may be by calculator, leading to a value for k .
Condone slips in expanding the brackets.

Alt 2 via solving simultaneous equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{e.g. } kx &= 4(x-3) - 5 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-17}{k-4} \\ kx &= 4(3-x) - 5 \Rightarrow (k+4)x = 7 \\ \Rightarrow (k+4)\left(\frac{-17}{k-4}\right) &= 7 \Rightarrow k = -\frac{5}{3}\end{aligned}$$

Scores M1 for setting $kx = 4(x-3) - 5$ and $kx = 4(3-x) - 5$, eliminating x , and solving for k

A1ft: Uses their value of k , found using one of the above methods, as the upper end of the range for k , i.e., $k < -\frac{5}{3}$ which may be seen as part of their range. Condone $k \leq -\frac{5}{3}$ for this mark.

Score once seen as an upper limit and do not withhold if they then incorrectly combine as

e.g. $-\frac{5}{3} < k < -4$

Condone the use of m for this mark, but not x or y .

A1: $-4 \leq k < -\frac{5}{3}$ o.e. and no other solutions seen. Their range must use k and not e.g. x , y or m .

Other acceptable notation includes: $k \in \left[-4, -\frac{5}{3}\right)$, " $k < -\frac{5}{3}$ and

$$k \geq -4$$
, $k < -\frac{5}{3} \cap k \geq -4$

Do not accept e.g. " $k < -\frac{5}{3}$, $k \geq -4$ " or " $k < -\frac{5}{3}$ or $k \geq -4$ " or

$$k < -\frac{5}{3} \cup k \geq -4$$

Allow $-1.\dot{6}$ but **not** -1.6 or $-1.6\dots$ for $-\frac{5}{3}$