

Question		Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
11	(a)	$fg(x) = (6x - 2a)^2 + 8a(6x - 2a) + 4a^2$ $= 36x^2 + 24ax - 8a^2$ $(fg)'(x) = 72x + 24a = 0$ $x = -\frac{a}{3}, \text{ giving}$ $fg\left(-\frac{a}{3}\right) = (-4a)^2 + 8a(-4a) + 4a^2 = -12a^2$ <p>Stationary point of fg is a minimum so range of <math>fg(x) \geq -12a^2</math> or <math>[-12a^2]</math></p>	<b>B1</b>  <b>M1</b>  <b>M1</b>  <b>E1</b>  <b>[4]</b>	<b>1.1</b>  <b>1.1</b>  <b>2.1</b>  <b>2.2a</b>	Accept unsimplified form  Differentiate their $fg(x) = 0$ or use square completion: $4(9x^2 + 6ax - 2a^2) = 4(3x + a)^2 - 4a^2 - 8a^2$ Solve for $x$ and substitute their value for $x$ in $fg(x)$  Must mention minimum Do not accept $x \geq -12a^2$	<b>OR</b> <b>M1</b> Complete a square on $f(x)$ <b>A1</b> Obtain $(x + 4a)^2 - 12a^2$  <b>M1</b> Substitute $g(x)$ and simplify  <b>E1</b> Obtain $(6x + 2a)^2 - 12a^2$ or equivalent form and state $fg(x) \geq -12a^2$
11	(b)	$144 + 48a - 8a^2 = 144$ $a = 6$	<b>M1</b>  <b>M1</b> <b>A1</b>  <b>[3]</b>	<b>3.1a</b>  <b>1.1</b> <b>1.1</b>	Substitute $x = 2$ in their $fg(x)$ and equate to 144 Attempt to solve their equation Do not give this mark if $a = 0$ also given as an answer	
11	(c)	Each $y$ value in the range ( $y > -12a^2$ ) corresponds to two $x$ values, e.g. corresponds to $x = 1.46$ or $-5.46$  Therefore fg has no inverse	<b>M1</b>  <b>E1</b> <b>[2]</b>	<b>2.4</b>  <b>2.2a</b>	An example or graph must be given, or a clear explanation that quadratic functions on the real numbers are one-to-many.	