

Question		Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance
8	(a)	$\left(1 + \frac{3}{4}x\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 1 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(\frac{3}{4}x\right)$	B1	1.1	Correct first two terms Allow unsimplified Expect $1 + \frac{9}{8}x$

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			$+ \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2} \left(\frac{3}{4}x\right)^2$ $(4+3x)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 8\left(1+\frac{3}{4}x\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 8+9x+\frac{27}{16}x^2$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>B1FT</p> <p>[4]</p>	<p>1.1</p> <p>1.1</p> <p>1.1a</p>	<p>Attempt third term</p> <p>Obtain correct third term</p> <p>Multiply their 3 term expansion by 8</p>	<p>Condone lack of brackets when attempting to square ie $\frac{3}{4}x^2$</p> <p>Coefficient must be $\frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2}$ or equiv</p> <p>Allow unsimplified</p> <p>$\frac{3}{4}x^2$ is A0 unless recovered by later work</p> <p>Expect $\frac{27}{128}x^2$</p> <p>Bracket expanded and coefficients simplified</p> <p>If B1M1A1 awarded, but attempt to simplify then goes wrong, B1FT is not also awarded</p> <p>ISW once correct expansion seen</p>
8	(b)		$ x < \frac{4}{3}$ or $-\frac{4}{3} < x < \frac{4}{3}$	<p>B1</p> <p>[1]</p>	<p>1.1</p>	<p>Could also be $x \leq \frac{4}{3}$ or $-\frac{4}{3} \leq x \leq \frac{4}{3}$, as $n > 0$</p>	<p>Must be condition for x, not kx</p>

8	(c)		$(8+9x+\frac{27}{16}x^2)(1+2ax+a^2x^2)$ <p>coeff of x^2 is $8a^2 + 18a + \frac{27}{16}$</p>	<p>M1</p>	<p>3.1a</p>	<p>Expand $(1+ax)^2$ and attempt at least one coeff of x^2</p>	<p>Allow ax as middle term, and/or ax^2 as third term</p> <p>Attempt at x^2 term could be part of a fuller expansion</p>
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		$8a^2 + 18a + \frac{27}{16} = \frac{107}{16}$ $8a^2 + 18a - 5 = 0$ $(2a + 5)(4a - 1) = 0$ $a = -\frac{5}{2} \text{ and } a = \frac{1}{4}$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>[4]</p>	<p>1.1</p> <p>3.1a</p> <p>1.1</p>	<p>Attempt all three coeff of x^2, and no others</p> <p>Equate to $\frac{107}{16}$ to obtain correct quadratic</p> <p>Solve quadratic, possibly BC, to obtain $a = -\frac{5}{2}$ and $a = \frac{1}{4}$</p> <p>If part of fuller expansion then M1 awarded when only three relevant terms used</p> <p>aef, including unsimplified A0 if a mix of terms and coefficients, but can be recovered</p>