2			Numerator $\equiv (x + 1)(x - 2)(2x + 3)$	**M1**	**3.1a**	Attempt factorise numerator into 3 linear factors
			Denominator $\equiv (x + 1)(x - 2)$	**M1**	**1.1**	Attempt factorise denominator into 2 linear factors
				M1	**1.1**	"cancel" two common factors in num & denom
			Ans: $2x + 3$	**A1**	**1.1**	Allow no mention of $x \neq -1$ or $x \neq 2$ conditions.
						NB correct answer with no working or partial working: 4 marks
				[4]		SC: Answer $x + \frac{3}{2}$ B3

Alternative method

$$x^2 - x - 2 \overline{\smash{\big)}\, 2x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 6} \quad \underset{}{\overset{2x+3}{}}$$

$$\underline{2x^3 - 2x^2 - 4x}$$

$$3x^2 - 3x - 6$$

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$2x + 3$

	M1		Attempt long division by $x^2 - x - 2$ or by $x + 1$ or by $x - 2$
	A1		Obtain "$2x$" in quotient
	A1		Obtain "$+ 3$" in quotient
	A1		Answer $2x + 3$ clear (not just in the division sum)