

Algebra 201-007-50 C2

Quiz 8

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Name: SOLUTIONS

Student Number:

1. Solve:

a) (3 marks).

$$x^2 - 12x = 45$$

$$x^2 - 12x - 45 = 0$$

$$(x - 15)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ x - 15 = 0 \\ x = 15 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \searrow \\ x + 3 = 0 \\ x = -3 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{x = -3, 15}$$

b) (3 marks).

$$x^3 - 49x = 0$$

$$x(x-49) = 0$$

$$x(x+7)(x-7) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \swarrow & \downarrow & \searrow \\ x=0 & x+7=0 & x-7=0 \\ & x=-7 & x=7 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x = -7, 0, 7}$$

c) (4 marks).

$$4x^3 - 30x = 14x^2$$

$$4x^3 - 14x^2 - 30x = 0$$

$$2x(2x^2 - 7x - 15) = 0$$

$$2x(x-5)(2x+3) = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \swarrow & \downarrow & \searrow \\ 2x=0 & x-5=0 & 2x+3=0 \\ x=0 & x=5 & 2x=-3 \\ & & x=-\frac{3}{2} \end{array}$$

$$x = -\frac{3}{2}, 0, 5$$

$$\begin{array}{l} A \cdot B = -30 \quad | \quad A = -10 \\ A + B = -7 \quad | \quad B = 3 \end{array}$$

$$2x^2 - 7x - 15$$

$$= 2x^2 - 10x + 3x - 15$$

$$= 2x(x-5) + 3(x-5)$$

$$= (x-5)(2x+3)$$