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| 1 | Use logarithms to linearise an equation | M1 | |
| | Obtain $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{\ln 5}{\ln 2}$ or equivalent | A1 | |
| | Obtain answer 2.32 | A1 | 3 |

Q2.

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| 2 | (a) Obtain a linear equation, e.g. $x \log 3 = \log 8$
Obtain final answer 1.89 | B1
B1 | 2 |
| | (b) Use $2 \ln y = \ln(y^2)$
Use law for addition or subtraction of logarithms | M1
M1 | |
| | Obtain answer $z = \frac{y+2}{y^2}$ | A1 | 3 |

Q3.

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| 2 | (i) State or imply $y \ln 3 = (x+2) \ln 4$
State that this is of the form $ay = bx + c$ and thus a straight line, or equivalent | B1
B1 | |
| | State gradient is $\frac{\ln 4}{\ln 3}$, or equivalent (allow 1.26) | B1 | [3] |
| | (ii) Substitute $y = 2x$ and obtain a linear equation in x
Solve for x
Obtain answer 3.42 | M1*
M1(dep*)
A1 | [3] |

Q4.

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| 2 | Use law for the logarithm of a product, a quotient or a power
Obtain $x \ln 4 = \ln 2 + x \ln 3$, or equivalent
Solve for x
Obtain answer $x = 2.41$ | M1*
A1
M1 (dep*)
A1 | [4] |
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Q5.

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| 1 | Use logarithms to linearise an equation | M1 | |
| | Obtain $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{\ln 2.5}{\ln 1.25}$, or equivalent | A1 | |
| | Obtain answer 4.11 | A1√ | [3] |

Q6.

- 5 (i) State or imply $2^{-x} = \frac{1}{y}$, or $2^{-x} = y^{-1}$ B1
 Substitute and obtain a 3-term quadratic in y M1
 Obtain the given answer correctly A1 [3]
- (ii) Solve the given quadratic and carry out correct method for solving an equation of the form $2^x = a$, where $a > 0$ M1
 Obtain answer $x = 1.58$ or 1.585 A1
 Obtain answer $x = 0$ B1 [3]

Q7.

- 1 State or imply $y \log 2.8 = x \log 13$ B1
 Rearrange into form $y = \frac{\log 13}{\log 2.8} x$ or equivalent B1
 Obtain answer $k = 2.49$ B1 [3]

Q8.

- 3 State or imply that $\ln y = \ln K + m \ln x$ B1
 Equate intercept on axis for $\ln y$ to $\ln K$ M1
 Obtain 7.39 for K A1
 Attempt calculation of gradient of line M1
 Obtain 1.37 for m A1 [5]

Q9.

- 1 Attempt use of power law for logarithms M1*
 Obtain $x \log 3 = x \log 2 + 2 \log 2$ or equivalent A1
 Attempt solution for x of linear equation M1 dep*
 Obtain 3.42 A1 [4]

Q10.

- 2 State or imply that $\ln y = \ln A + x \ln b$ B1
 Equate intercept on y -axis to $\ln A$ M1
 Obtain $\ln A = 2.14$ and hence $A = 8.5$ A1
 Attempt gradient of line or equivalent (or use of correct substitution) M1
 Obtain $0.47 = \ln b$ or equivalent and hence $b = 1.6$ A1 [5]

Q11.

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| 2 | (i) State or imply equation in the form $(5^x)^2 + 5^x - 12 = 0$
Attempt solution of quadratic equation for 5^x
Obtain $5^x = 3$ only | B1
M1
A1 [3] |
| | (ii) Use logarithms to solve equation of the form $5^x = k$ where $k > 0$
Obtain 0.683 | M1
A1 [2] |

Q12.

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| 2 | Use $2 \ln x = \ln(x^2)$
Use law for addition or subtraction of logarithms
Obtain correct quadratic equation in x
Make reasonable solution attempt at a 3-term quadratic
(dependent on previous M marks)
State $x = \frac{3}{5}$ and no other solutions | M1
M1
A1
DM1

A1 [5] |
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Q13.

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| 4 | (i) State or imply $(y + 1) \log 5 = 3x \log 2$
State that this is of the form $ay = bx + c$ and thus a straight line, or equivalent | M1
A1 [2] |
| | (ii) State gradient is $\frac{3 \ln 2}{\ln 5}$, or equivalent, e.g. $3 \log_5 2$
State $(0, -1)$ | B1
B1 [2] |

Q14.

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| 3 | (i) State or imply that $9^x = y^2$
(ii) Carry out recognisable solution method for quadratic in y
Obtain $y = \frac{1}{2}$ and $y = 3$ from $2y^2 - 7y + 3 = 0$
Use log method to solve an equation of the form $3^x = k$
Obtain answer $x = -\frac{\ln 2}{\ln 3}$, or exact equivalent { <i>no any base</i> }
State exact answer $x = 1$ (no penalty if logs used) | B1
M1
A1
M1
A1
B1 | 1

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Q15.

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| 2 | State or imply at any stage $\ln y = \ln k - x \ln a$
Equate estimate of $\ln y$ - intercept to $\ln k$
Obtain value for k in the range 9.97 ± 0.51
Calculate gradient of the line of data points
Obtain value for a in the range 2.12 ± 0.11 | B1
M1
A1
M1
A1 |
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Q16.

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| 2 | Use logarithms to obtain an equation in $\ln x$ | M1 | |
| | Obtain $\ln x = \frac{\ln 11}{(3.9-3.2)}$, or equivalent | A1 | |
| | Obtain answer $x = 31$ (accept 30.7, 30.74) | A1 | 3 |

Q17.

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| 2 | (i) State or imply that $4^x = y^2$ ($=2^{2x}$) | B1 | |
| | (ii) Carry out recognizable solution method for a quadratic equation in y | M1 | |
| | Obtain $y = 3$ and $y = \frac{1}{3}$ from $3y^2 - 10y + 3 = 0$ | A1 | |
| | Use logarithmic method to solve an equation of the form $2^x = k$, where $k > 0$ | M1 | |
| | State answer 1.58 | A1 | |
| | State answer -1.58 | A1 | 5 |
- (A1 ✓ if ± 1.59)

Q18.

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| 3 | State or imply $\ln y = \ln A - x \ln b$ | B1 | |
| | State $\ln A = 1.3$ | B1 | |
| | Obtain $A = 3.67$ | B1 | |
| | Form a numerical expression for the gradient of the line | M1 | |
| | Obtain $b = 1.28$ | A1 | [5] |

Q19.

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| 2 | Use $\ln x^2 = 2 \ln x$ | B1 | |
| | Obtain $3 - x^2 = x^2$, or equivalent | B1 | |
| | Solve for x | M1 | |
| | Obtain answer $x = 1.22$, having rejected $x = -1.22$ | A1 | [4] |

Q20.

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| 2 | State or imply $2 \ln x = \ln(x^2)$ | B1 | |
| | Use law for the logarithm of a quotient or a product | M1 | |
| | Remove logarithms and obtain $yx^2 = y + 5$, or equivalent | A1 | |
| | Obtain answer $y = \frac{5}{x^2 - 1}$ | A1 | [4] |

Q21.

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| 2 | Use law for the logarithm of a product, a quotient or a power | M1* | |
| | Obtain $x \log 5 = (2x + 1) \log 2$, or equivalent | A1 | |
| | Solve for x , via correct manipulative technique(s) | M1(dep*) | |
| | Obtain answer $x = 3.11$. Allow $x \in [3.10, 3.11]$ | A1 | [4] |

Q22.

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| 5 | State or imply $\ln y = \ln A + x \ln b$ | B1 |
| | Form a numerical expression for the gradient of the line | M1 |
| | Obtain $b = 1.65$ | A1 |
| | Use gradient and one point correctly to find $\ln A$ | M1 |
| | Obtain $\ln A = 0.1$ | A1 |
| | Obtain $A = 1.11$ | A1 [6] |

Q23.

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| 4 | Carry out recognizable solution method for quadratic in 3^x | M1 |
| | Obtain $3^x = 5$ and $3^x = 2$ | A1 |
| | Use logarithmic method to solve an equation of the form $3^x = k$, where $k > 0$ | M1 |
| | State answer 1.46 | A1 |
| | State answer 0.631 | A1 [5] |

Q24.

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| 2 | Use law for the logarithm of a product, a quotient or a power | M1* |
| | Obtain $(x+1)\log 4 = (2x-3)\log 5$, or equivalent | A1 |
| | Solve for x | M1(dep*) |
| | Obtain answer $x = 3.39$ | A1 [4] |

Q25.

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| 3 | Use $2 \ln(x+3) = \ln(x+3)^2$ | M1 |
| | Use law for addition or subtraction of logarithms | M1 |
| | Obtain correct quadratic expression in x | A1 |
| | Make reasonable solution attempt at a 3-term quadratic | M1 |
| | State $x = 9$ and no other solutions (condone $x = -1$ not deleted) | A1 [5] |

Q26.

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| 2 | Use law for the logarithm of a product, a quotient or a power | M1* |
| | Obtain $x \log 5 = (2x-1) \log 3$ or equivalent | A1 |
| | Solve for x | M1(dep*) |
| | Obtain answer $x = 1.87$ | A1 [4] |

Q27.

- 5 State or imply $\ln y = \ln A - x \ln b$ B1
 Form a numerical expression for the gradient of the line M1
 Obtain $b = 1.82$ A1
 Use gradient and one point correctly to find $\ln A$ M1
 Obtain $\ln A = 3.5$ A1
 Obtain $A = 33.12$ A1 [6]

Q28.

- 5 State or imply $\ln y = \ln K + px \ln 2$ B1
 Obtain at least one of
 $1.87 = \ln K + 1.35p \ln 2$, $3.81 = \ln K + 3.35p \ln 2$, $p \ln 2 = \frac{3.81 - 1.87}{3.35 - 1.35}$
 or equivalents B1
 Solve equation(s) to find one constant, dependent on previous B1 M1
 Obtain $p = 1.40$ A1
 Substitute to attempt value of K DM1
 Obtain $\ln K = 0.5605$ and hence $K = 1.75$ A1 [6]

Q29.

- 2 State or imply $\ln y = \ln a + x \ln b$ B1
 Equate $\ln b$ to numerical gradient of line M1
 Obtain $b = 1.85$ A1
 Substitute to find value of a M1
 Obtain $a = 3.45$ A1 [5]

Q30.

- 4 (a) Use power law to produce $\ln(x-4)^2$ B1
 Apply logarithm laws to produce equation without logarithms M1
 Obtain $(x-4)^2 = 2x$ or equivalent A1
 Solve 3-term quadratic equation DM1
 Obtain (finally) $x = 8$ only A1 [5]
- (b) Apply logarithms and use power law (once) M1
 Obtain $\frac{\ln 10^{10}}{\ln 1.4}$ or equivalent as part of inequality or equation A1
 Conclude with single integer 69 A1 [3]

P3 (variant1 and 3)

Q1.

- 3 (i) *EITHER:* State or imply $n \ln x + \ln y = \ln C$ B1
 Substitute x - and y -values and solve for n M1
 Obtain $n = 1.50$ A1
 Solve for C M1
 Obtain $C = 6.00$ A1
OR: Obtain two correct equations by substituting x - and y -values in $x^n y = C$ B1
 Solve for n M1
 Obtain $n = 1.50$ A1
 Solve for C M1
 Obtain $C = 6.00$ A1 [5]
- (ii) State that the graph of $\ln y$ against $\ln x$ has equation $n \ln x + \ln y = \ln C$ which is *linear* in $\ln y$ and $\ln x$, or has equation of the form $nX + Y = \ln C$, where $X = \ln x$ and $Y = \ln y$, and is thus a straight line B1 [1]

Q2.

- 2 (i) State or imply $3 \ln y = \ln A + 2x$ at any stage B1
 State gradient is $\frac{2}{3}$, or equivalent B1 [2]
- (ii) Substitute $x = 0$, $\ln y = 0.5$ and solve for A M1
 Obtain $A = 4.48$ A1 [2]

Q3.

- 1 Use law for the logarithm of a product, power or quotient M1*
 Obtain a correct linear equation, e.g. $(2x - 1) \ln 5 = \ln 2 + x \ln 3$ A1
 Solve a linear equation for x M1(dep*)
 Obtain answer $x = 1.09$ A1 [4]
- [SR: Reduce equation to the form $a^x = b$ M1*, obtain $\left(\frac{25}{3}\right)^x = 10$ A1, use correct method to calculate value of x M1(dep*), obtain answer 1.09 A1.]

Q4.

- 2 Use law of the logarithm of a power and a product or quotient and remove logarithms M1
 Obtain a correct equation in any form, e.g. $\frac{2x+3}{x^2} = 3$ A1
 Solve 3-term quadratic obtaining at least one root M1
 Obtain final answer 1.39 only A1 [4]

Q5.

- 2 Use law for the logarithm of a product, quotient or power M1
 Use $\ln e = 1$ or $\exp(1) = e$ M1
 Obtain correct equation free of logarithms in any form, e.g. $\frac{y+1}{y} = ex^3$ A1
 Rearrange as $y = (ex^3 - 1)^{-1}$, or equivalent A1 [4]

Q6.

- 2 EITHER: Use laws of indices correctly and solve a linear equation for 3^x , or for 3^{-x} M1
 Obtain 3^x , or 3^{-x} in any correct form, e.g. $3^x = \frac{3^2}{(3^2 - 1)}$ A1
 Use correct method for solving $3^{ax} = a$ for x , where $a > 0$ M1
 Obtain answer $x = 0.107$ A1
 OR: State an appropriate iterative formula, e.g. $x_{n+1} = \frac{\ln(3^{x_n} + 9)}{\ln 3} - 2$ B1
 Use the formula correctly at least once M1
 Obtain answer $x = 0.107$ A1
 Show that the equation has no other root but 0.107 A1 [4]
 [For the solution 0.107 with no relevant working, award B1 and a further B1 if 0.107 is shown to be the only root.]

Q7.

- 2 Use law for the logarithm of a power, a quotient, or a product correctly at least once M1
 Use $\ln e = 1$ or $e = \exp(1)$ M1
 Obtain a correct equation free of logarithms, e.g. $1 + x^2 = ex^2$ A1
 Solve and obtain answer $x = 0.763$ only A1 [4]
 [For the solution $x = 0.763$ with no relevant working give B1, and a further B1 if 0.763 is shown to be the only root.]
 [Treat the use of logarithms to base 10 with answer 0.333 only, as a misread.]
 [SR: Allow iteration, giving B1 for an appropriate formula, e.g. $x_{n+1} = \exp((\ln(1 + x_n^2) - 1)/2)$, M1 for using it correctly once, A1 for 0.763, and A1 for showing the equation has no other root but 0.763.]

Q8.

- 1 Rearrange as $e^{2x} - e^x - 6 = 0$, or $u^2 - u - 6 = 0$, or equivalent B1
 Solve a 3-term quadratic for e^x or for u M1
 Obtain simplified solution $e^x = 3$ or $u = 3$ A1
 Obtain final answer $x = 1.10$ and no other A1 [4]

Q9.

- 2 EITHER Use laws of indices correctly and solve for 5^x or for 5^{-x} or for 5^{x-1} M1
- $$\frac{5}{1 - 1/\sqrt{5}}$$
- Obtain 5^x or for 5^{-x} or for 5^{x-1} in any correct form, e.g. $5^x =$ A1
- Use correct method for solving $5^x = a$, or $5^{-x} = a$, or $5^{x-1} = a$, where $a > 0$ M1
- Obtain answer $x = 1.14$ A1
- OR Use an appropriate iterative formula, e.g. $x_{n+1} =$ M1
- Obtain answer 1.14 A1
- Show sufficient iterations to at least 3 d.p. to justify 1.14 to 2 d.p., or show there is a sign change in the interval (1.135, 1.145) A1
- Show there is no other root A1 [4]
- [For the solution $x = 1.14$ with no relevant working give B1, and a further B1 if 1.14 is shown to be the only solution.]

Q10.

- 1 State or imply $\ln e = 1$ B1
- Apply at least one logarithm law for product or quotient correctly (or exponential equivalent) M1
- Obtain $x + 5 = ex$ or equivalent and hence $\frac{5}{e-1}$ A1 [3]

Q11.

- 2 EITHER: State or imply non-modular equation $2^2(3^x - 1)^2 = (3^x)^2$, or pair of equations $2(3^x - 1) = \pm 3^x$ M1
- Obtain $3^x = 2$ and $3^x = \frac{2}{3}$ (or $3^{x+1} = 2$) A1
- OR: Obtain $3^x = 2$ by solving an equation or by inspection B1
- Obtain $3^x = \frac{2}{3}$ (or $3^{x+1} = 2$) by solving an equation or by inspection B1
- Use correct method for solving an equation of the form $3^x = a$ (or $3^{x+1} = a$), where $a > 0$ M1
- Obtain final answers 0.631 and -0.369 A1 [4]

Q12.

- 1 Apply at least one logarithm property correctly *M1
- Obtain $\frac{(x+4)^2}{x} = x + a$ or equivalent **without logarithm** involved A1
- Rearrange to express x in terms of a M1 d*M
- Obtain $\frac{16}{a-8}$ or equivalent A1 [4]

Q13.

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| <p>6 (i) Use law for the logarithm for a product or quotient or exponentiation AND for a power
 Obtain $(4x - 5)^2(x + 1) = 27$
 Obtain given equation correctly $16x^3 - 24x^2 - 15x - 2 = 0$</p> | <p>M1
B1
A1</p> | <p>[3]</p> |
| <p>(ii) Obtain $x = 2$ is root or $(x - 2)$ is a factor, or likewise with $x = -\frac{1}{4}$
 Divide by $(x - 2)$ to reach a quotient of the form $16x^2 + kx$
 Obtain quotient $16x^2 + 8x + 1$

 Obtain $(x - 2)(4x + 1)^2$ or $(x - 2), (4x + 1), (4x + 1)$</p> | <p>B1
M1
A1

A1</p> | <p>[4]</p> |
| <p>(iii) State $x = 2$ only</p> | <p>A1</p> | <p>[1]</p> |

Q14.

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| <p>1 Use law of the logarithm of a quotient or product or $2 = \log_{10} 100$
 Remove logarithms and obtain $x + 9 = 100x$, or equivalent
 Obtain answer $x = \frac{1}{11}$</p> | <p>M1
A1
A1</p> | <p>3</p> |
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Q15.

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| <p>1 Use law of the logarithm of a power
 Obtain a correct linear equation in any form, e.g. $x = (x - 2) \ln 3$
 Obtain answer $x = 22.281$</p> | <p>M1
A1
A1</p> | <p>[3]</p> |
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