

# **Oxford Revise | AQA GCSE Maths Higher | Answers**

Chapter 26 Circle theorems and circle geometry

Question	Answer	Extra information	Marks
26.1	Substitute the coordinates $(1, 1)$ into the equation for the circle and show that it doesn't hold true: $1^2 + 1^2 \neq 1$	Substituting $(1, 1)$ into the equation Correct explanation	1 1
26.2 (a)	The radius is 4 and the centre is at (0, 0), so the circle's equation is $x^2 + y^2 = 16$		1
26.2 (b)	Substitute $x = 2\sqrt{2}$ and $y = 2\sqrt{2}$ into the equation $x^2 + y^2 = 16$ and see if it is a true statement: $(2\sqrt{2})^2 + (2\sqrt{2})^2 = 8 + 8 = 16$ The statement holds true, so the point lies on the circle	Substituting $x = 2\sqrt{2}$ and $y = 2\sqrt{2}$ into the equation Showing that the statement holds true	1
26.2 (c)	<i>y</i> = -4		1



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26.3	Gradient of the radius from origin to $(1, 2) = \frac{2}{1} = 2$ The tangent is perpendicular to the radius, so its gradient $= -\frac{1}{2}$ Equation of tangent line is of the form $y = -\frac{1}{2}x + c$ Use the point (1, 2) to find the value of $c$ : $2 = -\frac{1}{2} \times 1 + c$ c = 2.5 Thus, the equation of the tangent is $y = 2.5 - 0.5x$	Attempt to calculate gradient of the radius Negative reciprocal for tangent's gradient Attempt to substitute into $y = mx + c$ Attempting to solve to find $c$ . Correct answer	1 1 1 1 1

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26.4	Show that all the angles are right angles and that all the sides are the same length. Points are $A(0,\sqrt{10}), B(\sqrt{10},0), C(0,-\sqrt{10}), D(-\sqrt{10},0)$ To show <i>ABC</i> is a right angle, find the gradient of <i>AB</i> and of <i>BC</i> : Gradient of $AB = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{-\sqrt{10}} = -1$ Gradient of $BC = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{10}} = 1$ These gradients are perpendicular, so <i>ABC</i> is a right angle. The same result can be found for the other three angles. To show that the sides have the same length, use Pythagoras to find that: $AB = BC = CD = DA = \sqrt{10 + 10} = \sqrt{20}$ Thus, <i>ABCD</i> is a square.	Finding the coordinates of <i>A</i> , <i>B</i> , <i>C</i> and <i>D</i> Finding the gradient of any of <i>AB</i> , <i>BC</i> , <i>CD</i> or <i>DA</i> Finding the length of any of <i>AB</i> , <i>BC</i> , <i>CD</i> or <i>DA</i> Full proof (which includes all sides same length, all angles 90°) and conclusion.	1 1 1 1
26.5	$x = 72^{\circ}$ (angles in the same segment are equal)	Correct answer Correct theorem stated	1 1
26.6 (a)	$x = 78^{\circ}$ (angle at the centre is twice the angle at the circumference)	Correct answer Correct theorem stated	1 1

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26.6 (b)	You need to prove that $x = y$ First, draw the radii (see dotted lines). Now, you know that the angle at the centre is twice the angle at the circumference. Applying the theorem to $x$ and to $y$ , you have $z = 2x$ and $z = 2y$ so $2x = 2y$ and $x = y$ , as required.	Diagram showing the correct theorem to be proved Drawing the radii Applying 'angle at the centre is twice the angle at the circumference' (must be stated clearly) Clearly deducing that $x = y$ .	1 1 1
26.7	Angle $ADG = 90^{\circ}$ (The angle in a semicircle is a right angle.) Angle $CED = 49^{\circ}$ (Angles in a triangle sum to $180^{\circ}$ .) Angle $ACB = 41^{\circ}$ and angle $FEG = 49^{\circ}$ (Vertically opposite angles are equal.) Angle $EFG = 112^{\circ}$ (Angles in a triangle sum to $180^{\circ}$ .) Angle $GAB = 180 - 112 = 68^{\circ}$ (Opposite angles in a cyclic quadrilateral sum to $180^{\circ}$ .) $z = 68 - 21 = 47^{\circ}$	$ADG = 90^{\circ}$ $ACB = 41^{\circ}$ or CED = 49^{\circ} Correct circle theorem used and stated $z = 47^{\circ}$ Full geometric reasons given.	1 1 1 1
26.8	$x = 81^{\circ}$ ; the angle between the chord and tangent is equal to the angle in the alternate segment.	Correct answer Correct theorem stated	1 1

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26.9	Angle $X = angle \ Y = (180^\circ - 64^\circ) \div 2 = 58^\circ$ (Tangents to a circle from a point are equal in length, and base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal and angles in a triangle sum to $180^\circ$ .) Angle $Z = angle \ X (= angle \ Y) = 58^\circ$ (The angle between the chord and tangent is equal to the angle in the alternate segment.) $p = (180 - 58) \div 2 = 61^\circ$ (Base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal and angles in a triangle sum to $180^\circ$ .)	3 marks for $p = 61^{\circ}$ (can be shown on the diagram) or 1 mark for angle $X$ (or angle $Y = 58^{\circ}$ ) (can be shown on the diagram) 1 mark for angle $Z = 58^{\circ}$ (can be shown on the diagram) 1 mark for $p = 61^{\circ}$ ; 1 mark for fully correct reasons stated throughout.	1 1 1 1
26.10 (a)	Substitute the coordinates to show $(-4)^2 + 3^3 = 16 + 9 = 25$		1



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26.10 (b)	Circle with radius 5	Circle with centre at (0, 0) and radius 5	1
	Axis intercepts at $(5, 0), (0, 5), (-5, 0)$ and $(0, -5)$	Axis intercepts	1



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26.10 (c)	The angle in a semicircle is a right angle, so either <i>AC</i> or <i>BC</i> is a diameter. <i>A</i> and <i>BC</i> would each pass through the origin. By symmetry, the possible coordinates of <i>C</i> are $(4, -3)$ and $(-3, -4)$	Stating the correct circle theorem Correct coordinates for both possibilities	1 2

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	Rearranging, $y = -x - 6$ Substitute this value for y into the equation for the circle:	Rearranges and substitutes into the circle equation	1
	$x^2 + (-x - 6)^2 = 18$	Expand and simplifies to form a quadratic	1
	$x^2 + x^2 + 12x + 36 = 18$	Correct method to solve the quadratic	1
26.11	$2x^2 + 12x + 18 = 0$	Arrives at just one solution and makes	1
20.11	$x^2 + 6x + 9 = 0$	appropriate conclusion	
	$(x+3)^2 = 0$		
	x = -3		
	The line meets the circle at just the one point, where $x = -3$ so it must be a tangent.		
	$OAB = OCB = 90^{\circ}$		
	Using the triangle OAB, $OA = \frac{8}{\tan 50^\circ} = 6.7127$	$OAB = 90^\circ$ or $OCB = 90^\circ$	1
26.12	Area of kite = $2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 6.7127\right) = 53.7023$	Correct method to find radius of sector	
		(= 6.7127)	1
	Area of sector = $\pi \times 6.7127 \dots^2 \times \frac{100}{360} = 39.3237 \dots$	Correct method for area of kite	
	Shaded area = $53.7023 39.3237 = 14.4 \text{ cm}^2$ (3 sf)	Correct method area of sector Correct answer to 3 significant figures.	1
		Confect answer to 5 significant ligures.	L

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26.13	Using triangle VXW, Angle $OVW = 180 - (6 + 6 + 39 + 84) = 45^{\circ}$	Angle $VWX = 84^{\circ}$ Angle $OXV = 6^{\circ}$ Angle $OVX = 6^{\circ}$ Correct final answer	1 1 1 1
26.14	$\frac{6}{x+2} = \frac{9x+3}{6}$ $36 = 9x^2 + 18x + 3x + 6$ $9x^2 + 21x - 30 = 0$ $3x^2 + 7x - 10 = 0$ $(3x+10)(x-1) = 0$ $x = -\frac{10}{3}, x = 1$ Disregard $x = -\frac{10}{3}$ , because it is less than 0. Therefore $x = 1$ , and the first three terms are 3, 6, 12 Each term is twice the previous term; thus, the fifth term will be $12 \times 2 \times 2 = 48$	$\frac{6}{x+2} = \frac{9x+3}{6}$ $9x^2 + 21x - 30 = 0$ $x = -\frac{10}{3}, x = 1$ Use x = 1 to find first 3 terms of 3, 6 and 12 Finding the fifth term	1 1 1 1

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26.15	AB = 8.8, BC = 7.8  and  AC = 5.6 Let $a = BC, b = AC, c = AB$ Use the cosine rule to find the angle in question: $\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$ $A = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}\right)$ $= \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{8.8^2 + 5.6^2 - 7.8^2}{2 \times 8.8 \times 5.6}\right)$ = 60.88217 To the nearest degree, the angle $A = 60.9^{\circ}$	Identify that the problem requires the cosine rule, and attempt to use it cos <sup>-1</sup> (expression) attempted Fully correct, to 1 dp	1 1 1