

# Matrix Multiplication

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Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

1 Work out  $6 \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  [1 mark]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

2 Work out  $-4 \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  [1 mark]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

3 Work out  $3 \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  [1 mark]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

4 Work out  $-4 \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  [1 mark]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_



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5 Work out  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  [1 mark]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

6 Work out  $\begin{pmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 6 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  [1 mark]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

7 Work out  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  [2 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

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8 Work out  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 4 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$  [2 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

9 Work out  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$  [3 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_



10 Work out  $5 \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ -3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$

[2 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

11 Work out  $3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 \\ -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

[3 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

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12      $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 3 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$       $B = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$       $C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

12 (a) Work out **AB**

[1 mark]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

12 (b) Work out **2AC**

[3 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

12 (c) Work out **C<sup>2</sup>**

[2 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_



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12 (d) By finding **AC** and **CA**, show that matrix multiplication is not commutative.

[5 marks]

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Work out

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 1 \\ 1 & \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{3} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

[2 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

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Work out

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & 4 \\ a^2 & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4a^2 \\ a & -a^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Fully simplify your answer.

[4 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_





15  $a \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -9 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$

Work out the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

[5 marks]

$a =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $b =$  \_\_\_\_\_

16  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & c \\ d & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -12 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$

Work out the values of  $c$  and  $d$ .

[4 marks]

$c =$  \_\_\_\_\_  $d =$  \_\_\_\_\_ and  $d =$  \_\_\_\_\_





17  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$        $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$        $C = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$AB = kC^2$

Work out the values of  $k$  and  $x$ .

[5 marks]

$k =$  \_\_\_\_\_       $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_



18 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & b \\ a & 3b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 19 \end{pmatrix}$$

Work out two pairs of values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

[5 marks]

$a =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$b =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$a =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$b =$  \_\_\_\_\_