Functions

1.
$$f(x) = 2x^2$$
 and $g(x) = 5x - 4$.

(a) Find f(g(2)).

(b) Find a formula for f(g(x)).

2.
$$f(x) = \frac{2}{3x} - 1$$
 and $g(x) = \frac{2}{3x + 3}$ $x \neq -1, 0$

- (a) Given h(x) = f(g(x)), find a formula for h(x).
- (b) State the connection between f(x) and g(x).

3.
$$f(x) = 6x^2 - 4x$$
 and $g(x) = \frac{1}{3x - 6}, x \neq 2$

(a) Show that
$$g(f(x)) = \frac{1}{6(3x+1)(x-1)}$$
.

(b) State a suitable domain for g(f(x)).

4.
$$f(x) = \frac{2}{1-x}$$
 and $g(x) = 1 - \frac{2}{x}$, $x \neq 0, 1$

(a) find
$$f(g(x))$$

(b) State the connection between f and g.

5.
$$f(x) = (x - 1)(x + 3)$$
 and $g(x) = x^2 + 3$.

Show that $f(g(x)) - g(g(x)) = 2x^2$

6. The functions f and g, defined on suitable domains, are given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 4}$$
 and $g(x) = x + 1$.

- (a) Find an expression for h(x), where h(x) = f(g(x)). Give your answer as a single fraction.
- (b) State a suitable domain for h.

7. On a suitable set of real numbers, functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+3}$$
 and $g(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 3$

Find f(g(x)) in its simplest form.

8. A function f is defined on the set of real numbers by $f(x) = \frac{4-x}{x}, x \neq 0$

Find in its simplest form an expression for f(f(x)).

9.
$$f(x) = \frac{4}{x+2}$$
 and $g(x) = \frac{2}{x} - 2$, $x \neq -2,0$

Find f(g(x)) in its simplest form.

10.
$$f(x) = \frac{x-5}{x}$$
 and $g(x) = 3x - \frac{12}{x}, x \neq 0$
(a) Show that $f(g(x)) = \frac{(3x+4)(x-3)}{3(x-2)(x+2)}$

- (b) State a suitable domain for f(g(x)).
- 11. Two functions are defined as $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ and $g(x) = 2 x^2$.
 - (a) Find an expression for f(f(x)).
 - (b) Find a similar expression for g(g(x)) and hence show that $f(f(x)) + g(g(x)) = 6x^2$.
- 12. f(x) = 2x + 1 and $g(x) = x^2 + k$, where k is a constant.
 - (a) Find an expression for (i) g(f(x)) (ii) f(g(x)).
 - (b) Show that g(f(x)) f(g(x)) = 0 simplifies to $2x^2 + 4x k = 0$.
 - (c) Find the value of k for which $2x^2 + 4x k = 0$ has equal roots.