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Exam Style Questions

## Area of a Sector



Equipment needed: Calculator, pen

### Guidance

1. Read each question carefully before you begin answering it.
2. Check your answers seem right.
3. Always show your workings

Video Tutorial

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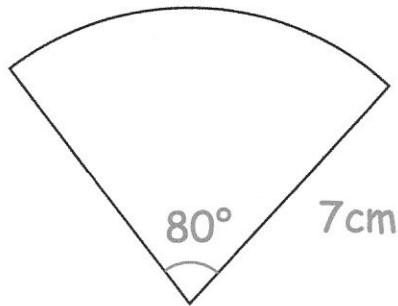
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Answers and Video Solutions



1. The diagram shows a sector of a circle with radius 7cm.



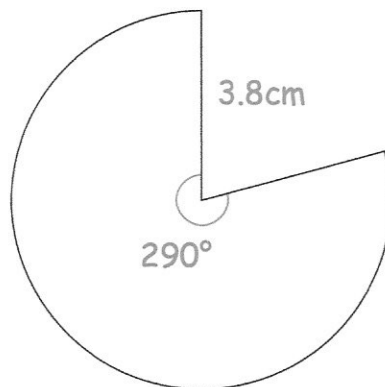
Work out the area of the sector.  
Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

$$\frac{80}{360} \times \pi \times 7^2 = 34.2084 \dots$$

$$\underline{\underline{34.21}} \text{ cm}^2$$

(3)

2. The diagram shows a major sector of a circle with radius 3.8cm.



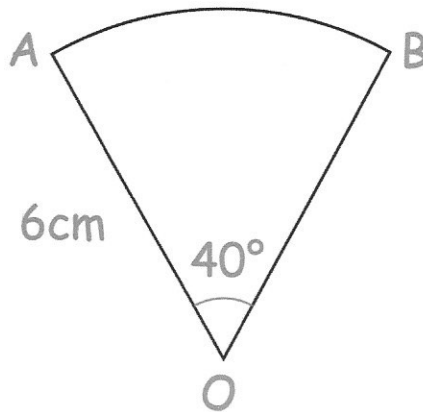
Find the area of the major sector.  
Give your answer to 3 significant figures.

$$\frac{290}{360} \times \pi \times 3.8^2 = 36.5437 \dots$$

$$\underline{\underline{36.5}} \text{ cm}^2$$

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3. OAB is a sector of a circle.



Find the area of the sector.  
Give your answer in terms of  $\pi$

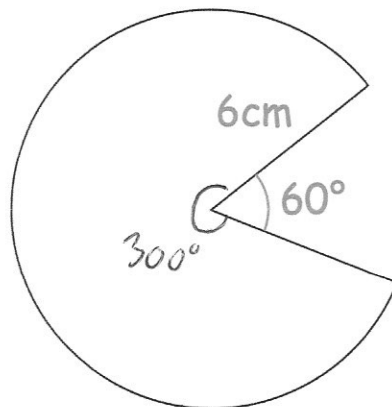
$$\frac{40}{360} \times \pi \times 6^2$$

$$\frac{1}{9} \times \pi \times 36 = 4\pi$$

$$\dots\dots\dots 4\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

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4. Shown is a major sector of a circle.



Find the area of the major sector.  
Give your answer in terms of  $\pi$

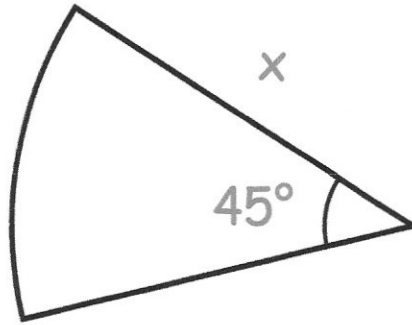
$$\frac{300}{360} \times \pi \times 6^2$$

$$\frac{5}{6} \times \pi \times 36$$

$$\dots\dots\dots 30\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

(3)

5. Shown below is a sector of a circle, with radius  $x$  cm.



The area of the sector is  $18\pi$  cm<sup>2</sup>

Find the length of  $x$ .

$$\frac{45}{360} \times \pi \times x^2 = 18\pi$$

$$\frac{1}{8} \times \pi \times x^2 = 18\pi$$

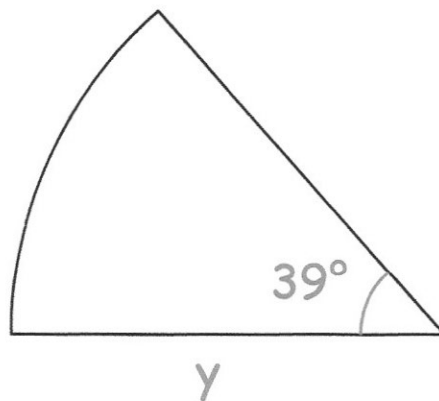
$$\frac{1}{8} x^2 = 18$$

$$x^2 = 144$$

$$x = 12$$

.....12.....cm  
(3)

6. The area of the sector below is 2.48cm<sup>2</sup>



Find the length of  $y$ .

Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

$$\frac{39}{360} \times \pi \times y^2 = 2.48$$

$$\frac{39}{360} y^2 = 0.7894\dots$$

$$\times 360 \quad \times 360$$

$$39y^2 = 284.187\dots$$

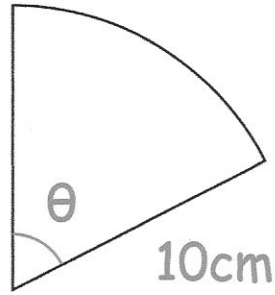
$$\div 39 \quad \div 39$$

$$y^2 = 7.286\dots$$

$$y = 2.699\dots$$

.....2.7.....cm  
(3)

7. Below is a sector of a circle with area  $5\pi \text{ cm}^2$



Find the size of angle  $\theta$

$$\frac{\theta}{360} \times \pi \times 10^2 = 5\pi$$

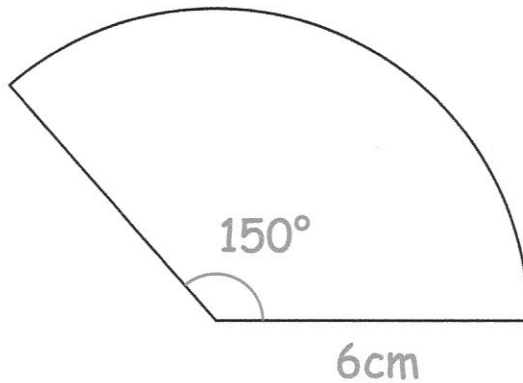
$$\frac{\theta}{360} \times 100 = 5$$

$$\theta \times 100 = 1800$$

$$\theta = 18$$

..... $18$ .....<sup>o</sup>  
(3)

8. Shown is a sector of a circle.



Find the area of the sector.

Give your answer in terms of  $\pi$

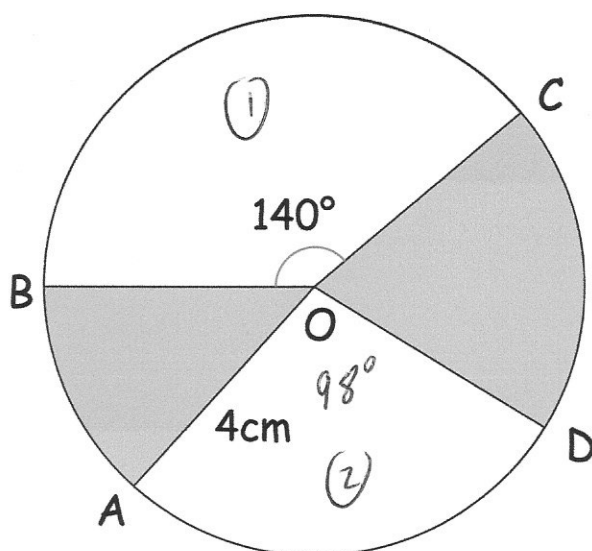
$$\frac{150}{360} \times \pi \times 6^2$$

$$\frac{15}{36} \times \pi \times 36$$

$$= 15\pi$$

..... $15\pi$ ..... $\text{cm}^2$   
(3)

9. A, B, C and D are points on the circumference of a circle, centre O.



OA = 4cm

Angle BOC = 140°

Angle AOD : Angle BOC = 7 : 10

Work out the total area of the shaded regions.

$$140 \div 10 = 14$$

$$14 \times 7 = 98^\circ$$

$$140 + 98 = 238^\circ$$

$$360 - 238 = 122^\circ$$

Approach 1

$$\frac{122}{360} \times \pi \times 4^2 = 17.0344\dots$$

Approach 2

Sector 1

$$\frac{140}{360} \times \pi \times 4^2 = 19.54\dots \text{ cm}^2$$

Sector 2

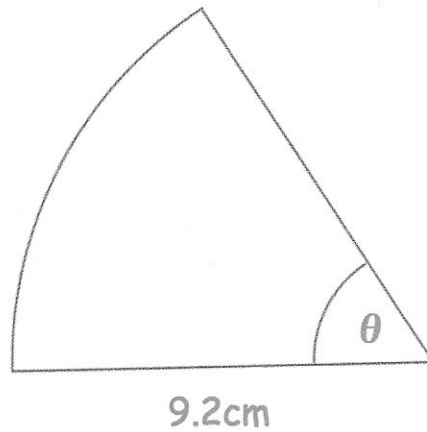
$$\frac{98}{360} \times \pi \times 4^2 = 13.68\dots \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Circle } \pi \times 4^2 = 16\pi \text{ cm}^2$$

$$16\pi - (19.54\dots + 13.68\dots) = 17.034\dots$$

$$\underline{\underline{17.034\dots \text{ cm}^2}} \\ (5)$$

10. Shown is a sector of a circle with radius 9.2cm.



The area of the sector is  $38.4\text{cm}^2$

Find the size of angle  $\theta$

Give your answer to 2 significant figures.

$$\frac{\theta}{360} \times \pi \times 9.2^2 = 38.4$$

$$\frac{\theta}{360} \times 9.2^2 = 12.223\dots$$

$$\frac{\theta}{360} \times 84.64 = 12.223\dots$$

$$\frac{\theta}{360} = 0.144412\dots$$

$$\theta = 51.9886\dots$$

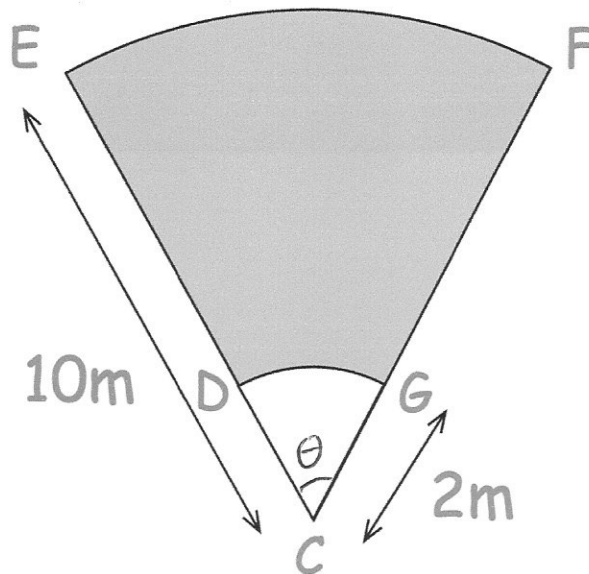
52<sup>o</sup>  
(3)

11. Holly has designed a garden which consists of a patio and a grass lawn.



The garden, CEF, is a sector of a circle, centre C.  
 The patio, CDG, is also a sector of a circle, centre C.  
 The shaded region, DEFG, is a grass lawn.

The area of patio CDG is  $1.2\text{m}^2$



Calculate the area of the grass lawn, the shaded region.  
 Give your answer correct to 2 significant figures.

$$\frac{\theta}{360} \times \pi \times 2^2 = 1.2$$

$$\frac{\theta}{360} \times \pi = 0.3$$

$$\theta \times \pi = 108$$

$$\theta = 34.3774\dots^\circ$$

whole garden:

$$\frac{34.3774\dots}{360} \times \pi \times 10^2 = 30$$

$$30 - 1.2 = 28.8$$

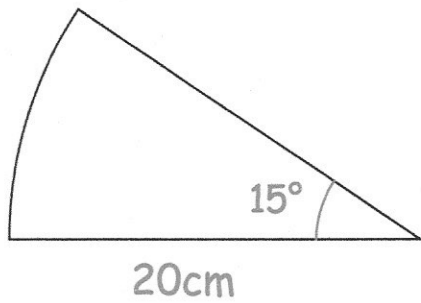
$$\dots\dots\dots 28.8 \text{ m}^2$$

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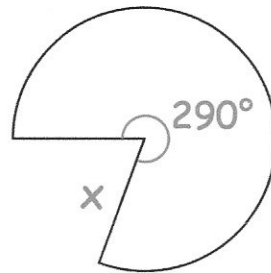
12. Shown below are two sectors.



Sector A



Sector B



The sectors have the same area.

Find the length of the radius of sector B, x.

$$\frac{15}{360} \times \pi \times 20^2 = \frac{50}{3} \pi \text{ cm}^2 \quad (52.359\dots)$$

$$\frac{290}{360} \times \cancel{\pi} \times x^2 = \frac{50}{3} \cancel{\pi}$$

$$\frac{29}{36} x^2 = \frac{50}{3}$$

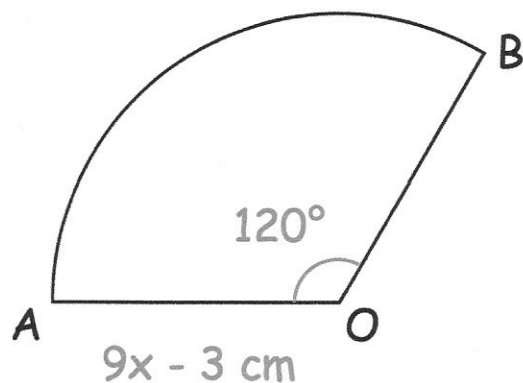
$$x^2 = \frac{600}{29}$$

$$x = 4.54858\dots$$

$$\underline{\underline{4.5486}} \text{ cm}$$

(5)

13. AOB is a sector of a circle, centre O.



Write an expression for the area of the sector AOB.

$$\frac{120}{360} \times \pi \times (9x - 3)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \pi \times (9x - 3)(9x - 3)$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \pi (81x^2 - 27x - 27x + 9)$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \pi (81x^2 - 54x + 9)$$

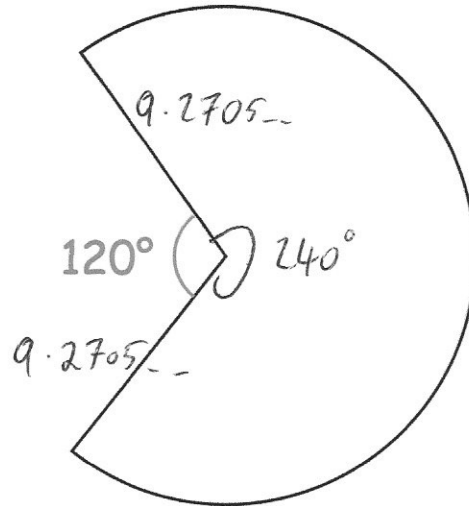
$$(27x^2 - 18x + 3) \pi$$

$$\frac{(27x^2 - 18x + 3)\pi}{(3)} \text{ cm}^2$$

or

$$27\pi x^2 - 18\pi x + 3\pi$$

14.



The area of the major sector is  $180\text{cm}^2$

Calculator the perimeter of the major sector.  
Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

$$\frac{240}{360} \times \pi \times r^2 = 180$$

$$\pi \times r^2 = 270$$

$$r^2 = 85.94\dots$$

$$r = 9.2705\dots$$

Arc length:

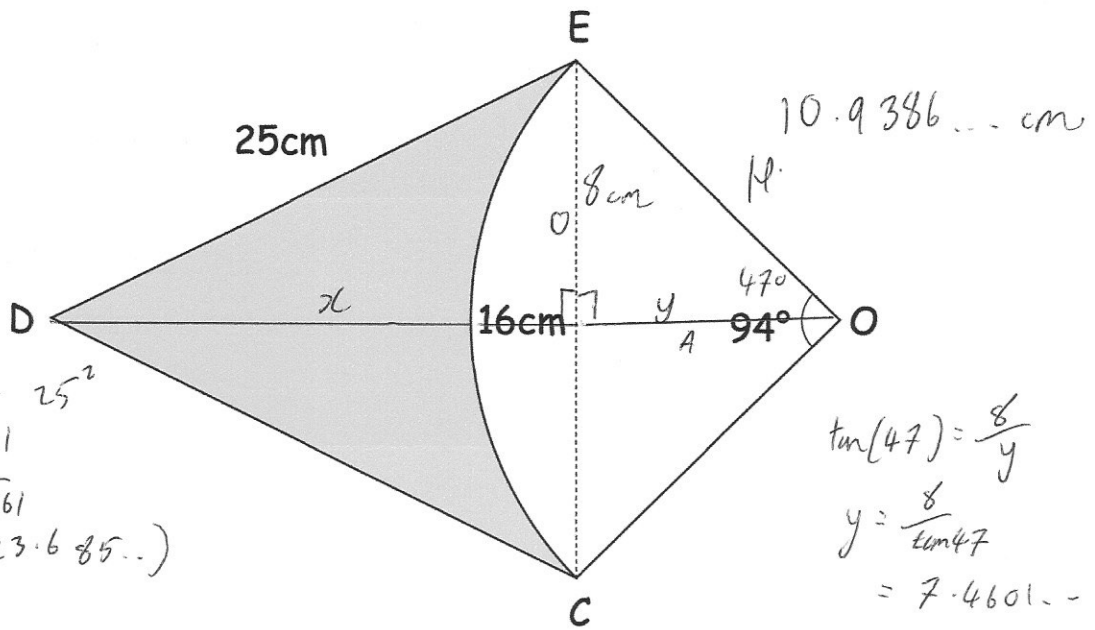
$$\frac{240}{360} \times \pi \times (2 \times 9.270\dots)$$

$$= 38.8325\dots$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 57.4 \\ \hline \end{array} \text{cm} \\ (5)$$

$$9.2705\dots + 9.2705\dots + 38.83\dots = 57.37\dots$$

15. Shown below is a kite, OCDE.



OCE is a sector of a circle, centre O.

CD = DE = 25cm      CE = 16cm

Angle COE = 94°

Calculate the area of the shaded region.  
Give your answer to 2 decimal places

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(47) &= \frac{8}{OE} \\ OE &= \frac{8}{\sin(47)} \\ &= 10.9386... \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of sector OCE} &= \\ &= \frac{94}{360} \times \pi \times 10.9386...^2 \\ &= 98.15... \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 249.164... - 98.15... &= \\ &= 151.01 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 151.01 \\ \hline \text{cm}^2 \\ (6) \end{array}$$