FP1 Complex Number Questions

5 (a) (i) Calculate $(2 + \mathrm{i}\sqrt{5})(\sqrt{5} - \mathrm{i})$. *(3 marks)*

(ii) Hence verify that $\sqrt{5} - \mathrm{i}$ is a root of the equation

$$(2 + \mathrm{i}\sqrt{5})\, z = 3z^*$$

where z^* is the conjugate of z. *(2 marks)*

(b) The quadratic equation

$$x^2 + px + q = 0$$

in which the coefficients p and q are real, has a complex root $\sqrt{5} - \mathrm{i}$.

(i) Write down the other root of the equation. *(1 mark)*

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6 It is given that $z = x + \mathrm{i}y$, where x and y are real numbers.

(a) Write down, in terms of x and y, an expression for

$$(z + \mathrm{i})^*$$

where $(z + \mathrm{i})^*$ denotes the complex conjugate of $(z + \mathrm{i})$. *(2 marks)*

(b) Solve the equation

$$(z + \mathrm{i})^* = 2\mathrm{i}z + 1$$

giving your answer in the form $a + b\mathrm{i}$. *(5 marks)*

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1 (a) Solve the following equations, giving each root in the form $a + b\mathrm{i}$:

(i) $x^2 + 16 = 0$; *(2 marks)*

(ii) $x^2 - 2x + 17 = 0$. *(2 marks)*

(b) (i) Expand $(1 + x)^3$. *(2 marks)*

(ii) Express $(1 + \mathrm{i})^3$ in the form $a + b\mathrm{i}$. *(2 marks)*

(iii) Hence, or otherwise, verify that $x = 1 + \mathrm{i}$ satisfies the equation

$$x^3 + 2x - 4\mathrm{i} = 0$$ *(2 marks)*

3 It is given that $z = x + \mathrm{i}y$, where x and y are real numbers.

(a) Find, in terms of x and y, the real and imaginary parts of

$$z - 3\mathrm{i}z^*$$

where z^* is the complex conjugate of z. *(3 marks)*

(b) Find the complex number z such that

$$z - 3\mathrm{i}z^* = 16$$ *(3 marks)*