

# Equation of a Tangent





## **REVISE THIS TOPIC**

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A circle has equation  $x^2 + y^2 = 20$ 

The point *P* lies on the circle. The coordinates of P are (2, 4)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

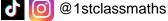
Find an equation of L. Give your answer in the form y = mx + c



(Total for Question 1 is 4 marks)









The point P lies on the circle. The coordinates of P are (9, 3)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

Find an equation of **L**.

Give your answer in the form y = mx + c



(Total for Question 2 is 4 marks)



The point P lies on the circle. The coordinates of P are (2, 5)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

Find an equation of **L**.

Give your answer in the form y = mx + c



(Total for Question 3 is 4 marks)



The point P lies on the circle. The coordinates of P are (1, -4)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

Find an equation of **L**.

Give your answer in the form y = mx + c



(Total for Question 4 is 4 marks)



The point P lies on the circle. The coordinates of P are (-3, 5)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

Find an equation of **L**.

Give your answer in the form y = mx + c



 $(Total\ for\ Question\ 5\ is\ 4\ marks)$ 



The point P lies on the circle.

The coordinates of P are (7, k), where k < 0

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

Find an equation of L.

Give your answer in the form y = mx + c



(Total for Question 6 is 5 marks)







The point *P* lies on the circle. The coordinates of *P* are (9, k), where k > 0

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

Find an equation of **L**.

Give your answer in the form y = mx + c



(Total for Question 7 is 5 marks)







The point P lies on the circle.

The coordinates of *P* are (-4, k), where k < 0

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

Find an equation of L.

Give your answer in the form ay + bx + c = 0 where a, b and c are integers.



Solutions

(Total for Question 8 is 6 marks)

The point P lies on the circle. The coordinates of P are (2, 3)

The line **L** is tangent to the circle at point P. The line **L** crosses the x-axis at the point Q.

Work out the coordinates of the point Q.

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(Total for Question 9 is 5 marks)



The point P lies on the circle. The coordinates of P are (14, -4)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P. The line  $\mathbf{L}$  crosses the y-axis at the point A.

Work out the coordinates of the point A.

(Total for Question 10 is 5 marks)



The point P lies on the circle.

The coordinates of P are (3, 9)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

The line **L** crosses the y-axis at the point A and the x-axis at the point B.

Work out the area of triangle *AOB*.

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(Total for Question 11 is 6 marks)



The point P lies on the circle.

The coordinates of P are (-8, 16)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

The line **L** crosses the x-axis at the point A and the y-axis at the point B.

Work out the length of *AB*.

Give your answer in the form  $a\sqrt{5}$  where a is an integer.



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(Total for Question 12 is 6 marks)



The point P lies on the circle.

The coordinates of P are (5, 2)

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

The line **L** crosses the y-axis at the point A and the x-axis at the point B.

Work out the length of *AB*.

Give your answer to 4 significant figures.



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(Total for Question 13 is 6 marks)



The point P lies on the circle.

The coordinates of *P* are  $(\sqrt{12}, 6)$ 

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P.

The line  $\mathbf{L}$  crosses the y-axis at the point A.

Show that the length of AP is an integer.





The point *P* lies on the circle. The coordinates of *P* are  $(\sqrt{5}, \sqrt{20})$ 

The line L is tangent to the circle at point P. The line L crosses the x-axis at the point A.

Work out the area of triangle *AOP*.

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(Total for Question 15 is 6 marks)