

JRF Math (Algebra)
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Note: Answer all questions. Your answers should be *complete, clear* and *to the point*.

1. Define the presentation of a group. write the set of all pairwise distinct elements of the group given by the presentation $\langle x, y \mid x^2, y^2 \rangle$. (10 marks)
2. Show that the group generated by any two involutions of a group is dihedral. Determine the set of its involutions. (10 marks)
3. Define a primitive permutation group. Show that a normal subgroup of a finite group acting primitively on a finite set X acts either trivially or transitively on X . (10 marks)
4. Define primitive ring and a simple ring. Give an example of a primitive ring which is not a simple ring. Is the converse true? Justify. (10 marks) — 3+4+3
5. Construct a Sylow p -subgroup of S_{p^2} , p a prime. Justify. (20 marks)
6. Let G be the group of upper triangular nonsingular $n \times n$ - matrices with entries from a finite field \mathbb{F}_{p^t} , p a prime, with ones on the diagonal. Show that the G -module given by the natural action of G on $\mathbb{F}_{p^t}^n$ is has no decomposable submodules. (20 marks)
7. Determine all nonabelian groups of order 12. Justify your answer. (20 marks)

