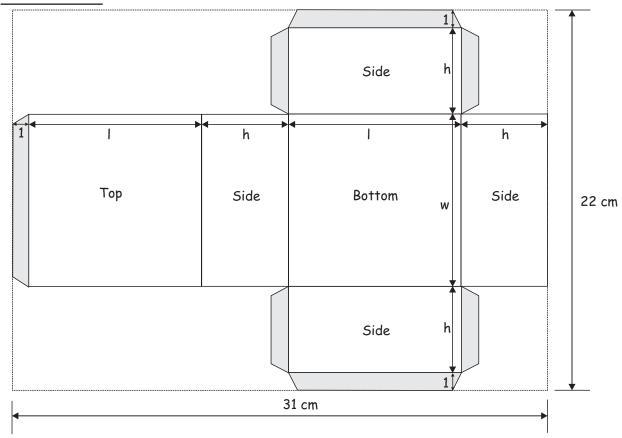
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QUESTION 7 (50 MARKS)

Question 7 (a)



$$2h+2l+1=31$$
 $2h+w+2=22$
 $2l+2h=30$ $2h+w=20$
 $l+h=15$ $w=(20-2h)$ cm
 $l=(15-h)$ cm

Question 7 (b)

$$V = l \times b \times h = (15 - h)(20 - 2h)h$$

Question 7 (c)

Square bottom:
$$l = w$$
 $V = (15 - (5))(20 - 2(5))(5)$
 $15 - h = 20 - 2h$ $= (10)(10)(5)$
 $2h - h = 20 - 15$ $= 500 \text{ cm}^3$

Question 7 (d)

h = 5 is a solution of this cubic. Therefore, (h - 5) is a linear factor. The other factor is a quadratic. Find the quadratic by lining up.

$$h^{3} - 25h^{2} + 150h - 250 = (h - 5)(h^{2} + kh + 50)$$
$$h^{3} - 25h^{2} + 150h - 250 = h^{3} + (k - 5)h^{2} + (50 - 5k)h - 250$$
$$\therefore -25 = k - 5 \Rightarrow k = -20$$

$$h^3 - 25h^2 + 150h - 250 = (h - 5)(h^2 - 20h + 50) = 0$$

 $h^2 - 20h + 50 = 0$ \leftarrow Solve the quadratic using the formula.

$$a = 1, b = -20, c = 50$$

$$h = \frac{-(-20) \pm \sqrt{(-20)^2 - 4(1)(50)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{20 \pm \sqrt{400 - 200}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{20 \pm \sqrt{200}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{20 \pm 10\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

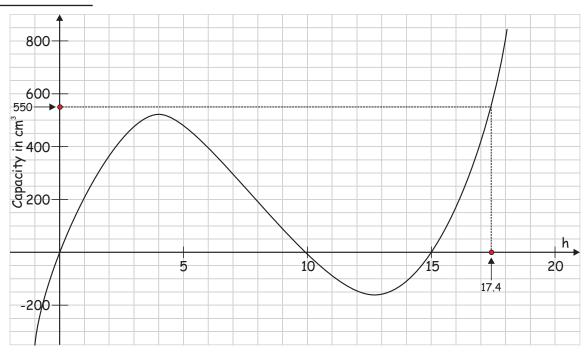
$$= 10 \pm 5\sqrt{2}$$

FORMULAE AND TABLES BOOK Algebra: Roots of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0 \text{ [page 20]}$ $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

= 17.1, 2.9 cm [Discard the solution of h = 17.1 cm. The length l of the box is equal to (15 - h). The length is not long enough to accommodate a value of 17.1 cm.]

Answer: h = 2.9 cm

Question 7 (e)



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EXPLANATION:

10% extra volume: $500 \times 1.1 = 550$ cm³

Go to 550 cm^3 on the y-axis and read off the h value.

∴ $h \approx 17.4$ cm

A height h = 17.4 cm is too long to make a box from this piece of cardboard. The length l of the box is equal to (15 - h). The length is not long enough to accommodate a value of 17.4 cm.