MATHEMATICS EXAM TECHNIQUES

Know the exam format (prior to the exam)

The number of papers, time allowed, types of questions, marks allocation, equipment allowed and exam venue.

Have all necessary equipment (prior to the exam)

Classpad, spare batteries, stationery and permitted notes.

Use reading time

Scan through all questions. Identify the 3 easiest questions.

Understand the question

Read through once to get the big picture.
Read through a second time to determine:
What information is given? What information is required?

Check your answer

Does it seem reasonable?
Are units included? Is the number of decimal places correct?
Have you answered the question?

If you are stuck ...

Have you used all information given?
Have you used results from previous parts?
Retrace your steps to look for errors.
Is there a simpler or different approach?

Never give up

Attempt every question, even if it requires an educated guess.

If you think you can, you can!