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$$A = \frac{h}{2} \Big[y_1 + y_n + 2 \big(y_2 + y_3 + \dots + y_{n-1} \big) \Big]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \Big[0 + 0 + 2 \big(5 + 8 + 9 + 8 + 5 \big) \Big]$$

$$= 35 \text{ square units}$$
(a)(i) and (ii) combined Scale 15D (0, 4, 7, 11, 15)
Low Partial Credit: • Any one correct value • Writes formula
Mid Partial Credit: • Correct table
High Partial Credit: • Correct formula for trapezoidal rule, and some
correct substitution with h = 1
• Completely incorrect table but applied correctly in a(ii)
• Correct table and 35 without work
Note (1): Answers in terms of h merit Mid Partial at most.
Note (2): Correct formula and (1/5) [5 + 5 + 2(8 + 9 + 8)] = 30 gets High Partial.
Note (3): No formula and (1/5) [5 + 5 + 2(8 + 9 + 8)] = 30 gets High Partial

(b) (i) Find
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$$\int_{3}^{9} (-x^{2} + 12x - 27) dx$$

= $\left[\frac{-x^{3}}{3} + \frac{12x^{2}}{2} - 27x\right]_{3}^{9}$
= $(-243 + 486 - 243) - (-9 + 54 - 81)$
= 36

(ii) Use your answers above to find the percentage error in your approximation of the area, correct to one decimal place.

$$\frac{1}{36} \times 100 = 2 \cdot 8\%$$

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(b)(i) and (ii) combined Scale 10C (0, 4, 8, 10)
Low Partial Credit:

Any correct integration
Correct substitution of f (x)
Correct % error formula
Correct substitution of f (x) i.e. (-x^2 +12x - 27)

High Partial Credit:

Correct integration with some correct substitution • 97.2%

Full Credit:

2.8% without work for full credit.
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