## Question 1

The points $A(6,-2), B(5,3)$ and $C(-3,4)$ are shown on the diagram.
(a) Find the equation of the line through $B$ which is perpendicular to $A C$.

(b) Use your answer to part (a) above to find the co-ordinates of the orthocentre of the triangle $A B C$.

| Q1 | Model Solution - 25 Marks | Marking Notes |
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| (a) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Slope } A C=-\frac{2}{3} \\ \text { perp. slope }=\frac{3}{2} \\ y-3=\frac{3}{2}(x-5) \\ 3 x-2 y=9 \end{gathered}$ | Scale 10C (0, 3, 7, 10) <br> Low Partial Credit <br> - slope formula with some relevant substitution <br> - $3=5 m+c$ <br> - $y-y_{1}=m\left(x-x_{1}\right)$ with $x_{1}$ or $y_{1}$ or both substituted <br> High Partial Credit <br> - perpendicular slope <br> - equation of line through $B$ parallel to $A C$ |
| (b) | Point of intersection of the altitudes $\begin{gathered} \text { Slope } A B=\frac{3+2}{5-6}=-\frac{5}{1} \\ \text { perp. slope }=\frac{1}{5} \\ y-4=\frac{1}{5}(x+3) \\ x-5 y+23=0 \end{gathered}$ <br> Orthocentre: $\begin{aligned} & 3 x-2 y=9 \cap x-5 y=-23 \\ & \Rightarrow y=6 \quad \begin{array}{c} x=7 \\ (7,6) \end{array} \end{aligned}$ <br> or <br> If $B C$ chosen: $\begin{gathered} \text { Slope } B C=\frac{3-4}{5+3}=-\frac{1}{8} \\ \text { perp. slope }=8 \end{gathered}$ <br> Equation of altitude: $y+2=8(x-6)$ <br> Equation: $8 x-y=50$ <br> Orthocentre: $\begin{aligned} & 3 x-2 y=9 \cap 8 x-y=50 \\ & \Rightarrow y=6 \quad \begin{array}{c} x=7 \\ (7,6) \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | Scale 15D (0, 4, 7,11,15) <br> Low Partial Credit <br> - demonstration of understanding of orthocentre ( e.g. mentions altitude) <br> - slope formula with some relevant substitution <br> - altitude from part (a) <br> Mid Partial Credit <br> - equation of an altitude other than (a) <br> - some relevant substitution towards finding a second altitude and altitude from (a) <br> - correct construction <br> High Partial Credit <br> - two correct altitudes <br> - correct construction with orthocentre $(7,6)$ |

