## Test Your Understanding Week 2

1. Decide whether the following are true or false. Give reasons.

(a)  $\forall x(x > 0)$ 

(b)  $\exists x (x \ge 0)$ 

(c)  $\forall x(x^2 \ge 0)$ 

- 2. Show using direct proof that:
- (a) an even integer times an even integer is even
- (b) an odd integer times an odd integer is odd.

3. Use a proof by contradiction to show that for all integers n, 5n+2 is not divisible by 5.

4. For the following induction problems, the first two true for  $n \ge 1$ , prove that the basis step holds. Then state the inductive assumption and the statement to be proved.

(a) That *n* straight lines divide the plane into  $\frac{n^2 + n + 2}{2}$  regions. (No lines parallel,

no three lines having a common point.)

(b)  $(1+x)^n \ge 1+nx$ , for  $x \ge 1$ .

(c) That postage of 12 cents or more can be made up using only 4c and 5c stamps.



