Subject: Maths

Topic: Equation of a Circle and Tangent

Topic/Skill	Definition/Tips	Example
1. Equation of a Circle	The equation of a circle, centre (0,0), radius r, is: $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$	$x^2 + y^2 = 25$
2. Tangent	A straight line that touches a circle at exactly one point, never entering the circle's interior. A radius is perpendicular to a tangent at the point of contact.	A 90°
3. Gradient	Gradient is another word for slope. $G = \frac{Rise}{Run} = \frac{Change \ in \ y}{Change \ in \ x} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$	We need to find the GRADIENT between A at $(3,-2)$ and B at $(-3,4)$ $m = \underbrace{y_2 - y_1}_{X_2 - X_1}$ $m = \underbrace{4 - 2}_{3-3}$ $M = 6 / 6 = 1$
4. Circle Theorem 5	A tangent is perpendicular to the radius at the point of contact.	y = 5cm (Pythagoras' Theorem)