## Algebra - Foundation

Notation
$a b=a \times b$
$a^{2}=a \times a$
$(2 a)^{3}=2 a \times 2 a \times 2 a$
$(a+b)^{2}=(a+b)(a+b)$

## Definitions

Expression - no equal signs e.g. $2 x+3,2 y,(3 x-2)^{2}$
Equations - equal signs, can be solved, e.g. $y+4=10$
Identities - identical/equivalent to e.g. $2(y+4) \equiv 2 y+8$
Formulae - equal signs, more than one unknown e.g. $A=1 / 2 b h$

## Simplifying expressions by collecting like terms

Always circle the sign IN FRONT of the term to avoid errors.

$$
3 x-7 b-x+9 b \equiv 2 x+2 b
$$



Typical Exam Q: Create an expression for the perimeter of the shape by adding and collecting like terms.
If the perimeter is given as 20 cm , for example, you can create an equation

$$
4+3 a+4+6+2 a=20
$$

$$
5 a+14=20
$$

## Simplifying expressions multiplication and division


$\frac{18 b^{6}}{3 a b^{2}}=\frac{6 b^{4}}{a}$

Open circle: $</>$
Closed circle: $\leq / \geq$


## Factorising and expanding



Distance / Time Graphs


## Turning point and roots of a quadratic equation

## Straight line graphs

$y=m x+c$
$m=$ gradient
$c=y-$ intercept
positive gradient
negative gradient

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m=\frac{y_{2}-y_{1}}{x_{2}-x_{1}}=\frac{\text { change in } y}{\text { change in } x}
$$

Parallel lines - have equal gradients
Graphs that need to be recognised


$$
y=k x
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$\left|\begin{array}{r|r|}\boldsymbol{y}=\frac{\boldsymbol{k}}{\boldsymbol{x}} \\ \text { Inverse } \\ \text { proportion }\end{array}\right|$

Finding the nth term of a linear sequence

## $5,7,9,11,13, \ldots$.

1. Find the common difference: 2
2. This is the coefficient of $n: 2 n$
3. Find the difference between the coefficient of n and the first term 5-2=3
4. Add this to the amount of $n$

$$
2 n+3
$$

Geometry and Measures - Foundation Part 1

## Trigonometry <br> $$
S \frac{O}{H} C \frac{A}{H} T \frac{O}{A}
$$

Example - finding a side: $\sin 37=\frac{x}{5}$
$x=5 \times \sin 37^{\circ}$


Example - finding a side:
$\tan y=\frac{3.2}{7.1}$
$y=\tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{3.2}{7.1}\right)$.
Exact Trig values

| Angle $(\theta)$ | $\sin (\theta)$ | $\cos (\theta)$ | $\tan (\theta)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $0^{\circ}$ | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| $30^{\circ}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ |
| $45^{\circ}$ | $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ | $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ | 1 |
| $60^{\circ}$ | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\sqrt{3}$ |
| $90^{\circ}$ | 1 | 0 | undefined |



Types of triangles
Right angled Isosceles Equilateral Scalene

Types of quadrilaterals
Square
Rectangle
Parallelogram
Rhombus
Trapezium
Kite

Angle Facts


Vertically opposite angles are equal: $a=b$ and $m=n$


Angles in a triangle sum to $180^{\circ}$.
Angles on a straight line sum to $180^{\circ}$.
E.G: $b=60^{\circ}$ so $a=50^{\circ}$

## Simple vector notation

## $\binom{a}{b}$

$a$ : movement along the x -axis (left or right)
$b$ : movement along the $y$-axis (up or down)
$-a$ : movement left

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-b: \text { movement down }
$$

Operations with vectors
$\binom{2}{6}+\binom{7}{-3}=\binom{9}{3}$
If $b=\binom{4}{-2}$, then $3 b=\binom{12}{-6}$

## Area of key shapes

Triangle: A $=\frac{b \times h}{2} \quad(h=$ perpendicular height $)$

Parallelogram: $\mathrm{A}=b x h \quad(h=$ perpendicular height $)$

Trapezium: A $=\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \times h$ (add together the parallel sides, divide the total by 2 , and then multiply by the perpendicular height between the parallel sides)

Angles in parallel lines


Corresponding angles are equal

Alternate angles are equal

Co-interior angles are equal

## Volume \& surface area

Volume $=$ area of cross section $x$ length
Surface area $=$ area of all the faces of a 3D shape

Learn the cylinder

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\begin{gathered}
V=\pi r^{2} h \\
S A=2 \pi r^{2}+\pi d l
\end{gathered}
$$

## Angles in regular polygons

$n=$ number of sides


Interior angle + exterior angle $=180^{\circ}$

Exterior angle $=\frac{360}{n}$

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n=\frac{360}{\text { Exterior angle }}
$$

| Transformations - rotation | Transformations - translations and reflections | Transformations - enlargement |
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|  <br> Always use tracing paper. Describe: <br> 1. It's a rotation <br> 2. Size of rotation in degrees <br> 3. Orientations: clockwise or anticlockwise <br> 4. Centre of rotation given as a coordinate ( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}$ ) |   <br> Reflection in the line $x=a$ <br> Translate triangle <br> Reflection $A B C$ to $A^{\prime} B^{\prime} C^{\prime}$ with in the line the vector $\binom{6}{-4}$ $y=a$ |  <br> Describe: <br> 1. It's an enlargement <br> 2. The scale factor (if the image is smaller than the object the scale factor is fractional e.g. $1 / 2$ ) <br> 3. The centre of enlargement given as a coordinate |
| Congruent | Circles |  |
| 3 sides are respectively equal <br> 2 angles and the included side are respectively equal <br> 2 sides and the included angle are respectively equal <br> RHS (Right angle - Hypotenuse - Side) <br> Hypotenuse and one side are respectively equal | Area $=\pi r^{2}$ <br> Sector Area $=\frac{\theta}{360} \pi r^{2}$ <br> Arc length $=\frac{\theta}{360} \pi d$ | $a^{2}+b^{2}=c^{2}$ <br> Only applies to right angled triangles. <br> Can be used to find the height of an isosceles triangle <br> Can be used to find the length distance petween two coordinates |
| Similar shapes <br> Same shape, different sides <br> The ratio of the lengths of corresponding sides are equal <br> Length scale factor $=15 \div 5=3$ $x=3 \mathrm{~cm} \times 3$ | 3D notation <br> Cube: <br> Faces: 6 <br> Edges: 12 <br> Vertices: 8 <br> Square based pyramid: $F=5, E=8, V=5$ | Bearings <br> Measure from the North <br> Measured in a clockwise direction <br> Written using 3 digits <br> Bearing of $B$ from $A$ (start at $A$ ) <br> Bearing of $A$ from $B$ (start at $B$ ) |

Number Ratio and Proportion - Foundation Part 1

| Estimate <br> Round each value to one significant figure | Simplifying Ratio <br> Divide both sides by the highest common factor | Percentages |
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| Standard form $a \times 10^{n}, \text { where } 1 \leq a<10$ | $3 \leadsto 2: \begin{array}{lll} 6 & 15 \\ 2 & 5 \end{array}$ | Finding percentages of an amount $\begin{array}{ll} 1 \% & \div 100 \\ 5 \% & \div 20 \\ 20 \% & \div 5 \end{array}$ |
| Reciprocal <br> Reciprocal of 7 is $\frac{1}{7}$, reciprocal of $\frac{2}{3}$ is $\frac{3}{2}$ etc | Simplifying Ratio 1:n <br> Divide both sides by the highest factor of the left hand side | $\begin{array}{ll} 25 \% & \div 4 \\ 50 \% & \div 2 \end{array}$ |
| Sequences <br> Fibonacci sequence: $1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21$ <br> Geometric Sequence: each term is multiplied but he same constant to get the next number. <br> E.g. $3,12,48,191, \ldots$. ( $x$ by 4 each time) | side $\begin{aligned} & 2 \mathrm{~m}: 180 \mathrm{~cm} \\ & 200 \mathrm{~cm}: 180 \mathrm{~cm} \\ & 2: 1.8 \\ & 1: 0.9 \end{aligned}$ | Multipliers: <br> To find the multiplier for a percentage, divide by 100 <br> Use multipliers on a calculator paper <br> e.g. $35 \%$ of $370=0.35 \times 370$ |
| Squares and Cubes <br> Square numbers: $1,4,9,16,25,36,49,64,81,100$, $121,144,169,196,225$ etc <br> Cube numbers: $1,8,27,64,125,216,343,512$, etc | Fractions <br> Add and Subtract - ensure the fractions have the same denominator before adding numerators $\frac{4}{5}-\frac{1}{3}=\frac{12}{15}-\frac{5}{15}=\frac{7}{15}$ <br> Multiply - multiply numerators and denominators $\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{1}{3}=\frac{4}{15}$ <br> Divide - take reciprocal of the second fraction and then multiply the new numerators and denominators $\frac{4}{5} \div \frac{1}{3}=\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{3}{1}=\frac{12}{5}=2 \frac{2}{5}$ | Increasing and decreasing a given amount <br> Calculator: <br> Orginal Amount x mutiplier $=$ new amount <br> Non-calculator: find the increase or decrease and add to the original amount <br> Finding percentage increase or decrease (profit/loss) $\frac{\text { value of increase } / \text { decrease }}{\text { Original }} \times 100$ <br> Writing an amount as a percentage of the original $\frac{\text { Amount }}{\text { Original }} \times 100$ <br> Reverse Percentage - finding the original amount $\text { Orginal Amount }=\frac{\text { New Amount }}{\text { multiplier }}$ |

## Number Ratio and Proportion - Foundation Part 2

## Growth \& Decay / Compound interest <br> original amount $\times$ multiplier ${ }^{\text {time }}$

Where the multiplier is the percentage, increase or decrease from $100 \%$, converted to a decimal.
e.g.
$30 \%$ decrease is $70 \%=0.7$
$30 \%$ increase is $130 \%=1.3$

## Compound Units (rearrange as necessary)

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\begin{gathered}
\text { Speed }=\frac{\text { Distance }}{\text { Time }} \\
\text { Area }=\frac{\text { Force }}{\text { Pressure }} \\
\text { Density }=\frac{\text { Mass }}{\text { Volume }}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Ordering fractions

Calc: use division to write each fraction as a decimal Non-calc: write fractions with common denominators

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\text { Index Laws } \quad \begin{aligned}
a^{n} \times a^{m} & =a^{n+m} \\
a^{n} \div a^{m} & =a^{n-m} \\
\left(a^{n}\right)^{m} & =a^{n m} \\
a^{0} & =1 \\
a^{-n} & =\frac{1}{a^{n}} \\
a^{\frac{n}{m}} & =\sqrt[m]{a^{n}}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Dividing by decimals:

1. Write the calculation as a fraction
2. Form an equivalent fraction to makes integers (multiply by powers of 10)
3. Use short division (bus stop) to calculate
e.g. $460 \div 0.4=\frac{460}{0.4}=\frac{4600}{4}=1150$

## Error Intervals

least possible value $\leq x<$ greatest possible value
e.g. A fence is 30 m long to the nearest 10 m .
$25 \mathrm{~m} \leq l<35 \mathrm{~m}$

## Truncation

Truncation is a method of approximating a decimal number by dropping all decimal places past a certain point without rounding.
e.g. Truncate 3.14159265 to 4 decimal places $=3.1415$

## Order of operations

Bracket
Indices
Division and Multiplication
Addition and Subtraction

## Prime Factorisation



## Conversions

10 millimetres $=1$ centimetre 15 minutes $=0.25$
hours
100 centimetres $=1$ metre $\quad 30$ minutes $=0.5$
hours
1000 metres = 1 kilometre
45 minutes $=0.75$
hours
$1000 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}=1$ litre $\quad 1000 \mathrm{~g}=1$ kilogram
$1000 \mathrm{ml}=1$ litre $\quad 1000 \mathrm{~kg}=1$ tonne

## Negative numbers

Adding and subtracting: (vertical number lines help)
$-3-5=-8$
$-3+5=2$
$3--5=-3+5=2$
$-3-+5=-3-5=-8$
$-3+-5=-3-5=-8$

## Multiplying and dividing:

Different signs - answer will be negative
$+x-=-, \quad-x+=-$
Same signs - answer will be positive

- x - = +


## Rounding to significant figures

Start from the first non-zero number and round as normal, but ensure the place value is correct
e.g. 345,635 to $2 S F=350,000$
0.0060821 to 3SF $=0.0608$

HCF and LCM of 90 and 120 (Factor Tree \& Venn Diagram)
HCF is the product of common factors
LCM is the product of common factors and remaining factors.


HCF: $2 \times 3 \times 5$
LCM: $2^{3} \times 3^{2} \times 5$

## Statistics and probability - Foundation

## Averages

Mode: most common piece of data
Mean: Sum of the data $\div$ total frequency

Median: order the data and find the middle value

Range: Highest value - lowest value

## Frequency Polygons

1. Plot frequency at the mid-point
2. Join with straight lines

| Weight $\boldsymbol{w}(\mathrm{kg})$ | Frequency |
| :---: | :---: |
| $30 \leq w<50$ | 3 |
| $50 \leq w<55$ | 7 |
| $55 \leq w<75$ | 10 |
| $75 \leq w<80$ | 6 |
| $80 \leq w<100$ | 4 |

## Venn Diagrams



Information given: 90 pupils were surveyed
52 said they owned a laptop. 45 said they owned a tablet.
23 said they owned both.

## Probability Definitions

Total probability: adds to 1
Relative frequency: frequency $\div$ total trials
Independent events: one event doesn't impact the other

## Reading and Drawing Pie Charts



| Hair colour | People |
| :--- | :---: |
| Blonde | 8 |
| Brown | 12 |
| Red | 3 |
| Grey | 2 |
| Black | 6 |

> Find the fraction of the full circle.
> Size of Blonde sector: $\frac{8}{31} \times 360^{\circ}$

## Expected outcomes

Expected outcome $=$ probability $\times$ number of trials
E.g. A biased spinner is spun 800 times. The probabilities is lands on each colour is below. The probability of it landing on red is the same as the probability of it landing on green. How many times would you expect yellow to come up.

| Result | Red | Green | Brown | Yellow |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Probability |  | 0.48 | 0.2 |  |

$P(Y)=(1-0.48-0.2) \div 2=0.32 \div 2=0.16$

Expected yellow $=0.16 \times 800=128$

## Averages from a frequency table

Mean: $\frac{\sum f w}{\sum f}$; where, $w$ is the midpoint of the group.
Median group: find which group the $\frac{n+1}{2} t h$, value lies. Where, $n$ is the total frequency.
E.G. in this table $51.5^{\text {th }}$ value which lies in group
$8<w \leq 12$ (using the cumulative frequency

| Weight of box ( $w$ kg) | Frequency |
| :---: | :---: |
| $0<w \leqslant 4$ | 11 |
| $4<w \leqslant 8$ | 16 |
| $8<w \leqslant 12$ | 29 |
| $12<w \leqslant 16$ | 26 |
| $16<w \leqslant 20$ | 20 |

Tree diagrams


Multiply along the branches to find each probability.

1. Probability that a red counter is picked both times $P(R R)=\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{5}=\frac{4}{25}$
2. Probability that the counters are different colours $=P(R B)+P(B R)=\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3}{5}+\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{2}{5}=\frac{12}{25}$
