

# Functional Skills Mathematics Level 1

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#### 1. Introduction

The following document is intended to support centres with the delivery of the reformed Level 1 Functional Skills mathematics qualifications.

This should be read in conjunction with the following:

DfE Subject content functional skills: Mathematics

The subject content requires candidates to demonstrate their competence (functionality) in mathematics. Achievement of the qualification demonstrates a sound grasp of mathematical skills at the appropriate level, and the ability to apply mathematical thinking effectively to solve problems successfully in the workplace and in other real-life situations.

Although there is an emphasis on work-based contexts and financial literacy, the assessments are generic rather than vocationally based.

The subject content is split into three areas:

using numbers and the number system;

using common measures, shape and space; and

handling information and data / statistics.

There is naturally much overlap between these sections and drawing on different areas should be encouraged when preparing learners for assessment.

#### 1.1. Structure of the assessment

Level 1 Functional Mathematics papers comprise two sections: a short section 1 without a calculator available and a longer section 2, in which a calculator is permitted. Within both sections there are context-free questions testing underpinning skills and knowledge and there are problem solving questions requiring candidates to tackle problems in more complex contexts, eg, problems requiring a multistep process requiring some planning and working through at least two connected steps. Candidates will be required to analyse the problems to decide suitable approaches, tackle the problems, achieve solutions and explain findings. Problem-solving questions will account for 75% of the marks across both sections of the paper.

|                                     | Part 1                                             | Part 2                                                   |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                                     | Calculator not permitted (25 minutes)              | Calculator permitted (1 hour 20 minutes)                 |  |  |  |  |
| Underpinning knowledge              | 10 single mark                                     | 5 single mark                                            |  |  |  |  |
| (15 marks = 25%)                    | context free questions                             | context free questions                                   |  |  |  |  |
|                                     | 2 problem solving questions with practical context | 1 single mark check (for sense of result)                |  |  |  |  |
| Problem solving<br>(45 marks = 75%) | (total 5 marks)                                    | 9 problem solving questions with practical context       |  |  |  |  |
|                                     |                                                    | (mark tariff between 2 and 6 marks each, total 39 marks) |  |  |  |  |

There are two options for assessment:

- an onscreen test (e-volve)
- a paper-based test

Both options are available on demand.

#### 1.2. Duration

The Level 1 assessment is 1 hour and 45 minutes.

- Section 1 is 25 minutes.
- Section 2 is 1 hour and 20 minutes.

#### 1.3. General

The assessment is based on the 'DfE Subject content functional skills: Mathematics' specification and teaching should reflect the full range of subject content.

Candidates should be familiar with sample papers, which are indicative of content. Both online (E-volve) and paper-based samples will assist this process.

Samples of both types are available on the <u>City&Guilds website</u>. It is also important that candidates are aware of the format of the option they have chosen.

E-volve candidates should be given the opportunity to practise onscreen samples. They should be aware that answers must be recorded in the answer boxes where provided and working should be shown in the spaces provided for working. Candidates should be encouraged to practise using the tools in the E-volve test by accessing the familiarisation tool found on this page of the website <u>General information page level 1</u>. Practise with options 1 (calculator and work box), 5 (table), 7 (diagram), 8 - 11 (charts and graphs) will be very useful for Level 1 candidates.

In the E-volve test, **for the second section only**, candidates will have access to a basic onscreen calculator. However candidates are permitted to use their own (more sophisticated) handheld calculators.

Candidates opting for paper-based assessment should likewise be given the opportunity to practise sample papers. They must also answer in the spaces provided and are advised to show working to secure compensation marks if their final answer is incorrect. They must have a ruler in order to successfully attempt some of the questions and calculators for the calculator permitted section.

#### 1.4. Underpinning knowledge and problem solving

Each of the two sections will contain a balance of problem solving (PS) and underpinning knowledge (UPK) questions.

Overall 25% of the marks will be for UPK and 75% for PS.

- Section 1 has 10 marks for UPK followed by 5 marks for PS.
- Section 2 starts with 5 marks for UPK and the remaining 40 marks are for open response PS questions.

#### **Underpinning knowledge questions**

The first 10 marks in Section 1 and the first 5 marks in Section 2 are for underpinning knowledge. These questions will normally have no context or a very limited context and minimal reading demand. They are designed to assess standard mathematical processes for the level.

#### **Problem-solving questions**

The final 5 marks in Section 1 and the final 40 marks of Section 2 assess problem-solving.

Each question will be a single problem based on a topic that might reasonably occur in everyday life or work. However, as the assessment is not vocationally specific, problems will be generic in nature and therefore not necessarily relate to immediate experiences of all candidates.

#### Ofqual define a problem as:

- having little or no scaffolding: there is little guidance given to the student beyond a start point and a finish point. Questions do not explicitly state the mathematical process(es) required for the solution.
- information not given in mathematical form or in mathematical language; or there is a need for the results to be interpreted or methods evaluated, for example, in a real-world context.\*

## \*further detail and explanation of the term mathematical problem solving can be found in the DfE Subject content document pp14-15 and 19-20

Therefore, problem-solving questions will generally not have specific instructions that give the method such as:

- Add the prices of the items to work out the total cost.
- · Draw a line of symmetry on the outline.

Instead candidates are more likely to come across questions, eg:

- Is the manager correct?
   Explain your answer.
- Which type of ticket do you recommend?
   Explain your reasons. Include figures or calculations to support your decision.
- Did the changes make any difference?
   Explain your findings to the manager. Show calculations to support your explanation.
- Will the man be better off in the new job?
   Give a reason for your answer.

Candidates will be expected to choose an appropriate approach and methods as well as carry out calculations. They will also be given opportunities to interpret information.

#### 1.5. Question types

Papers will be a mixture of the following question types, whichever format the learner opts to sit:

- short answer
- multiple choice question (MCQ)
- producing a graph / chart / table / diagram.

**Drawing graph/chart items**: papers may have questions that require the candidate to construct a chart or graph. They will have to choose titles and axis labels; choose a suitable scale and plot bars or lines. Some questions may require the completion of a prepared graph template.

**Drawing diagram items:** papers may require the candidate to draw a scale diagram. The scale may be given, or they may be required to choose a suitable scale.

**Presenting information in tables**: candidates may be required to present results in tabulated form. They are expected to organise information in rows and columns and use appropriate headings.

It is strongly recommended that candidates taking the E-volve papers practise drawing charts, graphs and diagrams with the online tools in advance of sitting the paper.

#### 1.6. Sample papers

Sample assessments for both platforms, can be found on the City & Guilds website by using the following link:

www.cityandguilds.com/what-we-offer/centres/maths-and-english/functional-skills

#### 1.7. Points to consider

#### Subject content

Centres should be aware of all the detailed subject content specified for Level 1 in the DfE Subject content document <u>DfE Subject content functional skills: Mathematics</u> and be aware that Level 1 content also subsumes all level content below Level 1 (see appendix 2).

#### General calculation issues

Candidates must understand order of operations conventions (BIDMAS) and apply them to calculations.

Candidates should use estimation and approximation techniques when required, including checking calculations.

#### Explanations / comments needed for problem solving questions

Problem solving questions may specify a requirement for explanation (comments). Candidates must be aware that, although marks will be awarded for relevant calculations, full marks will require a suitable explanation using their results, preferably with reference to numerical values calculated. eg:

- Option B is cheaper by £4.50
- Office C is larger than Office B, 20m2 > 17.6m2

Candidates must also be prepared to explain why an answer is reasonable (or not) based on **mathematical process** rather than **calculated results.** 

\*Check the sense and reasonableness of answers

<u>Subject Content Statements p14/15</u>

Candidates should know the distinction between averages and range and how to use each in explanations in context.

#### Presentation of results / workings

The importance of showing working on the assessments, ie to show calculations and methods used, should be emphasised so that potential compensation marks, in the event of

incorrect answers, are accessible to the candidate. This should be emphasised to online candidates who may use 'pencil and paper' methods initially to formulate their solutions.

Candidates should understand the use of scales in scale diagrams and be prepared to construct scale diagrams, including plans and elevations. Candidates should be able to use a variety of presentation methods to summarise results, including graphs, charts and tables. They must differentiate where there is a table and where there is a chart (ie a chart is a pie chart or a bar chart. Summary tables should be systematically constructed to include rows and columns with appropriate headings.

Candidates must be able to construct line graphs, bar charts and pie charts. They should understand that a line graph is only an option if the data plotted is continuous data. It is not an option if the results illustrated are discrete. Pie charts are suitable only if there is an intention to show proportions. Candidates must know how to group data into suitable categories without overlapping boundaries.

- A bar chart should have a title, axes labelled, bars labelled (a key is also acceptable), a scale starting at zero and bar heights accurately plotted.
- A pie chart should have a title, segments labelled, or a key provided, and sector angles accurately drawn.
- A line graph should have a title, labelled axes, continuous linear scales
  on both vertical and horizontal axes, the vertical scale may start at zero
  (if it does not, a broken line symbol should be used), accurate plots
  shown clearly and a single line joining the plots.

Candidates who choose to access assessment online need to be prepared not only in terms of the prescribed Functional Skills Specification, but also in terms of using the E-volve platform. They must be well practised in the use of the presentation tools (tables, diagrams, charts and graphs) including how to insert sufficient text, keys and the use of relevant scales.

### 2. Appendix 1 Amplification of DfE Subject Content

#### 2.1. Overview of Level 1 Functional Maths requirements

Functional Skills mathematics qualifications at Level 1 should:

- Indicate that students can demonstrate their ability in mathematical skills and their ability to apply these, through appropriate reasoning and decision making, to solve realistic problems of increasing complexity;
- Introduce students to new areas of life and work so that they are exposed to concepts and problems which, while not of immediate concern, may be of value in later life; and
- Enable students to develop an appreciation of the role played by mathematics in the world of work and in life generally

#### **DfE Subject Content: Overview of sections (Level 1)**

## Use of numbers and the number system

Students at Level 1 are expected to be able to count in steps of various sizes, including negative numbers; read, write and understand positive whole numbers to one million. They can order and compare whole numbers of any size, and fractions, ratios and decimals and recognise the effect of multiplying and dividing by powers of 10, 100 and 1000. They can identify, compare and extend a range of numerical and spatial patterns, use, understand and calculate with fractions, decimals and percentages and calculate simple interest.

#### Use of measures, shape and space

Students at Level 1 are expected to be able to work out simple relationships between common units of measurement to define quantities, also involving mathematical

## Solving mathematical problems and decision making

Students at Level 1 are expected to be able to use the knowledge and skills listed above to recognise and obtain a solution or solutions to a straightforward problem. A **straightforward problem** is one that requires students to either work through one step or process or to work through more than one connected step or process. Individual problems are based on the knowledge and/or skills in the mathematical content areas (number and the number system; common measures, shape and space; information and data). At Level 1 it is expected that the student will be able to address individual problems, some of which draw upon a combination of any two of the mathematical content areas and require

terms for position and direction. They can apply and use calculations with common measures including money, time, length, weight and capacity. They can visualise, draw and describe 2-D and 3-D shapes and use properties of 2-D shapes in calculations.

students to make connections between those content areas.

#### Handle information and data:

Students at Level 1 are expected to be able to select, construct and interpret a range of statistical diagrams in various contexts; select and use methods and forms to present and describe outcomes. They can extract and interpret information from tables, diagrams, charts and graphs; apply simple statistics and recognise features of charts to summarise and compare sets of data; recognise and use the probability scale and interpret probabilities.

## 3. Subject Content Specifications (SCS)

**3.1. SCS 1** Read, write, order and compare large numbers (up to one million)

| SCS Examples                                                            |                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Read, write, order and compare large numbers (up to one million)     |                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Description(s):                                                         | Description(s):                                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large and small numbers written as                                      | One thousand = $10^3 = 1000$                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| numbers, words or powers of 10                                          | million (m) = $10^6 = 1000000$                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                         | nine hundred and five thousand two hundred and six is 905206 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Recognise and use sequences of numbers                                  | 4 11 18 25 etc                                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                         | 1 4 9 16 25 etc                                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                         |                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Put the following in decreasing order                                   | 2050 two hundred and sixty-two 2 x 10³ −251 0 −2             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Write amounts of money correct to two decimal places in correct format. | £134.70 on an order form and not £134.7                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## 3.2. SCS 2 Recognise and use positive and negative numbers

| SCS                                                                                                             |                                                                                                               |  |  |  | amp | les |   |   |        |             |         |   |   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|-----|-----|---|---|--------|-------------|---------|---|---|---|
| 2. Recognise and use positive and negative numbers  Description(s):                                             |                                                                                                               |  |  |  |     |     |   |   |        |             |         |   |   |   |
| Understand positive and negative numbers in relation to zero  Number line  -9 -8 -7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1  negative |                                                                                                               |  |  |  | 0   | 1   | 2 | 3 | 4<br>p | 5<br>ositiv | 6<br>′e | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Relate positive and negative numbers in context                                                                 | A temperature of -5°C is colder than -2°C  A company account reading -£2000 means the company has made a loss |  |  |  |     |     |   |   | SS     |             |         |   |   |   |
|                                                                                                                 | Recognising credit (positive) and debit (negative) figures in a bank statement                                |  |  |  |     |     |   |   |        |             |         |   |   |   |

## 3.3. SCS 3 Multiply and divide whole numbers and decimals by 10, 100, 1000

| scs                                                                                 | Examples                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 3. Multiply and divide whole numbers and decimals by 10, 100, 1000  Description(s): |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Understand the importance of the accurate                                           | Multiplication: 0.02 x 10 = 0.2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| use of decimal points                                                               | 0.02 x 100 = 2.0                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                     | 0.02 x 1000 = 20.0              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                     | Division: 20 ÷ 10 = 2           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                     | 20 ÷ 100 = 0.2                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                     | 20 ÷ 1000 = 0.02                |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## 3.4. SCS 4 Use multiplication facts and make connections with division facts

| scs                                                                  | Examples                                                                            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 4. Use multiplication facts and make connections with division facts |                                                                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Description(s):                                                      |                                                                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Understand the relationship of multiplication and division           | x 15 C 240 D ÷ 15                                                                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                      | Four items cost £15 each total cost = $4 \times 15 = £60$<br>Check $60 \div 15 = 4$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## 3.5. SCS 5 Use simple formulae expressed in words for one- or two-step operations

5. Use simple formulae expressed in words for one- or two-step operations

Description(s):

Substitute values into given word formulae and calculate results

a builder needs to know the volume of this skip

volume = area of long side x width

1.5

Area = 3.5 m<sup>2</sup>

3.5 x 1.5 = 5.25 m<sup>3</sup>

## **3.6.** SCS 6 Calculate the squares of one-digit and two-digit numbers

| scs                                                                                                                           | Examples                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 6. Calculate the squares of one-digit and two-digit numbers  Description(s):                                                  |                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Understand square of number is a number multiplied by itself Know that index 2 means squared                                  | 92 <sup>2</sup> is 9 x 9 = 81 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Candidates should be able to work out squares of numbers 1 to 12 and numbers ending in zero (20, 30 etc) without a calculator | $11^2 = 121$ $40^2 = 1600$    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Understand that the square of a negative number is a positive number                                                          | $(-4)^2 = -4 \times -4 = 16$  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## **3.7.** SCS 7 Follow the order of precedence of operators

SCS Examples

#### 7. Follow the order of precedence of operators

Description(s)

Understand and use BIDMAS (order of precedence) when making calculations

| В | brackets       |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| ı | indices        |  |  |  |  |
| D | division       |  |  |  |  |
| М | multiplication |  |  |  |  |
| A | addition       |  |  |  |  |
| S | subtraction    |  |  |  |  |

$$3^2 + 7 \times 3 - 4 = 26$$

| first  | 3 <sup>2</sup> | 9  |  |  |
|--------|----------------|----|--|--|
| second | 7 x 3          | 21 |  |  |
| third  | 21 +<br>9      | 30 |  |  |
| fourth | 30 – 4         | 26 |  |  |

$$(3^2 + 7) \times (3 - 4) = -16$$

| first  | $3^2 + 7$  | 9 + 7<br>= 16 |
|--------|------------|---------------|
|        | 3 - 4      | -1            |
| second | 16 x<br>−1 | -16           |

$$(3^2 + 7) \times 3 - 4 = 44$$

| first  | 3 <sup>2</sup> + 7 | 9 + 7<br>= 16 |
|--------|--------------------|---------------|
| second | 16 x 3             | 48            |
| third  | 48 – 4             | 44            |

## 3.8. SCS 8 Read, write, order and compare common fractions and mixed numbers

| scs                                                                           |                                              |                       |                              |                            |                            | Exam                          | ples                                 |                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 8. Read, write, order and compare condescription(s):                          | ommon f                                      | ractio                | ns and r                     | mixed r                    | number                     | s                             |                                      |                                  |
| Fractions have format                                                         | 1<br>5                                       |                       |                              |                            |                            |                               |                                      |                                  |
| Know common fractions                                                         | halves, $\frac{1}{2}$                        | thirds, $\frac{2}{3}$ | quarter $\frac{3}{4}$        | s, fifths<br><u>3</u><br>5 | , eighth:<br><u>7</u><br>8 | s, tenths (and $\frac{7}{10}$ | d multiples ending in $\frac{7}{20}$ | zero), sixteenths $\frac{9}{16}$ |
| Know that a mixed number is a combination of a whole number and a fraction    | $1\frac{3}{4}$ $2\frac{1}{2}$ $4\frac{2}{5}$ |                       |                              |                            |                            |                               |                                      |                                  |
| Use < (less than) and > (greater than) to compare fractions and mixed numbers | $3\frac{1}{2}$ >                             | <u>4</u><br>5         | $\frac{7}{16} < \frac{7}{8}$ | <del>7</del><br>8          |                            |                               |                                      |                                  |
| Order mixtures of fractions and mixed numbers                                 | Descer                                       | nding o               | rder                         |                            |                            |                               |                                      |                                  |

| $3\frac{1}{2}$ | $1\frac{3}{4}$              | 4<br>5 | $\frac{3}{4}$  |  |  |
|----------------|-----------------------------|--------|----------------|--|--|
| Ascendi        | ng order                    |        |                |  |  |
| $\frac{1}{2}$  | $\frac{3}{5}$ $\frac{3}{1}$ | _      | $1\frac{1}{3}$ |  |  |

## 3.9. SCS 9 Find fractions of whole number quantities or measurements

| SCS                                                          | Examples                                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 9. Find fractions of whole number quantities or measurements |                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Description(s):                                              |                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Without calculator                                           | $\frac{2}{5}$ of 150000 = $\frac{150000}{5}$ x 2 = 30000 x 2 = 60000                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                              | A ticket costs £1.80, there is a discount of one third, what is the cost of the ticket? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                              | £1.80 $\div$ 3 = 60p                                                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                              | £1.80 - 60p = £1.20                                                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| With calculator                                              | $\frac{2}{5}$ of 150000 calculator $2 \div 5 = 0.4$                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                              | then calculator 0.4 x 150000 = 60000                                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| The UK exported 350,000 tons of vegetables, four fifths were potatoes, what amount of potatoes were exported? |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Calculator $4 \div 5 = 0.8$                                                                                   |
| Calculator 0.8 x 350000 = 280000 tons                                                                         |

## 3.10. SCS 10 Read, write, order and compare decimals up to three decimal places

| scs                                                                                     | Examples                                                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 10. Read, write, order and compare decimals up to three decimal places  Description(s): |                                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Understand the significance of decimal point position                                   | 0.1 is ten times larger than 0.01 0.003 is one thousand times smaller than 3 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Use < (less than) and > (greater than) to compare decimals                              | 0.002 < 0.01<br>0.02 > 0.008                                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Order decimals                                                                          | Descending order 2.22 2.02 2.02                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                         | Ascending order 0.009 0.08 0.09 0.8                                          |  |  |  |  |  |

## 3.11. SCS 11 Add, subtract, multiply and divide decimals up to two decimal places

| scs                                                                                       | Examples                                                                                                            |                                     |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 11. Add, subtract, multiply and divide dec Description(s):                                | imals up to two decimal places                                                                                      |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Without calculator                                                                        | 0.65 + 0.44<br>0.65<br>0.44<br>1.09                                                                                 | 0.73 - 0.25<br>0.73<br>0.25<br>0.48 |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                           | $2.2 \times 0.2 = 0.44$ $4.50 \div 0.05 = 90$                                                                       |                                     |  |  |  |  |
| With calculator.  Care required when reading decimal points, encourage checking for sense | 31.1 x 12.5 ≠ 3887.5 (approximation 30 x 10 = 300 means result of wrong order of magnitude)  ∴ 31.1 x 12.5 = 388.75 |                                     |  |  |  |  |

## 3.12. SCS 12 Approximate by rounding to a whole number or to one or two decimal places

| scs                                                                                | Examples                                                                                                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 12. Approximate by rounding to a whole number or to one or two decimal places (dp) |                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Description(s):                                                                    |                                                                                                                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Know the general rules of rounding                                                 | 2.136 to 2 decimal places is 2.14                                                                                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                    | 2.136 to 2 significant figures is 2.1                                                                                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Understand when rounding up and                                                    | round up 2.13 to 3 rolls of wallpaper (as cannot buy 0.6 rolls)                                                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| rounding down is appropriate in context of question                                | round down (truncation) 6.7 to 6 number of complete weeks of fertiliser application (as 0.7 is not enough for a complete application) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Check by approximation                                                             | 25 x 50 = 1250 checks 25.1 x 49.2 = 1229.9                                                                                            |  |  |  |  |  |

## 3.13. SCS 13 Read, write, order and compare percentages in whole numbers

| scs                                                                              | Examples                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 13. Read, write, order and compare percentages in whole numbers  Description(s): |                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Understand percentage as a number or ratio expressed as a fraction of 100        | one percent (1%) is one hundredth of a whole |  |  |  |  |  |
| Know the percent symbol                                                          | %                                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Use < (less than) and > (greater than) to compare percentages                    | 10% < 12% > 10%                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Order percentages                                                                | Descending order                             |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                  | 55% 33% 1%                                   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                  | Ascending order                              |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                                                                  | 39% 51% 100%                                 |  |  |  |  |  |

## 3.14. SCS 14 Calculate percentages of quantities, including simple percentage increases and decreases by 5% and multiples thereof

| scs                                                     | Examples                                                                       |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 14. Calculate percentages of quantities, i              | ncluding simple percentage increases and decreases by 5% and multiples thereof |
| Description(s):                                         |                                                                                |
| Use a method to calculate percentages (multiples of 5%) | ÷ 10 for 10% and then ÷ 2 for 5%                                               |
|                                                         | What is 15% of 800?                                                            |
|                                                         | 800 ÷ 10 = 80                                                                  |
|                                                         | $80 \div 2 = 40$                                                               |
|                                                         | 80 + 40 =120                                                                   |
|                                                         | ÷ 100 x 20 for 20%                                                             |
|                                                         | Find 20% of 350 350 $\div$ 100 = 3.5 3.5 x 20 = 70                             |
|                                                         | x 0.4 for 40%                                                                  |
|                                                         | Work out 40% of 60                                                             |
|                                                         | $0.4 \times 60 = 24$                                                           |

## Calculate percentage increases

Find final values using percentage increase

A supplier sells some materials to a builder. The supplier must add 20% VAT to the cost of the materials. Complete the invoice below.  $78.20 \times 0.2 = 15.64 \times 78.20 + 15.64 = 93.84$ 

| Building yard Invoice |           |       |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------|--|--|--|
| Item                  | Quantity  | Cost  |  |  |  |
| cement                | 10 bags   | 40.20 |  |  |  |
| gravel                | Bulk bag  | 38.00 |  |  |  |
|                       | subtotal  | 78.20 |  |  |  |
|                       | VAT @ 20% | 15.64 |  |  |  |
|                       | TOTAL     | 93.84 |  |  |  |

Calculate percentage decreases

Find final values using percentage decrease

A chocolate bar manufacturer decides to reduce the weight of its chocolate bars by 25%. One of the bars weighs 200g now. What will it weigh after the reduction?

$$200 \times \frac{25}{100} = 50$$

$$200 - 50 = 150g$$

## 3.15. SCS 15 Estimate answers to calculations using fractions and decimals

| scs                                                                                                                                                                   | Examples                                                                                                                          |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| 15. Estimate answers to calculations using fractions and decimals                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                   |  |  |
| Description(s):                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                   |  |  |
| Understand when approximation is appropriate to solve problems  Know the symbol ≈ meaning approximately equal to  Round to whole numbers to achieve estimated answers | A family of 4 pays £1174.65 per year to supplier A for gas and electricity.                                                       |  |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                       | Supplier B offers a deal that will average £87.40 per month  The family wants to know if Supplier B will save them money.         |  |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                       | 12 x 87.40 is approximately 12 x 90 = £1080<br>£1080 is less than £1174.65 so they could save money                               |  |  |
|                                                                                                                                                                       | OR 1174.65 $\div$ 12 is approximately 1200 $\div$ 12 = £100 £100 is more than £87.40 so they could save money.                    |  |  |
| Round fractions to zero, half or one to estimate and/or check additions and subtractions.                                                                             | $1\frac{1}{5} + 2\frac{7}{8} + \frac{5}{8} \approx 1 + 3 + \frac{1}{2} \approx 4\frac{1}{2}$ (accurate answer = $4\frac{7}{10}$ ) |  |  |
| Round fractions to zero or one to estimate and/or check multiplication and division                                                                                   | $4\frac{1}{5} \times 2\frac{7}{8} \approx 4 \times 3 \approx 12$ (accurate answer = $4\frac{3}{40}$ )                             |  |  |
| Round decimals to zero or one to estimate and/or check calculations                                                                                                   | 4.6 x 3.2 ≈ 5 x 3 ≈ 15 (accurate answer = 14.72)                                                                                  |  |  |

|  | A customer wants                                                                                    |                                                                             |           |
|--|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
|  | A customer wants                                                                                    | A customer wants to know if his bill total is accurate.  Grocery store bill |           |
|  |                                                                                                     |                                                                             |           |
|  |                                                                                                     | 3 Tins tuna                                                                 | 4.26      |
|  |                                                                                                     | 12 eggs                                                                     | 1.89      |
|  |                                                                                                     | 2kg sugar                                                                   | 1.28      |
|  |                                                                                                     | Tin corned beef                                                             | 1.47      |
|  |                                                                                                     | Packet butter                                                               | 1.85      |
|  |                                                                                                     | Tea bags                                                                    | 3.75      |
|  |                                                                                                     | Tota                                                                        | al £14.50 |
|  | He checks his bill                                                                                  | total using approximation.                                                  |           |
|  | Show whether the bill total is approximately correct using estimation. $4 + 2 + 1 + 1 + 2 + 4 = 14$ |                                                                             |           |
|  |                                                                                                     |                                                                             |           |
|  | Shows bill total is                                                                                 | approximately correct.                                                      |           |

## 3.16. SCS 16 Recognise and calculate equivalences between common fractions, percentages and decimals

| scs                                                                                         | Examples                                                                                                                                                                                     |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 16. Recognise and calculate equivalences between common fractions, percentages and decimals |                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |
| Description(s):                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |
| Recognise eqivalences                                                                       | $\frac{1}{4} = 25\% = 0.25 \qquad \frac{1}{2} = 50\% = 0.5 \qquad \frac{3}{4} = 75\% = 0.75 \qquad \frac{1}{8} = 12.5\% = 0.125$ $\frac{1}{10} = 10\% = 0.1 \qquad \frac{1}{5} = 20\% = 0.2$ |  |
| Calculate percentages and decimals from fractions                                           | $\frac{4}{5}$ x 100 = 80%<br>Calculator 4 ÷ 5 = 0.8                                                                                                                                          |  |
| Calculate fractions and percentages from decimals                                           | 0.02 is $\frac{2}{100} = \frac{1}{50}$ AND 0.02 is $\frac{2}{100} = 2\%$                                                                                                                     |  |
| Calculate fractions and decimals from percentages                                           | $80\% = \frac{80}{100} = \frac{8}{10} = \frac{4}{5}$ $80\% = \frac{80}{100} = \frac{8}{10} = 0.8$                                                                                            |  |

## 3.17. SCS 17 Work with simple ratio and direct proportions

| scs                                               | Examples                                                                                          |  |  |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| 17. Work with simple ratio and direct proportions |                                                                                                   |  |  |
| Description:                                      |                                                                                                   |  |  |
| Work out a ratio in its simplest form             | A café makes 98 sandwiches: 56 cheese 14 egg and 28 ham                                           |  |  |
|                                                   | What is the ratio of cheese : egg : ham sandwiches?                                               |  |  |
|                                                   | Give the ratio in its simplest form.                                                              |  |  |
|                                                   | 56 : 14 : 28 simplifies by dividing by 7 to give 8 : 2 : 4                                        |  |  |
|                                                   | Which further simplifies by dividing by 2                                                         |  |  |
|                                                   | Answer: 4:1:2                                                                                     |  |  |
| Calculate quantities for a given ratio            | A landscape gardener needs to make 700kg concrete. He uses one part cement to three parts gravel. |  |  |
|                                                   | How much cement does he need? How much gravel does he need?                                       |  |  |
|                                                   | cement : gravel is 1 : 3 = 4 parts                                                                |  |  |
|                                                   | 700 ÷ 4 = 175                                                                                     |  |  |
|                                                   | 175 x 3 = 525                                                                                     |  |  |
|                                                   | The gardener needs 175kg cement and 525kg gravel                                                  |  |  |
|                                                   |                                                                                                   |  |  |

| Calculate quantities using direct proportion | A cook wants to make 30 pancakes. |                                   |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                              | They use this recipe.             |                                   |
|                                              |                                   | Recipe for 6 Pancakes             |
|                                              |                                   | 150ml milk                        |
|                                              |                                   | 50g plain flour                   |
|                                              |                                   | 1 large egg                       |
|                                              | What amounts of flou              | r, milk and eggs will they need?  |
|                                              | 30 ÷ 6 = 5                        |                                   |
|                                              | The cook needs five t             | imes the amounts shown in the rec |
|                                              | 150 x 5 = 750                     |                                   |
|                                              | 50 x 5 = 250                      |                                   |
|                                              | 1 x 5 = 5                         |                                   |
|                                              | The cook needs 750r               | nl milk, 250g flour and 5 eggs    |

## 3.18. SCS 18 Calculate simple interest in multiples of 5% on amounts of money (See also 14)

| SCS                                                                                                 | Examples                                                   |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| 18. Calculate simple interest in multiples of 5% on amounts of money (See also 14)  Description(s): |                                                            |  |  |
| Calculate values using simple interest                                                              | A business owner borrows £7000 from a lender for one year. |  |  |
|                                                                                                     | The interest rate is 15% per year.                         |  |  |
|                                                                                                     | What amount of money will they repay after one year?       |  |  |
|                                                                                                     | 7000 x 0.15 = 1050                                         |  |  |
|                                                                                                     | 7000 + 1050 = £8050                                        |  |  |

## 3.19. SCS 19 Calculate discounts in multiples of 5% on amounts of money (See also 14)

| scs                                                                          | Examples                                                                                       |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 19. Calculate discounts in multiples of 5% on amounts of money (See also 14) |                                                                                                |  |
| Description(s):                                                              |                                                                                                |  |
| Calculate values using percentage decreases                                  | A shop has a sale. Today all shirts are 30% off marked prices.  A shopper sees this price tag. |  |



## 3.20. SCS 20 Convert between units of length, weight, capacity, money and time, in the same system

| scs                                                                                                        | Examples                                                                                                   |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| 20. Convert between units of length, weight, capacity, money and time, in the same system  Description(s): |                                                                                                            |  |  |
| Know linear metric conversions                                                                             | $10mm = 1cm \ 1000mm = 1m \ 100cm = 1m \ 1000m = 1km$ $\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ |  |  |
| Know metric weight conversions                                                                             | 1000g = 1kg                                                                                                |  |  |

|                                  | 1000kg = 1 tonne |          |
|----------------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Know metric capacity conversions | 1000ml = 1 litre |          |
| Know money conversions           | £1 = 100p        |          |
| Know time conversions            | 60 seconds =     | 1 minute |
|                                  | 60 minutes =     | 1 hour   |
|                                  | 24 hours =       | 1 day    |
|                                  | 7 days =         | 1 week   |
|                                  | 365 days =       | 1 year   |
|                                  | 52 weeks =       | 1 year   |
|                                  | 4 weeks =        | 1 month  |
|                                  | 12 months =      | 1 year   |

**Note**: common error is equating decimal fractions of hours to minutes

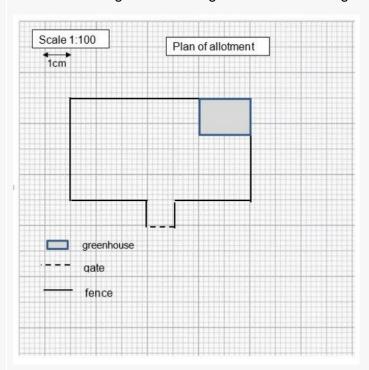
eg 3.25 hours  $\neq$  3hours 25 minutes (ie 0.25 x 60 = 15 minutes, so 3.25 hours is 3hours 25 minutes).

## 3.21. SCS 21 Recognise and make use of simple scales on maps and drawings

| scs                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Examples                                                                                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 21. Recognise and make use of simple scales on maps and drawings                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                         |
| Description(s):                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                         |
| Understand and use scales given                                                                                                                                                                      | 1:10 means 1 unit represents 10 units 1:100 means 1 unit represents 100 units 1cm = (represents) 1km                                    |
| Understand the principle of scaling up (reading actual measurements from a scale plan)                                                                                                               | 15cm on a scale plan drawn 1:100 is (15 x 100)cm = 1500cm = 15m  20cm on a map with scale 1cm = (represents) 5km is (20 x 5) km = 100km |
| Graph paper used in assessments will normally be 2mm graph paper. In the online environment, the graph paper will not be actual size, but candidates may assume that each small square measures 2mm. | This is 2mm graph paper.  This means the tiny squares are 2mm and the big squares are 2cm.                                              |

Work out lengths shown on scale drawings (measure using ruler or from graph paper)

use the following scale drawing to work out the length and width of the greenhouse



Length of greenhouse on plan = 2cm

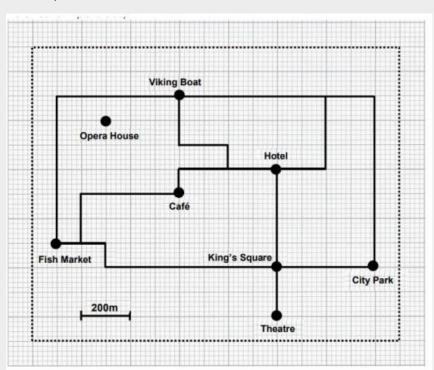
Actual length is  $2 \times 100 = 200 \text{cm} = 2 \text{m}$ 

Width of greenhouse on plan = **1.4cm** 

Actual width is  $1.4 \times 100 = 140 \text{cm} = 1.4 \text{m}$ 

Work out distances from maps with given scale

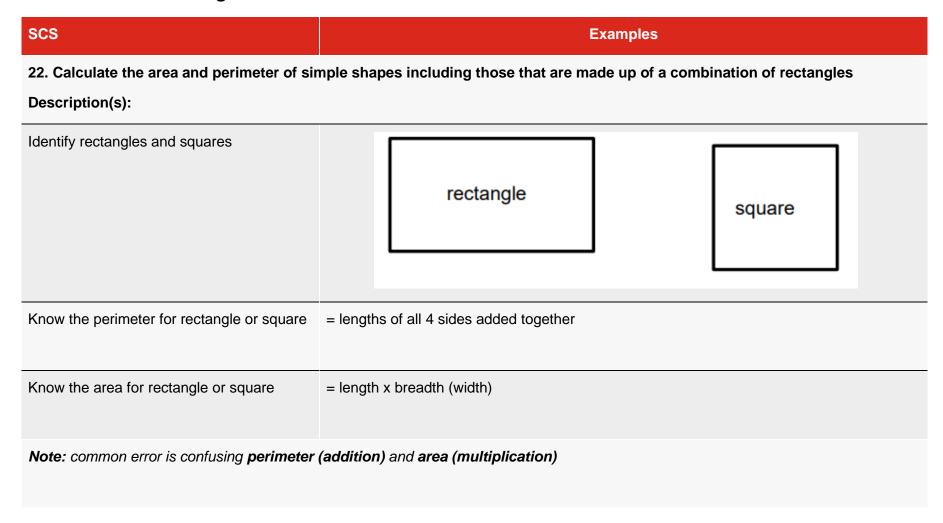
A hotel visitor wants to know how far it is to walk from the hotel to the Viking Boat; he has this map; work out how far it is.



Scaled distance = 7cm scale is 2cm = 200m

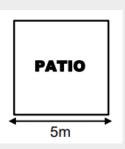
so 1cm = 100m actual distance =  $7 \times 100 = 700m$ 

# 3.22. SCS 22 Calculate the area and perimeter of simple shapes including those that are made up of a combination of rectangles



Work out missing dimensions on diagrams and include them in perimeter and area calculations

A builder needs to know the area and perimeter of the square patio shown

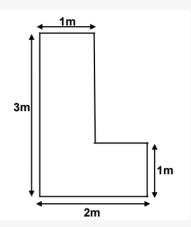


perimeter = 
$$5 + 5 + 5 + 5 = 20$$
m

area = 
$$5 \times 5 = 25 \text{m}$$

Work out areas and perimeters of composite shapes made from combinations of rectangles

A kitchen designer needs to know the area of the worktop shown below.

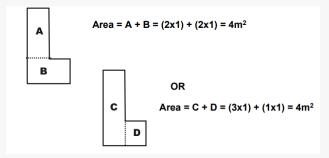


Work out one of the unknown sides

vertical side = 3 - 1 = 2m

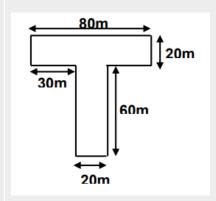
horizontal side = 2 - 1 = 1m

divide L shape into 2 rectangles



Also  $(3x2) - (1x2) = 4m^2$  may be used as an alternative

A farmer will place a fence around an area of field. Work out the perimeter of the area shown.



Perimeter = 80 + 20 + 30 + 60 + 20 + 60 + 30 + 20 = 320m

Note: 3 missing side values must be worked out – common error is addition of given values only

## 3.23. SCS 23 Calculate the volumes of cubes and cuboids

| scs                                  | Examples                             |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 23. Calculate the volumes of cubes   | and cuboids                          |
| Description(s):                      |                                      |
| Must know formulae for cuboid        | $V = I \times b \times h$ for volume |
|                                      | I = length b = breadth h = height    |
|                                      | † h b                                |
| Special case for cube                | $V = h^3$ for volume                 |
| Note: Common error is addition of si | des rather than multiplication       |

# 3.24. SCS 24 Draw 2-D shapes and demonstrate an understanding of line symmetry and knowledge of the relative size of angles

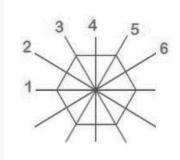
SCS **Examples** 24. Draw 2-D shapes and demonstrate an understanding of line symmetry and knowledge of the relative size of angles Description(s): Draw simple shapes including to scale (see Graph paper will normally be provided also 21) or given dimensions Draw lines of (reflective) symmetry on Draw a rectangle with sides 3cm and 4cm and show its lines of symmetry on your diagram simple shapes including regular polygons 1cm lines of **Note:** a tolerance of  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$  small square is allowed

Identify lines of (reflective) symmetry in simple shapes including regular polygons

How many lines of symmetry does this regular polygon have?



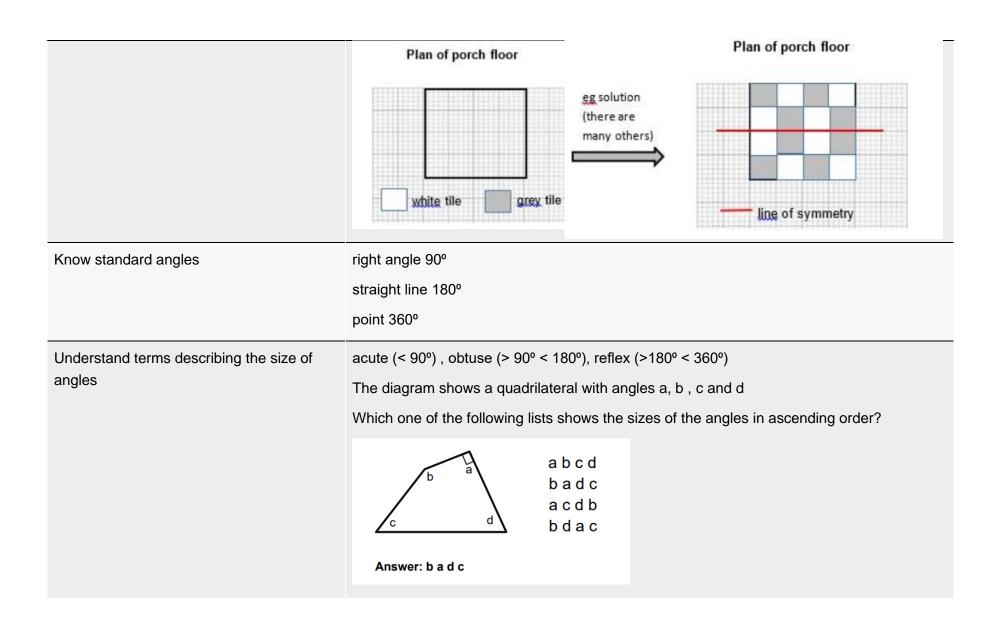
This regular polygon has six sides (hexagon) so there are 6 lines of symmetry



Arrange objects in a symmetrical pattern

A customer wants their porch floor covered with equal numbers of grey and white tiles with at least one line of symmetry,

Complete the floor plan below with at least one line of symmetry; show at least one line of symmetry on the diagram.



## 3.25. SCS 25 Interpret plans, elevations and nets of simple 3-D shapes (also see 21)

SCS **Examples** 25. Interpret plans, elevations and nets of simple 3-D shapes (also see 21) Description(s): ← 8m → Interpret plans 11m → grass 7m house 22m path grass 28m The diagram shows a plan of a house and garden. The unshaded part shows a path that surrounds the house. The house owner wants to resurface the path. They need to work out the area of the path. What is the area of the path? Area of path = Total area – area of grass – area of house Total area =  $22 \times 28 = 616 \text{m}^2$ 

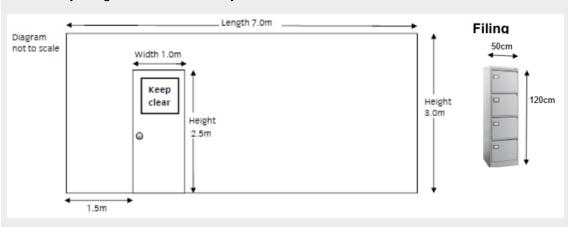
|                                              | Area of grass = $9 \times 8 + 9 \times 28 = 72 + 252 = 324 \text{m}^2$ |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                              | Area of house = $11 \times 7 = 77 \text{m}^2$                          |
|                                              | Area of path = 616 - 324 - 77 = 215m <sup>2</sup>                      |
| Interpret elevations                         |                                                                        |
| Understand the vertical nature of elevations |                                                                        |

Note: elevations are sometimes misinterpreted as floor plans

Work out (missing) distances on an elevation

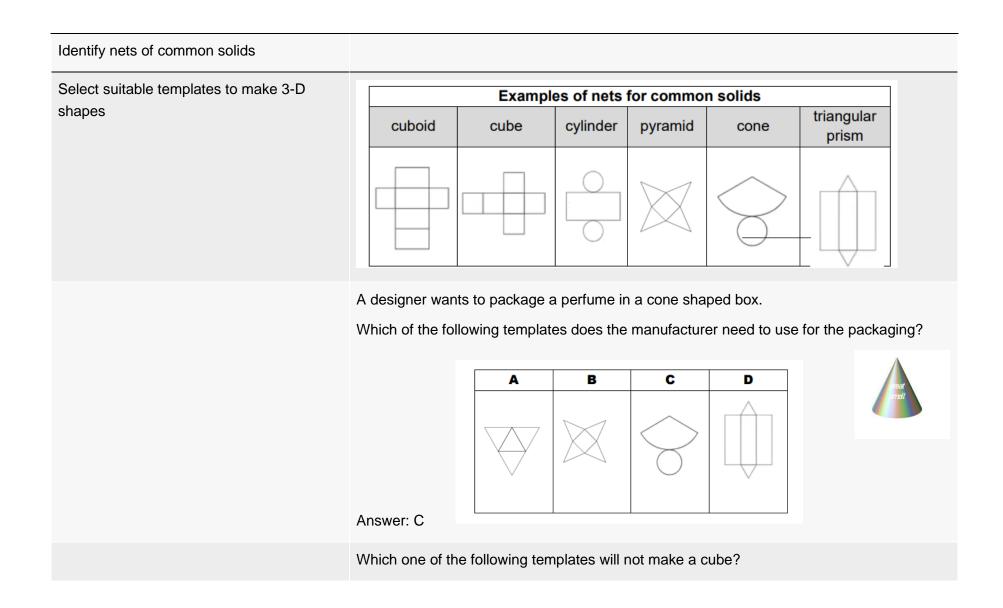
The diagram shows an office wall (elevation). An office planner needs to order filing cabinets (shown in the diagram) to fit along the wall on the right side of the door.

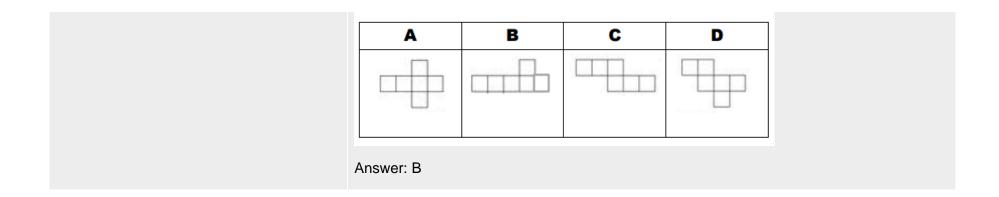
How many filing cabinets must they order?



Length of wall on right of door = 7 - 1.5 - 1 = 4.5m = 450cm

 $450 \div 50 = 9$  filing cabinets





## 3.26. SCS 26 Use angles when describing position and direction, and measure angles in degrees

SCS **Examples** 26. Use angles when describing position and direction, and measure angles in degrees Description(s): Describe direction using angles Understand a bearing is measured in degrees clockwise from the North Lake A boat sets out from Cobra to Apollo. Which one of the following bearings should the captain set? A) 030° B) 045° C) 060° D) 075° Answer B) 045°

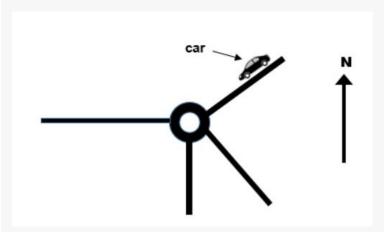
#### Know the points of a compass

#### North



#### Describe position using angles

The diagram shows a car coming to a roundabout.



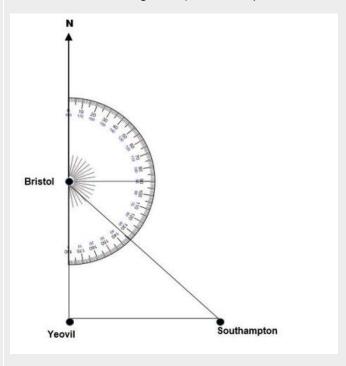
The driver is told to turn 120° in a clockwise direction. In what direction will the car be travelling after turning?

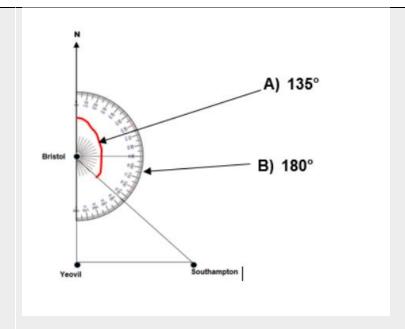
**Answer: South** 

Measure angles using a protractor

The diagram shows the positions of three towns on a map.

What are the bearings of A) Southampton from Bristol B) Yeovil from Bristol

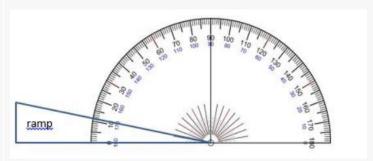




Measure angles using a protractor (continued)

The diagram shows a side elevation of a ramp.

The maximum slope for a wheelchair ramp is 4.8°



Is this ramp suitable for wheelchair use? Explain your decision

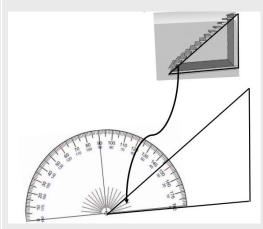
#### Answer: No. The angle of the ramp is 12°. This is steeper than 4.8°

**Note** the answer gives both the angle read and the maximum angle.

Measure angles using a protractor (continued)

The diagram shows a plan for a staircase as part of house plan.

The recommended angle for a staircase lies between 30° and 45°



Does the staircase in the plan meet the recommendation? Explain your decision.

Answer: Yes. The angle is 35° which is between 30° and 45° so the staircase meets the recommendation.

**Note** the explanation states both the reading and the recommended angles

# 3.27. SCS 27 Represent discrete data in tables, diagrams and charts including pie charts, bar charts and line graphs

| scs                                        | Examples                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 27. Represent discrete data in tables, dia | grams and charts including pie charts, bar charts and line graphs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Description(s):                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Present results in a table                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Organise information systematically using  | Timetable:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| and labelling rows and columns             | A manager asks their administrator to prepare the timetable for a business meeting. The meeting will have an introduction by the chairman lasting 10 minutes; a finance report for 15 minutes; discussion about the report for 15 minutes; input from the marketing department for 25 minutes; and the chairman's summary for 10 minutes.  The meeting will start at 11:30am.  Prepare a timetable for the meeting including the start and finish times. |
|                                            | Business meeting  Time Item  11:30 Introduction by Chairman  11:40 Finance report  11:55 Discussion  12:10 Marketing department  12:35 Chairman's summary  12:45 Finish                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

Complete an order form or bill:

A company gets an order for four reams of paper costing £4.50 each, two packs of envelopes costing £7.60 each and a printer cartridge costing £24. All these prices are without VAT added. The company adds 20% VAT to the total. The company makes an invoice to show the customer the total cost of the items.

Complete the invoice below.

| COMPANY INVOICE FOR CUSTOMER |                   |              |          |
|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|----------|
| item                         | cost per item (£) | quantity     | cost (£) |
|                              |                   |              |          |
|                              |                   |              |          |
|                              |                   |              |          |
|                              | Total             | without VAT  |          |
|                              | VAT (20%)         |              |          |
|                              |                   | Total to pay |          |

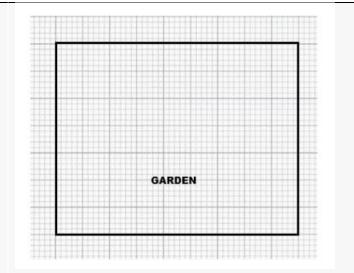
Note: candidates using online versions should be familiar with the table maker too

#### Answer:

| item                 | cost per<br>item (£) | quantity     | cost (£) |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------|
| paper (ream)         | 4.50                 | 4 reams      | 18.00    |
| envelopes (100 pack) | 7.60                 | 2 packs      | 15.20    |
| printer cartridge    | 24.00                | 1            | 24.00    |
|                      | Total                | without VAT  | 57.20    |
|                      |                      | VAT (20%)    | 11.44    |
|                      |                      | Total to pay | 68.64    |

Draw and label simple diagrams using results of calculations including scale conversions

A householder plans to put a rectangular pond at the top end of their garden. The pond is 3m long and 1.5m wide. They draw a plan to scale 1:100 to show where it will go. Add a scale diagram to the plan below to show a suitable position for the pond.



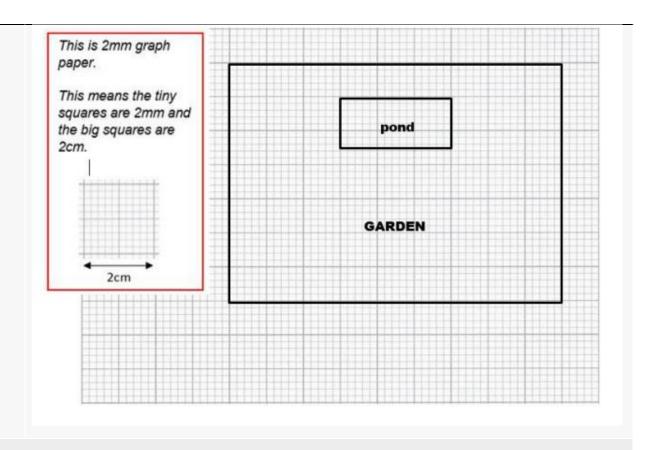
3m = 300cm scale

1 : 100 length for plan =  $300 \div 100 = 3$ cm

1.5m =150cm scale 1 : 100

length for plan =  $150 \div 100 = 1.5$ cm

example answer – there are many other positions that can be chosen for the pond



Note: candidates using online versions should be familiar with the drawing tool on e-volve

Present results in a bar chart

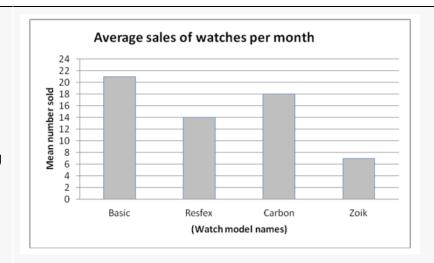
Give the bar chart a title

Choose and label suitable vertical and horizontal axes (labels should refer to units if appropriate)

Construct a continuous linear scale starting at zero on the vertical axis

Draw bars accurately

Label bars or use a key



Present results in a pie chart when results need to be shown as proportions

percentages

Give the pie chart a title

Choose and label (or use key) a suitable number of sectors

Construct sector sizes accurately relating results to a proportion of 360°

Label bars or use a key

Customers who bought a backpack on a website posted these reviews.



The website wants to show the proportions for each

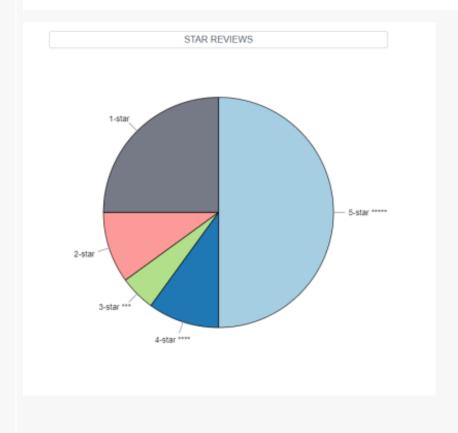
Make a pie chart to show the website feedback

The website wants to show the proportions for each Make a pie chart to show the website feedback.

$$90 + 18 + 9 + 18 + 45 = 180$$

#### Angles for pie chart:

$$\left(\frac{90}{180}\right) x 360 = 180^{\circ} \left(\frac{18}{180}\right) x 360 = 36^{\circ} \left(\frac{9}{180}\right) x 360 = 18^{\circ} \left(\frac{45}{180}\right) x 360 = 90^{\circ}$$

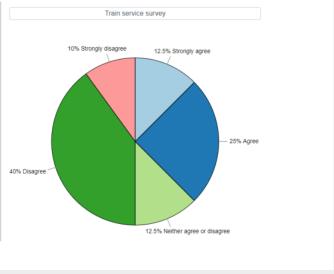


A local council wants to know whether the general public agrees with this statement: "the service provided on the trains is good".

They asked 200 people. These are the results collected:

| (Categories)               | Survey responses | Percentage |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------|
| Strongly agree             | 25               | 12.5%      |
| Agree                      | 50               | 25%        |
| Neither agree nor disagree | 25               | 12.5%      |
| Disagree                   | 80               | 40%        |
| Strongly disagree          | 20               | 10%        |





Present results as a line graph

Give the line graph a title

Choose and label suitable vertical and horizontal axes (labels should refer to units if appropriate)

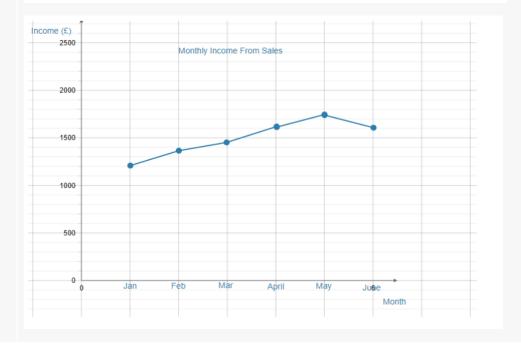
Construct continuous linear scales on both axes

Plot points accurately

Join points with a line or construct a trend line\* (line of best fit, a straight line with approximately equal numbers of plots on either side) The table shows the monthly sales income of a small company in the first six months of the year.

The manager wants a line graph to show the sale income for these six months

| Income from Sales |       |       |       |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Month             | Sales | Month | Sales |
| January           | £1200 | April | £1600 |
| February          | £1350 | May   | £1750 |
| March             | £1450 | June  | £1600 |



Note: candidates using online versions should be familiar with the bar chart maker tool

Note: candidates using online versions should be familiar with the pie chart maker tool

**Note**: candidates may be advised that results are often more easily presented as bar charts unless there is a specific instruction to use a pie chart

**Note**: A circular template will normally be provided for a pie chart, and candidates will require a protractor to measure angles in paper-based assessments.

Note: candidates using online versions should be familiar with the line graph maker tool

## 3.28. SCS 28 Group discrete data and represent grouped data graphically

| SCS                                                                        | Examples                                                                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 28. Group discrete data and represent grouped data graphically             |                                                                              |
| Description(s):                                                            |                                                                              |
| Identify and select suitable group boundaries from lists or tables of data |                                                                              |
| Ensure group boundaries do not overlap                                     | 20-30, 30-40 are overlapping at 30                                           |
| Ensure groups are equally spread                                           | 21-30, 31-40, 41-50                                                          |
|                                                                            | A college wants to show a breakdown of marks awarded to a group of students. |

The marks are shown in the table below.

| Marks awarded (%) |    |    |
|-------------------|----|----|
| 58                | 41 | 87 |
| 54                | 77 | 64 |
| 95                | 49 | 82 |
| 65                | 68 | 71 |
| 65                | 71 | 56 |

Put the marks into three suitable groups.

Check range of marks; lowest 41, highest 95

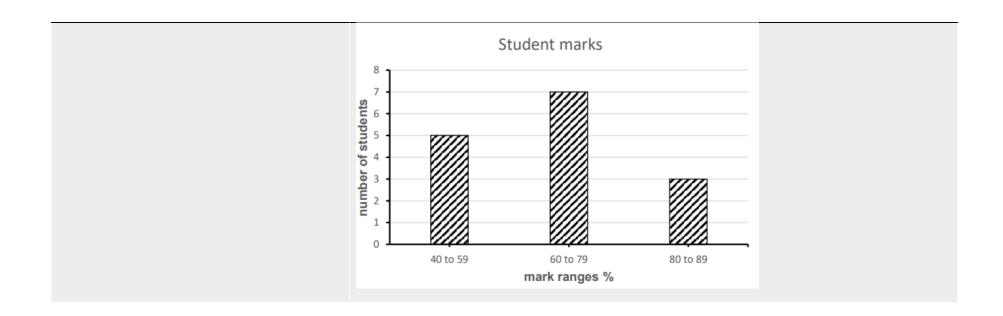
Split range into three equal sections eg 40-59; 60-79; 80-99

| boundaries | marks                | totals |
|------------|----------------------|--------|
| 40-59      | 58 41 54 49 56       | 5      |
| 60-79      | 77 64 65 68 71 65 71 | 7      |
| 80-99      | 87 95 82             | 3      |

Check totals are same as number in table: 5 + 7 + 3 = 15

Present grouped data graphically

The simplest and clearest way will usually be a bar chart



## 3.29. SCS 29 Find the mean and range of a set of quantities

| scs                                                | Examples                              |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 29. Find the mean and range of a set of quantities |                                       |
| Description:                                       |                                       |
| Calculate mean                                     | Total for all items ÷ number of items |
| Calculate range                                    | Maximum value - minimum value         |

| Understand the difference between mean and range                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Know that mean is an average                                         | Measure of location if 10 people have a mean wage of £10 per hour, there is a general understanding that each of the 10 people earn about (an average of) £10 per hour                                                                                                 |  |
| Know that range is a measure of variation or consistency of the data | Measure of dispersal  Compare the pay of workers shown in the table below  Rates of pay (£ per hour)  workers  Group 1 £9 £10 £11 £10 £9 £10 £10 £9 £11 £11  Group 2 £7 £7 £13 £14 £7 £8 £11 £16 £7 £10  Mean (Group 1) $9 + 10 + 11 + 10 + 9 + 10 + 10 + 9 + 11 + 11$ |  |

The range value for Group 2 is higher than Group 1, so the range values show that the Group 1 workers' pay is more consistent (all workers nearer £10 per hour) than Group 2 workers' pay.

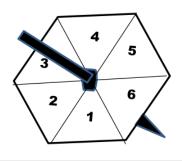
The Group 2 workers' pay shows more variation (less consistency) than Group 1 workers' pay.

3.30. SCS 30 Understand probability on a scale from 0 (impossible) to 1 (certain) and use probabilities to compare the likelihood of events.

| scs                                                                                                                                 | Examples                                                                                                                |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| 30. Understand probability on a scale from 0 (impossible) to 1 (certain) and use probabilities to compare the likelihood of events. |                                                                                                                         |  |  |
| Description:                                                                                                                        | escription:                                                                                                             |  |  |
| Understand that the chances (probability) of something happening                                                                    | (impossible > unlikely > even chance > likely > certain) can be expressed on a number scale running 0 to 1 (0% to 100%) |  |  |
| Indicate a probability on a suitable diagram                                                                                        | Probability scale showing a probability of 0.4 (unlikely or 2 chances in 5)                                             |  |  |

# 3.31. SCS 31 Use equally likely outcomes to find the probabilities of simple events and express them as fractions

| scs                                                                                                                    | Examples                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 31. Use equally likely outcomes to find the probabilities of simple events and express them as fractions  Description: |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |
| Understand that points on a probability scale can be expressed as fractions, decimal fractions (or percentages)        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |
| Work out simple numerical expressions of probability                                                                   | Balls numbered 1 to 50 are placed in a lottery machine which ejects single balls at random. What is the probability that the first ball drawn out is number 8?  Answer: As there are 50 balls and number 8 is one ball, the chance (probability) that number 8 is the first ball out is 1 in 50. Answer can be expressed as $\frac{1}{50}$ or 0.02 (or 2%) |  |
|                                                                                                                        | A player needs to score four points or more to win a game. What is the probability that they will win the game on their next spin?                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |



To win the game on their next turn, the player must score a 4, 5 or a 6. As there are six numbers on the spinner and numbers 4, 5 and 6 are three of the numbers, the chance (probability) of scoring at least four is 3 in 6

Answer can be expressed as  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 0.5 (or 50%)

A player throws a six-sided dice.



What is the probability that they will score less than 3?

To score less than three, the player must throw 1 or 2 (ie two numbers out of the six numbers on the dice).

Probability is 
$$\frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

# 4. Appendix 2 City and Guilds Test specification 4748-119 and 4748-219

#### Total 60 marks

Time 1 hour 45 minutes (Section 1 - 25 minutes, Section 2 - 1 hour 20 minutes)

|                          | Total<br>marks | Calculator<br>(75%) | Non-<br>calculator<br>(25%) | Underpinning<br>skills (25%) | Problem<br>solving<br>(75%) |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Section 1 Non-calculator | 15             | 0                   | 15                          | 10                           | 5                           |
| Section 2 Calculator     | 45             | 45                  | 0                           | 5                            | 40                          |
| Totals                   | 60             | 45                  | 15                          | 15                           | 45                          |

#### **Level 1 Subject Content Coverage**

26-28 of the 31 numbered content statements must be covered in each paper (ie 84-90%) (need at least 75% of numbered SCS from each content area)

100% of numbered statements must be covered over every three assessment versions

Must meet 100% of the problem-solving bullet points across the test

All problem-solving questions should contain attributes A\* and C\*\*

- \* A Task has little or no scaffolding; there is little guidance given to the student beyond a start point and a finish point. Question does not explicitly state the mathematical process(es) required for the solution
- \*\* C Information not given in mathematical form or in mathematical language; or there is a need for results to be interpreted or methods evaluated, e.g. in a real-world context.

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# 5. Appendix 3 Specifications for lower levels (subsumed in Level 1) Note: numbers refer to subject content specifications (SCS) in DfE Subject Content

| Using numbers and the number system                                            |                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                         |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Entry Level 1                                                                  | Entry Level 2                                                                                       | Entry Level 3                                                                                                           |  |
| whole numbers                                                                  | whole numbers, fractions and decimals                                                               | whole numbers, fractions and decimals                                                                                   |  |
| 1.Read, write, order and compare numbers up to 20                              | 2. Read, write, order and compare numbers up to 200                                                 | Count, read, write, order and compare numbers up to 1000                                                                |  |
| 2.Use whole numbers to count up to 20 items including zero                     | Count reliably up to 100 items     Recognise and sequence odd and even numbers     up to 100        | 6. Recognise and continue linear sequences of numbers up to 100                                                         |  |
| 4. Recognise and interpret the symbols +, – and = appropriately                | 4. Recognise and interpret the symbols +, -, x, ÷ and = appropriately                               |                                                                                                                         |  |
| 3.Add numbers which total up to 20, and subtract numbers from numbers up to 20 | 5. Add and subtract two-digit numbers                                                               | Add and subtract using three-digit whole numbers                                                                        |  |
|                                                                                | 6. Multiply whole numbers in the range 0x0 to 12x12 (times tables)                                  | 4. Multiply two-digit whole numbers by single and double digit whole numbers                                            |  |
|                                                                                | 8. Divide two-digit whole numbers by single-digit whole numbers and express remainders              | Divide three-digit whole numbers by single and double digit whole numbers and express remainders                        |  |
|                                                                                | 9. Approximate by rounding to<br>the nearest 10, and use this<br>rounded answer to check<br>results | 5. Approximate by rounding numbers less than 1000 to the nearest 10 or 100 and use this rounded answer to check results |  |
|                                                                                |                                                                                                     | 7. Read, write and understand thirds,                                                                                   |  |

| 10. Recognise simple fractions (halves, quarters and tenths) of whole numbers and shapes | quarters, fifths and tenths including equivalent forms   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 11. Read, write and use decimals to one decimal place                                    | 8. Read, write and use decimals up to two decimal places |
|                                                                                          | Recognise and continue sequences that involve decimals   |

| U  | Using common measures, shape and space                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                        |  |  |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| 5. | 5. Recognise coins and notes and write them in numbers with the correct symbols (£ & p),                                    | 12. Calculate money with pence up to one pound and in whole pounds of multiple items and write                                                                                        | Calculate with money using decimal notation and express money correctly in writing in pounds and pence |  |  |
|    | where these involve<br>numbers up to 20                                                                                     | with the correct symbols (£ or p)                                                                                                                                                     | 11. Round amounts of money to the nearest £1 or 10p                                                    |  |  |
| 6. | Read 12 hour digital<br>and analogue clocks in<br>hours                                                                     | 13. Read and record time in common date formats, and read time displayed on analogue clocks in hours, half hours and quarter hours, and understand hours from a 24-hour digital clock | 12. Read, measure and record time using am and pm                                                      |  |  |
| 7. | Know the number of days in a week, months, and seasons in a year. Be able to name and sequence                              | 7. Know the number of hours in a day and weeks in a year.                                                                                                                             | 13. Read time from analogue<br>and 24-hour digital clocks in<br>hours and minutes                      |  |  |
| 8. | Describe and make comparisons in words between measures of items including size, length, width, height, weight and capacity | 14. Use metric measures of length including millimetres, centimetres, metres and kilometres                                                                                           | 15. Compare metric measures of length including millimetres, centimetres, metres and kilometres        |  |  |

|                                                                                                                                    | 15. Use measures of weight including grams and kilograms                                                                                                       | <ul> <li>14. Use and compare measures of length, capacity, weight and temperature using metric or imperial units to the nearest labelled or unlabelled division</li> <li>16. Compare measures of weight including grams and kilograms</li> </ul> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                                    | 16. Use measures of capacity including millilitres and litres                                                                                                  | 17. Compare measures of capacity including millilitres and litres                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                                                                                                                                    | 17. Read and compare positive temperatures                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|                                                                                                                                    | 18. Read and use simple scales to the nearest labelled division                                                                                                | 18. Use a suitable instrument to measure mass and length                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 9. Identify and recognise common 2-D and 3-D shapes including circle, cube, rectangle (including square) and                       | 19. Recognise and name 2-D and 3-D shapes including pentagons, hexagons, cylinders, cuboids, pyramids and spheres                                              | 19. Sort 2-D and 3-D shapes using properties including lines of symmetry, length, right angles, angles including in rectangles and triangles                                                                                                     |
| triangle                                                                                                                           | 20. Describe the properties of<br>common 2-D and 3-D<br>shapes including numbers<br>of sides, corners, edges,<br>faces, angles and base                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 10. Use everyday positional vocabulary to describe position and direction including left, right, in front, behind, under and above | 21. Use appropriate positional vocabulary to describe position and direction including between, inside, outside, middle, below, on top, forwards and backwards | 20. Use appropriate positional vocabulary to describe position and direction including eight compass points and including full/half/quarter turns                                                                                                |

| Handling information and data                                                             |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                       |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Entry Level 1                                                                             | Entry Level 2                                                                                                    | Entry Level 3                                                                                                                         |  |
| 11. Read numerical information from lists                                                 | 22. Extract information from lists, tables, diagrams and bar charts                                              | 21. Extract information from lists, tables, diagrams and charts and create frequency tables                                           |  |
|                                                                                           | 23. Make numerical comparisons from bar charts                                                                   | 22. Interpret information, to make comparisons and record changes, from different formats including bar charts and simple line graphs |  |
| 12. Sort and classify objects using a single criterion                                    | 24. Sort and classify objects using two criteria                                                                 |                                                                                                                                       |  |
| 13. Read and draw simple charts and diagrams including a tally chart, block diagram/graph | 25. Take information from one format and represent the information in another format including use of bar charts | 23. Organise and represent information in appropriate ways including tables, diagrams, simple line graphs and bar charts              |  |

| Solving mathematical problems and decision making                                                 |                                                                                                |                                                                                                |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Entry Level 1                                                                                     | Entry Level 2                                                                                  | Entry Level 3                                                                                  |  |
| use the knowledge and skills listed above to recognise a simple mathematical problem and obtain a | use the knowledge and skills listed above to recognise a simple problem and obtain a solution. | use the knowledge and skills listed above to recognise a simple problem and obtain a solution. |  |
| Solution.  A simple mathematical problem is one which requires working through one                | A simple problem is one which requires working through one step or process and                 | A simple problem is one which requires working through one step or process.                    |  |
| step or process<br>and                                                                            | which draws upon knowledge<br>and/or skills from one<br>mathematical content area              | which draws upon knowledge<br>and/or skills from one<br>mathematical content area              |  |

| which draws upon knowledge and/or skills from one mathematical content area                            |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Use given mathematical<br>information and recognise<br>and use simple<br>mathematical terms            | <ul> <li>Use given mathematical<br/>information including<br/>numbers, symbols, simple<br/>diagrams and charts</li> </ul>                     | Use given mathematical<br>information including numbers,<br>symbols, simple diagrams and<br>charts                                                                  |
| appropriate to Entry Level 1                                                                           | Recognise, understand and<br>use simple mathematical<br>terms appropriate to<br>Entry Level 2                                                 | Recognise, understand and<br>use simple mathematical terms<br>appropriate to Entry Level 3                                                                          |
| Use the methods given<br>above to produce, check<br>and present results that<br>make sense             | Use the methods given<br>above to produce, check and<br>present results that make<br>sense                                                    | Use the methods given above<br>to produce, check and present<br>results that make sense to an<br>appropriate level of accuracy                                      |
| Provide a simple<br>explanation for those results                                                      | Present appropriate<br>explanations using numbers,<br>measures, simple diagrams,<br>simple charts and symbols<br>appropriate to Entry Level 2 | Present results with<br>appropriate and reasoned<br>explanation using numbers,<br>measures, simple diagrams,<br>charts and symbols<br>appropriate to Entry Level 3. |
| The context for simple problems at this level should be familiar to all students and easily described. | The context for simple problems at this level should be familiar to all students and easily described.                                        | The context for simple problems at this level should be familiar to all students.                                                                                   |



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