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Signpost **MATHS**

Sample pages



Mentals

Introduction

Using the Mentals Books

Each unit of a Mentals Book is programed to review Student Book content from the previous two weeks (based on the Suggested Program in the Teacher's Book). For example, Unit 15 of the Mentals Book can be set as homework to review weeks 13 and 14 of the Student Book while week 15 is being taught.

Presentation

- The content of the strands Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics and Probability is covered thoroughly.
- Essential skills are explained.
- Language, problem solving, graphs and tables are given a high profile.
- Mathematics is applied to real-life situations wherever possible.
- The **Arithmetic Card** (page 5) is an exciting teaching tool for practising basic number skills.
- **ID Cards** (pages 6–9) review the terms essential to success in the course.
- **Measurement examples and standards** (page 84 and inside back cover) are provided so that students can estimate effectively.

Mixed-topic Questions

The units present questions in a mixed-topic format.

- This is essential for thorough understanding and continuous review.
- In real life, similar questions don't often occur together.
- It allows the teacher to discover weaknesses that could otherwise pass unnoticed.
- It provides a real test of understanding.

Graded Questions

- Column 1: easier
- Columns 2 and 3: harder
- Column 4: Extension and Challenge

Motivation

- Cartoons make mathematics more appealing.
- There are two lizards hidden on each page for students to find.



Extra Activities



- Problem-solving **strategies** are introduced in a carefully planned sequence throughout the series.



- Important concepts from **Number and Algebra** and **Measurement and Geometry** are explored.



- **Measurement** concepts and activities are introduced and investigated.



- **Statistics and Probability** concepts (Data and Chance) are presented for revision and extension.



- A **tables** program for each of the four operations is included.
- It is important for students to try to learn addition and multiplication tables by heart.

Arithmetic Card	5
ID Cards	6–9
Units	10–83
Examples of Measurements	84

Tables of Number and Measurement Inside Back Cover

Answers A1–A12 (middle pages)



Teaching Ideas Using Headers

Unit	Content	Extra Activity	Unit	Content	Extra Activity
1:1/2 1:3/4	+ 3, + 5 Personal measures	+ Tables Measure	20:1/2 20:3/4	÷ 9, ÷ 9 Profit and loss	÷ Tables Concept
2:1/2 2:3/4	– 2, – 4 Language	– Tables ID Card D	21:1/2 21:3/4	Problem solving Height	Strategy Time Concept
3:1/2 3:3/4	× 10, × 5 Rounding (nearest 5c)	× Tables Concept	22:1/2 22:3/4	Language Problem solving	ID Card C Strategy Time
4:1/2 4:3/4	× 2, × 4 Square numbers	× Tables Concept	23:1/2 23:3/4	÷ 7, ÷ 8 Crossnumber puzzle	÷ Tables Concept
5:1/2 5:3/4	+ 4, + 6 Travel graph	+ Tables Concept	24:1/2 24:3/4	÷ 4 Problem solving	÷ Tables Strategy Time
6:1/2 6:3/4	– 3, – 7 Order of operations	– Tables Concept	25:1/2 25:3/4	÷ 6 Fractions	÷ Tables Concept
7:1/2 7:3/4	Order of operations Language	Concept ID Card B	26:1/2 26:3/4	Mass Tally	Measure Chance
8:1/2 8:3/4	Percentages Equivalent fractions	Concept Concept	27:1/2 27:3/4	Language Fractions	ID Card A Concept
9:1/2 9:3/4	Multiplication Distance	× Tables Measure	28:1/2 28:3/4	÷ 8 Fractions to decimals	÷ Tables Concept
10:1/2 10:3/4	× 3, × 6 Problem solving	× Tables Strategy Time	29:1/2 29:3/4	÷ 7 Problem solving	÷ Tables Strategy Time
11:1/2 11:3/4	÷ 5, ÷ 10 Problem solving	÷ Tables Strategy Time	30:1/2 30:3/4	× 8, × 6 Codes	× Tables Concept
12:1/2 12:3/4	Language Averages	ID Card A Concept	31:1/2 31:3/4	+ 8 Estimate the product	+ Tables Concept
13:1/2 13:3/4	Averages Probability	Concept Chance	32:1/2 32:3/4	Language Estimating chance	ID Card D Chance
14:1/2 14:3/4	÷ 2, ÷ 4 24-hour time	÷ Tables Measure	33:1/2 33:3/4	Divisibility Square numbers	Concept Concept
15:1/2 15:3/4	÷ 3, ÷ 6 Problem solving	÷ Tables Strategy Time	34:1/2 34:3/4	Factors Problem solving	Concept Strategy Time
16:1/2 16:3/4	– 9, – 5 Problem solving	– Tables Strategy Time	35:1/2 35:3/4	Crossnumber puzzle Reflections	Concept Concept
17:1/2 17:3/4	+ 7, + 9 Language	+ Tables ID Card B	36:1/2 36:3/4	– 6, – 8 Average speed	– Tables Measure
18:1/2 18:3/4	× 6, × 9 Survey	Concept × Tables	37: 1/2 37: 3/4	Language Personal measures	ID Card C Measure
19:1/2 19:3/4	× 7, × 8 Length	× Tables Measure	Answers	These can be found in the middle of this book on pages A1 to A12.	



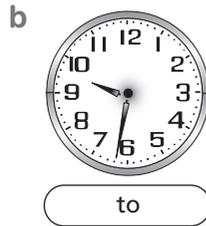
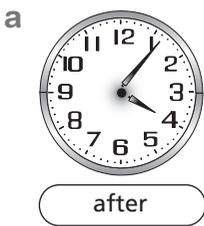
6:1

out of 18

- 1 $20 - 8$ _____
- 2 4×7 _____
- 3 $16 \div 4$ _____
- 4 $16 + 16$ _____
- 5 $\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ + 9 \\ \hline \end{array}$
- 6 Double 9. _____
- 7 80 minus 2. _____
- 8 96 plus 4. _____
- 9 Half of 54. _____
- 10 $\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ \times 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$

- 11 $100\,000 + 7\,000 + 300 + 8$ _____
- 12 Which Australian coins are silver?

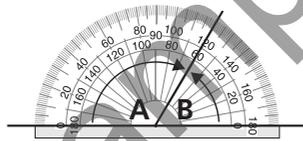
13 Complete the labels.



- 14 Four places before 53rd. _____
- 15 What is the value of the 6 in 2 160? _____

16 a What size is angle A?

b What size is angle B?



17 The number for each tally.

- a $\text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||}$ _____
- b $\text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||} \text{||||}$ _____

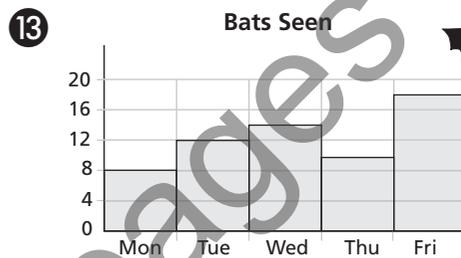
18 To square a number, multiply it by i _____.

6:2

out of 17

- 1 4×8 _____
- 2 $32 - 8$ _____
- 3 7×7 _____
- 4 $50 + 40$ _____
- 5 $\begin{array}{r} 38 \\ + 81 \\ \hline \end{array}$
- 6 $18 + 6 \times 10$ _____
- 7 50×6 _____
- 8 $4 \times \square = 28, \square =$ _____
- 9 $28 \div 7 = \square, \square =$ _____
- 10 $\begin{array}{r} \$6.72 \\ + \$9.16 \\ \hline \end{array}$

- 11 $20 - 2 \times 5$ _____
- 12 Write as kilometres:
a 6 500 metres _____ b 900 metres _____



- a How many more bats were seen on Friday than Monday? _____
- b On which two days were the least number of bats seen? _____

14 Millimetres in 14 cm 6 mm. _____

15 _____

What is the length of this line to the nearest millimetre? _____

16 Two more than 7 squared. _____

17 Arrange in descending order: 31 673 316, 37 631 713, 33 761 301, 31 763 116. _____



even - odd = _____
odd - odd = _____



6:3

out of 11

Tens	Ones
4	0
- 3	7

Tens	Ones
5	6
- 1	9

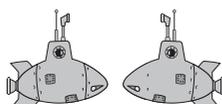
3 Write the value of 8 in:

a 7380213 _____

b 9041805 _____

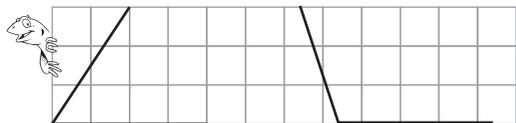
4 Write 7th in words. _____

5 Is this a reflection, translation or rotation? _____



6 18 shoes are in the shop window. How many pairs are there? _____

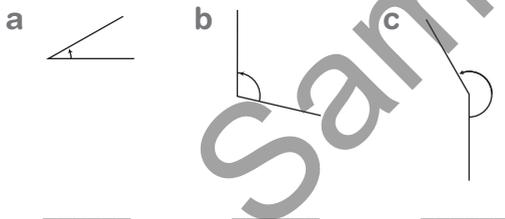
7 a Complete the parallelograms.



b Are opposite sides of a parallelogram equal? _____

8 Find the difference between 14 and 76. _____

9 Estimate the size of these angles.



10 How many kilometres in 5 000 m? _____

11 The next two square numbers after 30. _____

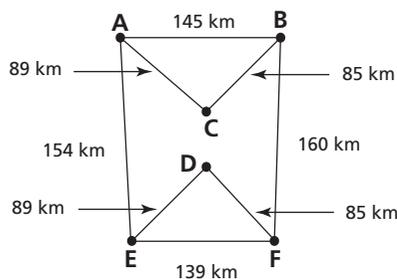
Extension**6:4**

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1 The shortest distance by road from:

a A to F _____ b C to D _____

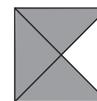


2 I am paid between \$12 and \$14 an hour. Which could be my pay for 6 hours work: \$70.50, \$72.00, \$83.10 or \$84.00? _____

3 Minutes in 9 hours. _____

4 $\square \div 2 = 55$, $\square =$ _____

5 The shaded part has value 30. What is the value of the whole? _____



6 If 3 small squares make a *trio* and 3 *trios* make a *nino*, could 57 small square make:



a one *trio* and 6 *ninos*? _____

b 7 *trios* and 4 *ninos*? _____

Challenge

Write number sentences with the answer 14, e.g. $4 + 5 \times 2 - (4 \times 0) = 14$

**Concept****Order of Operations****Example**

$$28 - (7 - 3) \div 2$$

Remove the ().

$$= 28 - 4 \div 2$$

Do \times and \div .

$$= 28 - 2$$

$$= 26$$

Order

1 ()
 2 \times and \div
 3 $+$ and $-$
 (going from left to right)



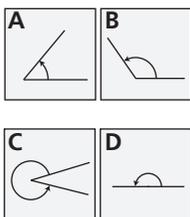
- a $6 + 3 \times 5$ _____
- b $10 - 2 \times 4$ _____
- c $7 - (10 - 3)$ _____
- d $28 - (20 - 10)$ _____
- e $10 - 3 + 4$ _____
- f $10 - (3 + 4)$ _____
- g $20 - 4 + 9$ _____
- h $25 - 19 + 1$ _____
- i $20 \div 5 \times 12$ _____
- j $20 \div (5 \times 2)$ _____
- k $10 + (6 \div 2) \times 3 + 15 \div 3$ _____

7:1

out of 18

- 1 $6 - 6$ _____
- 2 $64 + 8$ _____
- 3 $21 \div 3$ _____
- 4 9×100 _____
- 5
$$\begin{array}{r} 38 \\ + 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$
- 6 1 squared. _____
- 7 8 groups of 4. _____
- 8 5 more than 33. _____
- 9 71 take away 4. _____
- 10
$$\begin{array}{r} 42 \\ - 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

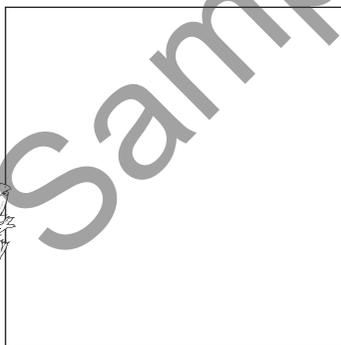
- 11 Which angle is:
 a reflex? _____
 b straight? _____
 c acute? _____
 d obtuse? _____



- 12 Subtract 8 from 12. _____
- 13 $6000 + 400 + 7$ _____
- 14 Use $<$ or $>$ in:
 a 82095 _____ 82210 b 30979 _____ 30997

- 15 Round off 6389 correct to the nearest hundred. _____
- 16 62, 64, 66, _____, _____, _____

- 17 In this space draw a shape that will tessellate.



- 18 6 squared. _____

7:2

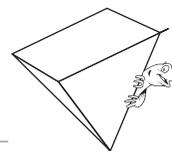
out of 18

- 1 $61 + 8$ _____
- 2 4×9 _____
- 3 $15 + 6$ _____
- 4 5×60 _____
- 5
$$\begin{array}{r} 21 \\ \times 10 \\ \hline \end{array}$$
- 6 $90 \div 10$ _____
- 7 20×4 _____
- 8 $4 \times \square = 36$, $\square =$ _____
- 9 $80 \div \square = 8$, $\square =$ _____
- 10
$$\begin{array}{r} 378 \\ + 46 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

- 11 Round off the answer to Question 10, correct to the nearest 100. _____

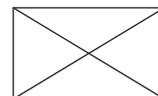
- 12 $(6 \times 5) + 7 =$ _____

- 13 Name this solid. _____



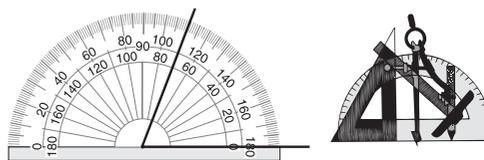
- 14 a Are opposite sides of a rectangle equal? _____

- b Do the diagonals cut each other in half? _____



- 15 Round off 1742 to the nearest hundred. _____

16



- a The size of the angle shown? _____

- b Is this angle acute or obtuse? _____

- 17 4 squared. _____

- 18 a
$$\begin{array}{r} 134 \\ \times 5 \\ \hline \end{array}$$
 b
$$\begin{array}{r} 218 \\ \times 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Order of Operations

1 () 2 \times and \div 3 + and -

Example

$$4 \times (11 - 9) + 20 \div 2$$

Remove the ().

$$= 4 \times 2 + 20 \div 2$$

Do \times and \div , (left to right).

$$= 8 + 10$$

$$= 18$$

a $11 - (8 - 3)$ _____

b $14 - (20 - 10)$ _____

c $8 + 2 \times 4$ _____

d $16 - 2 \times 6$ _____

e $20 - 12 \div 4$ _____

f $15 + 6 \div 3$ _____

g $6 \div 3 \times 2$ _____

h $20 \div 5 \times 4$ _____

i $11 - 4 + 5$ _____

j $21 - 11 + 6$ _____

k $63 + 12 \div 6 - (8 + 12) \div (9 - 4 + 5)$ _____



Concept



7:3

out of 12

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \quad 2793 \\ - 242 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 2 \quad 8790 \\ - 357 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 3 \quad 300 \\ - 52 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

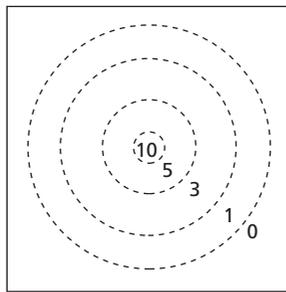
$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \quad 20 \\ \times 4 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 5 \quad 700 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 6 \quad 9000 \\ \times 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

7 How many are left over if 22 toys are shared by:

a 3 girls? _____ b 4 girls? _____

8 How many minutes in 8 hours? _____

9 Two darts are thrown into this dartboard. Which totals (below 16) are impossible to obtain?



10 A book has 82 pages. How many times was the digit 8 used in numbering its pages? _____

11 Use your ruler and protractor to find:

a the number of equal sides _____
b the number of equal angles _____

12 1, 15, 23, 49, 60
Which of these numbers are:

a multiples of 5? _____
b square numbers? _____

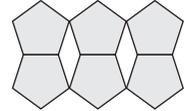
Extension**7:4**

out of 7

1 $(5 \times 37) + (5 \times 37) =$ _____

2 Which number below is a multiple of 5, 6 and 7?
1764 1470 1120 1560 _____

3 How many octagons of any shape are present? _____



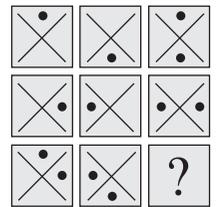
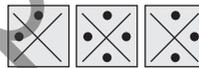
4 a A whale weighs 140 000 kg. How many tonnes is this? _____

b A car had a mass of 1.8 t. How many kg is this? _____

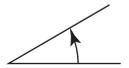
5 $374 + 279$ _____

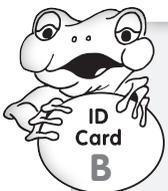
6 Which is larger, $2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2$ or $1^2 + 5^2$? _____

7 Circle the square below that completes the pattern.

**Challenge**

Describe this angle. List places you might see an angle this size.





Turn to ID Card B on page 7.

Give the answers for these numbers.

(7) _____ line (8) _____ lines

(10) _____ line (11) _____ line

(14) _____ angle (15) _____ angle

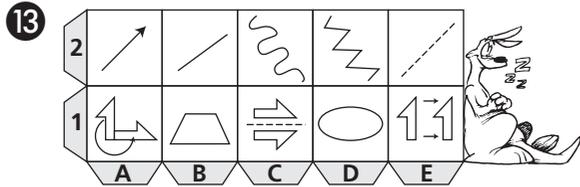
(16) _____ angle (17) _____ angle

(18) _____ angle (19) _____

How many revolutions have I made?



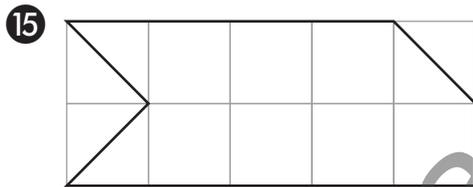
- 1 5×6 _____
- 2 $10 - 4$ _____
- 3 9×6 _____
- 4 $70 + 18$ _____
- 5 $\begin{array}{r} \\ 3 \overline{)12} \end{array}$ _____
- 6 2 squared. _____
- 7 Add 6 and 17. _____
- 8 4 rows of 9. _____
- 9 Take 40 from 95. _____
- 10 $\begin{array}{r} \\ 10 \overline{)70} \end{array}$ _____
- 11 $0.5 + 0.5$ _____
- 12 Name a shape with 6 sides. _____



Give the name of the figure at:

- a E2 _____
- b B1 _____
- c C1 _____
- d D1 _____
- e E1 _____
- f A1 _____
- g D2 _____
- h B2 _____

- 14 A shape with five straight sides is called a _____



What is the area of this shape in square centimetres? _____ cm²

- 16 The difference between 14:30 and:
 - a 08:30 on the same day. _____
 - b 08:30 on the next day. _____

- 1 9×3 _____
- 2 $32 - 3$ _____
- 3 6×7 _____
- 4 $8 + 41$ _____
- 5 $\begin{array}{r} \\ 4 \overline{)36} \end{array}$ _____
- 6 $0.7 + 0.3$ _____
- 7 $\square \times 10 = 100$, $\square =$ _____
- 8 $0.1 + 0.9$ _____
- 9 $180 - 2 \times 70$ _____
- 10 $\begin{array}{r} \\ 5 \overline{)36} \end{array}$ _____

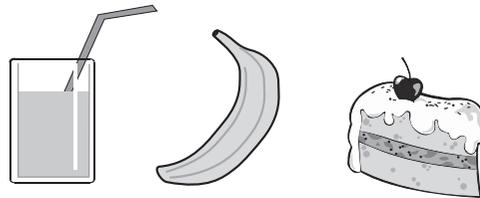


- 11 a $4 \times 8 + 10$ _____
 b $16 \div 4 + 20 \div 5$ _____
- 12 At a speed of 60 km/h, how far would I travel in 2 hours? _____

- 13 What is the area of a rectangular dance floor that has a length of 12 m and a width of 6 m? _____



- 14 How many sides does an octagon have? _____
- 15 0.8, 1.0, 1.2, _____, _____
- 16 Minutes in $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours. _____
- 17 Heidi began with \$30 and bought these items.



\$2.80 \$1.70 \$1.40

Total spent = _____

Amount left = _____



* *

* *

even + odd = _____
 odd + even = _____



17:3

 out of 9

1
$$\begin{array}{r} 83921 \\ 35032 \\ + 2115 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

2
$$\begin{array}{r} 730.93 \\ 143.71 \\ + 21.30 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

3 The 24-hour time, one hour after:
 a 12:30 am _____ b 12:30 pm _____

4 a What is the main ingredient used in making a quiche?

Quiche Recipe by Weight



b What fraction of the final quiche is made from eggs?

c If the quiche weighs 400 g, how many 50 g eggs were used in the recipe?

Which would we use more of:

d bacon or cheese? _____
 e pastry or onion? _____

5 Sides on a pentagon. _____

6 Write $3\frac{4}{5}$ as an improper fraction. _____

7 Opposite sides of a rectangle are e _____ and p _____.

8 How long will it take to travel 900 km at an average speed of 90 km/h? _____

9 a $15 - (9 - 6)$ _____
 b $100 \times 2 - 10 \times 2$ _____



Turn to ID Card B on page 7.
 Give the answers for these numbers.

- (9) _____ lines
- (10) _____
- (11) _____
- (12) _____
- (13) _____ of an angle
- (14) _____
- (15) _____
- (16) _____ of symmetry
- (17) _____
- (18) _____
- (19) 1: _____

Flip, slide or turn?



17:4

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1 Cara begins with \$95.50. She buys:

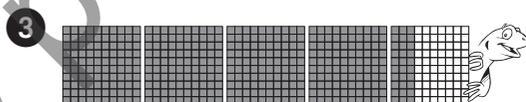


a What is Cara's total cost? _____
 b How much money is left? _____

2 How \$50 was spent



a What % was spent on fares? _____
 b What % was spent on food? _____



Write this number as a:
 a mixed number _____
 b decimal _____

Challenge

Write decimal addition sentences that are equal to 1, e.g. $0.75 + 0.25$.

18:1



out of 18

- 1 6×5 _____ 6 5 squared. _____
 2 $9 + 7$ _____ 7 80 minus 9. _____
 3 $11 - 5$ _____ 8 8 more than 88. _____
 4 $12 \div 6$ _____ 9 Divide 60 by 6. _____
 5
$$\begin{array}{r} \\ 2 \overline{)400} \end{array}$$
 10
$$\begin{array}{r} \\ 3 \overline{)60} \end{array}$$

11 Complete the pattern.
 0.36, 0.37, 0.38, _____, _____

12 Arrange in descending order
 75 124 911, 75 241 119, 75 921 977

13 If I had \$35, how many of these books could I buy?



14 What is the value of the 7 in 3411723?

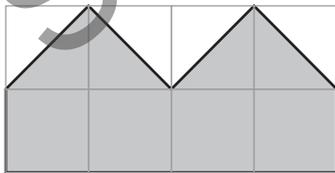
15 What is the difference between walking straight to school (9072 paces) or going via the shops (10180 paces)?

16 Is 2132 a multiple of 3, 4 or 5?

17 a How many halves in $2\frac{1}{2}$?

b How many quarters in 3?

18 What is the area of the shaded shape?



_____ cm²

18:2

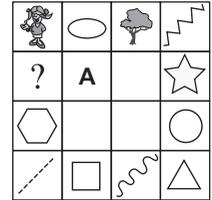
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- 1 9×8 _____ 6 $36 \div 6$ _____
 2 $48 - 6$ _____ 7 $6 + 3 \div 3$ _____
 3 8×8 _____ 8 $\square + 81 = 99$, $\square =$ _____
 4 $12 + 64$ _____ 9 $180 - \square = 5$, $\square =$ _____
 5
$$\begin{array}{r} \\ 6 \overline{)20} \end{array}$$
 10
$$\begin{array}{r} \\ 3 \overline{)17} \end{array}$$

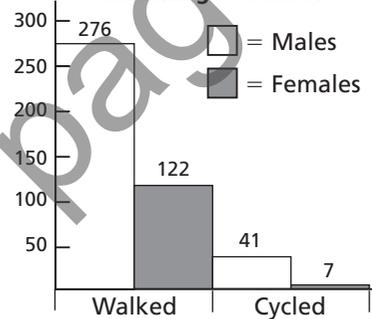
11 From A, what is:

a north-east? _____

b south-west? _____



12 Travelling to School



a How many people who walked were females?

b Is it more likely that the next person to arrive at school by walking will be male or female?

c How many people walked altogether?

13 $0.6 + 0.4$



Two multiplication tables are shown, each with a central circle containing a multiplier and a grid of numbers around it. The first table has a multiplier of 6, and the second has a multiplier of 9. Above the tables are several small icons of people's faces with different expressions.



The digits in each number add up to 9.



9	18	27	36	45
54	63	72	81	90

18:3

out of 7

1
$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \cdot 5 \ 1 \ 2 \\ + 2 \cdot 3 \ 4 \ 8 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

2
$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \cdot 9 \ 9 \ 9 \ \text{km} \\ + 3 \cdot 2 \ 1 \ 4 \ \text{km} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

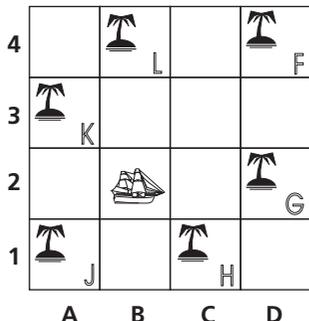
3 Which island is at:

a D2?

b B4?

Which island is:
c north of the ship?

d south-east of the ship?



4 Complete each pattern.

a 0.2, 0.8, 1.4, _____, _____

b 0.3, 0.6, 0.9, _____, _____

5 A stone is kicked 5.8 m then 7.8 m and finally 12.1 m. How far has it been kicked altogether?

6 Write as an improper fraction:

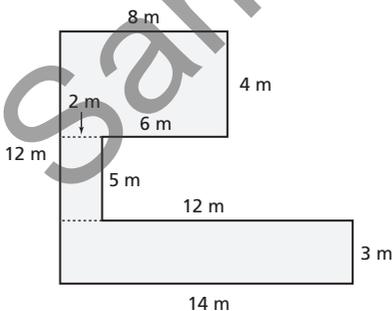
a $2\frac{1}{4}$ _____

b $3\frac{3}{5}$ _____

7 For this shape find the:

a perimeter _____

b area _____



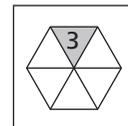
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out of 5

1 The Foster family used 5 tins of paint for walls upstairs, and 3 tins of paint in the study downstairs. 1 tin of paint covers 100 m². What area was covered?



2 One sixth of a whole is 3. Write the value of each shaded part.



Give the value at the letter:

a A _____ b B _____

c C _____ d D _____

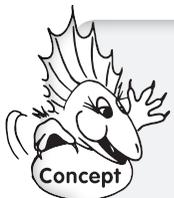
4 Which factors of 64 are also multiples of 8?

5 The numeral for:

a CCXCIX _____ b CLXXXIV _____

Challenge

Ask 5 people to tell you their favourite hobby. Record the results below. Do you think this is an accurate reflection of your whole suburb? Why or why not?



Conduct a survey to find out which sport is the most popular.

a How many people will you ask? _____

b Who will you ask? _____

c How will you collect the information? _____

