# **Using ratios**

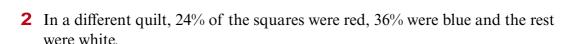
- Converting between ratios, fractions and percentages
- Dividing a quantity in a given ratio
- Comparing two ratios
- Understanding the ratio properties of similar 2-D shapes
- Solving problems using direct and indirect proportion

Keywords

You should know

#### explanation 1

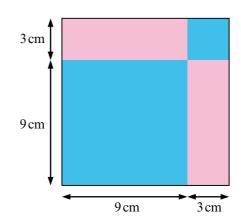
- 1 This is a patchwork quilt.
  - **a** Find the ratio of yellow to green to orange to white squares.
  - **b** Find the proportion of each of these.
    - i yellow squares
- ii green squares
- iii orange squares
- iv white squares
- c Find the percentage of white squares.



- **a** What proportion of the squares were each colour?
  - i red
- ii blue
- iii white
- **b** Write the ratio of red to blue to white squares.
- **c** What is the smallest number of squares that the quilt could be made from?
- **3** Two parts of this square design are shaded pink.

Two parts are shaded blue.

Show that the ratio of blue to pink is 5:3.



explanation 2a

explanation 2b

- **4** Write each ratio in its simplest form.
  - **a** 16:24
- **b** 35:50

- c 32:72
- d 56:84

- **e** 26:156
- **f** 280:630
- **g** 12:9:15
- h 28:49:63

- i 39:26:130
- 200:1000:400
- **k** 48:180:312
- **5** Write each ratio in its simplest form.
  - **a**  $2:\frac{1}{2}$
- **b**  $\frac{1}{3}$ : 1
- $\frac{1}{4}:3$

**d**  $\frac{1}{4}:\frac{1}{2}$ 

- e  $\frac{3}{4}:\frac{1}{2}$
- **f** 1.5:1
- **g** 6.5:2.5
- **h** 1.25:3

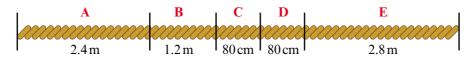
- **6** Simplify these ratios.
  - **a** £2:40p

- **b** 6 hours: 3 days
- c 75cm:6m

- d 36 minutes: 1 day
- e 45 seconds: 3 minutes
- f 4 litres: 480 ml

- g 16 hours:1 week
- **h** £1.30:52p

- i 1.44 kg:840 g
- 7 An 8m length of rope was cut into these sections to make parts for a rope ladder.



- a What is the ratio of section A to section B?
- **b** What percentage of the rope is cut into sections less than 1 m long?
- **c** What is the ratio of the lengths of sections C to D to E?
- **8 a** For this almond cake recipe write the ratio of butter to sugar to flour to ground almonds in its simplest form.
  - **b** In another recipe the ratio of flour to sugar is 3:2. How much sugar is needed to mix with 1.2kg of flour?

### **Rich Almond Cake**

0.25 kg butter 350 g sugar 0.5 kg flour 150 g ground almonds

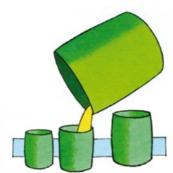
#### explanation 3

- **9** Divide each amount in the given ratio.
  - a 63 in the ratio 4:5
  - c 75 in the ratio 2:3
  - **e** 225 in the ratio 2:3
  - **g** 105 in the ratio 5:2
  - i 120 in the ratio 1:2:3
  - k 168 in the ratio 3:1:4

- **b** 90 in the ratio 3:7
- **d** 500 in the ratio 1:4
- f 91 in the ratio 3:4
- **h** 216 in the ratio 8:1
- 84 in the ratio 3:4:5
- 1 300 in the ratio 2:5:5
- 10 The angles in a triangle are in the ratio 1:2:3. Find the sizes of the three angles.
- 11 A large plastic barrel contains 250 litres of vegetable oil.

It is poured into three containers with capacities in the ratio 3:5:2.

How many litres of oil does each container hold?



12 Mrs Graham won £22 500 playing the lottery.

She gave it to her three grandchildren in the ratio 6:4:5.

How much did they each receive?

#### explanation 4a

explanation 4b

- **13** Write these ratios in the form 1:*m*. Round to one decimal place if necessary.
  - **a** 10:32
- **b** 4:15
- c 3:8
- **d** 8:21
- **e** 36:80
- **14** Write these ratios in the form m:1. Round to one decimal place if necessary.
  - **a** 33:4
- **b** 69:23
- **c** 11:3
- d 42:8
- e 47:13

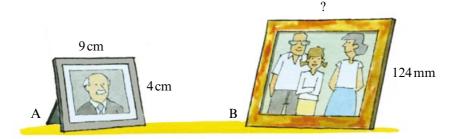
15 The ratio of tries scored to tries converted for the Lowlanders and the Clansmen rugby teams are 18:5 and 15:4 respectively.

Which team has the better conversion rate? Explain.

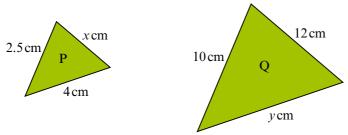
**16** Which of these two dresses has the greater proportion of Lycra to other fibres?



17 The ratio of the lengths of corresponding sides of these photo frames are the same.



- a Write the ratio width: length of photo frame A.
- **b** Find the length of photo frame B.
- **18** Triangles P and Q are similar. They are not drawn to scale.
  - **a** What are the values of x and y?

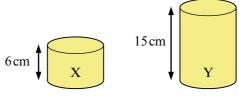


**b** Find the dimensions of two other triangles that could be similar to triangles P and Q.

**19** The circular bases of two cylinders are congruent.

Cylinder X is 6cm high and has a volume of 300 cm<sup>3</sup>.

- **a** Find the ratio of the heights of the two cylinders in the form 1:*m*.
- **b** What is the volume of cylinder Y?





explanation 5b

explanation 5c

20 This table shows the quantities of red and yellow paint mixed to make orange paint.



Red paint (litres)	3	6	9		45	
Yellow paint (litres)	7			84		147

- a What is the ratio of red paint to yellow paint?
- **b** Copy and complete the table.
- c Copy and complete these sentences using the correct words from the box.

The ratio of red paint to yellow paint is \_\_\_\_\_.

The numbers are in \_\_\_\_\_ proportion to each other.

direct inverse constant

**21** In a frozen pasta bake there is 5 g of protein in every 8 g of pasta bake.

a Copy and complete the table to show this relationship.

Pasta bake (g)	8	16	24	32
Protein (g)	5			

- **b** Find the amount of protein in
  - i 80 g of pasta bake
  - ii 128 g of pasta bake
  - iii 500 g of pasta bake

- 22 Sunita has 375 g of butter and adapts her apple pie recipe so that she can use all the butter.
  - **a** What quantities of the other ingredients would she need?
  - **b** How many people would this serve?

## Apple pie (for 4)

3 large apples
25 g brown sugar
200 g flour
75 g butter (or margarine)
50 g castor sugar
1 tablespoon water to mix

23 Tammy wanted to raise £192 for charity by selling tickets to a concert.

She drew up a table of the possible prices she could charge per ticket and the

numbers of tickets she would have to sell.

Number of tickets	8	10	12		20	
Price per ticket (£)	24			12		8

**a** Copy and complete this sentence using the correct word from the box.

The product of the number of tickets and the price per ticket is \_\_\_\_\_\_.

direct inverse constant

- **b** Copy and complete the table.
- **c** Copy and complete this sentence using the correct word from the box.

The numbers are in \_\_\_\_\_\_ proportion to each other.

**24** For each of these tables decide whether the values are in direct or inverse proportion to each other. Explain your answers.

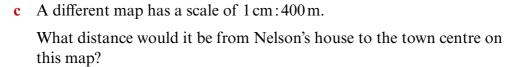
a	Price (£)	20	15	12	10	5
	Number	3	4	5	6	12

b	Weight (kg)	5	10	15	20	25
	Height (cm)	15	30	45	60	75

c	Hourly rate (£)	2	4	5	8	10
	Hours	50	25	20	12.5	10

- 25 Last week Jack earned £200. This week he earned 40% more than last week. What is the ratio of what he earned last week to what he earned this week?
- **26** A city street map has a scale of 1 cm: 350 m.
  - a On the map the distance from Nelson's house to school is 3 cm.
    - i How far is this in metres?
    - ii How far is this in kilometres?
  - **b** The actual distance from his house to the town centre is 2.8 km.

What distance is this on the map?



Nelson's

house

School

27 Jessica bought two cakes for a total of £15.75.

One cake cost two and a half times as much as the other.

How much did each cake cost?

A 500 ml jug is filled with orange squash and lemonade in the ratio 1:4.

Another 500 ml jug is filled with orange squash and lemonade in the ratio 1:3.

Both jugs are poured into one large jug.

What is the ratio of orange squash to lemonade in the large jug?

**29** A pastry mix is made from 2 parts butter mixed with 3 parts flour.

- **a** How much of each ingredient is needed to make one kilogram of pastry mix?
- **b** Bianca has 200 g of butter and 400 g of flour, What is the most pastry mix she can make?
- c Gina has 1.5 kg of butter and 1125 g of flour. What is the most pastry mix she can make?

