



Ratios

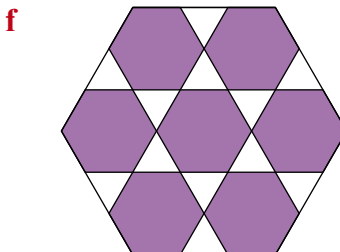
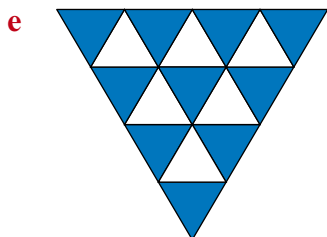
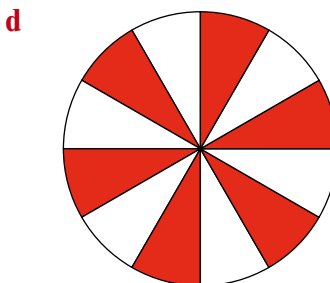
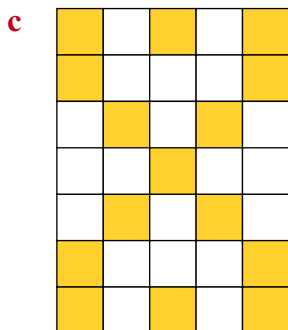
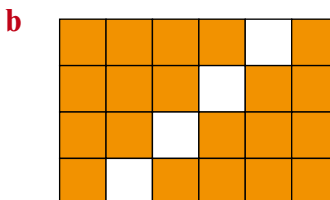
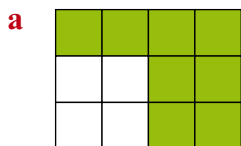
- The relationship between fractions and ratios
- Simplifying ratios
- Dividing a quantity in a given ratio
- Using the unitary method to solve problems involving ratio

Keywords

You should know

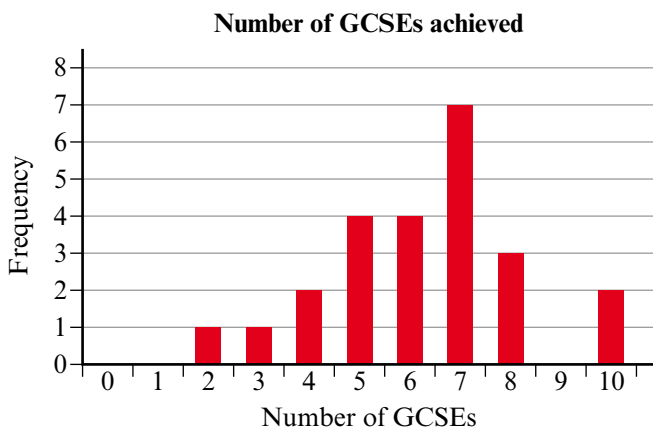
explanation 1

- 1** Write the proportion of each shape that is coloured, as a fraction in its simplest form.



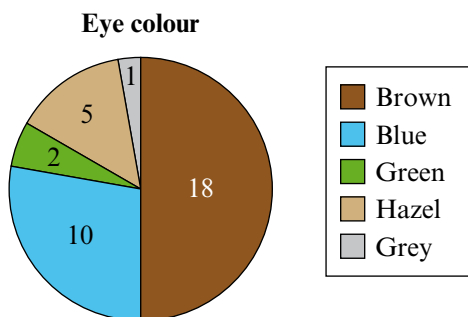
- 2** Write the ratio of coloured area to non-coloured area for each of the shapes in question 1.

- 3** The bar chart shows the number of GCSEs achieved by a group of 24 pupils.



- a** What proportion of the pupils achieved exactly 5 GCSEs?
Give your answer as a fraction in its simplest form.
- b** What proportion of the pupils achieved 5 or more GCSEs?
Give your answer as a fraction in its simplest form.
- c** What is the ratio of pupils achieving 5 GCSEs to pupils achieving other results?
- d** What is the ratio of pupils achieving 5 or more GCSEs to pupils achieving fewer than 5 GCSEs?

- 4** The pie chart shows the eye colour of a group of 36 people.



- a** What proportion of the people have hazel eyes?
- b** What is the ratio of people with hazel eyes to people with other coloured eyes?
- c** What proportion of the people have either hazel or green eyes?
- d** What is the ratio of people with green or hazel eyes to people with other coloured eyes?

explanation 2

5 Use the data on eye colour from question 4.

- a** What is the ratio of blue to hazel eye colours among the 36 people?
Give your ratio in its simplest form.
- b** What is the ratio of blue to brown eye colours among these people?
Give your ratio in its simplest form.
- c** One of the ratios of eye colour is given as 9 : 1.
Which two eye colours are in this ratio?

6 Simplify these ratios.

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| a 4:2 | b 8:6 | c 8:12 | d 5:15 |
| e 16:24 | f 18:27 | g 6:72 | h 30:6 |
| i 14:56 | j 28:21 | k 48:144 | l 49:63 |

7 The following pairs of ratios are equivalent. Work out the unknown values.

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| a $1:2 = 3:x$ | b $7:21 = p:42$ | c $2:5 = n:25$ |
| d $15:y = 45:18$ | e $a:9 = 40:72$ | f $6:18 = 5:b$ |
| g $1:2:3 = 5:m:n$ | h $3:5:6 = p:30:q$ | i $d:3:7 = 16:12:e$ |

explanation 3

8 The following ratios involve quantities with different units. Write both quantities in the same units then simplify to give the ratio in its simplest form.

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| a 2 cm : 5 m | b 8 mm : 12 cm | c 25 g : 3 kg |
| d 6 mm : 5 m | e 4 mm : 1 km | f 15 kg : 2 tonnes |
| g 125 g : 1 tonne | h 20 s : 5 min | i 5 s : 2 hours |
| j 150 mm : 15 km | k 10 min : 3 days | l 40 ml : 10 litres |

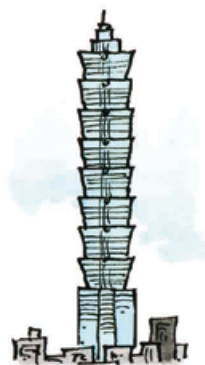
9 A model car is made to a scale of 1 : 50.

- a** The model has a length of 10 cm. Calculate the length of the real car. Give your answer in metres.
- b** The real car has a height of 1.75 m. Calculate the height of the model car.



- 10** In 2007, the Taipei Tower in Taiwan was the world tallest building, standing at a height of approximately 510 m.

- a** On a photograph, the tower is 15 cm tall.
What is the scale of the photo to the real thing?
Write the ratio in its simplest form.
- b** A poster is produced to a scale of 1 : 200.
Calculate the height of the tower on the poster.



- 11** A map is drawn to a scale of 1 : 50 000.

- a** Calculate the real distance, if a distance on the map is 3 cm.
Give your answer in metres.
- b** Calculate the distance on the map, if a distance on the ground is 8 km.
Give your answer in centimetres.

- 12** An architect produces a plan of a building to a scale of 1 : 25.

- a** The height of the real building will be 8 m.
What height is the building on the plan? Give your answer in centimetres.
- b** The length of the building on the plan is 45 cm.
Calculate the length of the actual building. Give your answer in metres.

explanation 4

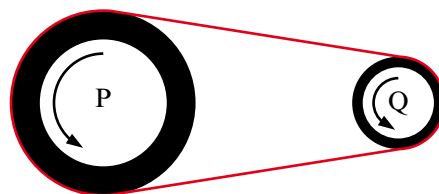
- 13** A piece of string 24 cm long is divided into smaller pieces in these ratios.
Calculate the length of each of the smaller pieces.

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| a 1 : 7 | b 1 : 5 | c 1 : 3 | d 7 : 5 |
| e 5 : 19 | f 5 : 3 | g 1 : 2 : 3 | h 3 : 5 : 4 |

- 14** A piece of wood 48 cm long is cut into smaller pieces in these ratios.
Calculate the length of each of the smaller pieces of wood.

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| a 1 : 15 | b 5 : 1 | c 1 : 31 | d 1 : 1 : 14 |
| e 1 : 2 : 3 : 6 | f 3 : 5 : 4 : 4 | g 6 : 8 : 5 : 3 : 2 | h 8 : 12 : 7 : 5 |

- 15** Blue, white and yellow paint is mixed in the ratio 3:20:2.
The paint is sold in 5-litre containers.
Calculate the volume of each colour paint in the containers.
- a** White paint **b** Blue paint **c** Yellow paint
- 16** A fruit juice is made from mango, orange, apple and grape juices in the ratio 4:8:3:1. The juice is sold in 1 litre cartons.
- a** Calculate the amount of mango juice in a carton.
b Calculate the amount of apple juice in a carton.
c A promotional carton is produced with 25% extra free.
Calculate the amount of orange juice used in a promotional carton.
- 17** P and Q are two chain wheels. For every 2 complete rotations that wheel P makes, wheel Q makes 7.
- a** If wheel P makes 250 rotations, calculate the number of rotations made by wheel Q.
b If wheel Q makes 497 rotations, calculate the number of rotations made by wheel P.
c If the combined number of rotations is 1620, calculate the number of rotations made by each wheel.



- 18** A square has the same area as a rectangle.
The sides of the rectangle are in the ratio 9:4.
The perimeter of the rectangle is 130 cm.
- a** Calculate the lengths of the sides of the rectangle.
b Calculate the area of the rectangle.
c Calculate the side length of the square.
d Write down the ratio of the perimeters of the two shapes in the form perimeter of square:perimeter of rectangle.
Give your answer in its simplest form.

