

Solving geometrical problems

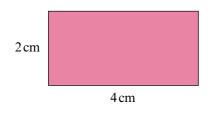
Applying your knowledge to solve problems

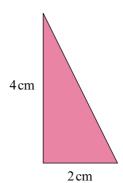
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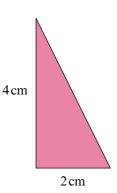
You should know

explanation 1

1 A rectangle and two right-angled triangles are shown below.







- a Copy the diagrams onto centimetre square paper and cut them out.
- **b** You can translate, rotate or reflect any of the shapes and combine them to build new shapes.

Draw a diagram to show how to use all three shapes to build:

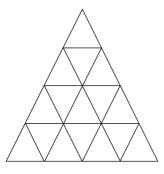
i a square

ii two different parallelograms

iii two different trapeziums

iv a pentagon

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Explain why there are 27 triangles in this diagram. Remember that there are triangles of different sizes.

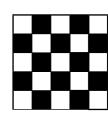
3 a Find the number of black squares, the number of white squares and the total number of squares on each of these grids.

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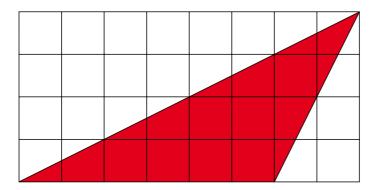






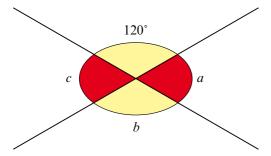
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- **b** What do you notice about the number of black squares compared to the number of white squares on the different grids? Explain your answer fully.
- **c** Use your answer to part **b** to work out these questions without drawing the grids.
 - i How many squares would there be on a 8 by 8 grid? How many squares would be black and how many would be white?
 - ii How many squares would there be on a 11 by 11 grid? How many squares would be black and how many would be white?
- **d** What size square has 145 white squares?
- 4 a Find the area of this triangle.



b Can you find a method to work out the area of the shape from its base and height?

5 The diagram shows two straight lines meeting at an angle of 120°.



Angle b and the 120° are vertically opposite.

Angle a and angle c are vertically opposite.

Use the fact about angles on a straight line to find the size of angles a, b and c.

Explain your method.

What is true about vertically opposite angles?

- **6** a If angle a is 40° explain how to use this triangle to work out that angle b is 70° .
 - **b** If angle b is 70°, why must angle c be 110°?
 - c If angle c was 100°, what would be the size of angle a? Explain your answer.

