

# Speed Maths

## Cubes & Cube roots



# CUBES

## Cubes of 2 digit numbers

To calculate the cube value of a 2 digit number.

**Step 1:** Put down the cube of the ten's digit in a row of 4 figures. Find the ratio between the digits of the given number. So, the other 3 digits in the row are in the geometrical ratio in the exact proportion.

**Step 2:** Put down under the second and third digits, 2 times of the second and the third digit. Then add up the 2 rows.



1. Calculate  $12^3$ .

**Solution:**

The ten's digit of the number is 1

So we write the first digit as  $1^3 = 1$

The ratio between the digits is 1:2, the next digits will be double the previous one.

So the first row is                      1   2   4   8

The second and the third digits are 2 and 4.

So write down 4 and 8 below 2 and 4 and then add.

1   2   4   8

4   8

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1   7   2   8

$$\therefore 12^3 = 1728$$



2. Calculate  $21^3$ .

**Solution:**

8 4 2 1

8 4  
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9 2 6 1

$$\left[ 8 = 2^3, 8 \div 4 = 2, 4 \div 2 = 1, 2 \div 1 = 2 \right]$$

$$\therefore 21^3 = 9261 \quad \left[ 4 \times 2 = 8, 2 \times 2 = 4 \right]$$



3. Calculate  $34^3$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{array}{r}
 27 \quad 36 \quad 48 \quad 64 \\
 \quad 72 \quad 96 \\
 \hline
 39 \quad 123 \quad 150 \quad 64
 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore 34^3 = 39304$$



4. Calculate  $93^3$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{array}{r} 729 \quad 243 \quad 81 \quad 27 \\ \quad 486 \quad 162 \\ \hline 804 \quad 753 \quad 245 \quad 27 \end{array}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} 9^3 = 729, 9 : 3 = 3 : 1 \\ \therefore \text{Each term is obtained by dividing by 3} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\therefore 93^3 = 804357$$

5. Calculate  $77^3$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{array}{r} 343 \quad 343 \quad 343 \quad 343 \\ + \quad 686 \quad 686 \\ \hline 456 \quad 1135 \quad 1063 \quad 343 \end{array}$$

$$\left[ 7^3 = 343, \text{ratio } 1 : 1 \right]$$

$$\therefore 77^3 = 456533$$



## Cube roots

If  $y = x^3$ , then  $x$  is called the cube root of  $y$  and is written as  $x = \sqrt[3]{y}$

1. Find the cube root of 2744.

**Solution:**

$$2744 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 7 \times 7 \times 7$$

$$= 2^3 \times 7^3$$

$$\therefore \sqrt[3]{2744} = 2 \times 7$$

$$= 14$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \overline{) 2744} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{00} \\ 2 \phantom{00} \overline{) 1372} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{00} \\ 2 \phantom{00} \overline{) 686} \\ \underline{7} \phantom{00} \\ 7 \phantom{00} \overline{) 343} \\ \underline{7} \phantom{00} \\ 7 \phantom{00} \overline{) 49} \\ \underline{7} \phantom{00} \\ 7 \end{array}$$



2. Find the cube root of 0.000512.

**Solution:**

$$\sqrt[3]{0.000512} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{512}{1000000}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{512}}{100}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{512} = \sqrt{2^9}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{512} = 2^3 = 8$$

$$\therefore \sqrt[3]{0.000512} = \frac{8}{100} = 0.08$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \overline{) 512} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{56} \\ 2 \overline{) 256} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{56} \\ 2 \overline{) 128} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{56} \\ 2 \overline{) 64} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{56} \\ 2 \overline{) 32} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{56} \\ 2 \overline{) 16} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{56} \\ 2 \overline{) 8} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{56} \\ 2 \overline{) 4} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{56} \\ 2 \end{array}$$





3. Evaluate  $\sqrt[3]{4\frac{12}{125}}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\sqrt[3]{4\frac{12}{125}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{512}{125}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{512}}{\sqrt[3]{125}} = \frac{8}{5} = 1\frac{3}{5^2}$$

4. Find the smallest number by which 3600 be divided to make it a perfect cube.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} 3600 &= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 5 \times 5 \\ &= 2^4 \times 3^2 \times 5^2 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  3600 should be divided by  $2 \times 3^2 \times 5^2$  to make it a perfect cube 8.

$\therefore$  The required number is  $2 \times 9 \times 25 = 450$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \overline{) 3600} \\ 2 \overline{) 1800} \\ 2 \overline{) 900} \\ 2 \overline{) 450} \\ 5 \overline{) 225} \\ 3 \overline{) 45} \\ 3 \overline{) 15} \\ 5 \end{array}$$



## CUBES OF 2 DIGIT NUMBERS

### Exercise:

1. Calculate  $23^3$ .
2. Calculate  $97^3$ .
3. Calculate  $103^3$ .
4. Calculate  $111^3$ .



## CUBE ROOTS

### Exercise:

3. Find the cube root of 5832.
4. Find the cube root of 0.000216.
5. Find the smallest number by which 33275 be divided to make it a perfect square.

