Ratio - Exercise 1

1. Simplify the following ratios:

a) 2:6

b) 10:15

c) 24:18

d) 56:49

2. What is the ratio of shaded to non-shaded triangles?



3. If £30 is split between two people in the ratio 3:2, what does each get?

4. To make orange squash I mix concentrate and water in the ratio 2:7. If I use 150ml of concentrate, how much water do I use?

5. 120 sweets are shared out into three piles, in the ratio 3:4:1. How many more sweets does the biggest pile have then the smallest?

6. To make orange squash I mix concentrate and water in the ratio 2:7. If I use 150ml of concentrate, how much water do I use?

7. [JMC 2010 Q10] At the Marldon Apple-Pie-Fayre bake-off, prize money is awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in the ratio 3: 2: 1. Last year Mrs Keat and Mr Jewell shared third prize equally. What fraction of the total prize money did Mrs Keat receive?

8. If 18: x = x: 8, find x.

9. The ratio of red to blue to green marbles in a bag is 3:10:4. If there are 39 red and blue marbles altogether, how many green marbles are there?

10. [IMC 2009 Q9] Joseph's flock has 55% more sheep than goats. What is the ratio of goats to sheep in the flock?

11. [JMC 2012 Q17] There are six more girls than boys in Miss Spelling's class of 24 pupils. What is the ratio of girls to boys in this class?

12. [JMO 2010 A2] Given that x: y = 1: 2 and y: z = 3: 4, what is x: z?

13. [JMC 2013 Q19] A swimming club has three categories of members: junior, senior, veteran. The ratio of junior to senior members is 3: 2 and the ratio of senior members to veterans is 5: 2. Which of the following could be the total number of members in the swimming club?

A 30 B 35 C 48

D 58 E 60

14. [JMO 2012 A8] An athletics club has junior (i.e. boy or girl) members and adult members. The ratio of girls to boys to adults is 3:4:9 and there are 16 more adult members than junior members. In total, how many members does the club have?

15. [JMO 2015 A4] My fruit basket contains apples and oranges. The ratio of apples to oranges in the basket is 3:8. When I remove one apple the ratio changes to 1:3. How many oranges are in the basket?

16. [JMO 2004 A8] A large pan contains a mixture of oil and water. After 2 litres of water are added to the original contents of the pan, the ratio of oil to water is 1: 2. However, when 2 litres of oil are added to the new mixture, the ratio becomes 2: 3. Find the original ratio of oil to water in the pan.

STMC Final 2007/08 Q1] Anne, Becky and Charlotte had sums of money in the ratio 7:6:5. One of them gave £9 to one of the others and this changed the ratio (in the same order of names) to 6:5:4. The total sum of money remained the same; what was it?