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# 1 Factorising to a Single Bracket

# 1.1 Highest Common Factor

## Worked Example

Write the following as a product of factors:

- a)  $3a$
- b)  $6a$
- c)  $6a^2$
- d)  $6a^2b$

## Your Turn

Write the following as a product of factors:

- a)  $2b$
- b)  $12b$
- c)  $12b^2$
- d)  $12a^2b^2$

## Worked Example

Find the highest common factor of:

- a)  $3a$  and  $5a$
- b)  $6$  and  $6a$
- c)  $3a$  and  $6a$
- d)  $4ab^2$  and  $6a^2b$

## Your Turn

Find the highest common factor of:

- a)  $2b$  and  $3b$
- b)  $6$  and  $12b$
- c)  $6b$  and  $12b^2$
- d)  $8a^2b$  and  $12a^2b^2$

## 1.2 Factorising to a Single Bracket

Factorising means to turn an expression into a product of factors.

Year 8 Factorisation

$$2x^2 + 4xz$$

Factorise



$$2x(x+2z)$$

Year 9 Factorisation

$$x^2 + 3x + 2$$

Factorise



$$(x+1)(x+2)$$

A Level Factorisation

$$2x^3 + 3x^2 - 11x - 6$$

Factorise



$$(2x+1)(x-2)(x+3)$$

Factorising is the reverse of expanding.

When you have a sum of terms, just identify the common factor.  
i.e. Find the largest expression each of your terms is divisible by.

## Worked Example

- a) Factorise  $12x + 18$
- b) Factorise  $12x + 18y$
- c) Factorise  $12x^2 + 18$

## Your Turn

- a) Factorise  $12x - 20$
- b) Factorise  $12x - 20y$
- c) Factorise  $12x^3 - 20$



## Worked Example

- a) Factorise  $12x^2 + 18x$
- b) Factorise  $12x^2 + 18xy$
- c) Factorise  $12x^2y + 18xy$

## Your Turn

- a) Factorise  $12x^2 - 20x$
- b) Factorise  $12x^2 - 20xy$
- c) Factorise  $12x^2y - 20xy^2$

## 1.3 Factorising to a Single Bracket with Index Laws

## Worked Example

Factorise:

a)  $x^4y^2 - x^3y^5$

b)  $10x^7y^4 - 25x^3y^2$

## Your Turn

Factorise:

a)  $x^2y^5 - xy^3$

b)  $20e^5f^2 - 12e^2f$

## 1.4 Finish Factorising

## Worked Example

Finish factorising:

a)  $4(10x + 50)$

b)  $4(30x + 50)$

## Your Turn

Finish factorising:

a)  $4(5x + 15)$

b)  $4(25x + 15)$

## 2 Solving Linear Equations 2

## 2.1 Brackets

To solve an equation means that we find the value of the variable(s).

**Strategy:** To get  $x$  on its own on one side of the equation, we gradually need to 'claw away' the things surrounding it.

**Note:** In algebra, we tend to give our answers as fractions rather than decimals (unless asked). And never recurring decimals. Don't round also (unless asked).

## Worked Example

Solve the following equations:

a)  $4(x + 8) = 50$

b)  $4(2x + 8) = 50$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equations:

a)  $6(x - 8) = 50$

b)  $6(3x - 8) = 50$



## Worked Example

Solve the following equations:

a)  $-4(2x + 8) = 50$

b)  $-4(2x - 8) = 50$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equations:

a)  $-6(3x + 8) = 50$

b)  $-6(3x - 8) = 50$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equations:

a)  $8(x + 3) + 3(2x + 6) = 84$

b)  $8(x + 3) - 3(2x - 6) = 84$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equations:

a)  $3(x - 3) + 4(2x - 6) = 110$

b)  $3(x - 3) - 4(2x - 6) = 110$

## 2.2 Both Sides

- Collect the variable terms (i.e. the terms involving  $x$ ) on one side of the equation, and the 'constants' (i.e. the individual numbers) on the other side.
- Collect the variable terms on the side of the equation where there's more of them (and move constant terms to other side).

# Balancing

- We eliminate the variable from the side with the smaller number of the variable.
- We eliminate the variable by applying the inverse to both sides.

Which side do you eliminate the variable from?

How would you balance both sides?

- $3x + 4 = 2x + 6$

- $2x + 4 = 3x + 6$

- $2x - 4 = 3x - 6$

- $4 - 2x = 3x - 6$

- $4 - 2x = 6 - 3x$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equations:

a)  $5x + 7 = 2x + 31$

b)  $2x - 23 = 7 - x$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equations:

a)  $5x + 7 = 3x + 23$

b)  $2x - 23 = 12 - 3x$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equations:

a)  $17x = 10x + 21$

b)  $10x = 17x + 21$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equations:

a)  $10x = 13x - 21$

b)  $13x = 10x - 21$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equations:

a)  $3(x + 2) = 2(x + 3)$

b)  $3(x + 5) - 7 = 2(x + 2)$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equations:

a)  $9(x - 3) = 4(x + 7)$

b)  $7(x + 6) - 7 = 4(x + 2)$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equation:

$$3(2w - 1) - 4 = 4(w + 2) + 1$$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equation:

$$2(2p - 2) - 4 = 2(p + 3) - 3$$



## Worked Example

Solve the following equation:

$$3(6x + 1) + 5(3 + x) = 2(3 - 5x) + 2(5 + 6x)$$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equation:

$$2(1 - 2x) + 2(4x + 1) = 3(3x + 5) + 4(5x + 1)$$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equation:

$$\frac{3x + 6}{2} = x + 3$$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equation:

$$\frac{9x - 27}{4} = x + 7$$

## 2.3 Variable in the Denominator

## Worked Example

Solve the following equation:

a)  $\frac{3}{x} + 2 = 6$

b)  $\frac{3}{x+2} = 6$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equation:

a)  $\frac{15}{x-2} = 6$

b)  $\frac{15}{x} - 2 = 6$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equation:

$$\frac{3x + 6}{x + 3} = 2$$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equation:

$$\frac{7x - 21}{x + 7} = 2$$

## 2.4 Cross Multiplication

You can cross multiply to solve equations which are in the form:

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Are the following equations ready to be cross multiplied?

- $\frac{2x}{3} = \frac{5}{9}$

- $\frac{2x}{3} + 1 = \frac{5}{9}$

- $\frac{2x}{3} + 1 = 5$

- $\frac{2x+1}{3} = 5$

- $\frac{3}{2x+1} = \frac{5}{x}$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equations:

a)  $\frac{x}{5} = \frac{3}{2}$

b)  $\frac{x+1}{5} = \frac{3}{2}$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equations:

a)  $\frac{2x}{5} = \frac{3}{2}$

b)  $\frac{2x+1}{5} = \frac{3}{2}$

## Worked Example

Solve the following equations:

a)  $\frac{3x-4}{5} = \frac{x+4}{3}$

b)  $\frac{4}{2-3x} = \frac{5}{6-2x}$

## Your Turn

Solve the following equations:

a)  $\frac{x+4}{7} = \frac{x-4}{3}$

b)  $\frac{4}{2+3x} = \frac{5}{6+2x}$



## 2.5 Forming and Solving Equations

## Worked Example

I think of a number. I multiply the number by 6 then subtract 3. The result is 15. What was my original number?

## Your Turn

I think of a number. I multiply the number by 4 then subtract 5. The result is 27. What was my original number?

## Worked Example

$$A = 7b + 5c$$

Work out the value  
of  $b$  when  $A = 29$  and  $c = 3$

## Your Turn

$$A = 4b + 6c$$

Work out the value  
of  $c$  when  $A = 44$  and  $b = 2$

## Worked Example

$A$  is  $x$  years old.

$B$  is 3 years older than  $A$ .

$C$  is twice as old as  $A$ .

The sum of the ages of  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  is 51.

What are their ages?

## Your Turn

$A$  is  $x$  years old.

$B$  is 3 years younger than  $A$ .

$C$  is three times as old as  $A$ .

The sum of the ages of  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  is 57.

What are their ages?

## Worked Example

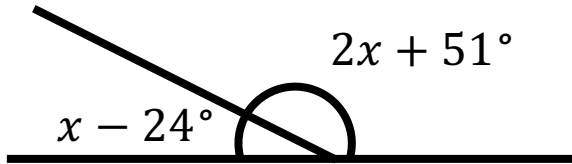
A pizza costs £3.50.  
A lemonade costs £ $x$ .  
Ziana buys 3 pizzas and 5  
lemonades and the total cost is  
£23. Find the cost of a  
lemonade.

## Your Turn

A pizza costs £6.50.  
An iced tea costs £ $x$ .  
Jake buys 4 pizzas and 5 iced  
teas and the total cost is  
£38.50.  
Find the cost of an iced tea.

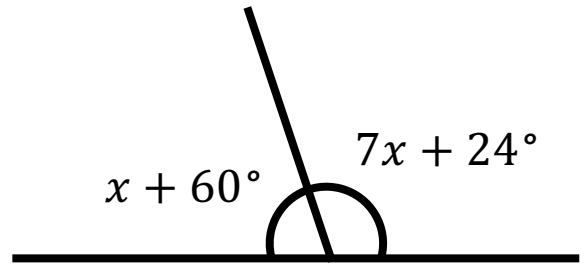
## Worked Example

Find  $x$



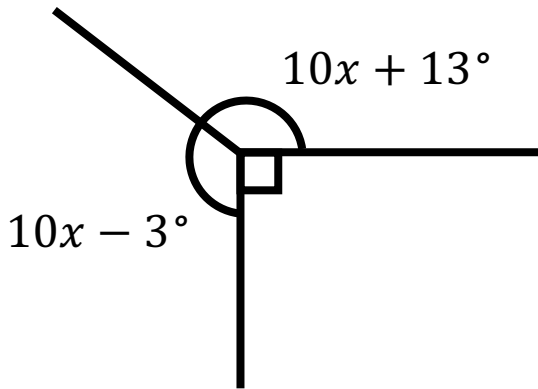
## Your Turn

Find  $x$



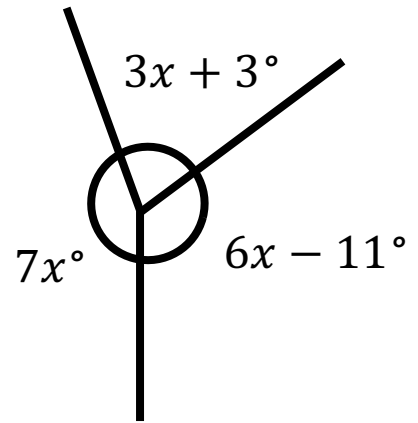
## Worked Example

Find  $x$



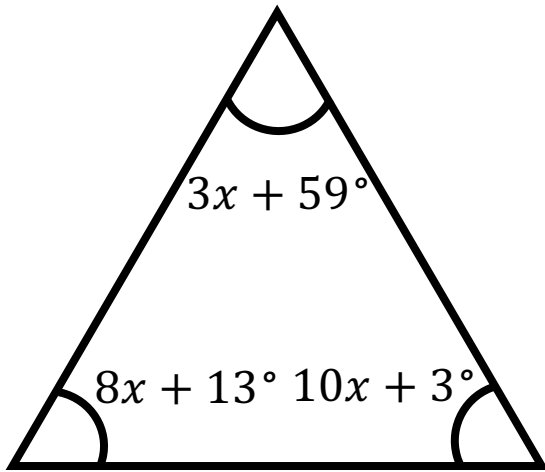
## Your Turn

Find  $x$



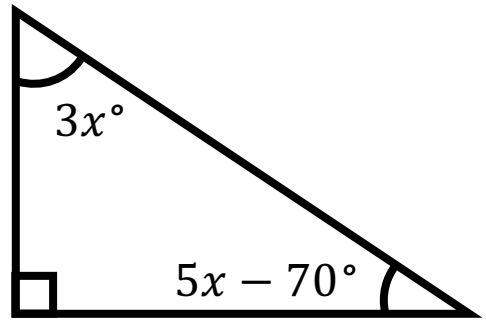
## Worked Example

Find  $x$



## Your Turn

Find  $x$





## Worked Example

The perimeter of the rectangle is equal to 72 units. Find  $x$ .

$$2x + 3$$



$x$

## Your Turn

The perimeter of the rectangle is equal to 72 units. Find  $x$ .

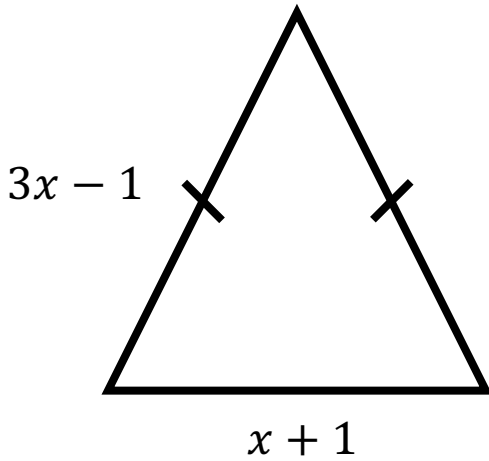
$$4x + 6$$



$x$

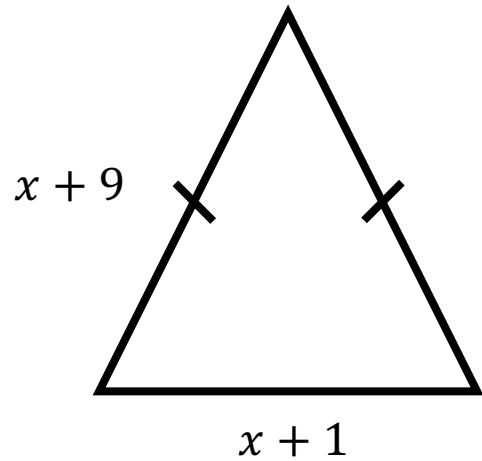
## Worked Example

The perimeter of the isosceles triangle is equal to 34 units. Find  $x$ .



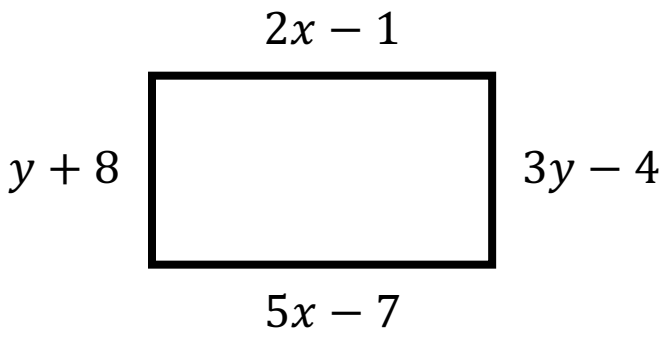
## Your Turn

The perimeter of the isosceles triangle is equal to 34 units. Find  $x$ .



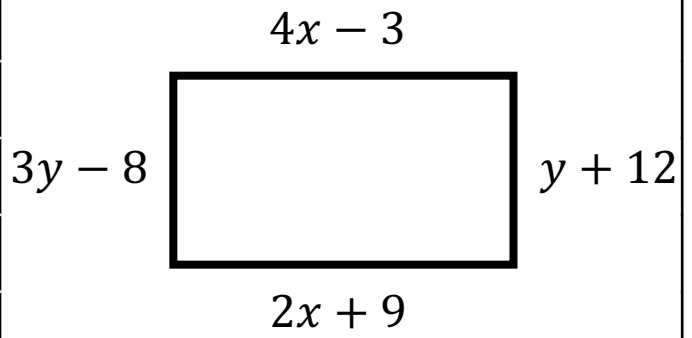
## Worked Example

Find  $x$  and  $y$



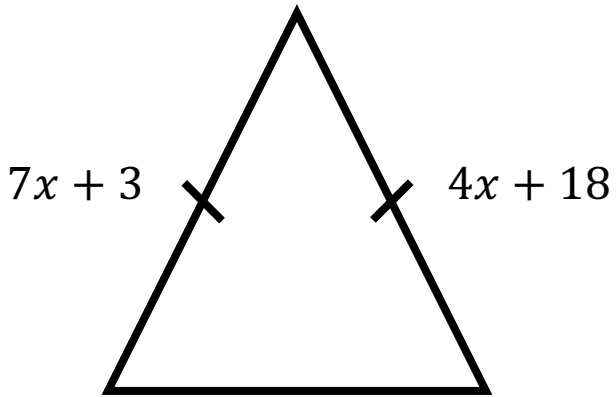
## Your Turn

Find  $x$  and  $y$



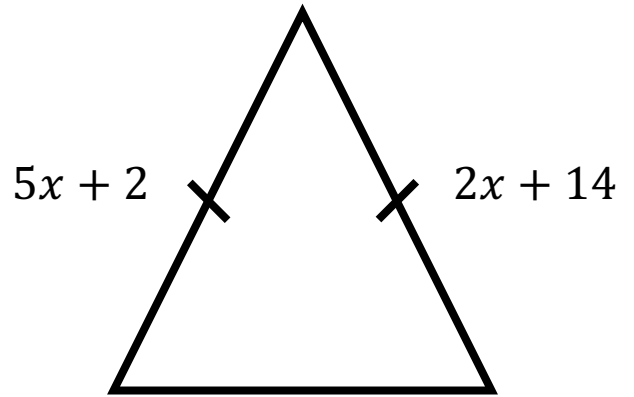
## Worked Example

Find  $x$



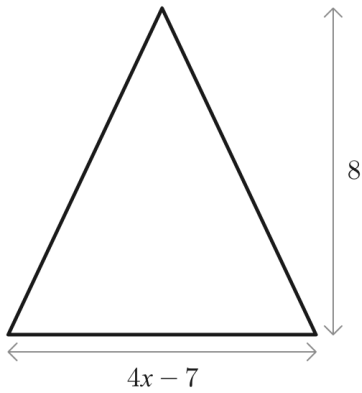
## Your Turn

Find  $x$



## Worked Example

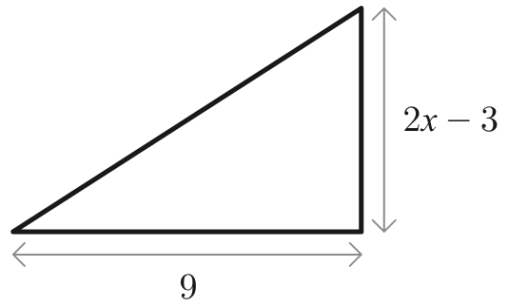
A triangle is shown in the diagram below.



All the measurements are in centimetres. The area of the triangle is  $28 \text{ cm}^2$ . Find the value of  $x$ .

## Your Turn

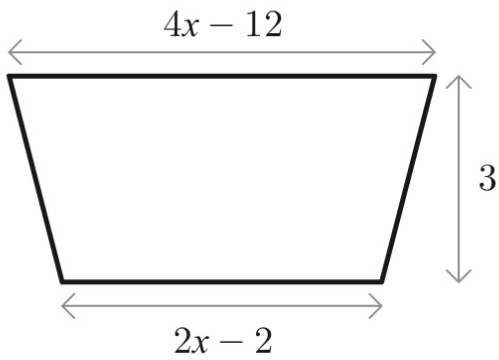
The diagram below shows a triangle.



All the measurements are in centimetres. The area of the triangle is  $9 \text{ cm}^2$ . Find the value of  $x$ .

## Worked Example

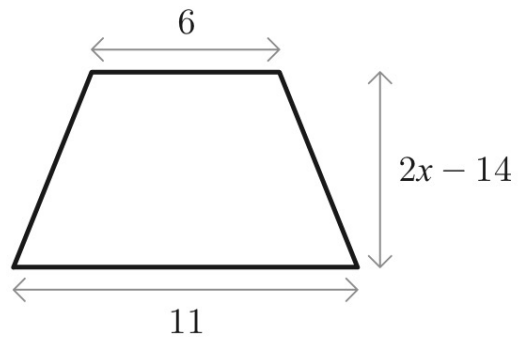
A trapezium is shown in the diagram below.



All the measurements are in centimetres. The area of the trapezium is  $42 \text{ cm}^2$ . Find the value of  $x$ .

## Your Turn

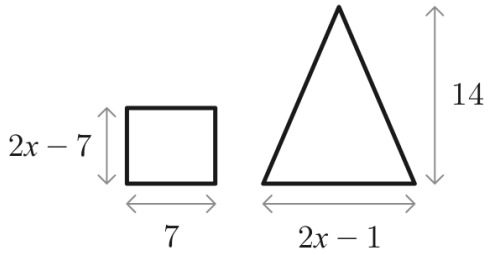
The diagram below shows a trapezium.



All the measurements are in centimetres. The area of the trapezium is  $34 \text{ cm}^2$ . Find the value of  $x$ .

## Worked Example

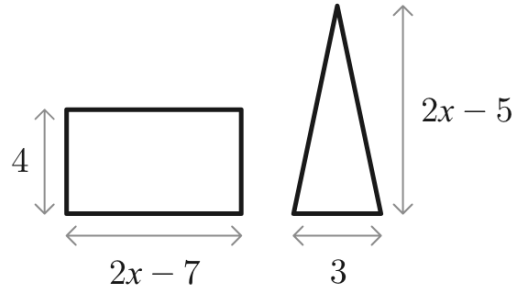
The diagram shows a rectangle and a triangle.



All the measurements are in centimetres. The area of the rectangle is half the area of the triangle. Work out the value of  $x$ .

## Your Turn

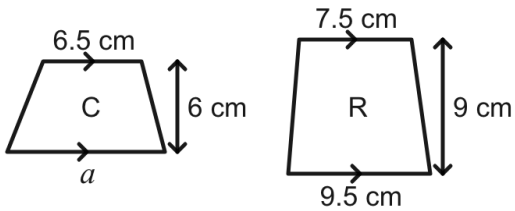
The diagram shows a rectangle and a triangle.



All the measurements are in centimetres. The area of the rectangle is twice the area of the triangle. Work out the value of  $x$ .

## Worked Example

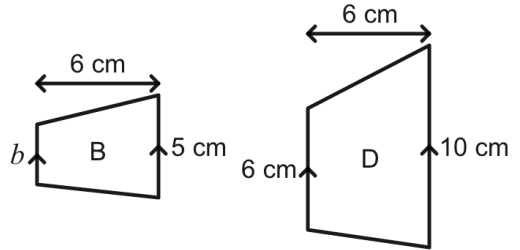
Shape  $C$  is a trapezium with parallel sides of length  $a$  cm and 6.5 cm and perpendicular height 6 cm. Shape  $R$  is a trapezium with parallel sides of length 9.5 cm and 7.5 cm and perpendicular height 9 cm. The area of  $R$  is 1.5 times the area of  $C$ .



Find the length  $a$ .

## Your Turn

Shape  $B$  is a trapezium with parallel sides of length 5 cm and  $b$  cm and perpendicular height 6 cm. Shape  $D$  is a trapezium with parallel sides of length 10 cm and 6 cm and perpendicular height 6 cm. The area of  $R$  is twice the area of  $B$ .



Find the length  $b$ .



## Worked Example

Different coloured counters are placed in a bag. The probabilities of each counter is given.

Colour	Red	Blue	Green	Purple
Probability	0.15	$6x$	$5x + 0.1$	0.2

- Find the probability of selecting a green counter.
- You are told there are 24 red counters in the bag. Find how many blue, green and purple counters there are?

## Your Turn

Different coloured counters are placed in a bag. The probabilities of each counter is given.

Colour	Red	Blue	Green	Purple
Probability	$5x - 0.1$	0.1	$2x + 0.04$	$3x + 0.16$

- Find the probability of selecting a red counter.
- You are told there are 9 blue counters in the bag. Find how many red, green and purple counters there are?

# 3 Sequences

## 3.1 Finding the Next Term

## Worked Example

- a) A sequence starts with:  
24, 29, 34, 39 ...  
Work out the next 3 terms.
- b) A sequence starts with:  
2048, 512, 128, 32 ...  
Work out the next 3 terms.

## Your Turn

- a) A sequence starts with:  
41, 36, 31, 26 ...  
Work out the next 3 terms.
- b) A sequence starts with:  
7, 42, 252, 1512 ...  
Work out the next 3 terms.

## Worked Example

- a) A sequence starts with:  
5, 9, 14, 23, 37 ...  
Work out the next 3 terms.
- b) A sequence starts with:  
18, 23, 32, 45 ...  
Work out the next 3 terms.

## Your Turn

- a) A sequence starts with:  
6, 10, 16, 26, 42 ...  
Work out the next 3 terms.
- b) A sequence starts with:  
6, 14, 27, 45 ...  
Work out the next 3 terms.

## 3.2 Constant Differences

## Worked Example

What is the constant difference in the sequence?

- a) The 10<sup>th</sup> term is 52 and the 18<sup>th</sup> term is 76
- b) The 10<sup>th</sup> term is 76 and the 18<sup>th</sup> term is 52

## Your Turn

What is the constant difference in the sequence?

- a) The 10<sup>th</sup> term is 52 and the 22<sup>nd</sup> term is 76
- b) The 10<sup>th</sup> term is 76 and the 22<sup>nd</sup> term is 52

## 3.3 Term to Term Rule



## Worked Example

- a) The first five terms of a number sequence are shown below.

$3, -1, -5, -9, -13$

Describe the term-to-term rule for this sequence.

- b) The first five terms of a number sequence are shown below.

$6, 30, 150, 750, 3750$

Describe the term-to-term rule for this sequence.

- c) The first five terms of a number sequence are shown below.

$-4, 1, 10, 23, 40$

Describe the term-to-term rule for this sequence.

## Your Turn

- a) The first five terms of a number sequence are shown below.

$4, -2, -8, -14, -20$

Describe the term-to-term rule for this sequence.

- b) The first five terms of a number sequence are shown below.

$5, 25, 125, 625, 3125$

Describe the term-to-term rule for this sequence.

- c) The first five terms of a number sequence are shown below.

$5, 18, 36, 59, 87$

Describe the term-to-term rule for this sequence.

## 3.4 Types of Sequences

**Arithmetic/Linear:** The terms' first difference is constant.

e.g., 1, 3, 5, 7, ...

**Geometric:** The terms found by multiplying by the same number each time.

e.g., 2, 4, 8, 16, ...

**Quadratic:** The terms' second difference is constant.

e.g., 2, 5, 10, 17, ...

**Fibonacci-Type:** The terms found by adding the previous two terms together.

e.g., 1, 3, 4, 7, 11, ...

# Frayer Model – Linear Sequences

Definition

Characteristics

Examples

Non-Examples

## 3.5 Position to Term Rule

## Worked Example

Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term rule:

a) 8, 15, 22, 29, 36, ...

b) -6, 1, 8, 15, 22, ...

c) 36, 29, 22, 15, 8, ...

## Your Turn

Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term rule:

a) 11, 18, 25, 32, 39, ...

b) -3, 4, 11, 18, 25, ...

c) 39, 32, 25, 18, 11, ...

## Worked Example

The first five terms of a linear sequence are shown below.

9, 11, 13, 15, 17

Find an expression for the  $(n + 1)^{th}$  term, in terms of  $n$ .

## Your Turn

The first five terms of a linear sequence are shown below.

14, 16, 18, 20, 22

Find an expression for the  $(n - 1)^{th}$  term, in terms of  $n$ .

## Worked Example

Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term rule:

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{10}, \frac{9}{10}, 1\frac{1}{10}, \dots$$

## Your Turn

Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term rule:

$$\frac{1}{3}, \frac{7}{9}, 1\frac{2}{9}, 1\frac{2}{3}, \dots$$

## Worked Example

Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term rule:

$$\frac{5}{12}, \frac{7}{19}, \frac{9}{26}, \frac{11}{33}, \dots$$

## Your Turn

Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term rule:

$$\frac{6}{13}, \frac{8}{20}, \frac{10}{27}, \frac{12}{34}, \dots$$



## 3.6 Generating Linear Sequences

## Worked Example

Generate the first 5 terms of

a)  $5n + 3$

b)  $-3 - 5n$

## Your Turn

Generate the first 5 terms of

a)  $6n - 3$

b)  $3 - 6n$

## Worked Example

a) The  $n$ th term of a sequence is  $5(-6n + 3)$   
Work out the 50th term of the sequence.

b) The  $n$ th term of a sequence is  $4n^2 + 6n - 3$   
Work out the 50th term of the sequence.

## Your Turn

a) The  $n$ th term of a sequence is  $4(-3n - 6)$   
Work out the 50th term of the sequence.

b) The  $n$ th term of a sequence is  $2n^2 - 4n + 1$   
Work out the 50th term of the sequence.

## 3.7 Linear Sequences

# Fill in the Gaps

First Five Terms	Term-to-Term Rule	10 <sup>th</sup> Term	30 <sup>th</sup> Term	nth Term	Sum of the First 5 Terms
3, 5, 7, 9, 11				$2n + 1$	
7, 10, 13, 16, 19					
8, <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<i>add 5</i>				
40, 36, 32, 28, 24				$44 - 4n$	
25, 22, 19, 16, 13					
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<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> 27, 31					
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# Fill in the Gaps

## Finding the nth term of a Linear Sequence

1<sup>st</sup>    2<sup>nd</sup>    3<sup>rd</sup>    4<sup>th</sup>    5<sup>th</sup>    6<sup>th</sup>    7<sup>th</sup>    8<sup>th</sup>    9<sup>th</sup>    10<sup>th</sup>    11<sup>th</sup>    12<sup>th</sup>    common difference    nth term

		11					21								
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					27				43						
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		4									31				
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11										65					
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		14										-4			
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4							-38								
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			-25												
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5 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>
39	53	12	30	9	11	17	15.5
8 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>				
-20	-48	-54	-102				

# Fill in the Gaps

Q	First 4 terms	$n$ th term rule	term to term rule	1st term	10th term	29th term
1	5, 9, 13, 17, ...					
2		$4n + 3$				
3	8, 13, 18, 23, ...					
4		$5n - 3$				
5			+ 6	2		
6			+ 6		52	
7				-1	26	
8					28	66
9		$8 - 2n$				
10	7, 6, 5, 4, ...					
11				7	-20	
12					-20	-67.5

## 3.8 Patterns

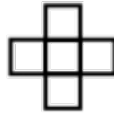


# Worked Example

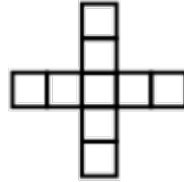
Pattern 1



Pattern 2



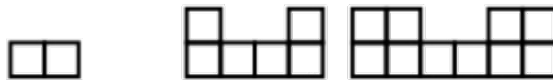
Pattern 3



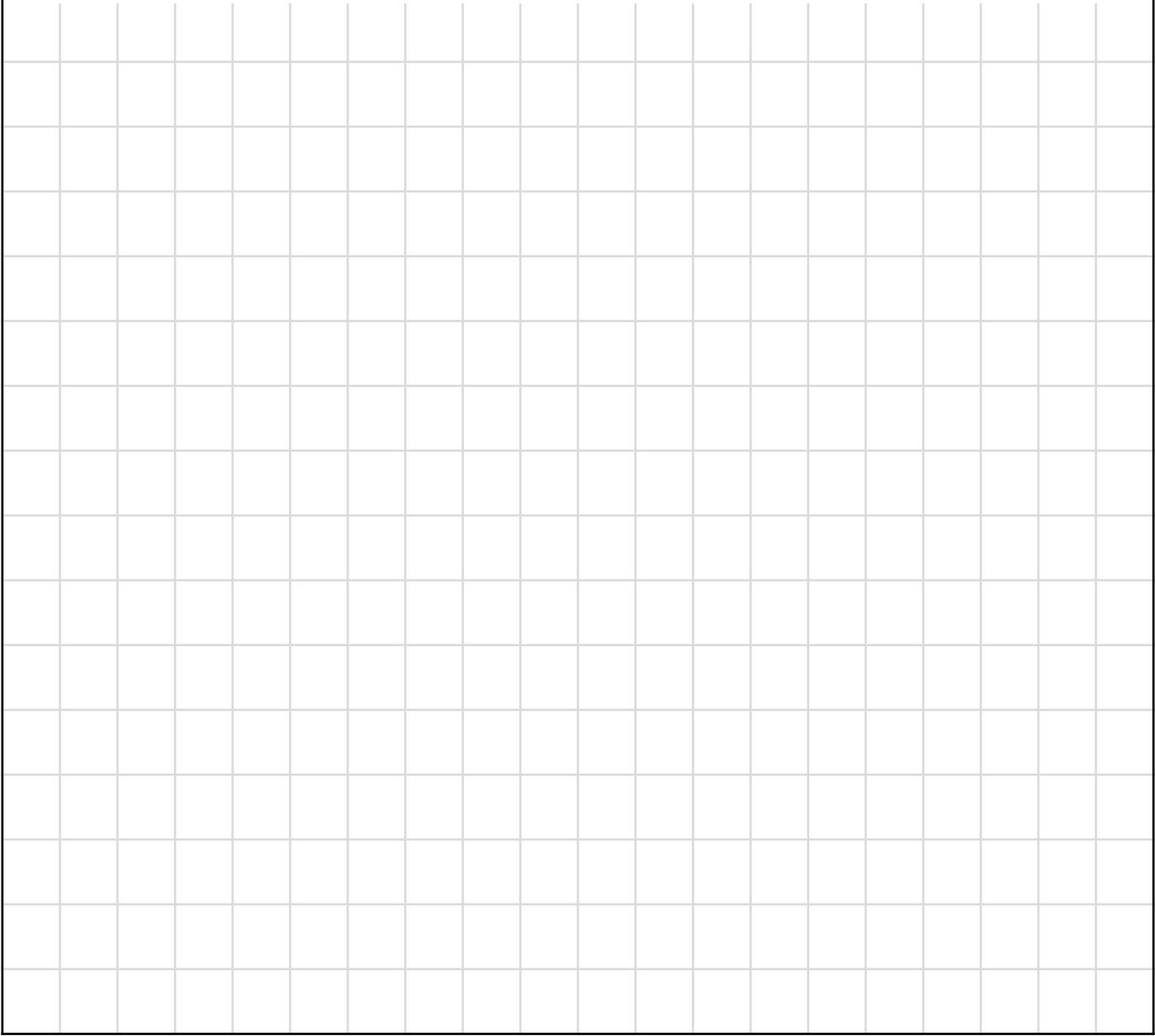
- Draw the next pattern.
- How many squares are in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  pattern?
- How many squares in the 50<sup>th</sup> pattern?
- Which pattern will use 145 squares?

# Your Turn

Pattern 1    Pattern 2    Pattern 3



- Draw the next pattern.
- How many squares are in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  pattern?
- How many squares in the 50<sup>th</sup> pattern?
- Which pattern will use 154 squares?



## 3.9 Fibonacci-Type Sequences

## Worked Example

Find the next three terms in these Fibonacci-type sequences:

a)  $2, 7, 9, 16, \dots$

b)  $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{3}, \dots$

c)  $3a + 4b, a + 7b, 4a + 11b, \dots$

## Your Turn

Find the next three terms in these Fibonacci-type sequences:

a)  $3, 11, 14, 25, \dots$

b)  $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{19}{12}, \frac{29}{12}, \dots$

c)  $3a - 4b, 2a - 5b, 5a - 9b, \dots$

## 3.10 Is a Term in the Sequence?

## Worked Example

- a) Is 100 in the sequence  
16, 20, 24, 28, 32, ...?
- b) Is  $-100$  in the sequence  
42, 38, 34, 30, 26 ...?

## Your Turn

- a) Is 100 in the sequence  
26, 30, 34, 38, 42, ...?
- b) Is  $-100$  in the sequence  
32, 28, 24, 20, 16, ...?

## Worked Example

- a) The first five terms of a linear sequence are shown below.  
19, 23, 27, 31, 35  
Find the greatest number in the sequence which is less than 68.
- b) The first four terms of a sequence are shown below.  
13, 18, 23, 28  
Find the closest number in the sequence to 90.

## Your Turn

- a) The first four terms of a sequence are shown below.  
16, 20, 24, 28  
Find the first number in the sequence which is greater than 62.
- b) The first four terms of a number sequence are shown below.  
6, 13, 20, 27  
Find the closest number in the sequence to 110.