## The Building Blocks of Sentences

## Nouns

We use nouns to give names to people, places and things.
Proper nouns start with capital letters and they can be:

- names of particular people (Joe, Amy)
- place names (Spain, London)
- days and months (Monday, July)

Common nouns such as child, town and mouse are not names of any particular person, place or thing.
Nouns can also be countable (book, toy) or non-countable (water, imagination).

## Noun Phrases

Noun phrases are groups of words doing the job of a noun.
Example: The old yak walked slowly to the field.

## Pronouns

Pronouns are used in place of nouns in sentences.
Example: Jane went to school $\rightarrow$ She went to school
Pronouns like mine and yours are called possessive pronouns. They show who something belongs to. Example: Yours is the best.

## Determiners

Determiners give important information about nouns.

Examples: the, $\underline{a}$, an - the picture was amazing this, that - that book is fantastic some, every my, your

- some noisy people arrived
- my name is Sam

Determiners have to go before adjectives in sentences.

## Adjectives

Adjectives describe things. They can tell us about 'colour', 'size', 'how many' and lots more.
Examples: The blue pencil. An enormous bar of chocolate.

## Verbs

Verbs often tell us what someone or something is doing or feeling.
Verbs have different tenses.
Examples: I feel full. (Present tense) They walked back home. (Past tense)

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## Modal Verbs

Modal verbs are words like: will, would, can, could, should, might and must. They change the meaning of other verbs.
Examples: You should help your mother. We must follow the directions.

## Conjunctions

Conjunctions usually connect words or ideas together inside a sentence.
Examples: and, but, or, when, because, although Dave and his friend went outside.
They couldn't get to school because the snow was too deep.

## Adverbs

Adverbs usually tell us information about 'how', 'when', 'where' or 'how much'. They can be used with verbs, adjectives or other adverbs.
Examples: He shouted loudly. The game was really exciting. She ran very quickly.

## Connecting Adverbs

Connecting adverbs can be used to link ideas in one sentence to ideas in another. Examples: however, furthermore, consequently, secondly, meanwhile I enjoyed my dinner. However, I'd like something different tomorrow. Connecting adverbs and conjunctions are sometimes called connectives.

## Adverbials

Adverbials are groups of words used like an adverb.
Example: The ship sails in ten minutes.
They are called fronted adverbials if they are at the front of a sentence.
Example: In ten minutes the ship sails.

## Prepositions

Prepositions often tell us where something or someone is.
Examples: The message is in the bottle. They are back from France.

## Interjections

Interjections are used to show feeling and emotion. They often have exclamation marks after them.
Example: Ouch! I've hit my finger!

## Conjunctions Explained

Conjunctions connect words, phrases and clauses together.

## Coordinating Conjunctions

The conjunctions and, but, or, nor and yet are called coordinating conjunctions.

We use coordinating conjunctions to connect things that are equally important.

Here are some examples:
Words: Jack and Jill
Phrases: The green coat or the blue jacket
Main clauses: I wanted popcorn, but my sister wanted crisps.

## Subordinating Conjunctions

We use subordinating conjunctions such as because, although and until to introduce adverbial clauses which often tell us how, when or why something happened. Adverbial clauses are subordinate clauses because they only make sense when they are with a main clause.

Here are some examples:
They went to the café because they were hungry.
We ate the food although we didn't like it.
I'll stay with you until your mother gets home.

There are lots of subordinating conjunctions:
After, before, $\underline{i f}$, except, since, though, whereas, unless, until, when, where, wherever, whether, while

Some phrases also act as conjunctions such as 'in case' and 'as long as'.

## Punctuation



- Full stop (.) Used to end a sentence.
- Question mark (?) Ends a sentence that asks a question

■ Comma (,) Used to separate parts of a sentence. It is also used to split up items in a list.

■ Exclamation mark (!) Used at the end of a sentence to show a strong feeling or emotion like surprise, shock, pain, joy or anger.

■ Ellipsis (...) Used to show that something has been left out or is not finished.
■ Apostrophe (') Used to show ownership (The girl's coat). It is also used to show that a word has been shortened by missing out letters (I am = I'm).

■ Inverted commas (") Used to show that someone is speaking. They wrap around the words that are being spoken.

- Colon (:) Used to introduce a list or a following example.

■ Semi-colon (;) Used to separate main clauses. (I liked the book; it was great to read.) Also used to split up phrases or clauses in a list. For example: I need a large bar of chocolate; a box of breakfast cereal; a mixing bowl and a wooden spoon.

- Brackets ( ) Used to add extra detail (elaborate).

■ Dash ( - ) Dashes have several uses:

- For emphasis, e.g. you need one thing-imagination.
- To add extra information, e.g. his foot-the size of a football-was painful.
- To add extra comments, e.g. "I’ve finished-at least I think I have."
- Hyphen (-) Used to join two or more words or to divide a word that runs over two lines.


## Apostrophes to Show Omission

Use an apostrophe' to show where a letter has been omitted from (left out of) a word or phrase.

| I'm - I am <br> I've - I have <br> I'll - I will | can't - cannot <br> couldn't - could not <br> could've - could have |
| :---: | :---: |
| I'd - I had <br> - I should <br> - I would | didn't don't doesn't <br> - does not |
| $\begin{array}{lll}\text { she's } & - & \text { she is } \\ & - & \text { she has }\end{array}$ | how've - how have how's <br> - how is |
| he'll - he will | isn't $\qquad$ is not |
| we'd - we had <br> we've - we have <br> we'll - we will |  |
| you're - you are <br> you've - you have <br> you'll - you will <br> you'd - you had | must not <br> shouldn't - should not <br> should've - should have |
| they're they'll they'd they've <br> they are they will they had they have | - until <br> - it is <br> wouldn't - would not <br> would've - would have |
| Types of Noun | Examples |
| With singular nouns, add 's | Our cat's teeth The boss's chair |
| With plural nouns ending in s, just add the apostrophe | My parents' car (the car belonging to my parents) |
| With plural nouns not ending in s, add 's | The children's playing field |

Note: names from ancient times ending with s are often treated differently.
For example: Socrates' death, not Socrates's death.

## Ways to Improve Your Written Work

## 1. Plan your work in rough before you produce it

A plan is really useful as it helps you structure your writing and capture any ideas or points you want to include. With a good plan you can concentrate on how to express yourself without having to think about content.

You can plan your work in a variety of ways. One effective way is to use a Mind Map. This is a diagram to show information in picture form. A mind map is often created around a single word as shown.


## 2. Vocabulary

Always try to use the most expressive words you can. Use a thesaurus to find better words. Try not to use the same words too often in the same piece of work. To improve your vocabulary write down a list of words you don't know when you read or hear them and then look them up using a dictionary later and write down their meanings:

## 3. Using different ways to begin sentences

Try to start your sentences in different ways. Here are some examples:
An adverb: Sadly, he was no longer the leader.
A verb: Jumping up suddenly, Jane bumped her head on the cupboard.
An adjective: Terrible things had happened in that evil place.
A preposition: Under the table, the cat was fast asleep.
A noun: Aisha loved chocolate.
A pronoun: She had never liked olives before.
An interjection: ‘Ouch!’ said Georgia as she hit her knee.

## Ways to Improve Your Written Work

## 4. Using different types of sentences

Your writing will be more interesting if it includes sentences of different lengths and types.

A fragment sentence (one word): Bang!
A simple sentence (only one clause): Tilly locked the door.
A compound sentence (with two independent clauses):
I really want to go out, but I am too ill to get up.
A complex sentence (with an independent clause and at least one dependent clause): Taking his coat off, Henry thought about the day

## 5. Writing effective paragraphs

Remember TiP ToP when you start a new paragraph.
Start a new paragraph when you change: Time, Place, Topic, Person.

## 6. Writing in a formal style

Sometimes we need to write in a formal style, e.g. a letter to someone in authority.
Do not use slang words:
Do not use 'text speak'.
Do not use abbreviations (shortened words, e.g. Wellies for Wellington Boots) and contractions (where you miss letters out, e.g. can't).

## 7. Check your work when you have finished

For example:
$\square$ Read your work aloud to yourself to see if it 'sounds right'.
$\square$ Make sure you have not repeated the same word too often.
$\square$ Check you have not missed out words or written them twice by mistake.
$\square$ Check for spelling, punctuation and grammar mistakes.
$\square$ Is your handwriting and presentation neat?

## Ideas for Sentence Openers

Example: Finally, the plane landed.

Here are some examples:

| The | It | Finally | Excited | Fortunately |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| My | First | Noisily | Taken | Unfortunately |
| Next | Once | Cautiously | Frozen | Afterwards |
| Then | On | Silently | Broken | Furthermore |
| When | During | Racing | Despite | Meanwhile |
| After | Soon | Looking | However | Consequently |
| I | So | Having | Although | Secondly |
| We | If | Amused | Before | Even though |
| They | Later | Bewildered | Eventually | Nevertheless |

To improve your writing, try to use lots of different openers. As you read, look out for more openers you would like to use. You can make a note of your favourite ones here:

My Ideas for Great Openers

| Opener | Example sentence |
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## Figures of Speech and Poetic Devices

## Simile

When an object is compared to something similar in behaviour or appearance.
A simile is often introduced by 'like' or 'as'.
e.g. Skin like ice. As sure footed as a mountain goat.

## Metaphor

We use a metaphor when we describe something with a word or phrase that means something in our imagination but doesn't really apply.
e.g. It was a dirty trick. David is a cheeky monkey.

## Personification

When something that is not human is given thoughts, feelings and emotions that only a human can have, or when something is called he or she.
e.g. The snowman stared at us from across the garden. That's my car - she's great!

## Alliteration

This is the repetition of the same letter or sound.
e.g. She created rapidly repeating random rows of real rubbish.

They were furry-faced female foxes.

## Onomatopoeia

The use of words that have been formed from the sound associated with the word.
e.g. cuckoo / sizzle / plop / hiss / buzz

The chicken curry sizzled with the heat from the iron dish.

## Hyperbole

Exaggeration that is used for effect and cannot be taken literally.
e.g. I've had a million phone calls today.

I walked half way around Europe to get here.

## Euphemism

Using mild or vague expressions to refer to something unpleasant or embarrassing.
e.g. 'We had to put the cat to sleep' instead of 'We had the cat killed'
'She passed away peacefully' instead of 'She died'

## Pun

A humorous play on words to suggest different meanings.
e.g. 'I've been to the dentist several times so I know the drill' A pun on the double meaning of the word drill.

## Spelling Strategies

Think about the origin of the word
e.g. Bi - cycle two + wheels

Use spelling rules (i before e except after c e.g. receive)

## Practise

look - say - cover write - check

Take a mental photograph of the word
e.g. "busy"

Look for families of words
e.g. muscle / muscular

Compare to similar words
e.g. eiephant relevant

## To learn your spellings



## General Spelling List

The following list of spellings was compiled by a number of secondary schools who all identified the following words as commonly misspelled words among your age group.


## Homophones and Near-homophones

Homophones are words that sound the same but have different spellings.
Near-homophones almost sound the same, and some words are just easy to get mixed up! Here are some to look out for.

| there <br> their <br> they're | Took over there! <br> They have their own drinks. |
| :--- | :--- |
| quiet <br> quite | We must be quiet in the library. <br> The jar is not quite full. |
| here  <br> hear Please bring it here to me. <br> Can you hear the music?  |  |


| see <br> sea | When I close my eyes I can't see. <br> Let's go swimming in the sea. |
| :--- | :--- |


| bare | It's easier to climb with bare feet. |
| :--- | :--- |
| bear | A bear is a wild animal. |


| be <br> bee | I want to be a vet when I'm older. <br> A bee looks similar to a wasp. |
| :--- | :--- |
| blue <br> blew | Blue is the best colour. <br> The wind blew my hat off. |


| night | We can see the stars at night. |
| :--- | :--- |
| knight | The brave knight rode a white horse. |


| new <br> knew | My shoes are old, I need new ones. <br> He already knew his times tables. |
| :--- | :--- |


| for | This present is for you. |
| :--- | :--- |
| four | Five, four, three, two, one, GO! |


| are | These are my favourite fruits. |
| :--- | :--- |
| our | Miss Jackson is our teacher. |

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { where } \begin{array}{l}
\text { Where have I put my pencil? } \\
\text { wear }
\end{array} \text { Today, I need to wear a coat. }
\end{aligned}
$$

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one One, two, three, four...
won Great! I have won a prize.
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| to | We are going to the cinema. |
| :--- | :--- |
| two | I have two pet cats and a dog. |
| too | My toy plane is too heavy to fly. |


| accept <br> except | Will you accept this gift? <br> Everyone went home except me. |
| :--- | :--- |
| affect <br> effect | The bad weather won't affect me. <br> Sweets have a bad effect on teeth. |


| berry <br> bury | A juicy berry is very tasty. <br> A pirate likes to bury treasure. |
| :--- | :--- |
| break <br> brake | If you drop the glass it will break. <br> Use your brake to slow you down. |

grown groan
mail
male

| $\begin{array}{l}\text { meet } \\ \text { meat }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { It's great to meet you. } \\ \text { Vegetarians don't eat meat. }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- |

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { missed } & \text { A snowball just missed Mum. } \\ \text { mist } & \text { The mist felt wet on my face. }\end{array}$
piece Can I have a piece of cake please?
peace He needs peace and quiet.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { plane } & \text { The plane landed on the runway. } \\
\text { plain } & \text { She likes plain not spicy food. }
\end{array}
$$

> weather It is sunny weather.
> whether I don't know whether to go or not.

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whose Whose coat is this?
who's Who's (who is) in the kitchen?
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| advice <br> advise | Ask for some good advice. <br> Your teacher can advise you. |
| :--- | :--- |

> practice Hockey practice is cancelled. practise I need to practise more.
device It is a measuring device.
devise She needs to devise a good plan.
licence He needs a driving licence. license We must license the TV.
(In these pairs of words, nouns end -ce and verbs end-se)


## Multiplication Table

| Square <br> Number | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | 2 | $\mathbf{4}$ | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 24 |
| $\mathbf{3}$ | 3 | 6 | $\mathbf{9}$ | 12 | 15 | 18 | 21 | 24 | 27 | 30 | 33 | 36 |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | 4 | 8 | 12 | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | 20 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 36 | 40 | 44 | 48 |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | $\mathbf{2 5}$ | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 | 50 | 55 | 60 |
| $\mathbf{6}$ | 6 | 12 | 18 | 24 | 30 | $\mathbf{3 6}$ | 42 | 48 | 54 | 60 | 66 | 72 |
| $\mathbf{7}$ | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 | 35 | 42 | 49 | 56 | 63 | 70 | 77 | 84 |
| $\mathbf{8}$ | 8 | 16 | 24 | 32 | 40 | 48 | 56 | 64 | 72 | 80 | 88 | 96 |
| $\mathbf{9}$ | 9 | 18 | 27 | 36 | 45 | 54 | 63 | 72 | $\mathbf{8 1}$ | 90 | 99 | 108 |
| $\mathbf{1 0}$ | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ | 110 | 120 |
| $\mathbf{1 1}$ | 11 | 22 | 33 | 44 | 55 | 66 | 77 | 88 | 99 | 110 | $\mathbf{1 2 1}$ | 132 |
| $\mathbf{1 2}$ | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 60 | 72 | 84 | 96 | 108 | 120 | 132 | $\mathbf{1 4 4}$ |

## Example

$$
\frac{4}{5}=(4 \div 5)=\mathbf{0 . 8}=(0.8 \times 100 \%)=\mathbf{8 0 \%}
$$

## Steps in Long Multiplication

## E.g. $45 \times 23$

## Step 1 - Partitioning

Recognise that $45 \times 23=(3 \times 5)+(3 \times 40)+(20 \times 5)+(20 \times 40)$

## Step 2 - Grid Method

## Show your working on a grid

| $\mathbf{x}$ | 20 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 40 | 800 | 120 |
| 5 | 100 | 15 |

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\begin{aligned}
45 \times 23 & =(3 \times 5)+(3 \times 40)+(20 \times 5)+(20 \times 40) \\
& =15+120+100+800=1035
\end{aligned}
$$

Step 3 - Expanded L.ong Multiplication

$$
45
$$

$15 \quad(3 \times 5)$
$120(3 \times 40)$
$100(20 \times 5)$
$800(20 \times 40)$
1035

Step 4 - Long Multiplication

| 45 |  |
| ---: | :--- |
| $\times \quad 23$ |  |
| 135 | $(3 \times 45)$ |
| 910 | $(20 \times 45)$ |
| 1035 |  |

## Steps in Division

## Step 1 - Know how multiplication and division are related

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
5 \times 8=40 & \text { so } \quad 40 \div 8=5 \\
\text { and } 40 \div 5=8
\end{array}
$$

Step 2 - Use the expanded method to divide a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number

$$
\begin{array}{r}
27 \\
\begin{array}{r}
82 \\
60 \\
\hline 22 \\
21 \\
\hline r 1
\end{array}(20 \times 3),
\end{array}
$$

Answer: 27 r 1 or $271 / 3$

Step 3 - Use short division


Step 4 - Use long division

$$
\begin{gathered}
22 \begin{array}{c}
25.5 \\
\frac{561.0}{44} \\
\hline 121 \\
\frac{110}{11.0}
\end{array} \\
\hline
\end{gathered}
$$

This is 110 tenths and 110 tenths $\div 22=5$ tenths $=0.5$

## Positive and Negative Numbers

Positive and negative numbers can be shown on a number line


To add, move to the right $\longrightarrow$ To subtract, move to the left $\longleftarrow$

## Examples

$$
16-9=-3
$$

## Start at 6 and move left 9 spaces

$2-4+8=4$
$36+(-3)=6-3=3$
(Adding -3 is the same as subtracting 3 )

> Start at -4 and move 8 spaces
right

$43-(-3)=3+3=6$ (Subtracting -3 is the same as adding 3)

Start at 3 and move 3 spaces right


## Conversions

| Length |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 1 centimetre $(\mathrm{cm})$ | $=$ | 10 millimetres $(\mathrm{mm})$ | $=$ | 0.394 inches $(\mathrm{in})$ |
| 1 metre $(\mathrm{m})$ | $=$ | 100 cm | $=$ | 1.094 yards $(\mathrm{yd})$ |
| 1 kilometre $(\mathrm{km})$ | $=$ | 1000 m | $=$ | 0.621 miles |
| 1 inch $(\mathrm{in})$ | $=$ |  | $=$ | 2.54 cm |
| 1 foot $(\mathrm{ft})$ | $=$ | 12 in | $=$ | 30.48 cm |
| 1 yard $(\mathrm{yd})$ | $=$ | 36 in | $=$ | 0.914 m |
| 1 mile | $=$ | 1760 yd | $=$ | 1.609 km |


| Area |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{cm}\left(\mathrm{cm}^{2}\right)$ | = | $100 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ | $0.1550 \mathrm{in}^{2}$ |
| 1 sq metre ( $\mathrm{m}^{2}$ ) | = | $10000 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ | $1.1960 \mathrm{yd}^{2}$ |
| $1 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{km}\left(\mathrm{km}^{2}\right)$ | = | 100 hecta | $0.3861 \mathrm{mile}^{2}$ |
| 1 sq in ( $\mathrm{in}^{2}$ ) | = |  | $6.4516 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ |
| $1 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{ft} \mathrm{(ft2)}$ | = | 144 sq in | $929.03 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ |
| 1 sq yard (yd²) | = |  | $0.8361 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ |
| 1 sq mile (mile ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ ) |  | 640 | $2.5900 \mathrm{~km}^{2}$ |



| Velocity |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| miles per hour | $x$ | 1.609 | $=$ km per hour |
| km per hour | $x$ | 0.6214 | $=$ miles per hour |
| km per hour | $x$ | 0.278 | $=$ metres per sec |
| metres per sec | $x$ | 3.6 | $=$ km per hour |

## Temperature

${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ to ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}:-32 \rightarrow \times 5 \rightarrow \square 9$
e.g. $86^{\circ} \mathrm{F}: \quad 54 \rightarrow 270 \rightarrow 30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}: \times \mathrm{x} 9 \rightarrow+\div \rightarrow+32$
e.g. $15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}: 135 \rightarrow 27 \rightarrow 59^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$

## Circles, Triangles and Quadrilaterals

$$
\begin{aligned}
\text { Circumference } & =\pi \times \mathbf{d} \\
& =2 \times \pi \times \mathbf{r}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\text { Area }=\pi \times \mathbf{r}^{2}
$$

Triangles


## Volumes (V) \& Surface Areas (A)



## Cylinder



$$
\mathrm{V}=\pi \mathrm{r}^{2} \mathrm{~h}
$$

$\mathrm{A}=$ area of ends + curved side
$=2 \pi r^{2}+2 \pi r h$

## Angles

## Equal angles



The vertically opposite angles are equal when two lines cross
angle $\mathbf{a}=$ angle $\mathbf{b}$ and angle $\mathbf{c}=$ angle $\mathbf{d}$

When a line crosses two parallel lines:


- alternate angles are equal angle $\mathbf{a}=$ angle $\mathbf{b}$
- corresponding angles are equal angle $\mathbf{a}=$ angle $\mathbf{c}$


## $180^{\circ}$ angles



The sum of the angles on a straight line is $180^{\circ}$
angle c + angle d + angle $\mathbf{e}=180^{\circ}$

The sum of the angles inside a triangle is $180^{\circ}$
angle $\mathbf{f}+$ angle $\mathbf{g}+$ angle $\mathbf{h}=180^{\circ}$

## $360^{\circ}$ angles



The sum of all angles that meet at a point is $360^{\circ}$
Use subtraction to find the missing angle
$360^{\circ}-120^{\circ}-130^{\circ}=x$

## Percentages, Fractions and Decimals

## A percentage is a fraction with a denominator of 100

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\text { e.g. } 13 \%=\frac{13}{100}
$$

## Changing percentages to fractions

Write the percentage as a fraction and cancel any common factors
e.g. $25 \%=\frac{25}{100}=\frac{1}{4} \quad 50 \%=\frac{50}{100}=\frac{1}{2} \quad 55 \%=\frac{55}{100}=\frac{11}{20}$

## Changing fractions to percentages

Multiply the fraction by $100 \%$
e.g.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2}=\frac{1}{2} \times 100 \%=\frac{1 \times 100}{2} \%=50 \% \\
& \frac{3}{5}=\frac{3}{5} \times 100 \%=\frac{3 \times 100}{5} \%=3 \times 20 \%=60 \%
\end{aligned}
$$

Changing percentages to decimals
Write the percentage as a fraction and divide the numerator by the denominator
e.g.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 60 \%=\frac{60}{100}=60 \div 100=0.6 \\
& 14 \%=\frac{14}{100}=14 \div 100=0.14
\end{aligned}
$$

## Changing decimals to percentages

Multiply the decimal by $100 \%$
e.g. $0.15=0.15 \times 100 \%=15 \%$

## Percentages

A simple 'Splitting' method to help you work out percentages.
e.g. to find $\mathbf{3 7 \%}$ of $£ 80$

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\begin{aligned}
25 \% & =£ \mathbf{2 0} \\
10 \% & =£ \mathbf{8} \\
1 \% & =£ \mathbf{0 . 8 0} \\
1 \% & =£ \mathbf{0 . 8 0} \\
\frac{37 \%}{}= & \mathbf{£ 2 9 . 6 0}
\end{aligned}
$$

50\% (halve it) £40

25\%
(halve it again) \&20

1\%
( $\div 10$ again) £0.80

Finding VAT
VAT $=20 \% \quad(10 \%+10 \%)$
VAT on $£ 80=£ 8+£ 8=£ 16$

## Number Patterns

## Square Numbers

$$
1,4,9,16,25,36,49,64,81,100,121,144 \ldots
$$

$1^{2}=1 \times 1=1 \quad 2^{2}=2 \times 2=4 \quad 3^{2}=3 \times 3=9 \quad 4^{2}=4 \times 4=16$ one squared two squared three squared four squared

## Square Roots

$\sqrt{ } 1=1 \quad \sqrt{ } 4=2 \quad \sqrt{ } 9=3$
example: $\sqrt{ } 25+\sqrt{ } 36=5+6=11$

| Prime Numbers |
| :--- |
| (these are numbers with exactly |
| two factors): |
| $2,3,5,7,11,13,17,19,23$, |
| $29,31,37,41,43,47 \ldots$ |

## Cube Numbers

$1,8,27,64,125,216,343,512,729,1000 \ldots$

$$
1^{3}=1 \times 1 \times 1=1 \quad 2^{3}=2 \times 2 \times 2=8 \quad 3^{3}=3 \times 3 \times 3=27
$$

## Algebra - Rules

$a+a=2 a$ $b+b+b=3 b$

$$
\begin{gathered}
a \times a=a^{2} \\
2 a \times 3 a=6 a^{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
b \times b \times b=b^{3}
$$

$$
a \times b=a b
$$ $2 a \times 3 b=6 a b$

$$
2(a+b)=2 a+2 b
$$

Brackets: $2(a+b)=2 a+2 b$

## Averages

Mean = total how many
Mode = most popular value

Range $=$ highest value - smallest value
Median = middle value when numbers in order

Example: 4, 4, 5, 1, 4, 6

Mean $=(4+4+5+1+4+6) \div 6$

$$
=4
$$

Mode $=4$ (occurs 3 times)

$$
\begin{aligned}
\text { Range } & =6-1 \\
& =5
\end{aligned}
$$

Median $=14 \underline{4456}$ $=4$

