Topic:
Algebra

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| 1. Expression | A mathematical statement written using symbols, numbers or letters, | $3 \mathrm{x}+2$ or $5 y^{2}$ |
| 2. Equation | A statement showing that two expressions are equal | $2 \mathrm{y}-17=15$ |
| 3. Identity | An equation that is true for all values of the variables <br> An identity uses the symbol: $\equiv$ | $2 x \equiv x+x$ |
| 4. Formula | Shows the relationship between two or more variables | Area of a rectangle $=$ length x width or $\mathrm{A}=\mathrm{LxW}$ |
| 5. Simplifying Expressions | Collect 'like terms'. <br> Be careful with negatives. $x^{2}$ and $x$ are not like terms. | $\begin{aligned} 2 x+3 y+4 x & -5 y+3 \\ & =6 x-2 y+3 \\ 3 x+4-x^{2}+2 x & -1=5 x-x^{2}+3 \end{aligned}$ |
| 6. $x$ times $x$ | The answer is $x^{2}$ not $2 x$. | Squaring is multiplying by itself, not by 2. |
| 7. $p \times p \times p$ | The answer is $p^{3}$ not $3 p$ | If $\mathrm{p}=2$, then $p^{3}=2 \times 2 \times 2=8$, not $2 \times 3=6$ |
| 8. $p+p+p$ | The answer is 3 p not $p^{3}$ | If $\mathrm{p}=2$, then $2+2+2=6, \operatorname{not} 2^{3}=8$ |
| 9. Expand | To expand a bracket, multiply each term in the bracket by the expression outside the bracket. | $3(m+7)=3 x+21$ |
| 10. Factorise | The reverse of expanding. Factorising is writing an expression as a product of terms by 'taking out' a common factor. | $6 x-15=3(2 x-5)$, where 3 is the common factor. |

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\hline \text { 1. Solve } & \begin{array}{l}\text { To find the answer/value of something } \\
\text { Use inverse operations on both sides of } \\
\text { the equation (balancing method) until you } \\
\text { find the value for the letter. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Solve } 2 x-3=7 \\
\text { Add } 3 \text { on both sides } \\
2 x=10\end{array}
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Divide by 2 on both sides \\

x=5\end{array}\right]\)| The inverse of addition is subtraction. |
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| The inverse of multiplication is |
| division. |

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| 1. Quadratic | A quadratic expression is of the form $a x^{2}+b x+c$ <br> where $a, b$ and $c$ are numbers, $\boldsymbol{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$ | Examples of quadratic expressions: $\begin{gathered} x^{2} \\ 8 x^{2}-3 x+7 \end{gathered}$ <br> Examples of non-quadratic expressions: $\begin{gathered} 2 x^{3}-5 x^{2} \\ 9 x-1 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 2. Factorising Quadratics | When a quadratic expression is in the form $x^{2}+b x+c$ find the two numbers that add to give $b$ and multiply to give $c$. | $x^{2}+7 x+10=(x+5)(x+2)$ <br> (because 5 and 2 add to give 7 and multiply to give 10 ) $x^{2}+2 x-8=(x+4)(x-2)$ <br> (because +4 and -2 add to give +2 and multiply to give -8) |
| 3. Difference of Two Squares | An expression of the form $\boldsymbol{a}^{2}-\boldsymbol{b}^{2}$ can be factorised to give $(\boldsymbol{a}+\boldsymbol{b})(\boldsymbol{a}-\boldsymbol{b})$ | $\begin{aligned} x^{2}-25 & =(x+5)(x-5) \\ 16 x^{2}-81 & =(4 x+9)(4 x-9) \end{aligned}$ |
| 4. Solving Quadratics $\left(a x^{2}=b\right)$ | Isolate the $x^{2}$ term and square root both sides. <br> Remember there will be a positive and a negative solution. | $\begin{gathered} 2 x^{2}=98 \\ x^{2}=49 \\ x= \pm 7 \end{gathered}$ |
| 5. Solving Quadratics $\left(a x^{2}+b x=\right.$ 0) | Factorise and then solve $=0$. | $\begin{gathered} x^{2}-3 x=0 \\ x(x-3)=0 \\ x=0 \text { or } x=3 \end{gathered}$ |
| 6. Solving Quadratics by Factorising ( $a=1$ ) | Factorise the quadratic in the usual way. Solve $=0$ <br> Make sure the equation $=0$ before factorising. | Solve $x^{2}+3 x-10=0$ <br> Factorise: $\begin{gathered} (x+5)(x-2)=0 \\ x=-5 \text { or } x=2 \end{gathered}$ |
| 7. Factorising Quadratics when $a \neq 1$ | When a quadratic is in the form $a x^{2}+b x+c$ <br> 1. Multiply a by $\mathrm{c}=\mathrm{ac}$ <br> 2. Find two numbers that add to give $b$ and multiply to give ac. <br> 3. Re-write the quadratic, replacing $b x$ with the two numbers you found. <br> 4. Factorise in pairs - you should get the same bracket twice <br> 5. Write your two brackets - one will be the repeated bracket, the other will be made of the factors outside each of the two brackets. | Factorise $6 x^{2}+5 x-4$ <br> 1. $6 \times-4=-24$ <br> 2. Two numbers that add to give +5 and multiply to give -24 are +8 and -3 <br> 3. $6 x^{2}+8 x-3 x-4$ <br> 4. Factorise in pairs: $\begin{array}{r} 2 x(3 x+4)-1(3 x+4) \\ \text { 5. Answer }=(3 x+4)(2 x-1) \end{array}$ |
| 8. Solving Quadratics by Factorising $(a \neq 1)$ | Factorise the quadratic in the usual way. Solve $=0$ <br> Make sure the equation $=0$ before factorising. | Solve $2 x^{2}+7 x-4=0$ <br> Factorise: $\begin{aligned} & (2 x-1)(x+4)=0 \\ & x=\frac{1}{2} \text { or } x=-4 \end{aligned}$ |


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| 1. Linear Sequence | A number pattern with a common difference. | $2,5,8,11 \ldots$ is a linear sequence |
| 2. Term | Each value in a sequence is called a term. | In the sequence $2,5,8,11 \ldots, 8$ is the third term of the sequence. |
| 3. Term-toterm rule | A rule which allows you to find the next term in a sequence if you know the previous term. | First term is 2 . Term-to-term rule is 'add 3' <br> Sequence is: $2,5,8,11 \ldots$ |
| 4. nth term | A rule which allows you to calculate the term that is in the nth position of the sequence. <br> Also known as the 'position-to-term' rule. <br> $\mathbf{n}$ refers to the position of a term in a sequence. | nth term is $3 n-1$ <br> The $100^{\text {th }}$ term is $3 \times 100-1=299$ |
| 5. Finding the nth term of a linear sequence | 1. Find the difference. <br> 2. Multiply that by $\boldsymbol{n}$. <br> 3. Substitute $n=1$ to find out what number you need to add or subtract to get the first number in the sequence. | Find the nth term of: 3, 7, 11, 15... <br> 1. Difference is +4 <br> 2. Start with $4 n$ <br> 3. $4 \times 1=4$, so we need to subtract 1 <br> to get 3 . <br> nth term $=4 n-1$ |
| 6. Fibonacci type sequences | A sequence where the next number is found by adding up the previous two terms | The Fibonacci sequence is: $1,1,2,3,5,8,13,21,34 \ldots$ <br> An example of a Fibonacci-type sequence is: $4,7,11,18,29 \ldots$ |
| 7. Geometric Sequence | A sequence of numbers where each term is found by multiplying the previous one by a number called the common ratio, $\mathbf{r}$. | An example of a geometric sequence is: $2,10,50,250 \ldots$ <br> The common ratio is 5 <br> Another example of a geometric sequence is: $81,-27,9,-3,1 \ldots$ <br> The common ratio is $-\frac{1}{3}$ |
| 8. Quadratic Sequence | A sequence of numbers where the second difference is constant. <br> A quadratic sequence will have a $n^{2}$ term. |  |
| 9. nth term of a geometric sequence | $a r^{n-1}$ <br> where $a$ is the first term and $r$ is the common ratio | The nth term of $2,10,50,250 \ldots$. Is $2 \times 5^{n-1}$ |


| 10. nth term of a quadratic sequence | 1. Find the first and second differences. <br> 2. Halve the second difference and multiply this by $n^{2}$. <br> 3. Substitute $n=1,2,3,4 \ldots$ into your expression so far. <br> 4. Subtract this set of numbers from the corresponding terms in the sequence from the question. <br> 5. Find the nth term of this set of numbers. <br> 6. Combine the nth terms to find the overall nth term of the quadratic sequence. <br> Substitute values in to check your nth term works for the sequence. | Find the nth term of: $4,7,14,25,40$.. <br> Answer: <br> Second difference $=+4 \rightarrow$ nth term $=$ $2 n^{2}$ <br> Sequence: $4,7,14,25,40$ <br> $2 n^{2} \quad 2,8,18,32,50$ <br> Difference: $2,-1,-4,-7,-10$ <br> Nth term of this set of numbers is $-3 n+5$ <br> Overall nth term: $2 n^{2}-3 n+5$ |
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| 11. Triangular numbers | The sequence which comes from a pattern of dots that form a triangle. $1,3,6,10,15,21 \ldots$ | $\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ |


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| 1. Coordinates | Written in pairs. The first term is the $\mathbf{x}$ coordinate (movement across). The second term is the y-coordinate (movement up or down) |  <br> A: $(4,7)$ <br> B: $(-6,-3)$ |
| 2. Midpoint of a Line | Method 1: add the $\mathbf{x}$ coordinates and divide by 2 , add the $y$ coordinates and divide by 2 <br> Method 2: Sketch the line and find the values half way between the two x and two y values. | Find the midpoint between $(2,1)$ and $(6,9)$ $\frac{2+6}{2}=4 \text { and } \frac{1+9}{2}=5$ <br> So, the midpoint is $(4,5)$ |
| 3. Linear Graph | Straight line graph. <br> The general equation of a linear graph is $y=m x+c$ <br> where $\boldsymbol{m}$ is the gradient and $c$ is the $\mathbf{y}$ intercept. <br> The equation of a linear graph can contain an $\mathbf{x}$-term, a y-term and a number. | Example: <br> Other examples: $\begin{aligned} & x=y \\ & y=4 \\ & x=-2 \\ & y=2 x-7 \\ & y+x=10 \\ & 2 y-4 x=12 \end{aligned}$ |
| 4. Plotting Linear Graphs | Method 1: Table of Values <br> Construct a table of values to calculate coordinates. <br> Method 2: Gradient-Intercept Method (use when the equation is in the form $y=$ $m x+c$ ) <br> 1. Plots the $y$-intercept <br> 2. Using the gradient, plot a second point. <br> 3. Draw a line through the two points plotted. <br> Method 3: Cover-Up Method (use when the equation is in the form $a x+b y=c$ ) <br> 1. Cover the $x$ term and solve the resulting equation. Plot this on the $x$-axis. <br> 2. Cover the $y$ term and solve the resulting equation. Plot this on the $y$-axis. <br> 3. Draw a line through the two points plotted. | $\mathbf{x}$ -3 -2 -1 0 1 2 3 <br> $\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{3}$ 0 1 2 3 4 5 6$2 x+4 y=8$ |


| 5. Gradient | The gradient of a line is how steep it is. <br> Gradient = $\frac{\text { Change in } y}{\text { Change in } x}=\frac{\text { Rise }}{\text { Run }}$ <br> The gradient can be positive (sloping upwards) or negative (sloping downwards) |  |
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| 6 . Finding the Equation of a Line given a point and a gradient | Substitute in the gradient (m) and point $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ in to the equation $\boldsymbol{y}=\boldsymbol{m} \boldsymbol{x}+\boldsymbol{c}$ and solve for $c$. | Find the equation of the line with gradient 4 passing through (2,7). $\begin{gathered} y=m x+c \\ 7=4 \times 2+c \\ c=-1 \\ y=4 x-1 \end{gathered}$ |
| 7. Finding the Equation of a Line given two points | Use the two points to calculate the gradient. Then repeat the method above using the gradient and either of the points. | Find the equation of the line passing through $(6,11)$ and $(2,3)$ $\begin{gathered} m=\frac{11-3}{6-2}=2 \\ y=m x+c \\ 11=2 \times 6+c \\ c=-1 \\ y=2 x-1 \end{gathered}$ |
| 8. Parallel Lines | If two lines are parallel, they will have the same gradient. The value of $m$ will be the same for both lines. | Are the lines $y=3 x-1$ and $2 y-$ $6 x+10=0$ parallel? <br> Answer: <br> Rearrange the second equation in to the form $y=m x+c$ $2 y-6 x+10=0 \rightarrow y=3 x-5$ <br> Since the two gradients are equal (3), the lines are parallel. |
| 9. <br> Perpendicular Lines | If two lines are perpendicular, the product of their gradients will always equal -1. <br> The gradient of one line will be the negative reciprocal of the gradient of the other line. <br> You may need to rearrange equations of lines to compare gradients (they need to be in the form $y=m x+c$ ) | Find the equation of the line perpendicular to $y=3 x+2$ which passes through $(6,5)$ <br> Answer: <br> As they are perpendicular, the gradient of the new line will be $-\frac{1}{3}$ as this is the negative reciprocal of 3 . $y=m x+c$ |


|  |  | $5=-\frac{1}{3} \times 6+c$ <br> $c=7$ <br>  |
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|  | Or | $y=-\frac{1}{3} x+7$ |
| $3 x+x-7=0$ |  |  |
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Topic: Inequalities

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| 1. Inequality | An inequality says that two values are not equal. $a \neq b \text { means that } \mathrm{a} \text { is not equal to } \mathrm{b} \text {. }$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \neq 3 \\ & x \neq 0 \end{aligned}$ |
| 2. Inequality symbols | $x>2$ means x is greater than 2 <br> $x<3$ means x is less than 3 <br> $x \geq 1$ means $\mathbf{x}$ is greater than or equal to 1 <br> $x \leq 6$ means $x$ is less than or equal to 6 | State the integers that satisfy $\begin{gathered} -2<x \leq 4 \\ -1,0,1,2,3,4 \end{gathered}$ |
| 3. Inequalities on a Number Line | Inequalities can be shown on a number line. <br> Open circles are used for numbers that are less than or greater than $(<$ or $>$ ) <br> Closed circles are used for numbers that are less than or equal or greater than or equal ( $\leq$ or $\geq$ ) |  |
| 4. Graphical Inequalities | Inequalities can be represented on a coordinate grid. <br> If the inequality is strict $(x>2)$ then use a dotted line. <br> If the inequality is not strict $(x \leq 6)$ then use a solid line. <br> Shade the region which satisfies all the inequalities. | Shade the region that satisfies: $y>2 x, x>1$ and $y \leq 3$ |
| 5. Quadratic Inequalities | Sketch the quadratic graph of the inequality. <br> If the expression is $>\boldsymbol{o r} \geq$ then the answer will be above the $\mathbf{x}$-axis. <br> If the expression is $<\boldsymbol{o r} \leq$ then the answer will be below the $\mathbf{x}$-axis. <br> Look carefully at the inequality symbol in the question. <br> Look carefully if the quadratic is a positive or negative parabola. | Solve the inequality $x^{2}-x-12<0$ <br> Sketch the quadratic: <br> The required region is below the x -axis, so the final answer is: $-3<x<4$ <br> If the question had been $>0$, the answer would have been: $x<-3 \text { or } x>4$ |
| 6. Set Notation | A set is a collection of things, usually numbers, denoted with brackets $\{\quad\}$ | $\{3,6,9\}$ is a set. |


|  | $\{x \mid x \geq 7\}$ means 'the set of all x 's, such <br> that x is greater than or equal to 7' <br> The ' $x$ ' can be replaced by any letter. <br> Some people use ' $:$ ' instead of ' $\mid '$ |
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| 7. Solving Linear and Quadratic Simultaneous Equations | Method 1: If both equations are in the same form (eg. Both $y=\ldots$ ): <br> 1. Set the equations equal to each other. <br> 2. Rearrange to make the equation equal to zero. <br> 3. Solve the quadratic equation. <br> 4. Substitute the values back in to one of the equations. <br> Method 2: If the equations are not in the same form: <br> 1. Rearrange the linear equation into the form $y=$... or $x=$... <br> 2. Substitute in to the quadratic equation. <br> 3. Rearrange to make the equation equal to zero. <br> 4. Solve the quadratic equation. <br> 5. Substitute the values back in to one of the equations. <br> You should get two pairs of solutions (two values for $x$, two values for $y$.) <br> Graphically, you should have two points of intersection. | Example 1 <br> Solve $\begin{aligned} & y=x^{2}-2 x-5 \text { and } y=x-1 \\ & \quad x^{2}-2 x-5=x-1 \\ & \quad x^{2}-3 x-4=0 \\ & \quad(x-4)(x+1)=0 \\ & x=4 \text { and } x=-1 \\ & y=4-1=3 \text { and } \\ & y=-1-1=-2 \end{aligned}$ <br> Answers: $(4,3)$ and $(-1,-2)$ <br> Example 2 <br> Solve $x^{2}+y^{2}=5$ and $x+y=3$ $\begin{gathered} x=3-y \\ (3-y)^{2}+y^{2}=5 \\ 9-6 y+y^{2}+y^{2}=5 \\ 2 y^{2}-6 y+4=0 \\ y^{2}-3 y+2=0 \\ (y-1)(y-2)=0 \\ y=1 \text { and } y=2 \\ x=3-1=2 \text { and } x=3-2=1 \end{gathered}$ <br> Answers: $(2,1)$ and $(1,2)$ |
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| 4. Solving Simultaneous Equations (by Elimination) | 1. Balance the coefficients of one of the variables. <br> 2. Eliminate this variable by adding or subtracting the equations (Same Sign Subtract, Different Sign Add) <br> 3. Solve the linear equation you get using the other variable. <br> 4. Substitute the value you found back into one of the previous equations. <br> 5. Solve the equation you get. <br> 6. Check that the two values you get satisfy Both of the original equations. | Solution: $x=1, y=2$ |
| 5. Solving Simultaneous Equations (by Substitution) | 1. Rearrange one of the equations into the form $y=\ldots$ or $x=$... <br> 2. Substitute the right-hand side of the rearranged equation into the other equation. <br> 3. Expand and solve this equation. <br> 4. Substitute the value into the $y=\ldots$ or $x=$... equation. | $\begin{gathered} y-2 x=3 \\ 3 x+4 y=1 \end{gathered}$ <br> Rearrange: $y-2 x=3 \rightarrow y=2 x+3$ <br> Substitute: $3 x+4(2 x+3)=1$ <br> Solve: $3 x+8 x+12=1$ |


|  | 5. Check that the two values you get <br> satisfy both of the original equations. | $11 x=-11$ <br> $x=-1$ |
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| Substitute: $y=2 \times-1+3$ <br> $y=1$ |  |  |
| Simultaneous <br> Equations <br> (Graphically) | Draw the graphs of the two equations. <br> The solutions will be where the lines <br> meet. <br> The solution can be written as a <br> coordinate. |  |


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| 1. Function Machine | Takes an input value, performs some operations and produces an output value. | INPUT OUTPUT |
| 2. Function | A relationship between two sets of values. | $f(x)=3 x^{2}-5$ <br> 'For any input value, square the term, then multiply by 3 , then subtract 5 '. |
| 3. Function notation | $f(x)$ <br> $\boldsymbol{x}$ is the input value $\boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x})$ is the output value. | $f(x)=3 x+11$ <br> Suppose the input value is $x=5$ <br> The output value is $f(5)=3 \times 5+$ $11=26$ |
| 4. Inverse function | $f^{-1}(x)$ <br> A function that performs the opposite process of the original function. <br> 1. Write the function as $y=f(x)$ <br> 2. Rearrange to make $x$ the subject. <br> 3. Replace the $\boldsymbol{y}$ with $\boldsymbol{x}$ and the $\boldsymbol{x}$ with $f^{-1}(x)$ | $f(x)=(1-2 x)^{5}$. Find the inverse. $\begin{aligned} & y=(1-2 x)^{5} \\ & \sqrt[5]{y}=1-2 x \\ & 1-\sqrt[5]{y}=2 x \\ & \frac{1-\sqrt[5]{y}}{2}=x \end{aligned}$ $f^{-1}(x)=\frac{1-\sqrt[5]{x}}{2}$ |
| 5. Composite function | A combination of two or more functions to create a new function. <br> $\boldsymbol{f} \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x})$ is the composite function that substitutes the function $\boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x})$ into the function $f(x)$. <br> $\boldsymbol{f} \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x})$ means 'do g first, then f ' $\boldsymbol{g} \boldsymbol{f}(\boldsymbol{x})$ means 'do f first, then g ' | $f(x)=5 x-3, g(x)=\frac{1}{2} x+1$ <br> What is $f g(4)$ ? $\begin{gathered} g(4)=\frac{1}{2} \times 4+1=3 \\ f(3)=5 \times 3-3=12=f g(4) \end{gathered}$ <br> What is $f g(x)$ ? $f g(x)=5\left(\frac{1}{2} x+1\right)-3=\frac{5}{2} x+2$ |


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|  | second term is the y-coordinate (movement up or down) |  |
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| 3. Quadratic Graph | A 'U-shaped' curve called a parabola. <br> The equation is of the form $y=\boldsymbol{a} \boldsymbol{x}^{2}+\boldsymbol{b} \boldsymbol{x}+\boldsymbol{c}$, where $a, b$ and $c$ are numbers, $\boldsymbol{a} \neq \mathbf{0}$. <br> If $\boldsymbol{a}<\mathbf{0}$, the parabola is upside down. |  |
| 4. Cubic Graph | The equation is of the form $\boldsymbol{y}=\boldsymbol{a} \boldsymbol{x}^{3}+\boldsymbol{k}$, where $\boldsymbol{k}$ is an number. <br> If $\boldsymbol{a}>\mathbf{0}$, the curve is increasing. <br> If $\boldsymbol{a}<\mathbf{0}$, the curve is decreasing. |  |
| 5. Reciprocal Graph | The equation is of the form $\boldsymbol{y}=\frac{A}{x}$, where $\boldsymbol{A}$ is a number and $\boldsymbol{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$. <br> The graph has asymptotes on the $\mathbf{x}$-axis and $\mathbf{y}$-axis. |  |
| 6. Asymptote | A straight line that a graph approaches but never touches. |  |




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| 1. Algebraic Fraction | A fraction whose numerator and denominator are algebraic expressions. | $\frac{6 x}{3 x-1}$ |
| 2. Adding/ Subtracting Algebraic Fractions | For $\frac{a}{b} \pm \frac{c}{d}$, the common denominator is bd $\frac{a}{b} \pm \frac{c}{d}=\frac{a d}{b d} \pm \frac{b c}{b d}=\frac{a d \pm b c}{b d}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{x}+\frac{x}{2 y} \\ = & \frac{1(2 y)}{2 x y}+\frac{x(x)}{2 x y} \\ = & \frac{2 y+x^{2}}{2 x y} \end{aligned}$ |
| 3. Multiplying <br> Algebraic <br> Fractions | Multiply the numerators together and the denominators together. $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{c}{d}=\frac{a c}{b d}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{x}{3} \times \frac{x+2}{x-2} \\ = & \frac{x(x+2)}{3(x-2)} \\ = & \frac{x^{2}+2 x}{3 x-6} \end{aligned}$ |
| 4. Dividing Algebraic Fractions | Multiply the first fraction by the reciprocal of the second fraction. $\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d}=\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{d}{c}=\frac{a d}{b c}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{x}{3} \div \frac{2 x}{7} \\ = & \frac{x}{3} \times \frac{7}{2 x} \\ = & \frac{7 x}{6 x}=\frac{7}{6} \end{aligned}$ |
| 5. Simplifying Algebraic Fractions | Factorise the numerator and denominator and cancel common factors. | $\frac{x^{2}+x-6}{2 x-4}=\frac{(x+3)(x-2)}{2(x-2)}=\frac{x+3}{2}$ |


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| 5. Coefficient | A number used to multiply a variable. <br> It is the number that comes before/in front of a letter. | $6 z$ <br> 6 is the coefficient z is the variable |
| 6. Odds and Evens | An even number is a multiple of 2 An odd number is an integer which is not a multiple of 2 . | If n is an integer (whole number): <br> An even number can be represented by $\mathbf{2 n}$ or $\mathbf{2 m}$ etc. <br> An odd number can be represented by $\mathbf{2 n - 1}$ or $\mathbf{2 n + 1}$ or $\mathbf{2 m + 1}$ etc. |
| 7. Consecutive Integers | Whole numbers that follow each other in order. | If n is an integer: <br> $\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{n + 1}, \mathbf{n + 2}$ etc. are consecutive integers. |
| 8. Square Terms | A term that is produced by multiply another term by itself. | If n is an integer: <br> $n^{2}, m^{2}$ etc. are square integers |
| 9. Sum | The sum of two or more numbers is the value you get when you add them together. | The sum of 4 and 6 is 10 |
| 10. Product | The product of two or more numbers is the value you get when you multiply them together. | The product of 4 and 6 is 24 |
| 11. Multiple | To show that an expression is a multiple of a number, you need to show that you can factor out the number. | $4 n^{2}+8 n-12$ is a multiple of 4 because it can be written as: $4\left(n^{2}+2 n-3\right)$ |

