

Mathematics for Chemistry Students

Please complete the following tasks over the summer. This will be good preparation for the Chemistry course since the mathematical content is significant at A-level. This work is required for the first lesson.

Name:



Indices worksheet

Mathematics for A-level Science

Practice your understanding

Simplify the following expressions:

1. $x^3 \times x^4$ 2. $y^9 \div y^4$ 3. $(z^7)^3$ 4. $\frac{x^4 \times x^2}{x^5}$ 5. $(ab)^2 \times a^3$ 6. $b^{\frac{1}{3}}$ 7. $c^{-3} \div c^4$ 8. $\frac{(x^0 \times x^3)^2}{x^4}$

Solve the following equations for *x*

- 9. $2^{x+1} = 2^4$ 10. $3^{x-2} + 1 = 28$ 11. $2^{x+6} = 128$ 12. $2(3^x)^2 = 162$ 13. $7^{x+4} = 343$ 14. $\frac{x^3 \times x^4}{x^5} = 64$
- 15. Find the area of the following rectangle. Write your answer in simplified form.



- 16. The moon is approximately 4×10^5 kilometres away. If an astronaut was to travel to the moon and back 3 times, how far would he have travelled in space?
- 17. If that same astronaut was to travel to the moon and back 10³ times, how far would he have travelled in space?

Ratio worksheet

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Practice your understanding	
Simplify the following ratios (Example $6: 4 = 3: 2$):	
18. 120: 50	22 . 24: 72
19. 64: 24	23. 18:90
20. 13: 52	24. 56:88
21. 100: 10 000	25 . 36: 144
Find x by scaling the ratio.	
26. 1: $2 = 4$: x	29. $x: 160 = 2:8$
27. 8: $3 = x$: 9	30. 49: $x = 2: 4$
28. 25: $10 = x$: 2	31. 58.5: $18 = x: 4$

32. A toy is made from red bricks and yellow bricks. Number of red bricks: Number of yellow bricks = 5:2. There are 210 more red bricks and yellow bricks.

How many red bricks are in the toy?

33. There are 100 balls in a bag. The balls are red, blue, green or white. The ratio of blue to red is 5:1. There are twice as many blue as green. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the balls are green.

How many white balls are in the bag?

34. One day, 460 people visit a zoo. 280 are adults. The ratio of women to men is 4:3. 180 are children. $\frac{3}{5}$ of them are boys. Jane says that altogether there were more females visiting the zoo.

Show that she is correct.

Standard form worksheet

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Practice your understanding

Convert the following numbers into standard form:

35. 32 000	39 . 9 230 000
36. 0.0006	40. 0.0000405
37. 104 000	41.0.002019
38. 18 200 000	42. 30 200

Convert the following numbers from standard form into decimal notation:

43. 3.26 \times 10 ⁴	47.8 × 10^{-6}
44. 8.4 \times 10 ⁻³	48. 1.3 × 10^8
45. 7.29 \times 10 ⁷	49. 2.3 × 10^{-4}
46. 1.26 \times 10 ²	50. 5.001 \times 10 ⁶

- 51. Using the formula Circumference = $2 \times 3.14 \times$ radius, and given that the mean radius of the Earth is 6 378 000 m, calculate the approximate circumference of the Earth leaving your answer in standard form to two significant figures.
- 52. There are 86 400 seconds in a day. Calculate the number of seconds in a year leaving your answer in standard form to two significant figures.
- 53. The current world population is approximately 7.4×10^9 people. The United Kingdom population accounts for 0.88% of the total world population. Using this information, approximate the number of people living in the United Kingdom leaving your answer as a decimal number.

Units worksheet

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Practice your understanding

Convert the following numbers into metres:

54. 3 km	58. 5.1 µm
55. 20 cm	59. 13.7 Gm
56. 2.3 mm	60. 0.0025 km
57 . 550 nm	61. 1.001 km

Simplify the following units:

70. cm × cm	74.	$\frac{\text{cm}^3}{\text{cm}}$
71. km ² × km		ka cm ³
72. $nm^2 \times nm^{-1}$	75.	cm
73. $\frac{\text{kg m}}{\text{m}}$	76.	$\frac{\text{cm}}{\text{cm}^2}$
	77.	g cm ² cm ⁻¹

- 78. Concrete has a density of $2400~{\rm kg}~{\rm m}^{-3}.$ What volume of concrete would have a mass of 96 kg?
- 79. What would this volume be in a) dm^3 and b) cm^3