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**PiXL Independence:**

**Mathematics** –Answer Booklet

KS4 HIGHER

**Topic 1 – Decimals, Best Buys, Standard Form and Bounds**

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Answers

1. **Basic Skills Check**

*Answer the following questions. In order to improve your basic arithmetic you should attempt these without a calculator where possible.*

**Skills Check 1**

1. A phone is reduced by 30% to a price of £120. Calculate the original cost of the system.

156

1. What is of £240?

160

1. Write 48 as a product of its prime factors

2x2x2x2x3

1. Factorise x² -2x -35

(x-7) (x+5)

1. Write 210,000,000 in standard form

2.1x108

1. Solve:

X -4

1. Use prime factors to find the lowest common multiple of 270 and 84.

3780

1. List the first 5 terms of the sequence 8n + 2.

10,18,26,34,42

1. Find the total perimeter of the sector shown, correct to one decimal place.

124˚

6cm

13.0cm

1. Calculate , giving your answer in standard form correct to **two** significant figures.

2.9x

**Skills Check 2**

1. A year ago Peter was 162 cm. He is now 3% taller. How tall is Peter now?

166.86cm

2. Calculate , giving your answer in standard form correct to two significant figures.

1.3x

3. Write 40 as a product of prime factors. What is the LCM of 40 and 54?

2x2x2x5

4. Factorise x² -20x + 75

(x-15) (x-5)

5. Write 0.000000652 in standard form

652x

6. Solve:

x

Calculate the total surface area of a cylinder with radius 6cm and length 13cm. Give your **final** answer to one decimal place.

13cm

6cm

716.3

1. Find the nth term of the sequence: 15, 13, 11, 9,…..

-2n+17

1. Find the reciprocal of the number 3.5, giving your answer as a fraction.

2/7

1. A class of 14 boys and 18 girls take a test. The mean mark for the boys is 68%., and the mean mark for the girls is 84%. Calculate the mean mark for the whole class.

**77%**

**Skills Check 3**

1. A shopkeeper buys small scooters at £32. She sells the bikes making 15% profit. Calculate the selling price of the scooters.

£36.80

2. George uses ¾ of a tin of dog food each day. How many tins does he use in 5 days?

3.75 tins

3. Find the HCF of 21 and 56.

7

4. Factorise x² + x - 12.

(x+4) (x-3)

5. Write 0.00000004025 in standard form.

4025 x

6. Solve:

x

7. Find the total perimeter of the sector shown, correct to one decimal place.

130˚

8cm

18.2cm

8. Find the nth term of the sequence: 2, 8, 18, 32,….

9. Use prime factors to find the highest common factor of 2520 and 924.

84

10. A class of 12 boys and 18 girls take a test. The mean mark for the class is 70%. If the mean for the boys is 61%, find the mean mark for the girls.

76%

1. **Short Exam Questions**

**Section 1 Best Value & Exchange Rates**

For each question you should attempt to carry out an estimation first.

1. Apples cost £1 for a 1.4 kg bag at Tesco. The same type of apples cost 87p for a 750g bag at ASDA. Where are the apples better value for money? You must show your working.

Tesco

1. A pack of 9 kitchen rolls costs £4.19. A pack of 4 kitchen rolls costs £1.76. Which pack gives the better value for money? You must show all your working.

4 Kitchen rolls

1. The exchange rate in London is £1 = €1.17. The exchange rate in Paris is €1 = £0.76. Janet wants to change some pounds into euros. In which of these cities would Janet get the most euros? You must show all your working. London
2. Ann went to France. She changed £400 into Euros (€). The exchange rate was £1 = €1.34.
3. How many euros did she get? €536
4. Ann went shopping in France. She bought: 2 scarves for €3.40 each, 1 necklace for €16.40, 1 bag for €10.50. The exchange rate was £1 = €1.34.

**Work out her total bill in pounds (£). £25.15**

1. Sara is going to print 120 photos.

Here is some information about the cost of printing in two shops.

**PHOTOBOX 15 prints £2.99.**

**DIGITAL WORLD 10 prints £3.49, buy one pack get one free.**

Sara wants to buy the photos as cheaply as possible.

Which shop should Sara buy the 120 photos from?

You must show how you get your answer.

Digital World

**Section 2 - BIDMAS**

1. Use ‘BIDMAS’ to find the value of these:  
   a) 3 + 4 x 6 b) 11 – 3 x 2 + 5 a) 27 b) 10  
   c) (24 – 7) + (17 – 32) c) 17 d) 2  
   d)  e)  e) 8

1. Explain fully how you would use a mental method to find:  
   a) 7 x 0.2 b) 6 ÷ 0.2 a) (7x2)/10 b) (6/2) x 10  
   c) 40 x 0.025 d) 3.6 ÷ 0.06 c) (40x25)/1000 d) (36/6) x 10
2. Show all your working when solving these.   
   DO NOT USE A CALCULATOR.  
   a) 23.4 + 12.12 b) 103.3 – 56.1 a) 35.52 b) 47.2  
   c) 34 – 19.8 d) 12.5 x 7 c) 14.2 d) 87.5  
   e) 47.2 x 1.6 f) 42 ÷ 0.7 e) 75.52 f) 60
3. Use LONG DIVISION to work this out.  
   DO NOT USE A CALCULATOR.  
    **59.13 ÷ 2.7 = 21.9**
4. Put brackets into the following expressions so that the answer is the number written in brackets.  
   e.g. 5 + 6 – 2 (9)  
   Answer: 5 + (6 – 2) = 9  
     
   a) 2 + 3 x 4 – 1 (19) (2+3) x 4-1  
   b) 2 + 32 x 4 + 3 (65) 2+ x (4+3)  
   c) 40 ÷ 10 ÷ 2 (8) 40/(102)  
   d) 15.7 + 1.3 x 8.7 + 1.3 (170) (15.7+1.3) x (8.7+1.3)
5. Calculate the cost of 22.45kg of Strontium2007 at a cost of £176.52 per kg.   
   Give your answer to a sensible degree of accuracy.

**£3962.87**

1. A bird travels 84.9 m in 12.6 seconds.   
   Calculate its MAXIMUM possible average speed.

6.7 m/s

1. A tanker can hold up to 41000 litres of petrol, correct to 3sf. Steel barrels can hold up to 660 litres, correct to the nearest 10 litres. Mark begins emptying a full tanker into barrels.

What is the least number of barrels needed so that he can be certain that all the petrol in the tanker can be emptied into the barrels? 63

**Section3 - Standard Form**

1. Use prime factors to find the HCF and LCM of 504 and 216.

72, 1512

1. Use your calculator to find each of these. Give answers in standard form to 3 significant figures:
   1.  6.28x
   2.  8.08x

1. Without a calculator, and showing your working, find each of these in standard form:
   1.  1.84x
   2.  6 x
2. Assuming that the Earth’s orbit round the Sun is approximately a circle of radius metres, and that it orbits the Sun in exactly one year, find its speed in metres per second.

Give your answer in standard form to 3 significant figures.

4760m/s

1. A pollen grain has a mass of grams. Find the number of grains in 1kg of pollen. Write your answer in standard form to **two** significant figures.

2.9x

1. Use your calculator to work these out. Give your answers in standard form to three significant figures.
   1.  7.49x
   2.  4.24x
   3.  2.53x
   4. The **reciprocal** of . 154x
2. There are 14700 (to the nearest hundred) spectators at a football match.
3. What is the minimum possible number of spectators? 14650
4. What is the maximum possible number of spectators? 14749
5. This diagram shows the plan of a room.

All the dimensions, including the carpet, are estimated to the

4.8m

3.7m

2.0m

3.5m

Carpet

**nearest 0.1 metres**.

Calculate the maximum possible shaded area.

10.8

**Section4 - Mixed Questions**

* + 1. A one ounce measure of poppy seeds contains approximately seeds.

Given that one ounce is equal to 28.3 g, work out how many poppy seeds would be in a 1 kg measure of seeds.

Give your answer in standard form correct to 2 significant figures.

4.9x seeds

* + 1. A solid metal cylinder of radius 5cm and length 17cm is melted down and made into spheres of radius 2cm.

Assuming that none of the metal is lost in the process, work out how many whole spheres can be made. 39

17cm

5cm

2cm

* + 1. There are 500 sheets, correct to the nearest 10, in a pile of paper. The height of the pile is 46mm, correct to the nearest mm. Work out the upper bound for the thickness of one sheet of paper.

Give your answer correct to 2 significant figures. 0.094

* + 1. In this question, assume that the planets move in circular orbits in the same plane with the Sun (S) at the centre.

S

P

P is a point on the Earth’s orbit.

The radius of the Earth’s orbit is miles.

The radius of the orbit of Mars is miles.

1. (i) Find the distance of the point on the orbit of Mars that is furthest from P. Give your answer in standard form. 2.35×108

(ii) Find the distance of the point on the orbit of Mars that is closest to P. Give your answer in standard form. 4.9×107

1. (i) Work out the circumference of the circular orbit of Earth. Give your answer as an ordinary number correct to 3 significant figures. 584,000,000

(ii) The Earth orbits the Sun in one year. Work out the speed of the Earth, in miles per hour, as it orbits the Sun. AWRT 67,000

* + 1. Showing all your working, estimate the value of . Rounding each number to one significant figure first:
  1. x 0.5 = 0.15
     1. A rectangle has an area of 24.3cm2 and a length of 6.2cm, both given correct to one decimal place. Find upper and lower bounds for its width. Upper bound = 24.35 ÷ 6.15 = 3.96cm (2d.p.)

Lower bound = 24.25 ÷ 6.25 = 3.88cm.

* + 1. A car travels 465 metres (to the nearest 5m) in a time of 17.0 seconds (to the nearest tenth of a second). Find correct to **two decimal places** the upper bound for its average speed over this time.

[If time, convert this speed to miles per hour, given that 1 mile = 1609.34 metres]

Upper bound = maximum distance ÷ shortest time = 467.5 ÷ 16.95 = 27.58 m/s. (2d.p.)

[Remembering only to round at the end: 27.58112094 x 60 x 60 ÷ 1609.34 = 61.70mph (2d.p.)]

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