

# GCSE (9-1) Maths Revision Poster

## New Content to Foundation Tier Only #1 of 2

### Standard form

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#### Writing numbers in standard form

You can count the number of places that the decimal point has to move to make a number that is greater than or equal to 1, and less than 10.

3 jumps  
 $7900 = 7.9 \times 10^3$   
 7900 > 10 so the power is positive

4 jumps  
 $0.00035 = 3.5 \times 10^{-4}$   
 0.00035 < 1 so the power is negative

Numbers in **standard form** have two parts

This part is a number  $\geq 1$  and less than 10.

This part is a power of 10.

$7.3 \times 10^{-6}$

To convert a number in standard form to an ordinary number, you can count the number of places the decimal point has to move.

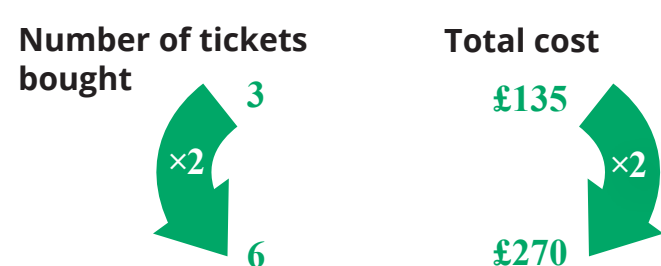
$7.9 \times 10^3 = 7900$  If the power is **positive** then the decimal point moves to the right that number of places

$7.9 \times 10^{-3} = 0.0079$  If the power is **negative** then the decimal point moves to the right that number of places

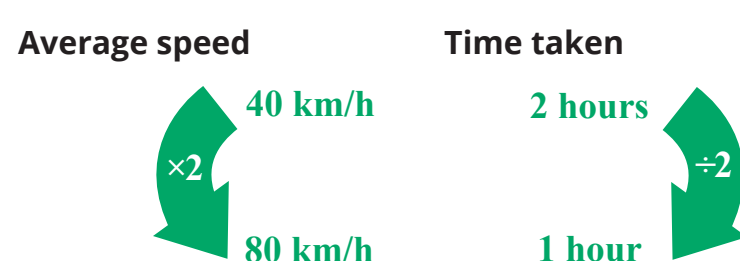
### Direct and Inverse proportion (numeric and algebraic)

R10

If two quantities are in **direct** proportion then, for example, one doubles so will the other.



If two quantities are in **inverse** proportion then, for example, when one doubles the other one will halve.



#### Example question

The number of days,  $d$ , that it will take to build a house is given by  $d = 720/n$  where  $n$  is the number of workers used each day. How many days will it take 8 workers to build the house?

✓  $720 \div 8 = 90$

What if 10 workers were used?

✓  $720 \div 10 = 72$

As the number of workers increases, then number of days decreases.

### Solve simultaneous equations

A19

The most common method for solving simultaneous equations is the **elimination method**.

Multiply one or both equations to make coefficients of one variable equal

Add or subtract the equations to eliminate one of the variables

Solve, then substitute back into one equation to find the value of the other variable

$3x + y = 20$

$x + 4y = 14$        $\times$  by 4 to make  $4y$  in each equation

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$12x + 4y = 80$

$- x + 4y = 14$       Subtract the equations and solve

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$11x = 66$

$x = 6$

$3 \times 6 + y = 20$       Substitute back into one of the equations

$18 + y = 20$

$y = 2$

### Solve quadratic equations by factorisation

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To solve the equation  $x^2 + 6x + 5 = 0$  we need to follow these steps.

- Factorise the left-hand side of the equation:  
 $(x + 5)(x + 1) = 0$
- Set each factor equal to zero:  
 $(x + 5) = 0$   
 $(x + 1) = 0$
- Solve the two linear equations to find the two solutions:  
 $x + 5 = 0$        $x + 1 = 0$   
 $x = -5$  or  $x = -1$

### Compound interest and reverse percentages

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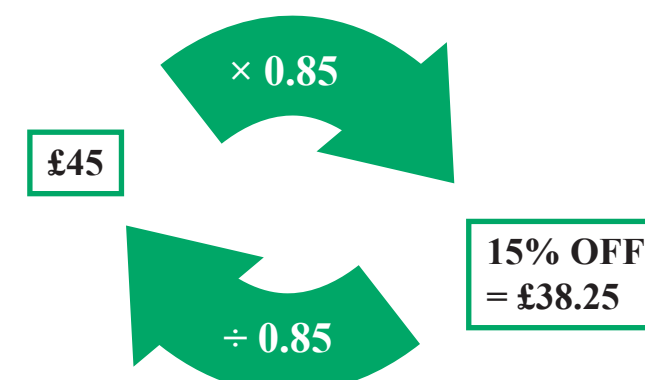
In **Compound Interest**, interest is added to the account at the end of each year so a new calculation must be worked out.

The table shows how an investment of £40 000 grows with a compound interest rate of 3% per annum (per year).

End of year	Balance
1	$40\,000 \times 1.03 = 41\,200$
2	$41\,200 \times 1.03 = 42\,346$
3	$42\,346 \times 1.03 = 43\,709.08$

The multiplier for a 3% increase is 1.03

The normal price of a coat is £45  
 The price is reduced by 15% in a sale.  
 The multiplier for a 15% decrease is 0.85

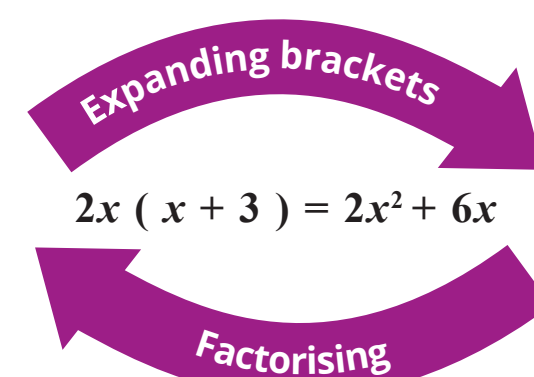


If you are given a final amount, divide by the multiplier to find the original amount.

### Factorise quadratic expressions

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To factorise an expression in the form  $x^2 + bx + c$  you need to find two numbers that **add up to make  $b$** , and that **multiply to make  $c$** .



Example:  $x^2 + 5x + 6$

2 and 3 **add** to make 5 and **multiply** to make 6

So  $x^2 + 5x + 6 = (x + 2)(x + 3)$

Check by expanding

#### Expanding

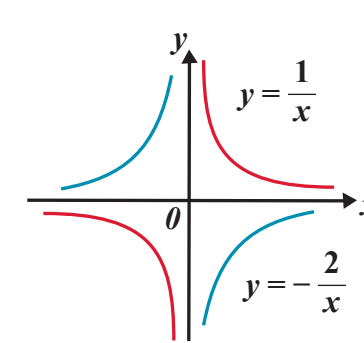
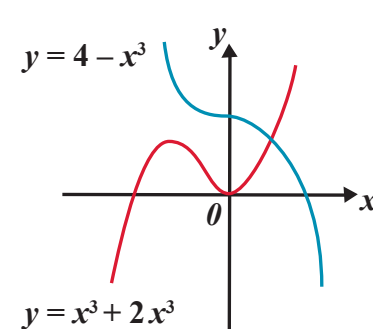
$(x + 2)(x + 3) = x^2 + 3x + 2x + 6$   
 $= x^2 + 5x + 6$

### Plot cubic and reciprocal graphs, recognise quadratic and cubic graphs

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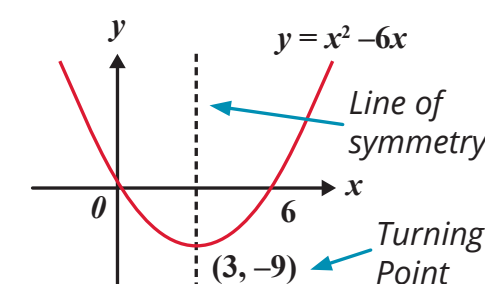
To plot cubic and reciprocal graphs **substitute** values of  $x$  to find values of  $y$  then plotting points to draw the graph.

Graphs that contain an  $x^3$  term and no higher are **cubic graphs**.



Graphs of the form  $y = \frac{k}{x}$  are **reciprocal graphs**.

The points where  $y = x^2 - 6x$  crosses the  $x$ -axis are the solutions to the quadratic equation  $x^2 - 6x = 0$ . The  $x$ -coordinate of the turning point is halfway between these points.



### Trigonometric ratios in right-angled triangles

G20

For right-angled triangles only:

✓ Use **SOH CAH TOA** to remember the rules for sin, cos and tan:

1  $\sin x = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$

2  $\cos x = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$

3  $\tan x = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$

