

# Numeracy – use of a calculator Knowing when it's appropriate to use a calculator

## What do I need to be able to do?

- Be familiar with the number buttons
- Be familiar with the position of basic function keys = + - × ÷ decimal point
- Understand order of operations

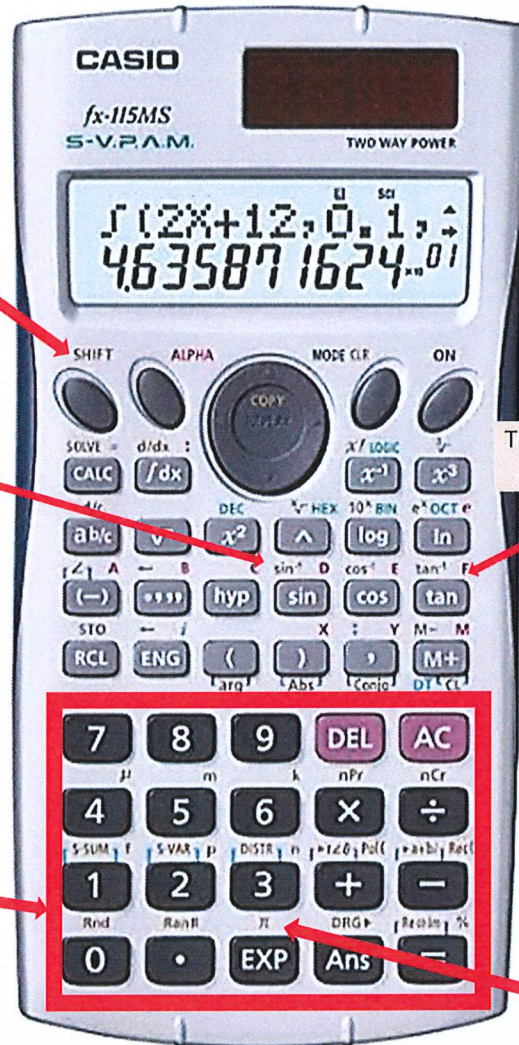
## Keywords

**Calculator:** A scientific calculator to work out complex functions

**Shift key:** Gives access to extra function keys

**π button:** Uses an accurate value of pi for circle calculations

## Calculator



SHIFT key

SHIFT key functions are above the standard buttons

These functions will be needed and taught in the maths syllabus

Basic function keys

π button

## When using a calculator is appropriate

Complex functions

$$\tan 37$$

to work out

$$\frac{\sqrt{20.4}}{6.2 \times 0.48}$$

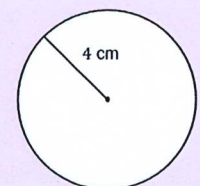
If the figures on your calculator display, write as a decimal.

$$\frac{4.516635916}{2.976}$$

Using many decimal places

$$1.5176868$$

... or sometimes to make a getting to an answer, quicker



$$\begin{aligned} A &= \pi r^2 & C &= \pi d \\ &= \pi \times 4^2 & &= \pi \times 8 \\ &= 50.27 \text{ cm}^2 & &= 25.13 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

Calculations with π

$$5.2^3 + \sqrt{5655.04}$$

Complex calculations

# Numeracy - number problems

Use appropriate operations to solve them

## What do I need to be able to do?

- To know maths operations + -  $\times$   $\div$   $\surd$
- Be aware of alternate vocabulary and phrases for these operations
- Use estimating skills to check the answer


## Keywords

Alternative vocabulary for mathematical operations

## Maths operations and their alternative words


**addition**

- add
- more
- plus
- make
- sum
- total
- altogether




**multiplication**

- lots of times
- multiply
- groups of
- product
- multiplied by
- multiple of
- repeated addition
- array




**subtraction**

- subtract
- minus
- leave
- less
- take away
- difference between




**division**

- divide
- divided by
- divided into
- share
- share equally
- equal groups of



**equals**

- makes
- total
- same as
- equivalent
- balances



## Alternative vocabulary

### Problem Solving

equation	equal to	symbol
total	answer	equals
compare	plus	check
same as	total	solve
equals	count	operation
unequal	correct	incorrect
symbol	sign	plus
sum	add	difference
subtract	take away	product
times	share	how many
shared between	number sentence	
order	right	wrong
missing number	less than	greater than
halve	double	rule

## Phrases for maths operations

### Subtraction Questions

How many are left/ left over?  
 How many are gone?  
 How many fewer is \_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_?  
 How much less is \_\_\_\_?  
 How many less?  
 How many less to make \_\_\_\_?  
 How many fewer is \_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_?

### Addition Questions



How many more are there?  
 How many extra?  
 What is \_\_\_\_ add \_\_\_\_?  
 How many are there altogether?  
 How many are there in total?

## Strategies in calculations

### Solving Maths Problems

- How can I solve a maths problem?
- I can use a number line.
  - I can use my fingers.
  - I can use mental maths.
  - I can make a number sentence.
  - I can draw a picture.
  - I can use a tally chart.
  - I can count in my head.
  - I can count on.
  - I can count back.
  - I can count in groups.
  - I can count using number patterns.

**Problem Solving Strategies**

- Draw a picture or diagram
- Find a pattern
- Draw, think and create
- Use concrete objects
- Make a table
- Use a number sentence
- Work backwards
- Use logical reasoning
- Read the question twice
- Count out loud
- Use your fingers

## Checking answers

Use ESTIMATING to make sure that your answer is appropriate

# Numeracy – reasoning your answer

Use mathematical terms

## What do I need to be able to do?

- **READ** the question **CAREFULLY**
- Make sure that the answer you have given, is the information required
- Use vocabulary from the question
- Use mathematical terms appropriate to that question

## Keywords

- Compare:** Use information from at least 2 parts of the question 'this is..... Whereas.....'
- Calculate:** Work out
- Describe:** Write a sentence to explain the parts in the question
- Explain:** Write a sentence or mathematical statement to show how you got to the answer
- Justify:** Show working with an explanation

## Explain your problem solving

Use mathematical keywords

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## Look at what you have used in your calculations

What information do I already know?

*Formulae and facts*

What information could I find out?

*Maths information in the question*

Which maths techniques look like they might be useful?

*Methods and strategies*

**Problem Maths question**

Would a diagram help?

*Methods and strategies*

What am I trying to find or do?

*Information in the question*

# Numeracy - checking answers

ALWAYS

## What do I need to be able to do?

- Estimate your answer
- Know units of measurements and associated graduations
- Place value to check estimating

## Keywords

- Estimate:** A relationship between 2 numbers that give a known value  
**Inverse:** Use opposite of the calculation to go back to the starting point  
**Fact Families:** Calculations with their inverse to check answers

## Prior Knowledge

### Estimate

Give an estimate to this question  $24.8 + 76.5$

28.7 is nearly 30 76.5 is nearly 80  $30 + 80 = 110$

### Appropriate Answer

1) Add 3.5m and 4m

Answer **7.5m** NOT 750cm

Use the same unit as the question when given

2) Share £2 between 7 people

200 pence  $\div 7 = 28.57142857$  pence

A small part of a penny would not be appropriate. Round to the nearest whole unit

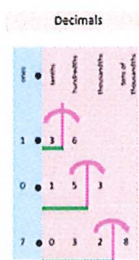
Answer **28p**

In this example, 28p can be found, but not 29p

Everything you've learned from before  
*'Keep practising'*

### Rounding

Know how to an appropriate cut off point, both with decimals and whole numbers. This will give an accurate calculation



Count the number of decimal places. Look at the next digit. If this is 5 or more, round up. Less than 5 round down.

Rounding 1.36 to 1 decimal place becomes **1.4**

Rounding 0.153 to 2 decimal places becomes **0.15**

Rounding 7.0328 to 3 decimal places becomes **7.033**

Whole numbers

Rounding to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 will help with mental calculations

## Inverse calculations using Fact Families

3).  $48 + 25 = 73$

$73 - \square = \square$

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$8 \times 4 = 32$

$32 \div \square = \square$

$32 \div \square = \square$

5).  $64 - 26 = 38$

$38 + \square = \square$

$26 + \square = \square$

$18 \div 2 = 9$

$9 \times \square = \square$

$2 \times \square = \square$

I think of a number. I double it. Then I add 37 to it. The answer is 71. What is my number?

## Appropriate units of measurement

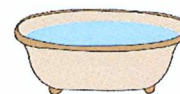
Know the relative scales of units of measurement to check answers



- 200 mL  2 L  20 mL



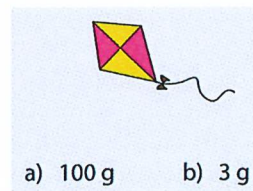
- a) 1 m      b) 10 cm



- 1 L     7 L     700 mL



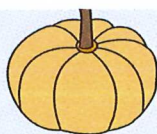
- a) 10 mm    b) 10 cm



- a) 100 g    b) 3 g



- a) 5 cm    b) 5 m



- a) 3 kg    b) 100 g



- a) 30 cm    b) 30 m



- a) 250 g    b) 1.5 kg