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BLOCK: REASONING WITH NUMBER

Prime numbers and proof

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What do I need to be able to do?

By the end of this unit you should be able to:

- Find and use multiples
- Identify factors of numbers and expressions
- Recognise and identify prime numbers
- Recognise square and triangular numbers
- Find common factors including HCF
- Find common multiples including LCM

Keywords

Conjecture: a statement that might be true (based on some research or reasoning) but it is not proven
Counterexample: an example which shows that a particular statement is false
Expression: one or a group of numbers, variables and mathematical operations representing a number or quantity
Factor: a whole number or variable that divides exactly into another number or expression
Highest Common Factor (HCF): the largest of all the common factors shared by two (or more) numbers.
Lowest Common Multiple (LCM): the smallest whole number that is a multiple of two (or more) numbers
Multiple: the result of multiplying a number by an integer
Prime number: an integer greater than 1 which has exactly two factors – itself and 1.

Multiples

The "times table" of a given number

All the numbers in this lists below are multiples of 3.

3, 6, 9, 12, 15...

This list continues and doesn't end

$3x$, $6x$, $9x$ ...

x could take any value and as the variable is a multiple of 3 the answer will also be a multiple of 3

Non example of a multiple

4.5 is not a multiple of 3 because it is 3 x 1.5

Not an integer

Factors

Arrays can help represent factors

5 x 2 or 2 x 5

Factors of 10
1, 2, 5, 10

10 x 1 or 1 x 10

The number itself is always a factor

Factors and expressions

$6x \times 1$ OR $6 \times x$

Factors of $6x$
6, x, 1, $6x$, $2x$, 3, $3x$, 2

$2x \times 3$

$3x \times 2$

Prime numbers

- Integer
- Only has 2 factors
- and itself

2

The first prime number
The only even prime number

Learn or how-to quick recall...

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29...

Square and triangular numbers

Square numbers

odd even odd

Representations are useful to understand a square number n^2

1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64 ...

Triangular numbers

Representations are useful – an extra counter is added to each new row

Add two consecutive triangular numbers and get a square number

1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, 28, 36, 45...

Common factors and HCF

1 is a common factor of all numbers

Common factors are factors two or more numbers share

HCF – Highest common factor

HCF of 18 and 30

18: 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 18

30: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30

Common factors (factors of both numbers)
1, 2, 3, 6

HCF = 6

6 is the biggest factor they share

Common multiples and LCM

Common multiples are multiples two or more numbers share

LCM – Lowest common multiple

LCM of 9 and 12

9: 9, 18, 27, 36, 45, 54

12: 12, 24, 36, 48, 60

LCM = 36

The first time their multiples match

Comparing fractions

$\frac{3}{5}$ and $\frac{7}{10}$

Compare fractions using a LCM denominator

$\frac{6}{10}$ and $\frac{7}{10}$

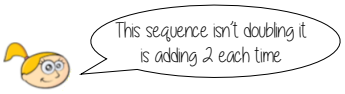
Conjectures and counterexamples

Conjecture

1, 2, 4, ...
The numbers in the sequence are doubling each time.

A pattern that is noticed for many cases

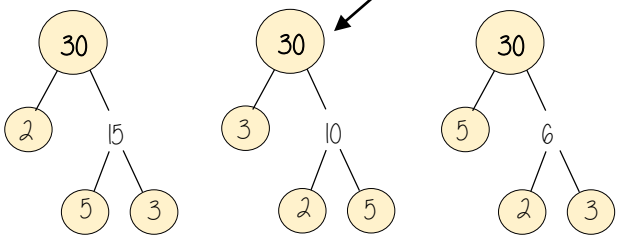
Counterexamples



Only one counterexample is needed to disprove a conjecture

Product of prime factors

Multiplication part-whole models



All three prime factor trees represent the same decomposition

Multiplication is commutative

$30 = 2 \times 3 \times 5$ ← Multiplication of prime factors

Using prime factors for predictions

e.g. 60 30 x 2 2 x 3 x 5 x 2

150 30 x 5 2 x 3 x 5 x 5