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1 ▶ 2014 JCOL Paper 1 – Question 12 (b)

Solve the inequality

 $-7 + 2x \le 1$, where $x \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Collect the *x* terms on the left and the number terms on the right.

 $-7 + 2x \le 1$ $2x \le 1 + 7$ $2x \le 8$ $x \le \frac{8}{2}$

 $x \le 4$

The solution is every integer value less than or equal to 4.

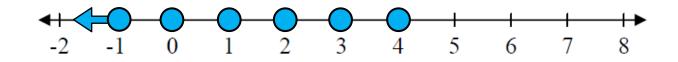
(ii)

Graph your solution to (b)(i) on the number line given below.

$x \in \mathbb{Z}$

 \mathbb{Z} are the integers. They are positive and negative whole numbers and are represented by full dots.

An arrow on a dot signifies that every integer in that direction is also included in the solution.





The term "integer" originates from the Latin word "integer," meaning "whole" or "untouched."

The symbol "Z" comes from the German word "Zahlen," which translates to "numbers."

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$2 \ge 2013$ JCOL Paper 1 – Question 2 (a)

A book online cost £28.00, plus a delivery charge of £5.00.

What is the total cost of the book in euro, if the exchange rate is $\pounds 1 = \pounds 1.25$?

Add the cost of the book to the delivery charge to find the total cost of the book in pounds (£).

 $\frac{28.00}{5.00} + \frac{5.00}{33.00}$

The total cost of the book in pounds was £33.00.

For **currency** questions we either multiply or divide by the exchange rate. **Cross multiplying** is a good way to figure out which one if you are not sure!

$$1x = 1.25(33)$$

 $x = €41.25$

 $\pm 33.00 = x$

£1 = €1.25

Multiply the amount of euros you get for each pound (1.25) by the number of pounds (33).

The total cost of the book in euro is \notin 41.25.



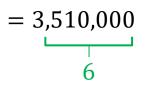
3 ► 2012 JCOL Paper 1 – Question 2 (c)

Using a calculator, or otherwise, multiply $450\ 000 \times 7.8$.

Then express your answer in the form $a \times 10^n$, where $1 \le a < 10$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

We need to first multiply 450 000 by 7.8.

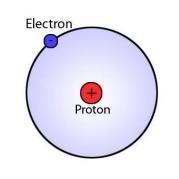
 $450\ 000 \times 7.8$



The size of the power is found by counting the number of digits after the 1st digit.



 $= 3.51 \times 10^{6}$



Scientific notation is a way of writing very large or very small numbers in a more compact and convenient form.

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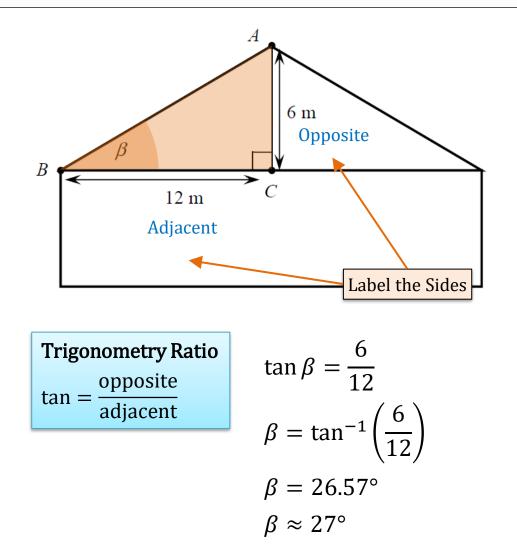
4 ► 2014 JCOL Sample Paper 2 – Question 13 (a)

Ella is building a house in Montreal.

Calculate the measure of the angle β . Give your answer correct to the nearest degree.

The formulae for **Pythagoras** and the **Trig Ratios** are on **page 16** of the Maths Formulae Book.

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(ii)

Find the length of the roof from *A* to *B*. Give your answer correct to two decimal places.

Pythagoras $c^{2} = a^{2} + b^{2}$ $c^{2} = a^{2} + b^{2}$ $|AB|^{2} = 12^{2} + 6^{2}$ $|AB|^{2} = 144 + 36$ $|AB|^{2} = 180$ $|AB|^{2} = 180$ $|AB| = \sqrt{180}$ |AB| = 13.42 m

5 ► 2012 JCOL Paper 2 – Question 5 (b)

The formula for **Length** (**Distance**) can be

found on **page 18** of the Maths Formulae Book.

R is the point (-1, 2) and *S* is the point (5, 6).

Find the length of [*RS*].

We can use the distance formula in the tables to find, *|RS|* the distance from *R* to *S*.

Distance Formula

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

$$R (-1, 2) \to (x_1, y_1)$$

$$S (5, 6) \to (x_2, y_2)$$

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$
$$|RS| = \sqrt{(5 - (-1))^2 + (6 - 2)^2}$$
$$|RS| = \sqrt{(6)^2 + (4)^2}$$
$$|RS| = \sqrt{36 + 16}$$
$$|RS| = \sqrt{52}$$
$$|RS| \approx 7.21$$

