



Maths Points

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JCOL BASIC SKILLS PACK 5

JUNIOR CERT ORDINARY LEVEL





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Factorise each of the following.

(i)

$$4xy - 8y$$

$$\begin{aligned}4xy - 8y \\ = 4y(x - 2)\end{aligned}$$

Common Factor

(ii)

$$xy - xz + 3y - 3z$$

$$\begin{aligned}xy - xz + 3y - 3z \\ = x(y - z) + 3(y - z) \\ = (x + 3)(y - z)\end{aligned}$$

Factorise by Grouping

(iii)

$$x^2 + 7x + 12$$

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + 7x + 12 \\ = (x + 3)(x + 4)\end{aligned}$$

Quadratic

(iv)

$$x^2 - 64$$

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - 64 \\ = (x + 8)(x - 8)\end{aligned}$$

Difference of Two Squares

Oisín earns €30 000 per year. He pays tax at 20%.
Work out Oisín's **gross tax** per year.

Calculate 20% of €30,000.

$$30,000 \times 0.20 \\ = \text{€}6,000$$



(ii)

Oisín's tax credits are €3300 per year.
Work out his **net pay** per year.

Tax Payable = Gross Tax – Tax Credits

$$\begin{array}{r} 6,000 - \\ \underline{3,300} \\ \text{€}2,700 \end{array}$$

Net Pay = Gross Income – Tax Payable

$$\begin{array}{r} 30,000 - \\ \underline{2,700} \\ 27,300 \end{array}$$

Oisín's net pay is €27,300.

The co-ordinate diagram below shows part of the town where Ben lives.

Show that the **slope** of the line from the Shop to Home is $\frac{1}{3}$.

Slope

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

$(-3, 1)$
 $\rightarrow (x_1, y_1)$
 $(3, 3)$
 $\rightarrow (x_2, y_2)$

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

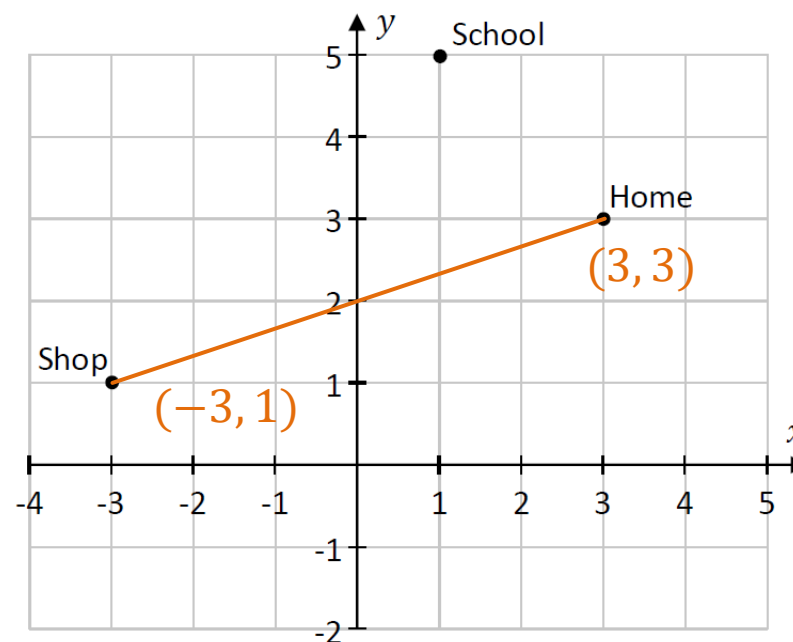
$$m = \frac{3 - 1}{3 - (-3)}$$

$$m = \frac{2}{6}$$

$$m = \frac{1}{3}$$

As required.

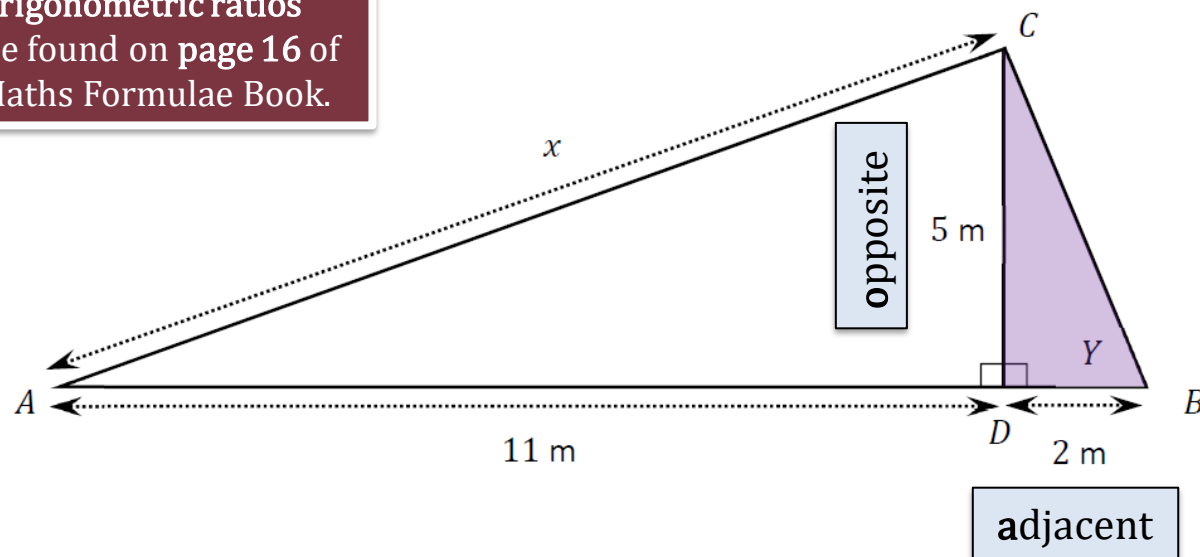
The formula for the **Slope** is on page 18 of the Maths Formulae Book.



Y is one of the angles in the triangle DBC .

Write down the length of the side opposite Y and the side adjacent to Y in DBC .

The trigonometric ratios can be found on page 16 of the Maths Formulae Book.



Opposite $Y =$

5

Adjacent to $Y =$

2

(ii)

Use your answer from part (c)(i) to write $\tan Y$ as a fraction.

Trigonometry Ratio

$$\tan = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}}$$

$\tan Y =$

5

2

Steps:

1. Label the sides.
2. Pick a ratio.
3. Write an equation.
4. Solve for x .

(iii)

Hence, use a calculator to find the size of the angle Y , correct to the nearest degree.

$$\tan Y = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$Y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)$$

$$Y = 68.2^\circ$$

$$Y \approx 69^\circ$$

A closed rectangular box has a square base with sides of length 3 cm, and a height of 5 cm.
Find the **volume** of the box.

Volume of Cuboid

$$V = \text{Length} \times \text{Breath} \times \text{Height}$$

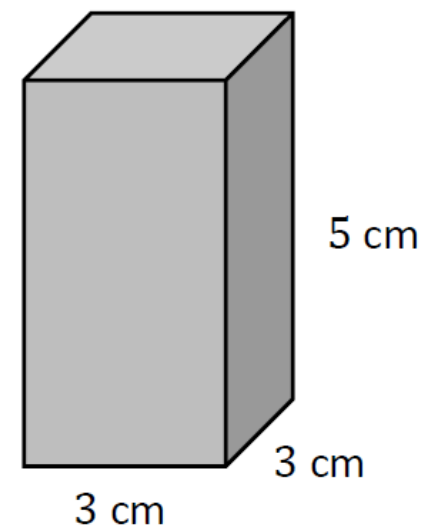
$$\text{Volume} = \text{Length} \times \text{Breath} \times \text{Height}$$

$$V = 3 \times 3 \times 5$$

$$V = 45 \text{ cm}^3$$

The volume of the box is 45 cm^3 .

You must learn off the formula for the volume of a cuboid as it is not contained in the Maths Formulae Booklet.





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