

# Stage Overview



7-11 Pathway		
Minimum expected standard at end of KS1	Exceeding minimum expected standard at end of KS1	
Stage 2	Stage 3	Year 3
Stage 3	Stage 4	Year 4
Stage 4	Stage 5	Year 5
Stage 5	Stage 6	Year 6

11-16 Pathway		
Below expected standard at end of KS2	Expected standard at end of KS2	
Stage 6	Stage 7	Year 7
Stage 7	Stage 8	Year 8
Stage 8	Stage 9	Year 9
Stage 9	Stage 10	Year 10
Stage 10 Lite	Stage 11	Year 11

## Secondary Scheme of Work: Stage 7

### Unit

Numbers and the number system
Calculating
Checking, approximating and estimating
Counting and comparing
Visualising and constructing
Investigating properties of shapes
Algebraic proficiency: tinkering
Exploring fractions, decimals and percentages
Proportional reasoning
Pattern sniffing
Measuring space
Investigating angles
Calculating fractions, decimals and percentages
Solving equations and inequalities
Calculating space
Mathematical movement
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**Unit** names chosen based on mathematical habits of mind (Cuoco, 1996). Organised to ensure any instances of prerequisite knowledge within a year are covered in the first term. All stages align closely throughout the year.



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### Key 'Build a Mathematician' (BAM) Indicators

- Use positive integer powers and associated real roots
- Apply the four operations with decimal numbers
- Write a quantity as a fraction or percentage of another
- Use multiplicative reasoning to interpret percentage change
- Add, subtract, multiply and divide with fractions and mixed numbers
- Check calculations using approximation, estimation or inverse operations
- Simplify and manipulate expressions by collecting like terms
- Simplify and manipulate expressions by multiplying a single term over a bracket
- Substitute numbers into formulae
- Solve linear equations in one unknown
- Understand and use lines parallel to the axes,  $y = x$  and  $y = -x$
- Calculate surface area of cubes and cuboids
- Understand and use geometric notation for labelling angles, lengths, equal lengths and parallel lines

[Stage 7 BAM Progress Tracker Sheet](#)

The first part of a framework for assessing without levels: 13 '**Build a Mathematician (BAM)**' indicators for each year are chosen to represent the minimum expected outcomes by the end of the stage, critical in developing conceptual understanding and essential for pupils to make progress to the next stage



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Stage 7 BAM Progress Sheet

Alongside the BAM indicators, **essential knowledge** lists the facts that students need to know in order to make progress in their mathematics



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Calculating	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply the four operations with decimal numbers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know the first 12 triangular numbers</li> </ul>
Checking, approximating and estimating	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Write a quantity as a fraction or percentage of another</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know the symbols =, ≠, &lt;, &gt;, ≤, ≥</li> </ul>
Counting and comparing	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use multiplicative reasoning to interpret percentage change</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know the order of operations including brackets</li> </ul>
Visualising and constructing	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add, subtract, multiply and divide with fractions and mixed numbers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know basic algebraic notation</li> </ul>
Investigating properties of shapes	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check calculations using approximation, estimation or inverse operations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know that area of a rectangle = <math>l \times w</math></li> </ul>
Algebraic proficiency: tinkering	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Simplify and manipulate expressions by collecting like terms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know that area of a triangle = <math>b \times h \div 2</math></li> </ul>
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Pattern sniffing	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Solve linear equations in one unknown</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know that volume of a cuboid = <math>l \times w \times h</math></li> </ul>
Measuring space	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand and use lines parallel to the axes, <math>y = x</math> and <math>y = -x</math></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know the meaning of faces, edges and vertices</li> </ul>
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Calculating fractions, decimals and percentages	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand and use geometric notation for labelling angles, lengths, equal lengths and parallel lines</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know how to work out measures of central tendency</li> </ul>
Solving equations and inequalities	5		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Know how to calculate the range</li> </ul>
Calculating space	5		
Mathematical movement	7		
Presentation of data	6		
Measuring data	7		
Total:	123		

Stage 7 BAM Progress Tracker Sheet

The number of **hours** for a unit based on based on 7 maths lessons per fortnight, with at least 35 'quality teaching' weeks per year. However, the curriculum model in your school, the place of deliberate practice, and the time it takes students to master concepts will all influence the reality.



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Visualising and constructing	4		
Investigating properties of shapes	5		
Algebraic proficiency: tinkering	8		
Exploring fractions, decimals and percentages	4		
Proportional reasoning	4		
Pattern sniffing	3		
Measuring space	5		
Investigating angles	3		
Calculating fractions, decimals and percentages	1		
Solving equations and inequalities	5		
Calculating space	5		
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Presentation of data	6		
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Total:	121		

Suggested 'Maths Calendar' for the year based on 35 weeks of teaching and 4 weeks for Assessment, Enrichment and Intervention / Preventing the Gap

## Maths Calendar

Based on 7 maths lessons per fortnight, with at least 35 'quality teaching' weeks per year

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13
Numbers and the number system 7M1 BAM			Calculating 7M2 BAM				Checking 7M6 BAM	Counting and comparing			Visualising etc 7M13 BAM	
Week 14	Week 15	Week 16	Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24	Week 25	Week 26
Assess and enrich	Properties of shapes	Algebraic proficiency: tinkering 7M7 BAM, 7M8 BAM, 7M9 BAM			Exploring FDP 7M3 BAM	Prop'l reasoning	Patterns	Measuring space		Angles	Calculating FDP	
Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32	Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39
Assessment	Calculating FDP cont'd 7M4 BAM, 7M5 BAM		Solving equations 7M10 BAM	Calculating space 7M12 BAM		Mathematical movement 7M11 BAM		Presentation of data		Measuring data		Assessment



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- recognise and use sequences of triangular, square and cube numbers, simple arithmetic progressions

The Big Picture: [Number and Place Value progression map](#)

**'Key concepts'** taken from the DfE National Curriculum Programme of Study (Stages 1 to 6) and DfE GCSE Subject Content and Assessment Objectives (Stages 7 to 11).

Statements grouped to create units for the medium term plans. Progression maps built to show the big picture from Years 1 to 11.

To see the connections to previous and future learning, '**progression maps**' for each defined area of mathematics can be found by following these links.



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Possible themes

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- Exploring prime numbers
- Solve problems using common multiples and lowest common multiples
- Explore powers and roots

Possible key learning points

- Find common factors of numbers
- Find the highest common factor of numbers, including co-prime
- Recognise and solve problems involving highest common factor
- Find prime numbers and test numbers to see if they are prime
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- Recognise and solve problems involving the lowest common multiple
- Read, write and evaluate powers
- Recognise and use triangular, square and cube numbers
- Define and find square roots (including using the  $\sqrt{\quad}$  symbol)
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**Possible themes** identified that describe the big ideas to be explored in this unit

See *Embedding Formative Assessment*, William, 2011 and *Visible Learning for Teachers*, Hattie, 2011

Possible **key learning points** identified that describe the process of learning. They are examples of what the teacher might select for their class. These could also be thought of as learning objectives.



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**Prerequisites**

- Know how to find common multiples of two given numbers
- Know how to find common factors of two given numbers
- Recall multiplication facts to  $12 \times 12$  and associated division facts

**Bring on the Maths': Moving on up!**  
 Number and Place Value: #6

**Prerequisites** for the suggested key learning points.



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Prerequisites	Mathematical language
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The **mathematical language** section includes key vocabulary for the unit and information about the **notation** that students need to understand



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**Common approaches**  
*The following definition of a prime number should be used in order to minimise confusion about 1: A prime number is a number with exactly two factors.*  
*Every classroom has a set of [number classification posters](#) on the wall*

**Pedagogical notes** are relevant for all, but particularly beneficial for non-specialists and inexperienced teachers. **Common approaches** are shown in italics as they should be noted in a scheme of work but could be personalised to a school.

Addressing comments in Ofsted's summary reports, 'Understanding the Score' (2007) and 'Made to Measure' (2010)



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- Find common multiples of numbers
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- Read, write and evaluate powers
- Recognise and use triangular, square and cube numbers
- Define and find square roots (including negative square roots)
- Define and find cube roots (including negative cube roots)
- Use simple arithmetic progressions

See *Mathematics Survey Visits: Quality of Teaching in Mathematics (supplementary subject-specific guidance)*, Ofsted, 2014

Prerequisites

- Know how to find common multiples
- Know how to find common factors
- Recall multiplication facts to 10x10

Bring on the Maths!: Moving on Number and Place Value: #6

**Possible misconceptions** highlight some incorrect thinking that students might demonstrate (not mistakes). Thought should be given as to how to exploit these.

See *Embedding Formative Assessment*, Wiliam, 2011 and *Learning from Mistakes and Misconceptions*, (Standards Unit: Improving Learning in Mathematics)

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Reasoning opportunities and probing questions

- When using Eratosthenes sieve to identify prime numbers, why is there no need to go further than the multiples of 7? If this method was extended to test prime numbers up to 200, how far would you need to go? Convince me.
- Kenny says '20 is a square number because  $10^2 = 20$ '. Explain why Kenny is wrong. Kenny is partially correct. How could he change his statement so that it is fully correct?
- Always / Sometimes / Never: The lowest common multiple of two numbers is found by multiplying the two numbers together.

Reasoning opportunities and probing questions utilise question stems suggested as particularly effective following research by John Mason and Anne Watson

See Questions and Prompts for Mathematical Thinking, Watson & Mason, 1998, (ATM)

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[Index Numbers](#)

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**Suggested activities** include links to carefully chosen resources including [kangaroomaths.com](http://kangaroomaths.com), [nrich.maths.org](http://nrich.maths.org) and [ncetm.org.uk](http://ncetm.org.uk)

Mathematical language Pedagogical notes

(Common) multiple and LCM  
(Common) factor and HCF  
(Square) root  
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Key concepts (GCSE subject content statements)

The Big Picture: [Number and Place Value progression map](#)

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- recognise and use sequences of triangular, square and cube numbers, simple arithmetic progressions

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Possible themes

- Solve problems using common factors and highest common factors
- Exploring prime numbers
- Solve problems using common multiples and lowest common multiples
- Explore powers and roots

Possible key learning points

- Find common factors of numbers
- Find the highest common factor of numbers, including co-prime
- Recognise and solve problems involving highest common factor
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- Find common multiples of numbers
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- Recognise and use triangular, square and cube numbers
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- Know how to find common factors of two given numbers
- Recall multiplication facts to  $12 \times 12$  and associated division facts

**Bring on the Maths!:** Moving on up!  
Number and Place Value: #6

Mathematical language

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(Square and cube) root  
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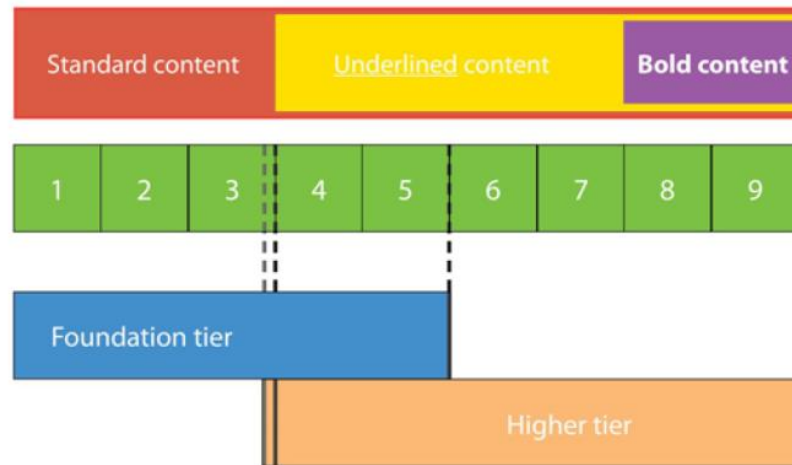
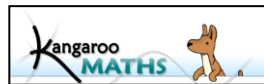


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