

1	Write a number as a product of its prime factors	
a	Write 120 as a product of its prime factors.	
b	<p>Kathryn is asked to write 60 as a product of its prime factors. Here is her work.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <pre> graph TD 60 --- 2 60 --- 30 30 --- 2 30 --- 15 style 2 stroke:#f00,stroke-width:2px style 30 stroke:#f00,stroke-width:2px style 2 stroke:#f00,stroke-width:2px style 15 stroke:#f00,stroke-width:2px </pre> <p>So $60 = 2 \times 2 \times 15$</p> </div> <p>Kathryn is wrong. Explain the mistake she has made.</p>	

2	Use prime factorisations to find the highest common factor of two numbers	
a	Find the highest common factor of 72 and 180.	
b	<p>Tom is asked to find the highest common factor of 72 and 168. Here is his working.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">$72 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3$ and $168 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 7$</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prime factors of 72 Prime factors of 168</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">The highest common factor of 72 and 168 is 504</p> <p>Tom is wrong. Explain why.</p>	

3	Use prime factorisations to find the lowest common multiple of two numbers	
a	Find the lowest common multiple of 45 and 54.	
b	<p>Carol is asked to find the lowest common multiple of 48 and 72.</p> <p>She writes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">$48 \times 72 = 3\ 456$</p> <p>Do you agree with Carol? Explain why.</p>	

4	Round numbers to one or two significant figures	
a	Round 43 492 to two significant figures.	



b	Justin rounds 0.0763 to one significant figure. His answer is 0.1. Do you agree? Explain why.	
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5	Round numbers to one and two decimal places	
a	Use your calculator to work out $3.2 + 23.6 \div 7$. Round your answer to two decimal places.	
b	Aylsa is asked to round 902.449 to one decimal place. She writes $902.449 \rightarrow 902.45 \rightarrow 902.5$ Aylsa is wrong. Explain why.	

6	Use standard form to write large numbers	
a	Write 3.27×10^5 as an ordinary number.	
b	Lance writes $5.4 \times 10^7 = 540\,000\,000$. Do you agree with Lance? Explain why.	

7	Use standard form to write small numbers	
a	Write 0.000 188 in standard form.	
b	Jane writes $0.000\,041 = 4.1 \times 10^{-4}$ Jane is wrong. Explain her mistake.	



	Key learning point	☹	☺	☺	☺
1	Write a number as a product of its prime factors				
2	Use prime factorisations to find the highest common factor of two numbers				
3	Use prime factorisations to find the lowest common multiple of two numbers				
4	Round numbers to one or two significant figures				
5	Round numbers to one and two decimal places				
6	Use standard form to write large numbers				
7	Use standard form to write small numbers				

Top three improvements for me to make



1a	$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5$	
1b	15 is not a prime number – you don't just divide by 2 until you run out of possibilities	
2a	36	
2b	504 is the LCM. The HCF is the product of the numbers in the intersection; i.e. 24.	
3a	270	
3b	The lowest common multiple of only sometimes the product of the two numbers. The LCM is actually 144 in this case. [Note: It is always true that $\text{LCM}(a, b) = a \times b \div \text{HCF}(a, b)$]	
4a	43 000	
4b	e.g. It should be 0.08	
5a	6.57	
5b	e.g. It should be 902.4. You only check the next column along.	
6a	327 000	
6b	$5.4 \times 10^7 = 54\,000\,000$	
7a	1.88×10^{-4}	
7b	$0.000\,041 = 4.1 \times 10^{-5}$	

