Stage 7: Numbers and the number system

Quest

1	Find prime numbers and test numbers to see if they are prime	
а	Write down all the prime numbers between 50 and 60	
b	Steve thinks that 143 is a prime number.	
	Steve is wrong. Explain why.	

2	Find common factors of numbers	
а	Find all the common factors of 20 and 24	
b	Is 2 a common factor of 30? Justify your answer.	

3	Find the highest common factor of numbers in simple cases, including co-prime examples	
а	Find the highest common factor of 30 and 48	
b	Is the following statement always true, sometimes true, or never true?	<u> </u>
	The highest common factor of two numbers is 1	

4	Find common multiples of numbers	
а	Find a common multiple of 12 and 8	
b	Jane says '9 is a common multiple of 72 and 54'.	
	Do you agree with Jane? Explain why.	

5	Recognise and solve problems involving the lowest common multiple	
а	A pattern of flashing lights uses three colours. A red light flashes every 4 seconds, a blue light flashes every 6 seconds and a yellow light flashes 8 seconds. All three lights flash together at the start of the display. How long is it until all three lights flash together again?	
b	What is wrong with this statement, and how can you correct it?	
	To find the lowest common multiple of two numbers, multiply the numbers together	

6	Use linear (arithmetic) number patterns to solve problems	
а	Find the missing numbers in this linear sequence: 3,, 15, 19	
b	Jonas is asked to continue the linear number sequence that starts 2, 4,	
	He writes 2, 4, 8, 16, 32,	
	Comment on Jonas' sequence.	

7	Recognise and use triangular numbers	
а	Write down the eighth triangular number	
b	Marek draws this diagram.	0
	He says, 'My diagram shows that 12 is a triangular number'.	0 0 0 0
	Do you agree with Marek? Explain your answer.	00000

8	Recognise and use square and cube numbers	
а	1 is both a square number and a cube number. What is the next number that is both a square number and a cube number?	
b	What is wrong with this statement, and how can you correct it?	
	5 × 5 =25. 25 × 25 = 625. Therefore 625 is a cube number.	

Read, write and evaluate powers	
Evaluate 2 ⁶	
What is wrong with this statement, and how can you correct it?	
$6^\circ = 6 \times 3$	
	Read, write and evaluate powers Evaluate 2^6 What is wrong with this statement, and how can you correct it? $6^3 = 6 \times 3$

10	Define and find square roots (including using the $\sqrt{}$ symbol)	
а	Evaluate $\sqrt{81}$	
b	Is the following statement always true, sometimes true, or never true?	
	To find the square root of a number, divide by 2	

11	Define and find cube roots (including using the $\sqrt[3]{}$ symbol), including the use of a scientific calculator	
а	Evaluate $\sqrt[3]{216}$	
b	Is the following statement always true, sometimes true, or never true?	
	To find the cube root of a number, divide by 3	

12	Define and find other roots (including using the a $\sqrt{-}$ symbols), including the use of a scientific calculator	
а	Evaluate $\sqrt[4]{10000}$	
b	Lindsey writes $\sqrt[5]{243} = 243 \div 5 = 48.6$	
	213 - 213 - 213 - 213 - 213	
	Lindsey is wrong. Correct her solution.	



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	Key learning point	8		\odot
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Top three improvements for me to make

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1a	53, 59	
1b	Reason; e.g. $143 = 13 \times 11$	
2a	1, 2, 4	
2b	No, and reason; e.g. a common factor must be common to at least two numbers	
За	6	
3b	Sometimes true, ideally with examples	
4a	Any multiple of 24	
4b	No, and reason; e.g. it is a common factor	
5a	24 seconds	
5b	Explanation; e.g. this will only give the LCM is some cases.	
6a	7, 11	
6b	Valid comment; e.g. it is not linear	
7a	36	
7b	No, and explanation; e.g. it doesn't show 1 + 2 + 3 +	
8a	64	
8b	Explanation; e.g. it shows 5^4 , the second calculation should be 25×5	
9a	64	
9b	Explanation; e.g. it should be $6 \times 6 \times 6$	
10a	9	
10b	Sometimes true (but only by fluke since $\sqrt{4}$ = 4 ÷ 2 = 2)	
11a	6	
11b	Never true	
12a	10	
12b	3	