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### Introduction

This Information File is a comprehensive revision package in Maths covering all aspects of the **Number** attainment target as required for the SEAG Entrance Assessment (covering Number and Money). The 4 books in the series provide a comprehensive revision guide for parents, and also covers the requirements of the Mathematics and Numeracy Area of Learning of The Mathematichern Ireland Curriculum for the end of Key Stage 2.

It should be understood, however, when using the book that unthermical processes can often be performed in more than the prescribed of , and for some children the methods outlined within the fit of the not plways 'unlock the door' to understanding.

We recommend that when a child is experience, difficulty in grasping a specific mathematical process the parent set with their child's class teacher to discuss the nature of the pablement possible solutions to it.

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atics element of the SEAG Entrance Assessment and at the end of the latent, which should be learnt, is outlined briefly in a of **N TO KNOW** boxes.

**NEED TO KNOW** 

\* A variety of example questions, with annotated step by step procedures illustrating how answers can be calculated.



% 4 practice tests that mirror the format of the maths element of the SEAG Entrance Assessment.



# Place Value (Whole Numbers)

The value of a digit depends on its position within the number.

# **NEED TO KNOW**

Children need to know how to read, order and write whole numbers, and know the value of a digit within a number.



Jane bought 6 chocolate bars, each costing 64p.

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If she gave a £5 note to the shopkeeper, how much change did she get back?  ${f Step}$  (1) Change the monetary values in the question to pounds and pence: £5 ⇒ £5.00 64p ⇒ £0.64 Step (2) Multiply the price of the chocolate bar by find the total amount spent. Re er to ne up you 15 £0.6 3 8 6 **^** Step 3 Take the tot away from £5.00 to find how much amou change was given. £5 £1.16 change **Answer:** £1.16 change

#### Multiplying by 100

There are 2 common ways of multiplying decimal numbers by 100 as shown in the table below. Children should be able to identify the type of process required to be performed.



Answer: 1610

# Fractions

Rule

# **NEED TO KNOW**

Children need to know how to identify and make equivalent (equal) fractions.

### Equivalent fractions

Equivalent fractions are fractions that have the same value.

The top and bottom of a fraction must both be mult led o divided by the same number to make an equal fract (see example). • Example E.G. Write a number in the box to mak ions equal. Тор 2 (×3) 6 9 Bottom 3 3

Equivalent fractions on boundstrated in picture form using a fraction board (see below). It may be useful for children on occasions to sketch a little fraction bound of their och, as this could be of help in working out an equal fraction

Fraction Board $\frac{1}{12}$ $\frac{1}{8}$ $\frac{1}{6}$ $\frac{1}{5}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	4/12 <b>K</b>   <b>k</b>   1/3 <b>k</b>	The 'fraction board' shows: $\frac{1}{3} = \frac{4}{12}$
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#### Alternative or tricky ways of asking questions on the topic of fractions

#### Alternative 1

Sometimes children are given a fraction of an amount and are asked to calculate the **whole amount** (see example below).

# **NEED TO KNOW**

Children need to know how to

- calculate the whole amount of a certain value when only given a fraction of the amount (see Alternative 1), or
- 2. calculate a mising fraction (see Alternative 2).

Rule for calculating the whole amount

Reverse the normal rule for finding the fraction of a numb i.e. we now divide by the top number of the partition and multiply our answer by the bottom particles of the source.

**?** Example question

A teacher gave out <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> and the weet as prizes. 240 sweets were given on a prizes.

How many sworts we win the jar to begin with?

Vrite w. you know, i.e.  $\frac{2}{3}$  = 240.

rk t what one part or  $\frac{1}{3}$  is equal to.

If  $\frac{2}{3} = 240$  (c) are the top part of the fraction into the number,

i.e. 2 240 = 120.

Step (3) Multiply your answer by the top of the fraction, i.e. 3

i.e. 3 × 120 = 360.

360 sweets were in the jar to begin with.

Answer: 360 sweets

Step

Step

# How to calculate percentages of amounts

To calculate percentages of numbers you must first change the percentage

# **NEED TO KNOW**

Children need to know how to calculate a percentage of a number.



The relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages

Fraction		Decimal		Percentage
1/10	=	0.1	=	10%
1/4	=	0.25	=	25%
1/3	=	0.33	=	331/3%
1/2	=	0.5	=	50%
3/4	=	0.75	=	75%
1/1	=	1.00	=	100%

**NEED TO KNOW** Children need to know the relationship between fractions

relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages (as listed in the table).





For questions 23–28 you have to **write your answers**, neatly, in the box beside the question.



How much did the trip cost in total?



### END OF TEST

A family of 4 consisting of Mum, Dad, Roberto (aged 2) and Sofía (aged 14) booked a week's holiday to Spain for half-term to visit relatives. The table shows the prices for the holiday.



For questions 23–28 you have to **write your answers**, neatly, in the box beside the question.





#### Square numbers

Any number multiplied by itself produces a square number. A number that is to be squared is written with a small 2 after it.



Another way to show this function machine:



### Understanding inverse (opposite) functions

### **NEED TO KNOW**

Children need to use the fact that multiplication and division are opposite operations to calculate missing numbers or functions.



**Answer:** A = 5, B = ÷

### Solving problems using a given rule

#### **?** Example questions

A newspaper used the rule below to work out how many winners they would have in their competition:

### **NEED TO KNOW**

Children need to know how to use a simple formula or rule to solve a problem (Question 1). They should be able to understand and identify the appropriate calculation required to be performed to solve a problem (Question

"Number of winners = Number of perfective who entered in 0

Use this rule to work out how margine competition if 24000 people entryed.

e in a

**Step** Place the number have an given in the question into the rule

into the rule,

i.e. Number of winners 24000 un

Step 2 Divide 24000 L

tre cart

(take away set from 2 10

of people who entered) ÷ 100 See page 27 — dividing by 100

**Answer:** Number of winners = 240.

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of milk can fill 14 plastic cups full to the brim.

ners

of the following formulas shows how to calculate the amount of liquid in a n cup?

- A 1. 14
- B 14 × 1.5
- **C** 14 ÷ 1.5
- D 1.5 ÷ 14
- E 1.5 × 14

Step () Write out what you know:

 $1\frac{1}{2}$  | carton = 14 cups  $\implies 1\frac{1}{2}$  | = 1.5 | so 1 cup = 1.5 ÷ 14

**Answer: D** 1.5 ÷ 14

Sequences can be made from picture

# Pictorial Sequences

patterns.

**NEED TO KNOW** 

Children should be be able to follow a pictorial sequence to complete a pattern.

**Example questions** Below are the first four patterns in a sequence made ks: Pattern 1 Pattern 2 Pattern Patt 8 15 3 +5 +5 Number of sticks 1 Draw the next two patt Pattern 6 Patte 22 Number +2 of sticks +5 2 How many sticks will there be in pattern 7? 24 (see table below to identify the pattern) ≫ **Pattern:** Pattern 5 6 1 2 3 4 7 8 9 10 11 12 No: Number of 3 8 10 15 17 22 24 29 31 sticks +5 +2 +5 +2 +5 +2 +5 +2





Nun	nber Test 3	see page 73	Num	ber Test 4	see page 82
1.	C – 12		1.	A – 9	
2.	C – 1.5 ÷ 320		2.	B – 7	
3.	B – 24, 88		3.	E – 30000	
4.	B – <i>R</i> ÷ 5		4.	B – 5 m	
5.	A – 15		5.	D – 24	
6.	B – 15		6.	D – 241 176	
7.	E – 5		7.	B – Not even numbers	
8.	C - Even numbers			& Cube Combe	rs
	& Not cubed nu	nbers	8.	B – 17 1	
9.	C-15 21		9.	C – 368 1	
10.	C – 4		10.	D – 13	
11.	C – 8		11.	11	
12.	D – Triangular num	bers	12.	D - 100	
13.	B-400			7 – 26	
14.	B – 16		14.	- 115	
15.	C – 64			– Box 4	
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17.	E – 16		17.	- 8	
18.	C-512 256			E – 310	
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21.	B – 6		21.	E – 20, 100	
22.	B – 16		22.	E – 46	
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27.	15 21		27.	2 4 12 36 [in a	ny order]
28.	30 7 07 7 30		28.	a = x, b = 4	