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Topic/Skill	Definition/Tips	Example
Ratio	Ratio compares the size of one part to another part	3:1
Proportion	Proportion compares the size of the one part to the size of the whole Usually written as a fraction	In a class with 13 boys and 9 girls, the proportion of boys is $^{13}/_{22}$ and the proportion of girls is $^{9}/_{22}$
Simplifying ratios	Divide all parts of the ratio by the common factor	5:10 = 1:2 (divide both by 5) 14:21 = 2:3 (divide both by 7)
Connection between ratio and percentages	Add both parts of the ratio to get denominator . The multiply by 100 to get the percentage	3:2 ³ / ₅ X 100 = 60% ² / ₅ X 100 = 40%
Sharing in a ratio	 Add the total parts of the ratio Divide the amount to be shared by this value to find the value of one part Multiply this value by each part of the ratio Use only if you know the total 	Share £60 in the ratio of 3:2 3+2=5 60+5=12 3x12=36, 2x12=24 £36:£24
Proportional Reasoning	Comparing two things using multiplicative reasoning and applying this to a new situation. Identify one multiplicative link and use this to find missing quantities	30 minutes x2 60 pages ? minutes 150 pages x2
Unitary Method	Finding the value of a single unit and then finding the necessary value by multiplying the single unit value	3 cakes require 450g of sugar to make. Find how much sugar is needed to make 5 cakes. 3 cakes = 450g So 1 cake = 150g (÷ by 3) So 5 cakes = 750g (x by 5)
Ration already shared	Find what one part of the ratio is worth using the unitary method	Money was shared in the ration 3:2:5 between Ann, Bob and Cat. Given that Bob has £16, find out the total amount of money shared. $\pounds 16 = 2$ parts So $\pounds 8 = 1$ part $3 + 2 + 5 = 10$ parts, so $8 \times 10 = \pounds 80$
Best buys	Find the unit cost by dividing the price by the quantity . The lowest number is the best value.	8 cakes for £1.28 \rightarrow 16p each (\div by 8) 13 cakes for £2.05 \rightarrow 15.8p each (\div by 13) Pack of 13 cakes is best value

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Try these . . .

- 1. The total cost of 6 identical pens is £3
- a) Work out the cost of 1 of these pens.
- b) Work out the cost of 5 of these pens

2. Bill makes toy trains and cars. For every train he makes 3 cars. On Monday, he made 7 trains.

a) How many cars did he make?

On Tuesday, he made 27 cars.

b) How many trains did he make?

3. Write each of these ratios in its simplest form. a) 4:12

b) 24 : 32

4. Carlton takes 10 shots in practice for a basketball game. The scores on 6 of these shots. What proportion of his shots does he score? Give your answer as a percentage

5. There are 27 children in Mrs Rahkit's class. 12 of the children are boys. Write the ratio number of boys : number of girls Give your answer in the simplest form

6. Ahmad makes compost by mixing 0.5kg of sand with 2kg of peat.

a) Write the ratio of sand to peat. Give your answer in its simplest form.

b) What percentage of the compost is sand?

7. Ginny makes an orange drink by mixing 2 parts squash with 7 parts water. She has 400ml of squash. How much orange drink can she make?

8. £240 is split into the ration 5 : 3. what are the two amounts?