

Level 7

Mathematics

Mathematics Level Description

In Level 7, students work with powers of whole numbers, use index notation, represent numbers as products of powers of prime numbers, and investigate square roots of perfect squares. They use number properties to assist with calculation and order, and to add and subtract integers. Students find equivalent fractions, represent positive and negative fractions and mixed numbers on a number line and add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions and decimals with and without the use of technology. They express one quantity as a fraction of another, round to a specified number of decimal places, and convert between fractions, decimals and percentages. They find percentages of quantities and one quantity as a percentage of another. They solve simple ratio problems and calculate best buys with and without the use of technology.

Students use variables to express relationships in real life data, and interpret and analyse corresponding graphs. They use pro-numerals to construct simple algebraic expressions and substitute numerical values into these. They solve simple linear equations and plot points on the Cartesian plane.

Students use formulas for calculating areas of triangles, rectangles and related shapes, and volumes of cubes and rectangular prisms. They form two-dimensional representations of prisms, buildings and other structures. They use simple combinations of transformations, with and without technology, to create geometric patterns and identify line and point symmetry, apply parallel line and transversal angle properties, angles sums in triangles and quadrilaterals, classify triangles and quadrilaterals, and construct them using compass and straight edge and dynamic geometry technology.

Students construct sample spaces for simple experiments involving chance, and assign probabilities to outcomes. They use data from primary and secondary sources to investigate issues of interest, and employ data displays such as dot plots and stem and leaf plots to compare data sets, and calculate measures of centre and simple measures of spread to analyse and interpret the data.

Mathematics Content Descriptions



Number and Algebra

Number and place value

Investigate index notation and represent whole numbers

as products of powers of prime numbers (VCMNA238)

Investigate and use square roots of perfect square numbers (VCMNA239)

Apply the associative, commutative and distributive laws to aid mental and written computation and make estimates for these

Measurement and Geometry

Using units of measurement

Establish the formulas for areas of rectangles, triangles and parallelograms and use these in problem solving (VCMMG258)

Calculate volumes of rectangular prisms (VCMMG259)

Shape

Draw different views of prisms and solids formed

Statistics and Probability

Chance

Construct sample spaces for single-step experiments with

equally likely outcomes (VCMSP266)

Assign probabilities to the outcomes of events and determine probabilities for events (VCMSP267)

Data representation and interpretation

Identify and investigate issues involving numerical

computations (VCMNA240)	prisms and solids formed from combinations of prisms (VCMMG260)	data collected from primary and secondary sources (VCMSP268)
Compare, order, add and subtract integers (VCMNA241)	Location and transformation	Construct and compare a range of data displays including stem-and-leaf plots and dot plots (VCMSP269)
Real numbers	Describe translations, reflections in an axis, and rotations of multiples of 90° on the Cartesian plane using coordinates. Identify line and rotational symmetries (VCMMG261)	Calculate mean, median, mode and range for sets of data. Interpret these statistics in the context of data (VCMSP270)
Compare fractions using equivalence. Locate and represent positive and negative fractions and mixed numbers on a number line (VCMNA242)	Geometric reasoning	Describe and interpret data displays using median, mean and range (VCMSP271)
Solve problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions, including those with unrelated denominators (VCMNA243)	Identify corresponding, alternate and co-interior angles when two straight lines are crossed by a transversal (VCMMG264)	
Multiply and divide fractions and decimals using efficient written strategies and digital technologies (VCMNA244)	Investigate conditions for two lines to be parallel and solve simple numerical problems using reasoning (VCMMG265)	
Express one quantity as a fraction of another, with and without the use of digital technologies (VCMNA245)	Demonstrate that the angle sum of a triangle is 180° and use this to find the angle sum of a quadrilateral (VCMMG263)	
Round decimals to a specified number of decimal places (VCMNA246)	Classify triangles according to their side and angle properties and describe quadrilaterals (VCMMG262)	
Connect fractions, decimals and percentages and carry out simple conversions (VCMNA247)		
Find percentages of quantities and express one quantity as a percentage of another, with and without digital technologies. (VCMNA248)		
Recognise and solve problems involving simple ratios (VCMNA249)		
Money and financial mathematics		
Investigate and calculate 'best buys', with and without digital technologies (VCMNA250)		
Patterns and algebra		
Introduce the concept of		

introduce the concept of variables as a way of representing numbers using letters (VCMNA251)

Create algebraic expressions and evaluate them by substituting a given value for each variable (VCMNA252)

Extend and apply the laws and properties of arithmetic to algebraic terms and expressions (VCMNA253)

Design and implement mathematical algorithms using a simple general purpose programming language (VCMNA254)

Linear and non-linear relationships

Given coordinates, plot points on the Cartesian plane, and find coordinates for a given point (VCMNA255)

Solve simple linear equations (VCMNA256)

Investigate, interpret and analyse graphs from real life data, including consideration of domain and range (VCMNA257)

Mathematics Achievement Standard

Number and Algebra

Students solve problems involving the order, addition and subtraction of integers. They make the connections between whole numbers and index notation and the relationship between perfect squares and square roots. They solve problems involving all four operations with fractions, decimals, percentages and their equivalences, and express fractions in their simplest form. Students compare the cost of items to make financial decisions, with and without the use of digital technology. They make simple estimates to judge the reasonableness of results. Students use variables to represent arbitrary numbers and connect the laws and properties of number to algebra and substitute numbers into algebraic expressions. They assign ordered pairs to given points on the Cartesian plane and interpret and analyse graphs of relations from real data. Students develop simple linear models for situations, make predictions based on these models, solve related equations and check their solutions.

Measurement and Geometry

Students use formulas for the area and perimeter of rectangles. They classify triangles and quadrilaterals and represent transformations of these shapes on the Cartesian plane, with and without the use of digital technology. Students name the types of angles formed by transversals crossing parallel lines and solve simple numerical problems involving these lines and angles. They describe different views of three-dimensional objects, and use models, sketches and digital technology to represent these views. Students calculate volumes of rectangular prisms.

Statistics and Probability

Students identify issues involving the collection of discrete and continuous data from primary and secondary sources. They construct stem-and-leaf plots and dot-plots. Students identify or calculate mean, mode, median and range for data sets, using digital technology for larger data sets. They describe the relationship between the median and mean in data displays. Students determine the sample space for simple experiments with equally likely outcomes, and assign probabilities outcomes.

