



Mathematics Curriculum

Mathematics at Maltby Academy

Introduction

The Maltby Academy curriculum is designed to deliver exceptional learning experiences that enable all young people to thrive academically, personally, and socially. Each subject curriculum is ambitious, coherently planned, and carefully sequenced to ensure that all students develop the knowledge, skills, and character required to succeed in a competitive world. Our key drivers: Teaching & Learning, Personal Development, Careers & CEIAG, Enrichment, and Behaviour & Attitudes underpin every aspect of our curriculum design.

Mathematics - intent statement

The Mathematics curriculum at Maltby Academy provides students with the knowledge, fluency, and problem-solving skills needed to understand and apply mathematics in both academic and real-world contexts. Our sequenced curriculum ensures that core concepts are mastered before extending into higher-order reasoning and application, cultivating resilience and independence. Students are challenged to think logically, work systematically, and apply their learning to complex problems. Mathematics supports our key drivers through rigorous Teaching & Learning, fostering perseverance and critical thinking as part of Personal Development, and preparing students for careers in STEM and beyond. Enrichment opportunities further extend their curiosity and ambition. Mathematics at Maltby Academy equips students not only for academic success but also to thrive in a data-driven, competitive world.

Why do we study Mathematics?

Mathematics equips students with logical thinking, problem-solving skills, and numerical fluency. It helps them make sense of the world, interpret data, and make informed decisions, forming the foundation for countless careers and everyday challenges.

Further Mathematics extends students' understanding of complex mathematical concepts. It develops abstract reasoning, problem-solving, and logical thinking, preparing students for advanced study in mathematics, science, engineering, and related fields.

Qualification

Our Key Stage 4 exam board for Mathematics is AQA. Our Key Stage 5 for Mathematics A-Level is Edexcel and Level 3 Core Maths is AQA.

Key Tier 2 Vocabulary

interpret, calculate, estimate, justify, compare, deduce, evaluate, simplify, represent, construct, verify, demonstrate, model, proportion, accuracy

Disciplinary Requirements

- In line with AQA assessment objectives, students must demonstrate fluency in performing mathematical procedures and applying them to familiar and unfamiliar contexts.
- Reason mathematically by following logical chains of thought, recognising relationships, and drawing justified conclusions.
- Interpret and communicate mathematical information accurately through symbols, diagrams, graphs, and written explanations.
- Evaluate methods and results, checking accuracy and appropriateness in problem-solving.

Vocabulary and Substantive Knowledge Summary

The Mathematics curriculum at Maltby Academy develops fluency, reasoning, and problem-solving through a coherent and connected sequence of learning from Key Stage 3 to Key Stage 5. Students build secure conceptual understanding and procedural competence while deepening their ability to apply mathematical knowledge in increasingly sophisticated and abstract contexts. Mathematical vocabulary, precision, and reasoning underpin all learning and progression.

Key Stage 3 – Mathematics

Vocabulary focus:

Students develop and apply key mathematical terminology including integer, fraction, ratio, equation, expression, variable, angle, perimeter, area, volume, probability, mean, median, mode, range, and gradient. Vocabulary is explicitly modelled to support reasoning, explanation, and written mathematical communication.

Substantive knowledge themes:

- Number and algebraic fluency – consolidating the four operations, negative numbers, fractions, and ratio.
- Algebraic manipulation – forming and solving equations, simplifying expressions, and understanding sequences.
- Geometry and measure – calculating perimeter, area, angles, and exploring transformations and constructions.
- Statistics and probability – collecting, representing, and interpreting data, calculating averages and probability.
- Proportional reasoning – applying ratio, percentage, and scale to solve real-world problems.
- Problem-solving and reasoning – developing persistence, logic, and explanation in multi-step contexts.

Progression goal:

By the end of Key Stage 3, students can confidently use mathematical vocabulary to explain methods, justify reasoning, and connect different areas of mathematics. They demonstrate fluency and accuracy with core procedures and begin to generalise and represent patterns algebraically.

Key Stage 4 – Mathematics

Vocabulary focus:

Students extend their use of academic mathematical vocabulary such as quadratic, simultaneous, trigonometric, hypotenuse, vector, gradient, correlation, histogram, frequency polygon, standard form, and bounds. Emphasis is placed on using precise language to describe processes, relationships, and justifications.

Substantive knowledge themes:

- Algebraic reasoning – manipulating expressions, expanding and factorising quadratics, solving equations and inequalities.
- Geometry and trigonometry – applying theorems, calculating with Pythagoras' Theorem and trigonometric ratios.
- Graphical representation – plotting and interpreting linear, quadratic, and real-world graphs.
- Probability and statistics – interpreting data sets, calculating probabilities, and understanding distributions.

- Ratio, proportion, and rates of change – linking multiplicative reasoning to growth and decay models.
- Mathematical proof and structure – developing logical arguments, justification, and problem-solving strategies.
- Functional mathematics – applying concepts to authentic contexts including finance, measurement, and geometry.

Progression goal:

By the end of Key Stage 4, students can reason mathematically, communicate with precision, and solve multi-step problems using appropriate strategies. They make connections between algebra, geometry, number, and data to model, represent, and interpret real-world situations with accuracy and confidence.

Key Stage 5 – Mathematics

Vocabulary focus:

Students master advanced mathematical terminology including differentiation, integration, logarithm, exponential, modulus, vector, scalar, magnitude, function, transformation, and asymptote. Vocabulary is used fluently within written reasoning and extended problem-solving responses.

Substantive knowledge themes:

- Pure mathematics – exploring proof, algebra, functions, trigonometry, calculus, and coordinate geometry.
- Mechanics – modelling motion using forces, acceleration, and Newton's laws.
- Statistics – analysing data using probability distributions, correlation, and hypothesis testing.
- Mathematical modelling – using mathematics to represent and solve problems in real-world and abstract contexts.
- Proof and reasoning – constructing formal arguments and understanding the limits of models.
- Use of technology – applying graphical and statistical tools to support problem-solving and interpretation.

Progression goal:

By the end of Key Stage 5, students can construct complex mathematical arguments, apply advanced techniques, and communicate reasoning clearly using precise mathematical language. They demonstrate deep conceptual understanding, independence, and confidence in tackling unfamiliar and abstract problems.



Key Stage 5 – Further Mathematics

Vocabulary focus:

Students develop specialist vocabulary associated with higher-level mathematics including complex number, matrix, eigenvalue, eigenvector, vector space, polar coordinate, differential equation, proof by induction, hyperbolic function, and numerical method. Students use precise academic language to explain abstract reasoning and formal proofs.

Substantive knowledge themes:

- Complex numbers – extending the number system to include imaginary and complex roots.
- Matrices and transformations – representing and manipulating linear mappings and systems of equations.
- Further calculus – advanced integration, differential equations, and mathematical modelling.
- Vectors and mechanics – extending vector methods to 3D problems and dynamic systems.
- Proof, logic, and structure – constructing rigorous proofs and exploring underlying mathematical frameworks.
- Applied modules – optional exploration of statistics, mechanics, or decision mathematics at advanced level.

Progression goal:

By the end of Key Stage 5 Further Mathematics, students demonstrate mastery of abstract concepts and deep analytical thinking. They confidently transition to university-level study or careers requiring advanced mathematical reasoning, problem-solving, and modelling skills.

Across Key Stages 3 to 5

The Mathematics and Further Mathematics curriculum provides a clear, connected pathway that builds fluency, reasoning, and problem-solving across increasingly complex domains. Students develop resilience, logical thinking, and the precision required for academic and professional success. By embedding rich mathematical vocabulary and conceptual understanding, the curriculum prepares all learners to thrive in higher education, STEM careers, and an ever-changing world.




Appendix


39-week plans

Tier 3 vocabulary





 Mathematics Year 7							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Sequences	Sequences	Sequences	Understand Algebraic Notation	Understand Algebraic Notation	Equality and Equivalence	Equality and Equivalence	Place Value and Ordering Integers and Decimals
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
Place Value and Ordering Integers and Decimals	FDP Equivalence	FDP Equivalence	Revision and Assessment	Solving problems with addition and subtraction	Solving problems with addition and subtraction	Review Week	Solving Problems with multiplication and division
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Solving Problems with multiplication and division	Fractions and Percentages of Amounts	Operations and equations with directed number	Operations and equations with directed number	Operations and equations with directed number	Addition and Subtraction of Fractions	Addition and Subtraction of Fractions	Addition and Subtraction of Fractions
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Revision and Assessment	Constructing, measuring and using Geometric Notation	Constructing, measuring and using Geometric Notation	Constructing, measuring and using Geometric Notation	Develop Geometric Reasoning	Develop Geometric Reasoning	Develop Geometric Reasoning	Developing Number Sense
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Developing Number Sense	Sets and Probability	Sets and Probability	Prime Numbers and Proof	Prime Numbers and Proof	Review Week	Review Week	





 Mathematics Year 8							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Ratio & Scale	Ratio & Scale	Ratio & Scale	Multiplicative Change	Multiplicative Change	Multiplicative Change	Multiply & Divide fractions	Multiply & Divide fractions
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
Working in the Cartesian Plane	Working in the Cartesian Plane	Working in the Cartesian Plane	Representing Data	Representing Data	Tables & Probability	Revision and Assessment	Brackets, Equations & Inequalities
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Brackets, Equations & Inequalities	Brackets, Equations & Inequalities	Sequences	Indices	Standard Form	Fractions and Percentages	Fractions and Percentages	Number Sense
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Number Sense	Revision & Assessment	Angles in parallel lines & polygons	Angles in parallel lines & polygons	Angles in parallel lines & polygons	Area of Trapezium & Circles	Area of Trapezium & Circles	Area of Trapezium & Circles
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Line symmetry and reflection	Data Handling Cycle	Data Handling Cycle	Data Handling Cycle	Measures of location	Measures of location	Review Week	





 Mathematics Year 9							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Straight Line Graphs	Straight Line Graphs	Straight Line Graphs	Forming and Solving Equations	Forming and Solving Equations	Forming and Solving Equations	Testing Conjectures	Testing Conjectures
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
3D Shapes	3D Shapes	3D Shapes	Constructions and Congruence	Constructions and Congruence	Revision and Assessment	Review Week	Numbers
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Numbers	Using Percentages	Using Percentages	Maths and Money	Maths and Money	Deduction	Deduction	Rotation and Translation
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Rotation and Translation	Enlargement and Similarity	Enlargement and Similarity	Pythagoras' Theorem	Pythagoras' Theorem	Revision and Assessment	Ratio and Proportion Problems	Ratio and Proportion Problems
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Rates	Rates	Probability	Probability	Revision and Assessment	Algebraic Representation	Algebraic Representation	


 Mathematics Year 10 Foundation							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Congruence, similarity and enlargement	Congruence, similarity and enlargement	Congruence, similarity and enlargement	Trigonometry	Trigonometry	Trigonometry	Representing solutions of equations and Inequalities	Representing solutions of equations and Inequalities
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
Simultaneous Equations	Revision and Assessment	Simultaneous Equations	Simultaneous Equations	Angles and Bearings	Angles and Bearings	Angles and Bearings	Working with Circles
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Working with Circles	Working with Circles	Vectors	Vectors	Revision and Assessment	Ratio and Fractions	Ratio and Fractions	Ratio and Fractions
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Percentages and Interest	Percentages and Interest	Probability	Probability	Collecting, Representing and Interpreting Data	Collecting, Representing and Interpreting Data	Collecting, Representing and Interpreting Data	Non-Calculator Methods
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Non-Calculator Methods	Types of Number and Sequences	Revision and Assessment	Revision and Assessment	Types of Number and Sequences	Indices and Roots	Indices and Roots	


 Mathematics Year 11 Foundation							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Probability	Probability	Volume	Volume	Quadratics, Rearranging formula, Identities	Quadratics, Rearranging formula, Identities	Pythagoras	Pythagoras
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
Scatter Graphs	Assessment and Revision	Assessment and Revision	Catch Up/CTG	Inequalities	Algebra and Graphs	Algebra and Graphs	Trigonometry
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Trigonometry	Simultaneous Equations	Simultaneous Equations	Assessment	Assessment	Catch Up/CTG	Sketching Graphs/Direct and Inverse Proportion	Solve Quadratic Equations
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Solve Quadratic Equations	Quadratic Graphs	Growth and Decay/Vectors	Revision	Revision	Revision and Exams	Revision and Exams	Revision and Exams
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Revision and Exams	Revision and Exams	Revision and Exams					

 Mathematics Year 10 Higher							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Congruence, similarity and enlargement	Congruence, similarity and enlargement	Congruence, similarity and enlargement	Trigonometry	Trigonometry	Trigonometry	Representing solutions of equations and Inequalities	Representing solutions of equations and Inequalities
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
Simultaneous Equations	Revision and Assessment	Simultaneous Equations	Simultaneous Equations	Angles and Bearings	Angles and Bearings	Angles and Bearings	Working with Circles
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Working with Circles	Working with Circles	Vectors	Vectors	Revision and Assessment	Ratio and Fractions	Ratio and Fractions	Ratio and Fractions
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Percentages and Interest	Percentages and Interest	Probability	Probability	Collecting, Representing and Interpreting Data	Collecting, Representing and Interpreting Data	Collecting, Representing and Interpreting Data	Non-Calculator Methods
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Non-Calculator Methods	Types of Number and Sequences	Revision and Assessment	Revision and Assessment	Types of Number and Sequences	Indices and Roots	Indices and Roots	

 Mathematics Year 11 Higher							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Probability	Probability	Volume	Volume	Quadratics, Rearranging formula, Identities	Quadratics, Rearranging formula, Identities	Pythagoras	Pythagoras
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
Scatter Graphs	Assessment and Revision	Assessment and Revision	Catch Up/CTG	Inequalities	Algebra and Graphs	Algebra and Graphs	Trigonometry
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Trigonometry	Simultaneous Equations	Simultaneous Equations	Assessment	Assessment	Catch Up/CTG	Sketching Graphs/Direct and Inverse Proportion	Solve Quadratic Equations
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Solve Quadratic Equations	Quadratic Graphs	Growth and Decay/Vectors	Revision	Revision	Revision and Exams	Revision and Exams	Revision and Exams
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Revision and Exams	Revision and Exams	Revision and Exams					

 Mathematics Year 12 - A-Level							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Quadratics / Representations of data	Quadratics / Representations of data	Equations and inequalities / Representations of data	Equations and inequalities / Data collection	Review week / Data collection
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
The binomial expansion / Probability	The binomial expansion / Probability	Graphs and transformations / Statistical distributions	Graphs and transformations / Statistical distributions	Co-ordinate geometry / Statistical distributions	Co-ordinate geometry / Correlation	Co-ordinate geometry / Correlation	Algebraic methods / Hypothesis testing
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Algebraic methods / Hypothesis testing	Trigonometry / Hypothesis testing	Trigonometry / Hypothesis testing	Trigonometry / Review week	Trigonometry / Review week	Vectors / Modelling in mechanics	Vectors / Modelling in mechanics	Differentiation / Constant acceleration
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Differentiation / Constant acceleration	Review week	Differentiation / Constant acceleration	Differentiation / Constant acceleration	Differentiation / Forces and motion	Integration / Forces and motion	Integration / Forces and motion	Integration / Forces and motion
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Integration / Variable acceleration	Exponentials and logarithms / Variable acceleration	Exponentials and logarithms / Variable acceleration	Exponentials and logarithms / Variable acceleration	Review week	Review week	Review week	

 Mathematics Year 13 - A Level							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Forces and friction / Algebraic methods	Forces and friction / Trigonometry 1 (Radian Measure)	Projectiles / Trigonometry 1 (Radian Measure)	Projectiles / Trigonometry 1 (Radian Measure)	Moments / Trigonometry 2 (Equations and Identities)	Moments / Trigonometry	Applications of Forces / Trigonometry	Applications of forces / Trigonometry
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Functions and Graphs / Binomial expansion	Review week	Differentiation / Binomial expansion	Differentiation / Binomial expansion	Differentiation / Probability
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Integration / Probability	Integration / The normal distribution	Integration / The normal distribution	Integration / The normal distribution	Integration / The normal distribution	Further Kinematics / The normal distribution	Further Kinematics / The normal distribution	Parametric equations (including differentiation and integration) / Regression and correlation
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Review week	Parametric equations (including differentiation and integration) / Regression and correlation	Vectors / Sequences and series	Vectors / Sequences and series	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Review week	Review week
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	
Paper 1 Wednesday 4th June	Paper 2 Thursday 12th June	Paper 3 Thursday 19th June					

 Mathematics Y12 - Core Maths (AS equivalent)							
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Course Introduction	Types of Data, Collecting Data	Numerical Calculations	Percentages	Fermi Estimation	Representing Data Numerically 1	Representing Data Diagrammatically 1	Interest Rates
Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Week 16
Equation of a Straight Line	Collecting and Sampling Data	Critical Path Analysis	Critical Path Analysis	Perimeter, Circumference and Area	Similarity and Pythagoras' Theorem	Analyse Critically	Solution to Financial Problems
Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20	Week 21	Week 22	Week 23	Week 24
Solution to Financial Problems	Surface Area and Similarity	Graphical Representation	Repayments and Credit	Representing Data Diagrammatically 2	Representing Data Numerically 2	Expectation	Expectation
Week 25	Week 26	Week 27	Week 28	Week 29	Week 30	Week 31	Week 32
Taxation: Value Added Tax (VAT)	Limits of Accuracy	Cost Benefit Analysis	Cost Benefit Analysis	Taxation: Income Tax and National Insurance	Revision for Final Assessments	Paper 1 Exam Window, Revision	Paper 2 Exam Window, Revision
Week 33	Week 34	Week 35	Week 36	Week 37	Week 38	Week 39	

Key Stage 3 – Tier 3 Vocabulary and Definitions

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
1	Sequences	Sequence	An ordered list of numbers that follow a rule.
1	Sequences	Term	Each number in a sequence.
1	Sequences	Term-to-Term Rule	A rule that describes how to find the next term.
2	Sequences	Arithmetic Sequence	A sequence where each term increases or decreases by the same amount.
2	Sequences	Linear Sequence	A sequence that changes by a constant difference.
3	Sequences	Position-to-Term Rule	A formula linking a term to its position in the sequence.
4	Understand Algebraic Notation	Expression	A combination of numbers, letters, and operations without an equals sign.
4	Understand Algebraic Notation	Variable	A letter used to represent an unknown value.
4	Understand Algebraic Notation	Coefficient	The number multiplying a variable.
5	Understand Algebraic Notation	Term	A single part of an algebraic expression separated by addition or subtraction.
5	Understand Algebraic Notation	Substitute	Replacing a variable with a numerical value.
6	Equality and Equivalence	Equation	A mathematical statement showing two expressions are equal.
6	Equality and Equivalence	Equivalent	Different expressions that have the same value.
7	Equality and Equivalence	Simplify	Combining like terms to make an expression shorter.
7	Equality and Equivalence	Factorise	Writing an expression as a product of its factors.
8	Place Value and Ordering Integers and Decimals	Integer	A whole number that may be positive, negative, or zero.
8	Place Value and Ordering Integers and Decimals	Place Value	The value of a digit based on its position in a number.
8	Place Value and Ordering Integers and Decimals	Negative Number	A value less than zero.
9	Place Value and Ordering Integers and Decimals	Ascending Order	Arranging numbers from smallest to largest.
9	Place Value and Ordering Integers and Decimals	Descending Order	Arranging numbers from largest to smallest.
10	FDP Equivalence	Fraction	A number representing part of a whole.
10	FDP Equivalence	Decimal	A number written using a decimal point.
10	FDP Equivalence	Percentage	A fraction expressed per hundred.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
11	FDP Equivalence	Equivalent Fractions	Fractions that represent the same value.
11	FDP Equivalence	Conversion	Changing between fractions, decimals, and percentages.
13	Solving Problems with Addition and Subtraction	Addition	Combining numbers to find a total.
13	Solving Problems with Addition and Subtraction	Subtraction	Finding the difference between numbers.
13	Solving Problems with Addition and Subtraction	Estimate	An approximate calculation based on reasonable assumptions.
14	Solving Problems with Addition and Subtraction	Rounding	Approximating a number to a simpler value.
16	Solving Problems with Multiplication and Division	Multiplication	Repeated addition of the same number.
16	Solving Problems with Multiplication and Division	Division	Splitting a number into equal groups.
16	Solving Problems with Multiplication and Division	Product	The result of multiplication.
17	Solving Problems with Multiplication and Division	Quotient	The result of division.
17	Solving Problems with Multiplication and Division	Inverse Operation	An operation that reverses the effect of another.
18	Fractions and Percentages of Amounts	Numerator	The top number of a fraction showing how many parts are taken.
18	Fractions and Percentages of Amounts	Denominator	The bottom number showing how many equal parts make the whole.
18	Fractions and Percentages of Amounts	Improper Fraction	A fraction where the numerator is greater than the denominator.
18	Fractions and Percentages of Amounts	Mixed Number	A whole number combined with a fraction.
19	Operations and Equations with Directed Number	Directed Number	Positive or negative numbers used in calculations.
19	Operations and Equations with Directed Number	Integer	Whole numbers including negatives and zero.
20	Operations and Equations with Directed Number	Equation	A statement showing two expressions are equal.
21	Operations and Equations with Directed Number	Solve	Finding the value of an unknown variable.
22	Addition and Subtraction of Fractions	Common Denominator	A shared multiple of the denominators of fractions.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
22	Addition and Subtraction of Fractions	Equivalent Fraction	Fractions that represent the same value.
23	Addition and Subtraction of Fractions	Simplify	Reducing a fraction to its lowest terms.
26	Constructing, Measuring and Using Geometric Notation	Angle	The space between two intersecting lines measured in degrees.
26	Constructing, Measuring and Using Geometric Notation	Protractor	A tool used to measure angles.
27	Constructing, Measuring and Using Geometric Notation	Parallel Lines	Lines that never meet and remain the same distance apart.
27	Constructing, Measuring and Using Geometric Notation	Perpendicular Lines	Lines that meet at a right angle.
28	Constructing, Measuring and Using Geometric Notation	Polygon	A 2D shape with straight sides.
29	Develop Geometric Reasoning	Acute Angle	An angle smaller than 90° .
29	Develop Geometric Reasoning	Right Angle	An angle equal to 90° .
30	Develop Geometric Reasoning	Obtuse Angle	An angle between 90° and 180° .
30	Develop Geometric Reasoning	Reflex Angle	An angle greater than 180° .
31	Develop Geometric Reasoning	Symmetry	When one half of a shape is a mirror image of the other.
32	Developing Number Sense	Factor	A number that divides exactly into another number.
32	Developing Number Sense	Multiple	The result of multiplying a number by an integer.
33	Developing Number Sense	Square Number	A number multiplied by itself.
33	Developing Number Sense	Cube Number	A number multiplied by itself three times.
34	Sets and Probability	Probability	The likelihood that an event will occur.
34	Sets and Probability	Outcome	A possible result of a probability experiment.
35	Sets and Probability	Sample Space	The complete set of all possible outcomes.
36	Prime Numbers and Proof	Prime Number	A number with exactly two factors: 1 and itself.
36	Prime Numbers and Proof	Composite Number	A number with more than two factors.
37	Prime Numbers and Proof	Highest Common Factor (HCF)	The largest number that divides exactly into two or more numbers.
37	Prime Numbers and Proof	Lowest Common Multiple (LCM)	The smallest number that is a multiple of two or more numbers.

Year 8

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
1	Ratio & Scale	Ratio	Compares the sizes of two or more values.
1	Ratio & Scale	Proportion	A part, share or number considered in relation to a whole.
1	Ratio & Scale	Equivalent	Numbers or expressions that are written differently but have the same value.
2	Ratio & Scale	Simplify	Rewrite in a simpler or reduced form.
2	Ratio & Scale	Factor	A number that divides exactly into another number.
3	Ratio & Scale	Highest Common Factor (HCF)	The largest number that divides exactly into two or more numbers.
4	Multiplicative Change	Conversion	Changing from one form to another, such as units or measures.
4	Multiplicative Change	Direct Proportion	When two quantities increase or decrease at the same rate.
5	Multiplicative Change	Enlargement	Increasing or reducing the size of a shape by a scale factor.
5	Multiplicative Change	Scale Factor	The number by which dimensions are multiplied in an enlargement.
6	Multiplicative Change	Similar	Shapes that have corresponding sides in the same ratio and equal angles.
7	Multiply & Divide Fractions	Numerator	The top number in a fraction, showing how many parts are taken.
7	Multiply & Divide Fractions	Denominator	The bottom number in a fraction, showing the total number of equal parts.
8	Multiply & Divide Fractions	Reciprocal	The number that when multiplied by the original gives 1.
8	Multiply & Divide Fractions	Unit Fraction	A fraction with a numerator of 1.
9	Working in the Cartesian Plane	Axis	A reference line on a graph used to locate points.
9	Working in the Cartesian Plane	Coordinate	An ordered pair showing the position of a point.
10	Working in the Cartesian Plane	Origin	The point where the x-axis and y-axis meet, shown as (0,0).
10	Working in the Cartesian Plane	Quadrant	One of the four sections of the Cartesian plane.
11	Working in the Cartesian Plane	Gradient	The steepness of a line.
12	Representing Data	Class Interval	The range of data values within a group.

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12	Representing Data	Discrete	Data that can only take certain values.
13	Representing Data	Continuous	Data that can take any value within a range.
13	Representing Data	Correlation	The relationship between two variables.
14	Tables & Probability	Probability	The likelihood of an event occurring.
14	Tables & Probability	Sample Space	All possible outcomes of an event.
14	Tables & Probability	Two-Way Table	Displays two sets of data in rows and columns.
16	Brackets, Equations & Inequalities	Expression	A mathematical phrase without an equals sign.
16	Brackets, Equations & Inequalities	Expand	Multiply to remove brackets.
17	Brackets, Equations & Inequalities	Factorise	Write an expression as a product of factors.
17	Brackets, Equations & Inequalities	Equation	A mathematical statement showing two expressions are equal.
18	Brackets, Equations & Inequalities	Inequality	A comparison showing one value is greater or less than another.
19	Sequences	Sequence	A list of numbers that follow a rule.
19	Sequences	Linear Sequence	A sequence with a constant difference between terms.
19	Sequences	Geometric Sequence	A sequence where each term is multiplied by a constant.
20	Indices	Base	The number that is multiplied by itself in powers.
20	Indices	Power / Exponent	Shows how many times a number is multiplied by itself.
20	Indices	Index / Indices	Another term for power or exponent.
21	Standard Form	Standard Form	A number written as $a \times 10^n$ where $1 \leq a < 10$ and n is an integer.
21	Standard Form	Reciprocal	The multiplicative inverse of a number.
22	Fractions and Percentages	Equivalent	Values that represent the same amount.
22	Fractions and Percentages	Multiplier	A number used to scale another value.
23	Fractions and Percentages	Original Value	The amount before a change occurs.
23	Fractions and Percentages	Profit	The positive difference between selling and buying prices.
23	Fractions and Percentages	Loss	The negative difference between selling and buying prices.
24	Number Sense	Estimate	An approximate calculation based on reasonable assumptions.
24	Number Sense	Significant Figure	The digits that carry meaningful value in a number.
25	Number Sense	Discrete Data	Data that can take only specific values.



27	Angles in Parallel Lines & Polygons	Alternate Angles	Angles between parallel lines on opposite sides of a transversal.
27	Angles in Parallel Lines & Polygons	Corresponding Angles	Angles in matching positions relative to a transversal.
28	Angles in Parallel Lines & Polygons	Co-interior Angles	Angles on the same side of a transversal that add up to 180°.
28	Angles in Parallel Lines & Polygons	Transversal	A line that crosses two or more lines.
29	Angles in Parallel Lines & Polygons	Polygon	A closed 2D shape with straight sides.
29	Angles in Parallel Lines & Polygons	Interior Angle	An angle inside a polygon.
30	Area of Trapezium & Circles	Area	The measure of the surface inside a shape.
30	Area of Trapezium & Circles	Perpendicular Height	The distance measured at a right angle from base to top.
31	Area of Trapezium & Circles	Radius	The distance from the centre of a circle to a point on its edge.
31	Area of Trapezium & Circles	Diameter	A line passing through the centre of a circle connecting two points on its edge.
31	Area of Trapezium & Circles	Pi (π)	The ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter.
32	Area of Trapezium & Circles	Compound Shape	A shape made from two or more simple shapes.
33	Line Symmetry and Reflection	Line of Symmetry	A line dividing a figure into two mirror-image halves.
33	Line Symmetry and Reflection	Reflection	A transformation that flips a shape across a line.
34	Data Handling Cycle	Questionnaire	A set of questions used to collect data.
34	Data Handling Cycle	Biased	Unfair or unbalanced.
35	Data Handling Cycle	Mean	The total of the data divided by the number of values.
35	Data Handling Cycle	Median	The middle value when data is ordered.
36	Data Handling Cycle	Mode	The most frequent value.
36	Data Handling Cycle	Range	The difference between the highest and lowest values.
37	Measures of Location	Average	A typical or central value in a set of data.
38	Measures of Location	Modal Class	The class interval with the highest frequency.
38	Measures of Location	Outlier	A value that differs greatly from others.



Year 9

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
1	Straight Line Graphs	Coordinate	An ordered pair showing a position on a grid.
1	Straight Line Graphs	Gradient	The steepness of a line, calculated as change in y divided by change in x.
2	Straight Line Graphs	Y-intercept	The point where a line crosses the y-axis.
2	Straight Line Graphs	Linear Equation	An equation representing a straight line.
3	Straight Line Graphs	Parallel Lines	Lines that have the same gradient and never meet.
3	Straight Line Graphs	Perpendicular Lines	Lines that intersect at right angles.
3	Straight Line Graphs	Equation of a Line	A rule describing a line, commonly written as $y = mx + c$.
4	Forming and Solving Equations	Equation	A mathematical statement showing two expressions are equal.
4	Forming and Solving Equations	Expression	A combination of numbers, letters and operations without an equals sign.
5	Forming and Solving Equations	Unknown	The value that needs to be determined in an equation.
5	Forming and Solving Equations	Solve	Find the value that makes the equation true.
6	Forming and Solving Equations	Inverse Operation	The opposite operation used to undo a calculation.
6	Forming and Solving Equations	Expand	Multiply out brackets in an expression.
6	Forming and Solving Equations	Factorise	Write an expression as a product of its factors.
6	Forming and Solving Equations	Simplify	Combine like terms to reduce an expression.
7	Testing Conjectures	Conjecture	A statement believed to be true but not yet proven.
7	Testing Conjectures	Counter-example	An example that proves a conjecture false.
8	Testing Conjectures	Generalisation	A rule that applies to all cases of a pattern.
8	Testing Conjectures	Proof	A logical argument showing that a statement is always true.
9	3D Shapes	Face	A flat surface of a three-dimensional shape.
9	3D Shapes	Edge	The line where two faces meet.
10	3D Shapes	Vertex	A corner where edges meet.
10	3D Shapes	Prism	A solid shape with identical parallel faces.
11	3D Shapes	Pyramid	A 3D shape with a polygon base and triangular sides meeting at a point.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
11	3D Shapes	Cylinder	A solid with two circular faces and one curved surface.
11	3D Shapes	Sphere	A perfectly round three-dimensional object.
11	3D Shapes	Net	A 2D shape that folds to form a 3D object.
11	3D Shapes	Surface Area	The total area of all faces of a 3D shape.
11	3D Shapes	Volume	The amount of space inside a 3D object.
12	Constructions and Congruence	Compass	A tool used to draw circles or arcs.
12	Constructions and Congruence	Bisector	A line dividing something into two equal parts.
13	Constructions and Congruence	Perpendicular	Lines that meet at 90 degrees.
13	Constructions and Congruence	Congruent Shapes	Shapes that are identical in size and shape.
13	Constructions and Congruence	Locus	A set of points satisfying a particular condition.
13	Constructions and Congruence	Arc	A curved part of a circle's circumference.
16	Numbers	Integer	A whole number that can be positive, negative or zero.
16	Numbers	Prime Number	A number with exactly two factors: 1 and itself.
17	Numbers	Square Number	A number multiplied by itself.
17	Numbers	Cube Number	A number multiplied by itself three times.
18	Using Percentages	Percentage	A fraction expressed out of 100.
18	Using Percentages	Percentage Change	The increase or decrease expressed as a percentage.
19	Using Percentages	Multiplier	A number used to scale another value when calculating percentages.
19	Using Percentages	Compound Interest	Interest calculated on both the original amount and accumulated interest.
20	Maths and Money	Budget	A financial plan for income and expenditure.
20	Maths and Money	Income	Money received, typically from employment.
21	Maths and Money	Expenditure	Money spent on goods or services.
21	Maths and Money	Profit	The amount gained when income exceeds costs.
21	Maths and Money	Loss	The amount by which costs exceed income.
21	Maths and Money	Tax	Money paid to the government based on income or purchases.

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Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
22	Deduction	Deduction	Using logic to reach a conclusion.
22	Deduction	Theorem	A statement proven using logical reasoning.
23	Deduction	Corollary	A result that follows directly from a theorem.
23	Deduction	Geometrical Reasoning	Using known properties of shapes to justify solutions.
24	Rotation and Translation	Transformation	A change in position, size or orientation of a shape.
24	Rotation and Translation	Translation	Moving a shape without rotating or resizing it.
25	Rotation and Translation	Rotation	Turning a shape about a fixed point.
25	Rotation and Translation	Centre of Rotation	The point about which a shape rotates.
25	Rotation and Translation	Angle of Rotation	The amount of turn measured in degrees.
25	Rotation and Translation	Reflection	Flipping a shape across a mirror line.
25	Rotation and Translation	Vector	A quantity with both direction and magnitude.
26	Enlargement and Similarity	Enlargement	Increasing or reducing a shape by a scale factor.
26	Enlargement and Similarity	Scale Factor	The multiplier used to enlarge or reduce shapes.
27	Enlargement and Similarity	Centre of Enlargement	The fixed point from which enlargement occurs.
27	Enlargement and Similarity	Similar Shapes	Shapes with equal angles and proportional sides.
28	Pythagoras' Theorem	Right-Angled Triangle	A triangle containing a 90° angle.
28	Pythagoras' Theorem	Hypotenuse	The longest side opposite the right angle.
29	Pythagoras' Theorem	Adjacent Side	The side next to the chosen angle.
29	Pythagoras' Theorem	Opposite Side	The side opposite the chosen angle.
29	Pythagoras' Theorem	Pythagoras' Theorem	In a right triangle, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$.
31	Ratio and Proportion Problems	Ratio	A comparison between two quantities.
31	Ratio and Proportion Problems	Direct Proportion	When one quantity increases at the same rate as another.
32	Ratio and Proportion Problems	Inverse Proportion	When one quantity increases as another decreases.
32	Ratio and Proportion Problems	Unit Rate	The amount per single unit of measurement.
33	Rates	Rate	A comparison between two quantities with different units.
34	Rates	Unit Rate	The value per one unit of measure.
35	Probability	Probability	The likelihood that an event will occur.



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Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
35	Probability	Outcome	A possible result of an experiment.
36	Probability	Event	A set of outcomes in a probability experiment.
36	Probability	Sample Space	All possible outcomes of an experiment.
36	Probability	Mutually Exclusive Events	Events that cannot occur simultaneously.
36	Probability	Theoretical Probability	Probability based on reasoning or calculation.
36	Probability	Experimental Probability	Probability determined through experiment or trials.
36	Probability	Fair Test	A test where all outcomes are equally likely.
38	Algebraic Representation	Expression	A mathematical phrase containing numbers and variables.
38	Algebraic Representation	Equation	A statement showing two expressions are equal.
38	Algebraic Representation	Inequality	A comparison showing one quantity is larger or smaller than another.
39	Algebraic Representation	Substitute	Replace a variable with a value.
39	Algebraic Representation	Expand	Multiply out brackets in algebra.
39	Algebraic Representation	Factorise	Write an expression as a product of factors.
39	Algebraic Representation	Term	A single part of an algebraic expression.
39	Algebraic Representation	Coefficient	The number multiplying a variable.



Key Stage 4 – Tier 3 Vocabulary and Definitions

Year 10

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
1	Congruence, Similarity and Enlargement	Congruent	Shapes that are exactly the same shape and size.
1	Congruence, Similarity and Enlargement	Similar	Shapes with equal angles and sides in the same ratio.
1	Congruence, Similarity and Enlargement	Scale Factor	The multiplier used to enlarge or reduce a shape.
2	Congruence, Similarity and Enlargement	Enlargement	A transformation that changes the size of a shape using a scale factor.
2	Congruence, Similarity and Enlargement	Included Angle	The angle between two given sides.
3	Congruence, Similarity and Enlargement	Hypotenuse	The side opposite the right angle in a right-angled triangle.
3	Congruence, Similarity and Enlargement	Adjacent Side	The side next to the given angle (not the hypotenuse).
3	Congruence, Similarity and Enlargement	Opposite Side	The side opposite the given angle.
4	Trigonometry	Sine	A trigonometric ratio equal to $\text{opposite} \div \text{hypotenuse}$.
4	Trigonometry	Cosine	A trigonometric ratio equal to $\text{adjacent} \div \text{hypotenuse}$.
5	Trigonometry	Tangent	A trigonometric ratio equal to $\text{opposite} \div \text{adjacent}$.
5	Trigonometry	Sine Rule	A rule relating sides and angles in any triangle.
6	Trigonometry	Cosine Rule	A rule used to calculate sides or angles in any triangle.
7	Representing Solutions of Equations and Inequalities	Expression	A mathematical phrase containing numbers, variables and operations.
7	Representing Solutions of Equations and Inequalities	Equation	A mathematical statement showing two expressions are equal.
8	Representing Solutions of Equations and Inequalities	Identity	An equation that is true for all values of the variable.
8	Representing Solutions of Equations and Inequalities	Inequality	A comparison showing that two expressions are not equal.
9	Simultaneous Equations	Linear Equation	An equation where the highest power of the variable is one.
9	Simultaneous Equations	Solution	A value that satisfies an equation.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
11	Simultaneous Equations	Simultaneous Equations	Two or more equations solved together.
11	Simultaneous Equations	Substitute	Replace a variable with a numerical value.
12	Simultaneous Equations	Rearrange	Change the subject of a formula.
12	Simultaneous Equations	Subject of a Formula	The variable isolated on one side of an equation.
13	Angles and Bearings	Alternate Angles	Angles between parallel lines on opposite sides of a transversal.
13	Angles and Bearings	Corresponding Angles	Angles in the same relative position at intersections.
14	Angles and Bearings	Co-Interior Angles	Angles on the same side of a transversal that add to 180° .
14	Angles and Bearings	Transversal	A line that crosses two or more lines.
15	Angles and Bearings	Bearing	A direction measured clockwise from north.
15	Angles and Bearings	Parallel	Lines that never meet and stay the same distance apart.
16	Working with Circles	Arc	A part of the circumference of a circle.
16	Working with Circles	Chord	A straight line joining two points on a circle.
17	Working with Circles	Radius	The distance from the centre of a circle to the circumference.
17	Working with Circles	Diameter	The distance across a circle through the centre.
18	Working with Circles	Sector	A region of a circle formed by two radii and an arc.
18	Working with Circles	Segment	The region between a chord and an arc.
18	Working with Circles	Tangent	A line touching a circle at exactly one point.
18	Working with Circles	Cyclic Quadrilateral	A quadrilateral with all vertices on a circle.
19	Vectors	Vector	A quantity with magnitude and direction.
19	Vectors	Column Vector	A vector written vertically in brackets.
20	Vectors	Magnitude	The length or size of a vector.
20	Vectors	Scalar	A quantity with magnitude only.
20	Vectors	Resultant	The combined effect of two or more vectors.
20	Vectors	Parallel Vectors	Vectors that have the same direction.
20	Vectors	Collinear	Points or vectors lying on the same straight line.
22	Ratio and Fractions	Ratio	A comparison between two quantities.
22	Ratio and Fractions	Proportion	A statement that two ratios are equal.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
23	Ratio and Fractions	Equivalent	Different expressions with the same value.
23	Ratio and Fractions	Unit Cost	The cost of one item.
24	Ratio and Fractions	Multiplier	A number used to increase or decrease by a percentage.
25	Percentages and Interest	Simple Interest	Interest calculated only on the original amount.
25	Percentages and Interest	Compound Interest	Interest calculated on the running total.
26	Percentages and Interest	Principal	The original amount of money invested or borrowed.
26	Percentages and Interest	Depreciation	A decrease in value over time.
26	Percentages and Interest	Reverse Percentage	Finding the original value before a percentage change.
26	Percentages and Interest	Original Value	The value before a percentage change.
27	Probability	Probability	A measure of how likely an event is to occur.
27	Probability	Outcome	A possible result of an experiment.
28	Probability	Event	What happens in a probability experiment.
28	Probability	Sample Space	The set of all possible outcomes.
28	Probability	Relative Frequency	An experimental estimate of probability.
28	Probability	Expected Outcomes	Predicted number of times an event should occur.
28	Probability	Independent Events	Events where one does not affect the other.
28	Probability	Dependent Events	Events where one affects the probability of another.
28	Probability	Conditional Probability	Probability given that another event has occurred.
29	Statistics	Population	The entire group being studied.
29	Statistics	Sample	A subset of a population.
30	Statistics	Frequency	The number of times a value occurs.
30	Statistics	Cumulative Frequency	A running total of frequencies.
31	Statistics	Mean	The average value of a data set.
31	Statistics	Median	The middle value when data is ordered.
31	Statistics	Mode	The most frequently occurring value.
31	Statistics	Range	The difference between highest and lowest values.
31	Statistics	Interquartile Range	The spread of the middle 50% of data.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
31	Statistics	Correlation	The relationship between two variables.
31	Statistics	Line of Best Fit	A line showing the trend of data.
31	Statistics	Extrapolation	Predicting values outside the data range.
33	Non-Calculator Methods	Integer	A positive or negative whole number.
34	Types of Number and Sequences	Irrational Number	A number that cannot be written as a fraction.
34	Types of Number and Sequences	Surd	An irrational root that cannot be simplified.
37	Types of Number and Sequences	Upper Bound	The greatest possible value after rounding.
37	Types of Number and Sequences	Lower Bound	The smallest possible value after rounding.
37	Types of Number and Sequences	Error Interval	The range of values a rounded number represents.
38	Indices and Roots	Index / Exponent	The power to which a number is raised.
38	Indices and Roots	Base	The number being raised to a power.
39	Indices and Roots	Standard Form	A number written as $A \times 10^n$.
39	Indices and Roots	Rationalise	Remove a surd from the denominator.

Year 11

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
1	Probability	Probability	A measure of how likely an event is to occur.
1	Probability	Outcome	A possible result of a probability experiment.
1	Probability	Event	A set of outcomes from an experiment.
2	Probability	Sample Space	The set of all possible outcomes.
2	Probability	Independent Events	Events where one does not affect the probability of another.
2	Probability	Relative Frequency	An experimental estimate of probability based on trials.
3	Volume	Volume	The amount of space inside a 3D shape.
3	Volume	Density	Mass per unit volume.
4	Volume	Prism	A solid shape with identical parallel ends.
4	Volume	Cylinder	A 3D shape with two circular faces and one curved surface.
5	Quadratics, Rearranging Formula, Identities	Quadratic	An expression where the highest power of the variable is two.
5	Quadratics, Rearranging Formula, Identities	Expression	A collection of numbers, variables and operations without an equals sign.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
6	Quadratics, Rearranging Formula, Identities	Identity	An equation that is true for all values of the variable.
6	Quadratics, Rearranging Formula, Identities	Factorise	Write an expression as a product of factors.
7	Pythagoras	Hypotenuse	The longest side in a right-angled triangle.
7	Pythagoras	Opposite Side	The side opposite the chosen angle in a triangle.
8	Pythagoras	Adjacent Side	The side next to the chosen angle in a triangle.
8	Pythagoras	Pythagoras' Theorem	In a right triangle, $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$.
9	Scatter Graphs	Correlation	A relationship between two variables.
9	Scatter Graphs	Line of Best Fit	A line showing the general trend of data.
9	Scatter Graphs	Outlier	A value that lies far from the rest of the data.
13	Inequalities	Inequality	A comparison showing that two expressions are not equal.
13	Inequalities	Solve	Find the values that satisfy an equation or inequality.
14	Algebra and Graphs	Gradient	The steepness of a straight line.
14	Algebra and Graphs	Intercept	The point where a graph crosses an axis.
15	Algebra and Graphs	Linear	A relationship forming a straight line graph.
15	Algebra and Graphs	Quadratic Graph	A graph forming a parabola.
16	Trigonometry	Sine	A trigonometric ratio equal to $\text{opposite} \div \text{hypotenuse}$.
16	Trigonometry	Cosine	A trigonometric ratio equal to $\text{adjacent} \div \text{hypotenuse}$.
17	Trigonometry	Tangent	A trigonometric ratio equal to $\text{opposite} \div \text{adjacent}$.
17	Trigonometry	Right Angle	An angle measuring exactly 90° .
18	Simultaneous Equations	Simultaneous Equations	Two or more equations solved at the same time.
18	Simultaneous Equations	Substitute	Replace a variable with a numerical value.
19	Simultaneous Equations	Variable	A symbol representing a value that can change.
19	Simultaneous Equations	Coefficient	The number multiplying a variable.
23	Sketching Graphs / Proportion	Direct Proportion	A relationship where quantities increase at the same rate.
23	Sketching Graphs / Proportion	Inverse Proportion	A relationship where one value increases as another decreases.
24	Solve Quadratic Equations	Root	A value that makes an equation equal zero.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
24	Solve Quadratic Equations	Parabola	A U-shaped curve representing a quadratic graph.
25	Solve Quadratic Equations	Expand	Multiply expressions to remove brackets.
25	Solve Quadratic Equations	Factorise	Rewrite an expression as a product of factors.
26	Quadratic Graphs	Axis of Symmetry	A line dividing a parabola into mirror images.
26	Quadratic Graphs	Vertex	The highest or lowest point on a parabola.
27	Growth, Decay and Vectors	Vector	A quantity with magnitude and direction.
27	Growth, Decay and Vectors	Column Vector	A vector written vertically in brackets.
27	Growth, Decay and Vectors	Scale Factor	The multiplier used in enlargement or growth.
27	Growth, Decay and Vectors	Growth	An increase by a constant multiplier over time.
27	Growth, Decay and Vectors	Decay	A decrease by a constant multiplier over time.
33	Revision Topics	Sequence	An ordered list of numbers following a rule.
33	Revision Topics	Term	A single part of an expression or sequence.
34	Revision Topics	Equation	A mathematical statement showing two expressions are equal.
34	Revision Topics	Substitute	Replace variables with numbers.
35	Revision Topics	Transformation	A change in position or size of a shape.
35	Revision Topics	Reflection	A mirror image of a shape across a line.



Key Stage 5 – Tier 3 Vocabulary and Definitions

Year 12

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
1	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Base	The number or expression affected by a power.
1	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Index / Exponent	The value showing how many times the base is used as a factor.
1	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Surd	The square root of a non-square number.
2	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Rational	A number that can be written as a fraction of integers.
2	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Irrational	A number with a non-terminating, non-recurring decimal.
2	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Rationalise	Rewrite an expression so the denominator is rational.
3	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Quadratic	An expression of the form $ax^2 + bx + c$ where $a \neq 0$.
3	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Roots	The solutions to an equation.
3	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Repeated Root	Two equal solutions to a quadratic equation.
3	Algebraic expressions / Measures of location and spread	Discriminant	The part of the quadratic formula under the square root.
4	Quadratics / Representations of data	Measure of Location	A value describing the position of data.
4	Quadratics / Representations of data	Measure of Spread	A value describing how dispersed data is.
4	Quadratics / Representations of data	Mean	The total of values divided by the number of values.
5	Quadratics / Representations of data	Median	The middle value of ordered data.
5	Quadratics / Representations of data	Mode	The most frequently occurring value.
5	Quadratics / Representations of data	Interquartile Range	The difference between Q3 and Q1.
6	Equations and inequalities / Representations of data	Simultaneous Equations	Equations solved together with shared solutions.
6	Equations and inequalities / Representations of data	Elimination	Solving equations by removing a variable.
6	Equations and inequalities / Representations of data	Substitution	Replacing a variable with an expression.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
7	Equations and inequalities / Data collection	Population	The entire group being studied.
7	Equations and inequalities / Data collection	Census	Data collected from every member of a population.
7	Equations and inequalities / Data collection	Sample	A subset of the population.
8	Data collection	Sampling Frame	A list of all sampling units.
8	Data collection	Quantitative Data	Numerical data.
8	Data collection	Qualitative Data	Non-numerical data.
9	Binomial expansion / Probability	Pascal's Triangle	A triangle used to determine binomial coefficients.
9	Binomial expansion / Probability	Factorial	The product of all positive integers up to a given number.
9	Binomial expansion / Probability	Binomial Expansion	Expanding expressions of the form $(a + b)^n$.
10	Binomial expansion / Probability	Experiment	A repeatable process with known outcomes.
10	Binomial expansion / Probability	Event	A set of outcomes within a probability experiment.
10	Binomial expansion / Probability	Sample Space	The set of all possible outcomes.
11	Graphs and transformations / Statistical distributions	Cubic Function	A function with highest power 3.
11	Graphs and transformations / Statistical distributions	Quartic Function	A function with highest power 4.
11	Graphs and transformations / Statistical distributions	Reciprocal Function	A function involving negative powers.
12	Graphs and transformations / Statistical distributions	Asymptote	A line that a curve approaches but never meets.
12	Graphs and transformations / Statistical distributions	Random Variable	A variable determined by chance.
12	Graphs and transformations / Statistical distributions	Probability Distribution	Probabilities associated with outcomes.
13	Coordinate geometry / Statistical distributions	Perpendicular	Lines meeting at right angles.
13	Coordinate geometry / Statistical distributions	Collinear	Points lying on the same straight line.
13	Coordinate geometry / Statistical distributions	Linear Model	A straight-line model for data.
14	Coordinate geometry / Correlation	Tangent	A line touching a curve at one point.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
14	Coordinate geometry / Correlation	Correlation	A measure of the relationship between variables.
14	Coordinate geometry / Correlation	Bivariate Data	Paired data values.
15	Coordinate geometry / Correlation	PMCC	A measure of strength and direction of correlation.
15	Coordinate geometry / Correlation	Interpolation	Estimating within the data range.
15	Coordinate geometry / Correlation	Extrapolation	Estimating outside the data range.
16	Algebraic methods / Hypothesis testing	Polynomial	An algebraic expression with integer powers.
16	Algebraic methods / Hypothesis testing	Proof	A logical argument establishing mathematical truth.
16	Algebraic methods / Hypothesis testing	Axiom	A statement accepted as true without proof.
17	Algebraic methods / Hypothesis testing	Hypothesis Test	A statistical test of assumptions.
17	Algebraic methods / Hypothesis testing	Null Hypothesis	The assumed true statement.
17	Algebraic methods / Hypothesis testing	Alternative Hypothesis	The competing statement.
18	Trigonometry / Hypothesis testing	Identity	An equation true for all valid values.
18	Trigonometry / Hypothesis testing	Periodic Function	A function that repeats indefinitely.
19	Trigonometry / Hypothesis testing	Critical Region	Values that lead to rejection of the null hypothesis.
19	Trigonometry / Hypothesis testing	Significance Level	The probability of rejecting a true null hypothesis.
22	Vectors / Modelling in mechanics	Vector	A quantity with magnitude and direction.
22	Vectors / Modelling in mechanics	Scalar	A quantity with magnitude only.
22	Vectors / Modelling in mechanics	Magnitude	The length of a vector.
23	Vectors / Modelling in mechanics	Resultant	The combined effect of vectors.
23	Vectors / Modelling in mechanics	Particle	An object with negligible dimensions.
23	Vectors / Modelling in mechanics	Uniform Body	An object with evenly distributed mass.
24	Differentiation / Constant acceleration	Derivative	The rate of change of a function.
24	Differentiation / Constant acceleration	Stationary Point	A point where the gradient equals zero.
25	Differentiation / Constant acceleration	Gradient	The slope of a graph at a point.
27	Differentiation / Constant acceleration	Acceleration	The rate of change of velocity.
30	Integration / Forces and motion	Integral	The result of integration.
30	Integration / Forces and motion	Integrand	The function being integrated.

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
31	Integration / Forces and motion	Area Under a Curve	The region between a graph and an axis.
33	Integration / Variable acceleration	Variable Acceleration	Acceleration that changes over time.
34	Exponentials and logarithms / Variable acceleration	Exponential Function	A function of the form $f(x) = ab^x$.
34	Exponentials and logarithms / Variable acceleration	Logarithm	The inverse operation of exponentiation.

Year 13

Week	Curriculum Component	Tier 3 Vocabulary	Definition
Week 1	Forces and friction / Algebraic methods	Inclined plane	A plane that is at an angle to the horizontal.
Week 1	Forces and friction / Algebraic methods	Limiting friction	The maximum possible frictional force between two surfaces.
Week 1	Forces and friction / Algebraic methods	Resolving forces	Breaking a force into perpendicular components.
Week 1	Forces and friction / Algebraic methods	Rough surface	A surface where friction acts.
Week 1	Forces and friction / Algebraic methods	Smooth surface	A surface where friction is negligible.
Week 2	Forces and friction / Trigonometry (Radian Measure)	Equilibrium	A state where the resultant force is zero.
Week 2	Forces and friction / Trigonometry (Radian Measure)	Static equilibrium	Equilibrium where the object is at rest.
Week 2	Forces and friction / Trigonometry (Radian Measure)	Moment	The turning effect of a force about a point.
Week 2	Forces and friction / Trigonometry (Radian Measure)	Resultant moment	The total clockwise and anticlockwise turning effect.
Week 3	Projectiles / Trigonometry 1 (Radian Measure)	Projectile	An object moving under gravity alone.
Week 3	Projectiles / Trigonometry 1 (Radian Measure)	Time of flight	The total time a projectile is in motion.
Week 3	Projectiles / Trigonometry 1 (Radian Measure)	Range	The horizontal distance travelled by a projectile.
Week 4	Projectiles / Trigonometry 1 (Radian Measure)	Further kinematics	Motion described using vectors and calculus.
Week 4	Projectiles / Trigonometry 1 (Radian Measure)	Radian	The angle subtended when arc length equals the radius.

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Week 5	Moments / Trigonometry 2 (Equations and Identities)	Reciprocal trigonometric functions	The functions sec, cosec and cot.
Week 5	Moments / Trigonometry 2 (Equations and Identities)	Inverse trigonometric functions	Functions that reverse sine, cosine and tangent.
Week 5	Moments / Trigonometry 2 (Equations and Identities)	Addition formulae	Identities for $\sin(A\pm B)$, $\cos(A\pm B)$ and $\tan(A\pm B)$.
Week 6	Moments / Trigonometry	Double angle formulae	Identities involving trigonometric functions of $2A$.
Week 6	Moments / Trigonometry	Harmonic form	Rewriting expressions as a single trigonometric function.
Week 6	Moments / Trigonometry	Trigonometric identity	An equation true for all values in its domain.
Week 7	Applications of Forces / Trigonometry	Rod	An object with length but negligible width and depth.
Week 7	Applications of Forces / Trigonometry	Lamina	A flat object with area but negligible thickness.
Week 7	Applications of Forces / Trigonometry	Uniform rod	A rod with mass evenly distributed.
Week 9	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Function	A mapping with exactly one output for each input.
Week 9	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Composite function	A function formed by combining two or more functions.
Week 9	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Inverse function	A function that reverses another.
Week 10	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Domain	The set of possible inputs.
Week 10	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Range	The set of possible outputs.
Week 10	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Mapping	A correspondence between inputs and outputs.
Week 11	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Modulus	The absolute value of a number.
Week 11	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Concave function	A function where the gradient is decreasing.
Week 11	Functions and Graphs / Trigonometry	Convex function	A function where the gradient is increasing.
Week 12	Functions and Graphs / Binomial expansion	Point of inflection	The point where a curve changes concavity.
Week 12	Functions and Graphs / Binomial expansion	Degree of polynomial	The highest power of the variable.



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Week 12	Functions and Graphs / Binomial expansion	Improper algebraic fraction	A fraction where numerator degree \geq denominator degree.
Week 14	Differentiation / Binomial expansion	Chain rule	A rule for differentiating composite functions.
Week 14	Differentiation / Binomial expansion	Product rule	A rule for differentiating products.
Week 14	Differentiation / Binomial expansion	Quotient rule	A rule for differentiating quotients.
Week 15	Differentiation / Binomial expansion	Second derivative	The derivative of the derivative.
Week 15	Differentiation / Binomial expansion	Connected rates of change	Related rates linked by an equation.
Week 16	Differentiation / Probability	Conditional probability	Probability given another event has occurred.
Week 16	Differentiation / Probability	Normal distribution	A symmetric probability distribution.
Week 17	Integration / Probability	Integral	The result of integration.
Week 17	Integration / Probability	Integrand	The function being integrated.
Week 18	Integration / The normal distribution	Integration by substitution	A method using a change of variable.
Week 18	Integration / The normal distribution	Integration by parts	A technique for integrating products.
Week 19	Integration / The normal distribution	Trapezium rule	A numerical method for approximating area.
Week 19	Integration / The normal distribution	Differential equation	An equation involving derivatives.
Week 20	Integration / The normal distribution	Limit of a sum	Interpretation of integration as accumulated area.
Week 22	Further Kinematics / The normal distribution	Particle	An object with negligible dimensions used in modelling.
Week 22	Further Kinematics / The normal distribution	Vector	A quantity with magnitude and direction.
Week 22	Further Kinematics / The normal distribution	Scalar	A quantity with magnitude only.
Week 23	Further Kinematics / The normal distribution	Resultant	The combined effect of vectors.
Week 23	Further Kinematics / The normal distribution	Uniform body	An object with evenly distributed mass.

Week 24	Parametric equations / Regression and correlation	Parametric equation	Equations defined using a third variable.
Week 24	Parametric equations / Regression and correlation	Cartesian form	Expressing equations using x and y only.
Week 24	Parametric equations / Regression and correlation	Parameter	An independent variable defining a curve.
Week 26	Parametric equations / Regression and correlation	Bivariate data	Data involving two variables.
Week 26	Parametric equations / Regression and correlation	Product moment correlation coefficient	A measure of linear correlation between variables.
Week 27	Vectors / Sequences and series	Coplanar	Lying in the same plane.
Week 27	Vectors / Sequences and series	Bisect	Divide into two equal parts.
Week 27	Vectors / Sequences and series	Trisect	Divide into three equal parts.
Week 28	Vectors / Sequences and series	3D Cartesian coordinates	Coordinates used to locate points in three dimensions.
Week 29	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Arithmetic sequence	A sequence with constant difference.
Week 29	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Geometric sequence	A sequence with constant ratio.
Week 29	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Recurrence relation	A sequence defined using previous terms.
Week 30	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Series	The sum of terms in a sequence.
Week 30	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Sigma notation	Notation used to represent sums.
Week 30	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Iteration	A repeated numerical process.
Week 30	Numerical methods / Sequences and series	Newton–Raphson method	An iterative method for solving equations.

