## TOPIC LIST - GCSE MATHEMATICS - HIGHER TIER (Bold HIGHER TIER ONLY)

| Number |  |  |  |
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| Topic | Red | Amber | Green |
| Order whole, decimal, fraction and negative numbers |  |  |  |
| Use the symbols $=, \neq$, |  |  |  |
| Add, subtract, multiply, divide whole numbers using written and mental methods |  |  |  |
| Add, subtract, multiply, divide decimal numbers using written and mental methods |  |  |  |
| Add, subtract, multiply, divide negative numbers |  |  |  |
| Know all your times tables from $1 \times 1$ to $12 \times 12$ |  |  |  |
| Do calculations involving money with and without a calculator |  |  |  |
| Add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions without using a calculator |  |  |  |
| Multiply and divide a fraction by a whole number |  |  |  |
| Convert between a mixed number and a top heavy fraction |  |  |  |
| Add, subtract, multiply and divide mixed numbers without the use of a calculator - when dominators are the same or different |  |  |  |
| Simplify a fraction fully |  |  |  |
| Perform calculations involving fractions (e.g. find $4 / 7$ of $£ 770$ ) |  |  |  |
| Convert between fractions, decimals and percentages |  |  |  |
| Change recurring decimals into fractions and vice versa |  |  |  |
| Perform calculations using the correct order of operations (Brackets, Powers, Division, Multiply, Add, Subtract) |  |  |  |
| Understand and identify multiples, factors, prime numbers |  |  |  |
| Find the lowest common multiple and highest common factor of a set of numbers |  |  |  |
| Break down a number as a product of prime factors |  |  |  |
| Know the squares of 1 to 15 and the corresponding square roots |  |  |  |
| Know the cubes of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 and the corresponding cube roots |  |  |  |
| Recognise powers of 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10. |  |  |  |
| Know then when square rooting there could be 2 answers |  |  |  |
| Be able to estimate the power of a positive number |  |  |  |
| Know between which two whole numbers the square root and cube root of a positive number lies |  |  |  |
| Use index laws for multiplication and division when the index is a whole number (positive or negative) |  |  |  |
| Use index laws for multiplication and division when the index is a fraction number (positive or negative) |  |  |  |
| Give answers in terms of $\pi$ |  |  |  |
| Understand how to convert a normal number into a standard form number |  |  |  |
| Perform calculations involving standard form numbers with and without a calculator |  |  |  |
| Order standard form numbers |  |  |  |
| Know place value of whole and decimal numbers |  |  |  |
| Round numbers and calculations to nearest whole, 10, 100, 1000 |  |  |  |
| Round numbers and calculations to a specified number of decimal places |  |  |  |
| Round numbers and calculations to a specified number of significant figures |  |  |  |
| Know the bounds of accuracy of a number which has been rounded |  |  |  |
| Finding the upper and lower bound of a calculation |  |  |  |
| Estimate calculations by rounding numbers to 1 s.f. or similar |  |  |  |
| Know that if there are $x$ ways to do one thing, $y$ ways to do another and $z$ ways to do another there are xyz ways in total |  |  |  |
| Perform calculations with and simplify surds |  |  |  |


| Algebra |  |  |  |
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| Use algebraic notation and symbols correctly e.g. $a x b=a b, y+y+y$ and 3 $x y=3 y, a \times a=a^{2}, a \div b=a / b$ |  |  |  |
| Substitute numbers into expressions and formulae e.g. convert $30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ into ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ using $F=9 / 5 C+32$ |  |  |  |
| Know the meaning of the words equation, formula, identity, term, expression, inequality and factor when used algebraically |  |  |  |
| Simplify an algebraic expression by collecting like terms |  |  |  |
| Simplify expressions using the laws of indices |  |  |  |
| Expanding single and double brackets |  |  |  |
| Factorise by taking out common factors |  |  |  |
| Factorise a quadratic expression of the form $\mathrm{ax}^{2}+\mathrm{bx}+\mathrm{c}$ including using the difference of two squares |  |  |  |
| Use completing the square to write a quadratic expression in the form $a x^{2}+b x+c$ as $d(x+e)^{2}+f$ |  |  |  |
| Change the subject of a formula when the subject appears once |  |  |  |
| Change the subject of a formula when the subject appears twice |  |  |  |
| Understand and use number machines |  |  |  |
| Know the meaning of a function and substitute values into it e.g. if $f(x)=3 x+5$ find $f(3)$ |  |  |  |
| Understand and use composite functions e.g. $\mathrm{fg}(\mathrm{x})$ |  |  |  |
| Understand and use the inverse function $\mathrm{f}^{-1}(\mathrm{x})$ |  |  |  |
| Plot coordinates in all four quadrants |  |  |  |
| Find the mid-point between two coordinates |  |  |  |
| Recognise and use $\mathrm{y}=\mathrm{mx}+\mathrm{c}$ to draw straight-line graphs |  |  |  |
| Find the gradient of a line given two coordinates on the line |  |  |  |
| Know that graphs with the same gradient are parallel |  |  |  |
| Know how to find a perpendicular gradient and find the equation of a line perpendicular to another line |  |  |  |
| Know that for e.g. the graph $y=3 x-5$ intersects the $y$-axis at ( $0,-5$ ) |  |  |  |
| Draw a quadratic graph |  |  |  |
| Use a quadratic graph to solve equations, write down roots, the coordinate of the turning point and equation of the line of symmetry |  |  |  |
| Sketch and recognise simple cubic functions $y=x^{3}+k$ |  |  |  |
| Sketch and recognise the reciprocal graph $y=1 / x$ |  |  |  |
| Sketch and recognise exponential function ( $\mathrm{y}=\mathrm{k}^{\mathrm{x}}$ ) |  |  |  |
| Sketch the graph of $\mathrm{y}=\mathrm{ab} \times$ and given two coordinates, find $a$ and $b$ |  |  |  |
| Sketch and recognise the sine, cosine and tangent functions for any angle |  |  |  |
| Transform graphs using the function $\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x})$ using $\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x}+\mathrm{a}), \mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x})+\mathrm{a},-\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{x}), \mathrm{f}(-\mathrm{x})$ |  |  |  |
| Estimate the gradient of a graph using a tangent and the area under a graph and interpret their results |  |  |  |
| Recognise and use the equation of a circle with the origin as the centre |  |  |  |
| Plot a graph representing a real life problem from information given in words or table or formula |  |  |  |
| In a real-life graph be able to explain the meaning of the gradient and intercept in the context of the situation |  |  |  |
| Plot and interpret distance-time graphs |  |  |  |
| Solve linear equations where unknowns and brackets may appear on both sides of the = sign |  |  |  |
| Simplify algebraic fractions and use them to solve linear and quadratic equations |  |  |  |
| Solve quadratic equations of the form $\mathrm{ax}^{2}+\mathrm{bx}+\mathrm{c}=0$ by factorising, using the quadratic formula or by completing the square |  |  |  |
| Solve a pair of simultaneous linear equations algebraically |  |  |  |
| Solve a pair of simultaneous linear equations graphically |  |  |  |


| Solve a pair of simultaneous equations where one is linear and one is non- <br> linear algebraically and find their approximate solutions graphically |  |  |
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| Translate a simple situation into a linear equation and solve (e.g. a situation <br> involving angle relationships) |  |  |
| Display linear inequalities on a number line |  |  |
| Solve linear inequalities (e.g. $3 x+1 \geq 5$ or $-6<3 x \leq 12$ |  |  |
| Solve quadratic inequalities |  |  |
| Generate the terms of a sequence using an nth term or a Fibonacci type <br> sequence |  |  |
| Find the nth term for a linear sequence |  |  |
| Find the nth term for a quadratic sequence |  |  |
| Use term to term rules (e.g $\left.U_{n+1}=3 U_{n}+4\right)$ |  |  |
| Be able to justify the location of a root between two values |  |  |
| Find an iterative formula and use it to approximate a root |  |  |

Ratio, proportion and rates of change

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| Find one quantity as a fraction of another |  |  |  |
| Understand ratio notation \& write one number as a ratio of another |  |  |  |
| Simplify ratios and write a ratio in the form $1: \mathrm{n}$ or $\mathrm{n}: 1$ |  |  |  |
| Perform calculations using ratio's including best buy problems |  |  |  |
| Convert between fractions and ratio's |  |  |  |
| Understand the meaning of a percentage |  |  |  |
| Find the percentage of a quantity |  |  |  |
| Find the value after a quantity has been increased or decreased by a <br> percentage |  |  |  |
| Find one number as a percentage of another |  |  |  |
| Find the percentage change given the initial and final values |  |  |  |
| Find the original quantity after a percentage change (reverse \%) |  |  |  |
| Perform calculations involving simple interest |  |  |  |
| Perform calculations involving compound percentages |  |  |  |
| Solve simple growth/decay problems - e.g. how many years will it take for <br> a population to double given its annual \% increase |  |  |  |
| Solve problems involving direct proportion |  |  |  |
| Solve problems involving indirect proportion |  |  |  |
| Use compound measures such as speed and density and pressure |  |  |  |

## Geometry and measures

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| Understand the meaning of the words point, line, vertices, edges, planes, <br> parallel and perpendicular lines, right angles, polygons, regular polygons |  |  |  |
| Use a ruler and compass to draw a perpendicular bisector of a line, angle <br> bisector, perpendicular to/from a given point/line |  |  |  |
| Solve problems involving loci |  |  |  |
| Categorise angles as acute, obtuse or reflex |  |  |  |
| Know angles on a line add to $180^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |
| Know angles around a point add to $360^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |
| Know that vertically opposite angles are equal |  |  |  |
| Know the conditions for alternate, corresponding and interior angles |  |  |  |
| Know that the three internal angles of a triangle add to $180^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |
| Know that the four internal angles of a quadriateral add to $360^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |
| Know how to calculate the angle sum of the internal angles of any <br> polygon with n sides using 180 (n -2 ) |  |  |  |
| Know that interior + exterior angle of a polygon $=180^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |


| Know that the sum of all exterior angles of a polygon $=360^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |
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| Solve angle problems involving one or more of the above |  |  |  |
| Be able to explain the above relationships when used in calculations |  |  |  |
| Classify the different types of triangle |  |  |  |
| Classify the different types of quadrilaterals |  |  |  |
| Recognise pentagons, hexagons, octagons, decagons |  |  |  |
| Understand congruence and identify congruent shapes |  |  |  |
| Know the conditions for congruence: SSS, SAS, ASA and RHS. |  |  |  |
| Understand the word similar |  |  |  |
| Recognise similar shapes |  |  |  |
| Find missing sides from two similar shapes by finding a scale factor |  |  |  |
| Apply congruence and similarity to similar areas and volumes |  |  |  |
| Understand the meaning of reflection, rotation, translation and enlargement |  |  |  |
| Reflect shapes in a mirror line (mirror line could be the equation of a horizontal/vertical line) - find the equation of the mirror line |  |  |  |
| Rotate a shape about any point - describe fully a rotation |  |  |  |
| Translate a shape by a given vector - describe a translation fully |  |  |  |
| Enlarge a shape (centre may or may not be given) using positive whole number/fractional scale factors - describe an enlargement fully |  |  |  |
| Enlarge a shape from a centre using a negative scale factor - be able to describe a negative enlargement fully |  |  |  |
| Describe the changes achieved by multiple combinations of rotations, reflections and translations |  |  |  |
| Understand the term invariant |  |  |  |
| Understand the meaning of radius, diameter, circumference, tangent, arc, sector, segment |  |  |  |
| Apply and prove the standard circle theorems |  |  |  |
| Know and use the formulae for area and circumference of a circle |  |  |  |
| Draw/Interpret the net of a 3D shape |  |  |  |
| Change between standard units of time, length, area, volume/capacity, mass |  |  |  |
| Use conversions between imperial and metric units for e.g. 5 miles $\approx 8 \mathrm{~km}, 1$ gallon $\approx 4.5$ litres, 2.2 pounds $\approx 1 \mathrm{~kg}$, 1 inch $\approx 2.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ |  |  |  |
| Understand and use scale factors on maps and diagrams |  |  |  |
| Make sensible estimates of measurements in real life situations |  |  |  |
| Understand, find and draw bearings |  |  |  |
| Know and use formulae to calculate the area of triangles, rectangles, parallelograms, trapezia |  |  |  |
| Know and use the formulae to find the volume of a cuboid, prism or cylinder. |  |  |  |
| Find area of composite shapes |  |  |  |
| Find the surface area and volume of spheres, pyramids, cones and composite solids |  |  |  |
| Find the arc length and sector area of a circle |  |  |  |
| Know and use Pythagoras' Theorem |  |  |  |
| Know and use the trigonometric ratios sine, cosine and tangent to find lengths and angles |  |  |  |
| Know the exact values for sine, cosine \& tangent for $0^{\circ}, 30^{\circ}, 45^{\circ}, 60^{\circ}, 90^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |
| Know and use the sine and cosine rule with non-right angled triangles |  |  |  |
| Know and apply Area of a triangle $=1 / 2 \mathrm{absin} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  |
| Solve 3D problems using Pythagoras and trigonometry |  |  |  |
| Understand and use vector notation |  |  |  |
| Add and subtract vectors, multiply a vector by a number |  |  |  |
| Construct geometric arguments and proofs using vectors |  |  |  |

$\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|}\hline \text { Probability } & \text { Red } & \text { Amber } & \text { Green } \\ \hline \text { Topic } & & & \\ \hline \text { Design and use two-way tables } & & & \\ \hline \text { Know the meaning of and use relative frequency } & & & \\ \hline \text { Draw/complete a frequency tree } & & & \\ \hline \text { Find the probability of an event as a fraction or a decimal } & & & \\ \hline \text { Know that the sum of probabilities for a set of exhaustive events is 1 } & & & \\ \hline \text { Know that mutually exclusive events have a probability sum of 1 } & & & \\ \hline \text { Draw and use a tree diagram to solve a probability problem } & & & \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { Understand how to draw a Venn diagram and understand the various } \\ \text { parts of a Venn diagram - perform calculations involving Venn diagrams }\end{array} & & & \\ \hline \text { List all possible outcomes for two events in a systematic way }\end{array}\right)$

| Statistics | Red | Amber | Green |
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| Topic |  |  |  |
| Draw and interpret bar charts, multiple bar charts, dual and composite bar <br> charts, pictograms, pie charts, frequency polygons |  |  |  |
| Classify data as discrete or continuous |  |  |  |
| Understand the difference between primary and secondary data |  |  |  |
| Understand the difference between populations and samples |  |  |  |
| Plot and use time-series graphs |  |  |  |
| Find the mean, mode, median, range from a set of data |  |  |  |
| Find the mean, mode, median and range from an ungrouped frequency <br> table |  |  |  |
| Estimate the mean from a grouped frequency table |  |  |  |
| Find the modal and median class in a grouped frequency table |  |  |  |
| Draw a scatter graph and a line of best fit |  |  |  |
| Use the line of best fit to estimate results |  |  |  |
| Know the difference between interpolation and extrapolation and their <br> reliability |  |  |  |
| Construct and interpret cumulative frequency graphs |  |  |  |
| Use a cumulative frequency diagram to find quartiles, inter-quartile range <br> and other information |  |  |  |
| Draw and interpret box and whisker diagrams |  |  |  |
| Construct and interpret histograms |  |  |  |

