

# HCF/LCM/Prime factors

## Mark Scheme

Level	IGCSE
Subject	Maths
Exam Board	Edexcel
Topic	Number and Algebra
Sub Topic	HCF/LCM/Prime factors(Powers and roots)
Booklet	Mark Scheme

**Time Allowed:** 60 inutes

**Score:** /51

**Percentage:** /100

**Grade Boundaries:**

A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
>85%	75%	70%	60%	55%	50%	<50%

Question Number	Working	Answer	Mark	Notes	
1.	Fully correct factor tree or repeated division or 2, 2, 2, 5, 5 or $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 5 \times 5$		3	M2 M1 for factor tree or repeated division with 2 and 5 as factors	
		$2^3 \times 5^2$		A1 Also accept $2^3 \cdot 5^2$	
				<b>Total 3 marks</b>	
2. (a)	$75 = 3 \times 5^2$ and $90 = 2 \times 3^2 \times 5$ or 1,3,5,15,25,75 and 1,2,3,5,6,9,10,15,18,30,45,90 or $3 \times 5$		2	M1 Need not be products of powers; accept products or lists ie 3,5,5 and 2,3,3,5 Prime factors may be shown as factor trees or repeated division	
		15		A1	
	(b)	$\times 3^2 \times 5^2$ oe eg $6 \times 3 \times 5^2$ or 75,150,225,300,375,450 and 90,180,270,360,450		2	M1 Also award for $\frac{75 \times 90}{15}$
		450		A1	
				<b>Total 4 marks</b>	
3.	A product of 3 or more factors of 300 of which at least 2 are different primes (i.e. from 2, 3 or 5)			M1 e.g $2 \times 3 \times 50$ (must multiply to 300) could be implied from a factor tree or division ladder	
	All 5 correct prime factors & no extras (ignore 1's)	2, 2, 3, 5, 5 (with/without 1's) or $2^2 \times 3 \times 5^2 \times 1$ or $2^2 + 3 + 5^2$		M1 could be implied from a factor tree or division ladder $2 \times 2 \equiv 2^2$ $5 \times 5 \equiv 5^2$	
		$2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 5$	3	A1 any order, do not accept inclusion of 1's accept . in place of x	
				<b>Total 3 marks</b>	

4.	(a)	$54 = 2 \times 3^3$ and $90 = 2 \times 3^2 \times 5$ <b>or</b> 1,2,3,6,9,18,27,54 and 1,2,3,5,6,9,10,15,18,30,45,90 <b>or</b> $2 \times 3^2$ oe		2	M1	Need not be products of powers; accept products or lists eg 2,3,3,3 and 2,3,3,5 accept 9, 2, 3 and 9, 2, 5 (may be seen in a Venn diagram or may be shown as factor trees or repeated division )
			18		A1	cao
	(b)	$2 \times 3^3 \times 5$ oe eg $6 \times 9 \times 5$ <b>or</b> 54,108,162,216,270 and 90,180,270		2	M1	Need not be products of powers; accept products or lists eg 2, 3, 3, 3, 5
			270		A1	cao
<b>Total 4 marks</b>						

5.		Factor tree or repeated division with 2 or more correct prime factors  (2, 2, 3, 17)  Fully correct factor tree or repeated division or 2, 2, 3, 17				M1 condone 1s; factors must multiply to 204  M1 condone 1s  A1
			$2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 17$	3		
<b>Total 3 marks</b>						

6.		Product of positive integer powers of both 3 and 5 only		2	M1	Powers and/or products may be evaluated eg 15
			$3^2 \times 5$ or 45		A1	Also accept $9 \times 5$
<b>Total 2 marks</b>						

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7.	$20 = 2^2 \times 5$ and $24 = 2^3 \times 3$ or $2^3 \times 3 \times 5$ or 20,40,60,80,100,120 and 24,48,72,96,120		2	M1
		120		A1 or $2^3 \times 3 \times 5$ oe
<b>Total 2 marks</b>				

8.	Fully correct factor tree or repeated division to reach prime factors (condone inclusion of 1's) or 3, 5, 5, 11 or $3 \times 5 \times 5 \times 11 \times 1$			M2 Factors must multiply to 825  If not M2 then M1 for correct but incomplete factor tree/ division ladder which includes 2 different primes. (e.g. $25 \times 3 \times 11$ ) A1 cao Accept $3 \times 5^2 \times 11$ and dots in place of multiplication signs.
		$3 \times 5 \times 5 \times 11$	3	<b>Total 3 marks</b>

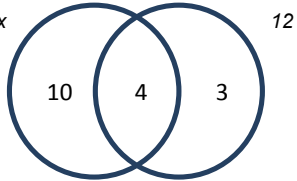
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9. (a)	$252 = 2 \times 126 = 2 \times 2 \times 63 = 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 21$			M1 for a process that isolates at least 2 correct prime factors e.g. $252 = 2 \times 126$ , $126 = 3 \times 42$ or a factor tree with 2 primes from 2, 3 or 7 identified or repeated division
		$2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 7$	2	A1 for $2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 7$ oe with correct prime factors
(b)	$2^2 \times 3^2 \times 7 \times 2^4 \times 3 \times 5$			M1 " $2^2 \times 3^2 \times 7$ " $\times 2^4 \times 3 \times 5$ or a fully correct factor tree or fully correct repeated division
		$2^6 \times 3^3 \times 5 \times 7$	2	A1 cao accept in any order
				<b>Total 4 marks</b>

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10. (a)			2	M1 For identifying $2^2$ , $3^3$ , and 5 or  any product of integer powers of 2 and 3 and 5 where at least two powers are correct and the third is greater than 0 or  540
		$2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 5$		A1 Accept $2^2 \times 3^3 \times 5$
(b)			2	M1 For identifying $2^3$ , $3^4$ , 5 and 7 or any product of integer powers of 2 and 3 and 5 and 7, where at least three powers are correct and the fourth is greater than 0.  Accept a product that includes 2,3 and 5 and 7 and multiplies to 22680 (Eg $2^3 \times 3^2 \times 5 \times 7 \times 9$ ) or 22680
		$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7$		A1 Accept $2^3 \times 3^4 \times 5 \times 7$
				<b>Total 4 marks</b>

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11.	$2^3 \times 3^2$		2	M1 for identifying $2^3$ or $3^2$ or for 24, 48, 72 and 36, 72 or for an answer of 144 or 216
		72		A1 accept $2^3 \times 3^2$
				<b>Total 2 marks</b>

Ques	Working	Answer	Mark	Notes
12 a	$224 = 2 \times 112 = 2 \times 2 \times 56 =$ $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 28 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 14$ $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 7$		3	M1 for at least 2 correct steps in repeated factorisation (may be seen in a tree diagram)
				A1 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 7 ( condone inclusion of 1)
		$2^5 \times 7$		A1 $2^5 \times 7$ NB: Candidates showing no working score 0 marks
b	$56 + 32 + 16$ $56 + 32 + 14$ $56 + 28 + 16$		2	M1 for any 3 correct distinct factors (excluding 1 and 224)
		eg. 56, 32, 16 or 56, 32, 14 or 56, 28, 16		A1 correct and have a sum between 99 and 110
				<b>Total 5 marks</b>

13 (a)		$2^2 \times 5$	3	B1 for $2^2 \times 5$ oe or 20
(i)		$2^3 \times 3 \times 5^2$		B2 for $2^3 \times 3 \times 5^2$ oe or 600 (B1 for any product using powers of 2 and 3 and 5 or at least 300, 600... <b>and</b> 40, 80, 120 ...)
(b)	$8 (= 2^n)$ <b>or</b> $2^3$		2	M1 for one correct use of index laws eg. $8^5 \div 8^4$
		3		A1
				<b>Total 5 marks</b>

14.	<p>(12 =) <math>2 \times 2 \times 3</math> or (120 =) <math>2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5</math> (condone 2,2,3 or 2,2,2,3,5) [factors could be seen at the end of a ‘factor tree’ or in a ‘factor ladder’] <b>or</b> Venn diagram with the middle and one other region correct:</p>  <p>Where 10 may be 2,5 and 4 may be 2,2</p>	40	2	<p>M1 <b>or</b> for a <u>list</u> of at least 5 consecutive multiples of 4 <b>or</b> a <u>list</u> of at least 5 factors of 120 <b>or</b> for <math>12x = 120 \times 4</math> oe (eg <math>\text{---} \times 4 (= x)</math>) <b>or</b> <math>12 \div 4 (= 3)</math> and <math>120 \div “3”</math></p> <p>A1 accept <math>2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 5</math> <b>or</b> <math>2^3 \times 5</math></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total 2 marks</b></p>
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Q	Working	Answer	Mark	Notes
15.	$792 = 2 \times 396 = 2 \times 2 \times 198$ $= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 99 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 33$  2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 11	$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 11$	3	<p>M1 For at least 2 correct steps in repeated factorisation (may be seen in a tree diagram or ‘ladder’)</p> <p>A1 Condone inclusion of 1 (maybe a fully correct tree or factor ladder)</p> <p>A1 Or <math>2^3 \times 3^2 \times 11</math> NB: Candidates showing no working score 0 marks</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total 3 marks</b></p>

<p><b>16.</b></p>	<p>20 = 2, 2, 5                  140 = 2, 2, 5, 7                  420 = 2, 2, 3, 5, 7</p>	<p>60</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>M1 For identifying the prime factors for 2 of the 3 numbers 20,140,420 (can be implied by a factor tree, repeated division or Venn diagram) or</p> <p>For a complete Venn diagram for <math>x</math> and 140 with 20 in the intersection or</p> <p><math>x = 20 \times 3</math> or</p> <p><math>20 \times 7 \times y = 420</math> or <math>\frac{420}{20 \times 7}</math> or</p> <p>At least the 1<sup>st</sup> 3 multiples of 20 or</p> <p><math>140x = 420 \times 20</math> oe</p> <p>A1 Allow <math>2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 5</math></p>
				<p><b>Total 2 marks</b></p>