

SETTING UP ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS

1) A Toffo bar costs x pence. A Choco cost 4 pence more than a Toffo. How much do the following cost? (Simplify answers where possible.)

- (a) 5 Toffos (b) c Toffos (c) one Choco (d) 4 Chocos
- (e) 3 Toffos and 4 Chocos (f) one of each
- (g) I buy 2 Toffos. How much change do I get from 50 pence?
- (h) I buy 5 Toffos. How much change do I get from £1?
- (i) 6 Toffos cost more than 4 Chocos. How much more?
- (j) 7 Chocos cost more than 8 Toffos. How much more?

2) One teacup holds p ml of liquid. One coffee cup holds x ml more than a teacup. How much do the following hold? (Simplify answers where possible.)

- (a) 8 teacups (b) m teacups (c) one coffee cup (d) half a teacup
- (e) half a coffee cup (f) 4 teacups and 5 coffee cups
- (g) How much more will 8 teacups hold than 3 coffee cups?

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- (h) I fill 5 teacups from a full kettle. How much is left in the kettle?
- (i) I fill 3 of each type of cup from a full kettle. How much is left?
- (j) How many teacups can I fill from a full kettle?
- (k) How many coffee cups can I fill from a full kettle?

3) A certain even number is represented by the letter n . Write down:

- (a) the previous even number (b) the next 3 even numbers
- (c) the previous odd number (d) the next 3 odd numbers
- (e) the next 4 whole numbers (f) the number I get by doubling n and then adding 4.
- (g) the number I get by adding 4 to n and then doubling.

4) I can cycle at an average of x km per hour.

- (a) How far can I go in 3 hours? (b) How far can I go in y hours?
- (c) How long will it take me to go 60 km? (d) How long will it take me to go d km?

5) On my new bike I can go 6 km per hour faster than before. Repeat Q4 for my new bike.

6) Tom is x years old. How old is:

- (a) Sally, who is 5 years older than Tom? (b) Harry, who is twice Tom's age?
- (c) Alf, who is 3 years younger than Harry? (d) Bert, who is 3 times as old as Sally?

7) How old will all the people mentioned in question 6 be in 10 years time?

8) I bought c pens costing x pence each. How much change did I have from £ k ?

9) I can walk p km in t minutes.

- (a) How long does it take me to walk one km? (b) How long does it take me to walk x km?
- (c) How far can I walk in 1 minute? (d) How far can I walk in 1 hour?

10) I can cycle at x km per hour and walk at y km per hour.

- (a) How far will I travel if I cycle for a hours and then walk for b hours?
- (b) How long will it take me to cycle 30km and then walk a further 10km?
- (c) How far can I cycle in t minutes?

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