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Maths Assessment Year 6: Algebra

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3. Express missing number problems algebraically.
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1. Use simple formulae.

a) Calculate the value of the letter in each equation:

$3a = 12$	$a =$
$30 = 5b$	$b =$
$8c = 72$	$c =$
$48 = 12d$	$d =$

b) Calculate the value of the letter in each equation:

$20 = 4h + 4$	$h =$
$3i + 5 = 11$	$i =$
$14 = 6j - 4$	$j =$
$2k - 5 = 5$	$k =$

c) In these equations, a is worth 7. Calculate the value of each shape:

$\triangle = 3a$	$\triangle =$
$4 + a = \text{pentagon}$	$\text{pentagon} =$
$\diamond = 10 - a$	$\diamond =$
$a + a = \square$	$\square =$

2. Generate and describe linear number sequences.

a) Fill in the first two terms in this sequence:

..... 55 63 71

b) 8 is the first term in this sequence. What is the 7th term?

8 11 14 17

4 marks

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c) Find the missing numbers in this sequence:

22 70

d) The formula $5n + 1$ can be used to calculate the value of the terms in this sequence:

6 11 16 21 26

Fill in the missing information in this table:

term	calculation	value
1st	$5 \times 1 + 1$	6
5th		
10th		51
20th	$5 \times 20 + 1$	

e) 3 7 11 15 19

11 is the third term in this sequence. Circle the formula that could be used to calculate this term:

$3 \times 4 - 1$	$3 \times 5 - 1$	$3 \times 4 + 1$
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f) 12 22 32 42 52

12 is the first term in this sequence. Calculate the 9th term, showing the formula you would use:

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3. Express missing number problems algebraically.

a) A plumber charges £16 for each job that he attends, and then £9 per hour for every hour that he works. Circle the formula that could be used to calculate how much the plumber would charge for a job:

h stands for the number of hours worked

$9h - 16$	$16h + 9$	$9h + 16$
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b) Emily and Becky are sisters. This formula can be used to calculate Becky's age, compared to Emily's age:

$$e + 4 = b$$

e stands for Emily's age.

b stands for Becky's age.

When Emily is 11, how old will Becky be?

When Becky is 17, how old will Emily be?



2 marks

c) A gardener calculates the perimeter of a garden to work out how much fencing is needed. She uses this formula:

$$l + w + l + w$$

l stands for the length of the garden.

w stands for the width of the garden.

Simplify this formula:

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1 mark

d) A builder needs to calculate the area of a bathroom floor, to work out how much it will cost to tile it. Tiles cost £5 per square metre, plus £10 for delivery. He uses this formula:

$$5a + 10$$

a stands for area of the floor (in square metres).

Calculate the cost of tiling a floor, where the area is 10 square metres:

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1 mark

Calculate the area of a floor, where the cost of tiles including delivery is £110:

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2 marks

e) A painter and decorator charges £8 for every hour that she works, and she is currently offering a discount of £5 on each job.

Write the formula she could use to calculate how much money to charge her customers.

Use h to represent the number of hours.

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1 mark



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4. Find pairs of numbers that satisfy an equation with two unknowns.

a) Find 3 different possible pairs of values for a and b in this equation:

$$ab = 18$$

(a and b are whole numbers.)

Value of a	Value of b

1 mark

b) Find 3 different possible pairs of values for a and b in this equation:

$$19 = ab + 7$$

(a and b are whole numbers.)

Value of a	Value of b

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c) Calculate the value of each letter:

$ef = 21$	$e + f = 10$	$e < f$	$e = \dots\dots\dots$	$f = \dots\dots\dots$
$g - h = 3$	$g + h = 9$		$g = \dots\dots\dots$	$h = \dots\dots\dots$
$i \div j = 4$	$ij = 16$	$i > j$	$i = \dots\dots\dots$	$j = \dots\dots\dots$

3 marks

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5. Enumerate possibilities of combinations of two variables.

a) In this equation, a and b are different whole numbers which are both less than 11.

$$2a = b$$

Write the calculations that would show all the possible values of a and b:

b) Use this equation to fill in the missing information in the table below:

$$7a + 4 = b$$

Value of a	Value of b
2	
	11
4	
	25



1 mark



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