

Forming & Solving Equations (H & F)

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1. The diagram shows a square.
 All the lengths are measured in centimetres.
 Diagram not drawn to scale
 Use an algebraic method to find the length of one side of the square.

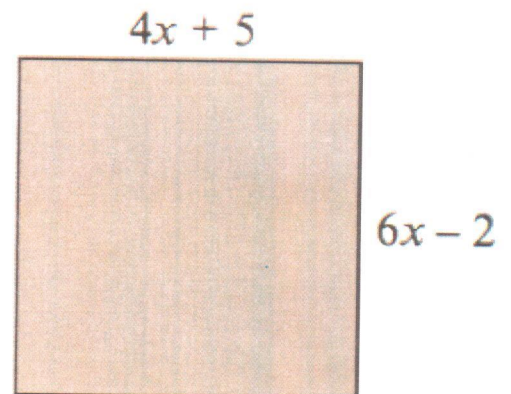


Diagram not drawn to scale

$$4x + 5 = 6x - 2$$

$$5 = 2x - 2$$

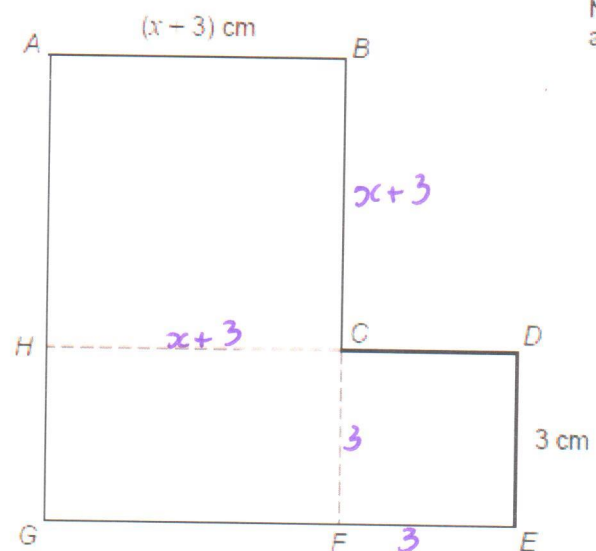
$$7 = 2x$$

$$x = 3.5$$

$$4 \times 3.5 + 5 = \underline{\underline{19\text{cm}}}$$

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2. ABCH is a square.
 HCFG is a rectangle.
 CDEF is a square.
 They are joined to make an L-shape.
 Show that the total area of the L-shape, in cm^2 , is $x^2 + 9x + 27$



Not drawn accurately

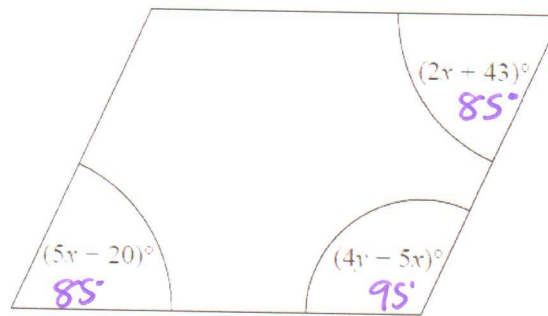
$$(x + 3)^2 + 3(x + 3) + 3^2$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9 + 3x + 9 + 9$$

$$= x^2 + 9x + 27$$

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3. Here is a parallelogram.



$$360 - 85 - 85 = 190$$

$$\frac{190}{2} = 95$$

Work out the value of x and the value of y .

$$5x - 20 = 2x + 43$$

$$3x = 63$$

$$\underline{x = 21}$$

$$5x - 20$$

$$\therefore = \underline{85^\circ}$$

$$4y - 5x = 95$$

$$4y - 5 \times 21 = 95$$

$$4y - 105 = 95$$

$$4y = 200$$

$$\underline{y = 50^\circ}$$

$$x = \underline{21^\circ}$$

$$y = \underline{50^\circ}$$

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4. Kieran, Jermaine and Chris play football.

- Kieran has scored 8 more goals than Chris.
- Jermaine has scored 5 more goals than Kieran.
- Altogether they have scored 72 goals.

How many goals did they each score?

$$K = C + 8 \quad \therefore C = \cancel{8} + K - 8$$

$$J = K + 5$$

$$K + J + C = 72$$

$$K + K + 5 + K - 8 = 72$$

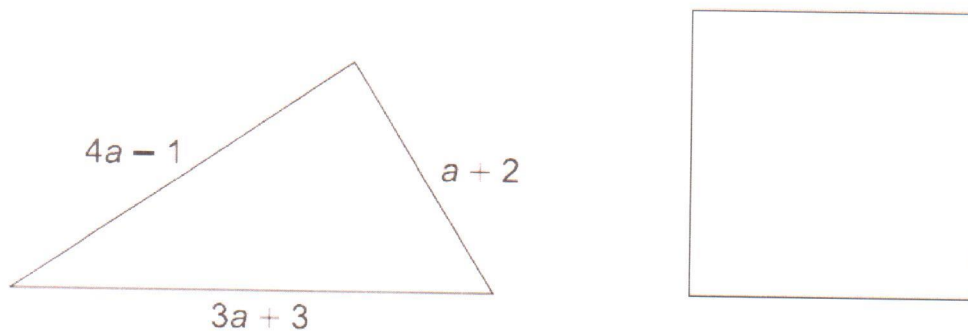
$$3K = 75$$

$$K = 25$$

Kieran	25
Jermaine	30
Chris	17

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5. The perimeter of the triangle is the same length as the perimeter of the square.



Find an expression for the length of one side of the square in terms of a .

Give your answer in its simplest form.

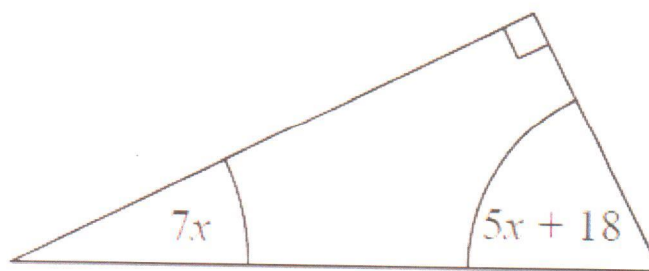
$$4a - 1 + a + 2 + 3a + 3$$

$$8a + 4$$

$$\div 4 \quad \frac{8a + 4}{4} = \underline{\underline{2a + 1}}$$

..... $2a + 1$ [4]

6. The diagram shows a right-angled triangle.



All the angles are in degrees.

Work out the size of the smallest angle of the triangle.

$$7x + 5x + 18 = 90$$

$$12x = 72$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 6}}$$

$$7 \times 6 = 42$$

$$5 \times 6 + 18 = 48$$

\therefore smallest angle is 42 $^\circ$

7. This is a square.

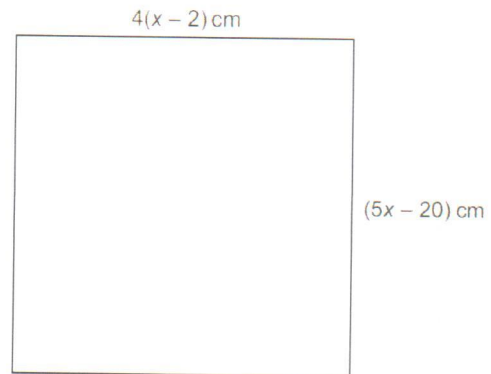
Work out the length of the side of the square.

$$4x - 8 = 5x - 20$$

$$-8 = x - 20$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 12}}$$

$$4 \times 10 = 40$$

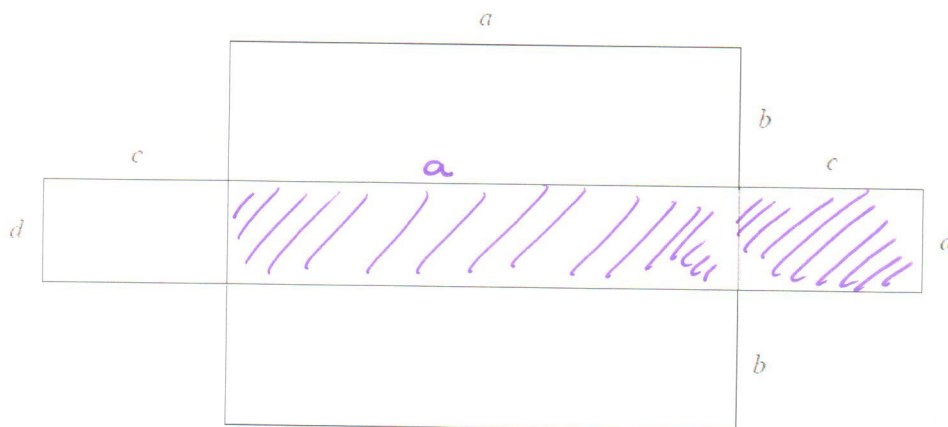


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8. A shape is made from rectangles.

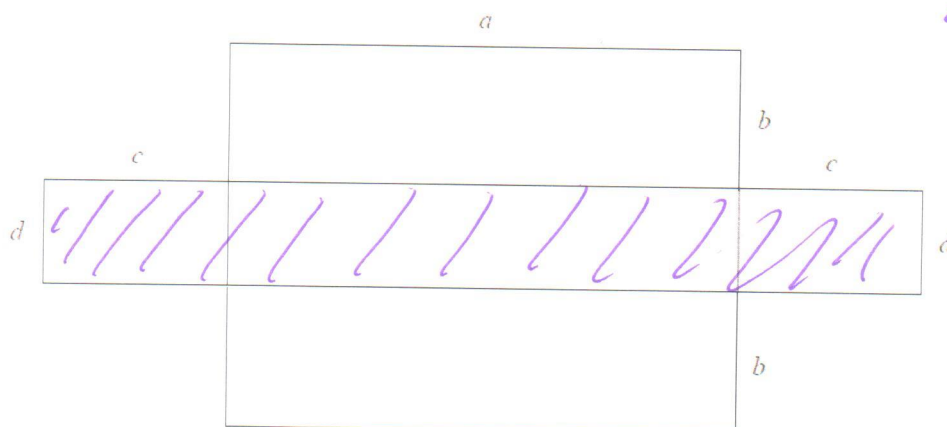
a) On the diagram below shade an area represented by the expression $ad + cd$



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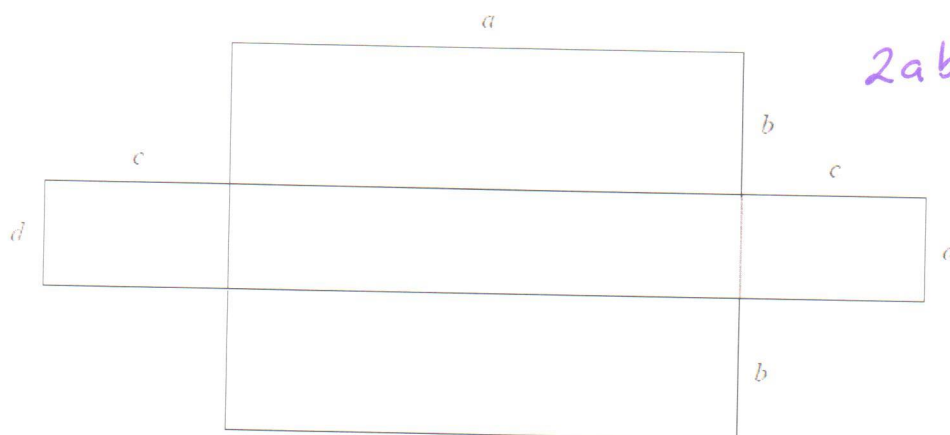
b) On the diagram below shade the area represented by the expression $d(a + 2c)$

$$ad + 2cd$$



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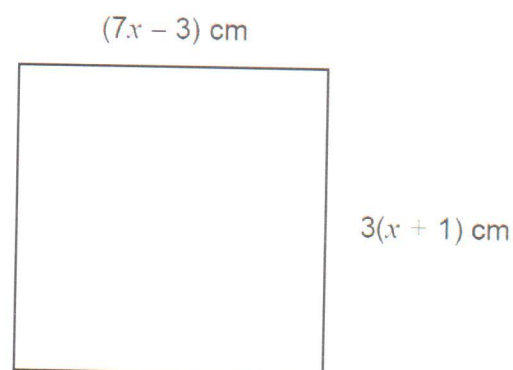
c) Write down an expression for the area of the whole shape.



$$2ab + d(a + 2c)$$

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9 The diagram shows a square.



Work out the length of one side of the square.

$$7x - 3 = 3(x + 1)$$

$$7x - 3 = 3x + 3$$

$$4x = 6$$

$$x = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$7x - 3$$

$$7\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - 3 = \underline{\underline{7.5 \text{ cm}}}$$

[4]