

Example 1 - Simple Ratio

Jack and Kevin share 28 sweets in the ratio 4:3 respectively. How many sweets does each boy receive?

$$\text{Total sweets} = 28$$

$$\text{Total shares } 4 + 3 = 7 \text{ shares}$$

$$\text{So } 7 \text{ shares} = 28 \text{ sweets}$$

$$1 \text{ share} = \frac{28}{7} = 4 \text{ sweets}$$

$$\text{Jack receives } 4 \times 4 = 16 \text{ sweets}$$

$$\text{Kevin receives } 3 \times 4 = 12 \text{ sweets}$$


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Example 2 - Simple Ratio

Alan, Bill and Colin share £20 in the ratio 5:3:2 respectively. How much does each boy receive?

$$£20 \text{ represents } 5 + 3 + 2 = 10 \text{ shares}$$

$$1 \text{ share} = \frac{£20}{10} = £2$$

$$\text{Alan receives } 5 \times £2 = £10$$

$$\text{Bill receives } 3 \times £2 = £6$$

$$\text{Colin receives } 2 \times £2 = £4$$


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Example 3 - Simple Ratio

Brass is made from Copper and Zinc in the ratio 5:3.  
How much Brass could be made using 40g of Copper,  
and how much Zinc would be needed?

Copper 40g represents 5 parts

$$\text{so } 1 \text{ part} = \frac{40\text{g}}{5} = 8\text{g}$$

Brass = 5 + 3 = 8 parts

$$8 \text{ parts} = 8 \times 8\text{g} = 64\text{g}$$

So 64g of Brass

Zinc = 3 parts

$$3 \text{ parts} = 3 \times 8\text{g} = 24\text{g}$$

So 24g of Zinc required

Example 4 - Simple Ratio

The ratio of males to females in a gym membership  
is 7:4. If there are 32 female members, how many  
male members are there?

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32 females represents 4 parts

$$1 \text{ part} = \frac{32}{4} = 8 \text{ people}$$

Males are 7 parts =  $7 \times 8 = 56$  people

So 56 male members

Example 5 - Recipes

Fruit pie ingredients for 4 people are as follows:

80 g plain flour

60 g ground almonds

90 g soft brown sugar

60 g butter

4 ripe pears

What ingredients are required for 6 people?

For 1 person need to  $\div 4$

Then for 6 people need to  $\times 6$

so  $\times \frac{6}{4}$  which cancels to  $\times \frac{3}{2}$

$$80 \div 2 = 40 \quad 40 \times 3 = 120 \text{ g of plain flour}$$

$$60 \div 2 = 30 \quad 30 \times 3 = 90 \text{ g of ground almonds}$$

$$90 \div 2 = 45 \quad 45 \times 3 = 135 \text{ g of soft brown sugar}$$

$$60 \div 2 = 30 \quad 30 \times 3 = 90 \text{ g of butter}$$

$$4 \div 2 = 2 \quad 2 \times 3 = 6 \text{ ripe pears}$$


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Alternatively, we could take the view that 6 people is one and a half lots of 4 people and just add half of each quantity to the original amount of that quantity to find the required ingredients.

So

80 g flour	$80 + 40 =$	120 g flour
60 g ground almonds	$60 + 30 =$	90 g almonds
90 g soft brown sugar	$90 + 45 =$	135 g sugar
60 g butter	$60 + 30 =$	90 g butter
4 ripe pears	$4 + 2 =$	6 ripe pears

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### Example 6 - Recipes

Chocolate Chip Cookies - Ingredients for 10 cookies:

100 g of flour

60 g of sugar

50 g of margarine

40 g of chocolate chips

2 eggs

What ingredients are required for 25 cookies?

for 1 cookie we need to  $\div 10$

then for 25 cookies we need to  $\times 25$

so  $\times \frac{25}{10}$  which cancels to  $\times \frac{5}{2}$

$$100 \div 2 = 50 \quad 50 \times 5 = 250 \text{g of flour}$$

$$60 \div 2 = 30 \quad 30 \times 5 = 150 \text{g of sugar}$$

$$50 \div 2 = 25 \quad 25 \times 5 = 125 \text{g of margarine}$$

$$40 \div 2 = 20 \quad 20 \times 5 = 100 \text{g of chocolate chips}$$

$$2 \div 2 = 1 \quad 1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ eggs}$$

Alternatively, we could consider that 25 is two and a half lots of 10.

We could then find the ingredients by doubling each quantity and adding half the original amount to it.

$$100 \text{g flour} \rightarrow 200 + 50 = 250 \text{g flour}$$

$$60 \text{g sugar} \rightarrow 120 + 30 = 150 \text{g sugar}$$

$$50 \text{g margarine} \rightarrow 100 + 25 = 125 \text{g margarine}$$

$$40 \text{g choc chips} \rightarrow 80 + 20 = 100 \text{g choc chips}$$

$$2 \text{ eggs} \rightarrow 4 + 1 = 5 \text{ eggs}$$

Both methods should give the same answers