## WORK SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

The 2012 portfolios are a resource to support teachers in planning and implementation of the Foundation to Year 10 Australian Curriculum in the learning area. Each portfolio comprises a collection of student work illustrating evidence of student learning in relation to the achievement standard. At every year level there are three portfolios illustrating satisfactory, above satisfactory and below satisfactory achievement in relation to the standard.

Each portfolio comprises a collection of different student work selected by state and territory nominees, and annotated and reviewed by classroom teachers and other curriculum experts. Each work sample in the portfolio varies in terms of how much time was available to complete the task and/or the degree of scaffolding provided by the teacher.

There is no pre-determined number of student work samples in a portfolio nor are they sequenced in any particular order. Together as a portfolio, the samples provide evidence of all aspects of the achievement standard unless otherwise specified.

As the Australian Curriculum is progressively implemented in schools, the portfolios will continue to be reviewed and enhanced in relation to their comprehensiveness in coverage of the achievement standard and their representation of the diversity of student work that can be used to highlight evidence of student learning.

## THIS PORTFOLIO - Year 6 Mathematics

This portfolio comprises a number of work samples drawn from a range of assessment tasks, namely:
Sample 1 Number - Power
Sample 2 Number - How tall
Sample 3 Number - Abstract design
Sample 4 Number - My number line
Sample 5 Number - Fifth term
Sample 6 Geometry - Area
Sample 7 Number - Calculations
Sample 8 Geometry - 3D structure
Sample 9 Number - Percentages
Sample10 Geometry - Sam's square
Sample 11 Probability / Statistics - Spinner mania
This portfolio of student work demonstrates multiplying and dividing decimals by the power of 10 (WS1) and solving problems involving length and area using decimals (WS 2, WS 6). The student represents the same number as a fraction, decimal and percentage and locates fractions, decimals and percentages on number lines, calculates a fraction of a quantity and describes the use of fractions in everyday life (WS 3, WS 4). The student creates a sequence using whole numbers and fractions and explains the rule (WS 5), they calculate number sentences using whole numbers and decimals using all four operations involving brackets and order of operations (WS 7). The student draws nets and constructs a prism and a pyramid (WS 8) and plots squares on a Cartesian plane (WS10). The student uses reasoning to report probability using fractions, percentages and decimals (WS11) and explains and calculates percentages of sale items (WS9).

## Mathematics

The annotated samples in this portfolio provide evidence of most (but not necessarily all) aspects of the achievement standard. The following aspects of the achievement standard are not evident in this portfolio:

- recognise the properties of prime, composite, square and triangular numbers
- make connections between capacity and volume
- interpret timetables
- describe combinations of transformations
- solve problems using the properties of angles
- evaluate secondary data displayed in the media.


## Number - Power

## Relevant parts of the achievement standard

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## Summary of task

Students had completed a unit of work on number involving multiplying decimals by multiples of powers of ten. Students were given an open ended task to relate their reasoning skills to answer the posed problem. Students were given one class lesson to complete the task.

## Number - Power

## Year 6 Mathematics Task 2

## Number and Algebra

Sam says that when you multiply $7.32 \times 100$, the answer is 73200 because you add 2 zeros.

Will says that can't be right and that the answer is 732 because the decimal place moves.

Is anybody correct?
yes


- How do you know who is right?

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { I know Will is correct because I know } \\
& \text { you move the decimal place and the O's are } \\
& \text { place keepers. }
\end{aligned}
$$

- Can you try and multiply other decimals by 10, 100 and 1000 and find a pattern with the answers?

- What is the rule for multiplying decimals by powers of 10?
for each 0 in the number move the decimal point
One place to the right if there is no decimal point in the
number add one $O$ instead.
- Why does this rule work?
this works because ever. time you times a number by 10
the digets move one place 10 the left in place
value we use collems to demenstate this. pale


## Annotations

Demonstrates an understanding that more information is required to calculate the answer.

Demonstrates an understanding of place value when multiplying decimals by a power of 10.

Explains in detail how to multiply multiples of powers of 10 .

Justifies the rule for multiplying by powers of 10 .

## Number - Power

## - Can you prove that the rule works for any decimals?



- What do you think might happen when you divide decimals by powers of 10?

- Is there a rule for dividing decimals by powers of 10?



## - Can you prove that your rule works for any decimals?



## - How can you check if you are right?



## Annotations

Demonstrates a thorough understanding of multiplying decimals by powers of 10 by applying it to division.

Understands the use of technology to check calculations.

## Number - How tall

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## Summary of task

Students had completed a unit of work on decimals and their connection to the metric system. They had solved problems involving length and area using decimals. Students were asked to use their reasoning skills combined with their mathematical knowledge to solve several problems. They were given one lesson to complete the task as an assessment at the end if the unit.

## Number - How tall

## Year 6 Mathematics Task 3

## Measurement and Geometry

## Task 3 (a)

Rachel is taller than $\mathbf{1 4 0} \mathbf{c m}$ and shorter than 150 cm .

## Daniel is $\mathbf{2 2} \mathbf{~ c m ~ t a l l e r ~ t h a n ~ R a c h e l . ~}$

## Adam is $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cm shorter than Daniel.

## How tall could each of the three friends be in metres?

R 140-150


- Are there any other possibilities?



## Annotations

Calculates answer based on given information.

Calculates height in metres after considering given information.

Calculates all possibilities by demonstrating the rule.

## Mathematics

## Number - How tall

## Task 3(b)

The area of a rectangle is $30.75 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$.
What could the side lengths be?

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10.25\times3
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- Are there any other possibilities?

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\begin{aligned}
& 30.75 \times 1 \\
& 15.375 \times 2 \\
& 6.15 \times 5
\end{aligned}
$$

- How do you know you are right?




## Annotations

Calculates four sets of possible
dimensions of a rectangle from a given answer.

Demonstrates an application of a mathematical strategy to solve a problem.

## Number - Abstract design

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## Summary of task

Students had completed a unit of work on equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages. Students were asked to create an abstract design, dividing it into percentage parts and demonstrating a connection with fractions and decimals. Questions were written for the students to help them direct their mathematical thinking.

## Number - Abstract design

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 50 \%=3 \times 16 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}=48 \mathrm{~cm}^{2} \\
& 25 \%=274 \frac{\mathrm{~cm}^{2}}{48 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}}=24 \mathrm{~cm}^{2} \\
& 24 \mathrm{~cm}^{2} \div 3=8 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}=1 / 3 \text { of } 25 \%=1 / 2 \\
& 96 \mathrm{~cm}^{2} \div 10=9.6 \mathrm{~cm}^{2} \mathrm{r} 14.4 \\
& 24 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}-9.6=14.4 \\
& 14.4 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}=15 \%
\end{aligned}
$$

## Annotations

Calculates the surface area of a cube.

Uses calculations to accurately divide a net into percentages.

Calculates the area of each percentage in a net.

Uses appropriate units to make calculations.

Uses equations to justify and solve problems.

## Number - My number line

## Relevant parts of the achievement standard

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## Summary of task

Students completed a unit of work on fractions, decimals, percentages and their connection and positive and negative numbers in every day contexts.

Students were given two tasks at the culmination of the unit to assess their understanding. The students were also asked to reflect on fractions and to explain how to calculate a fraction of a quantity.

## Number - My number line

$\frac{1200}{25}$

Select 2 fractions with different denominators and a numerator which is greater than 1.
(Eg. $2 / 3$ and $4 / 5$ )
Which is larger?

How can you prove you are right?
Can you rename any of your fractions as decimals and/or percentages?
Repeat a number of times.
Can you order all of your fractions, decimals and percentages on a number line?


Eight sixteenths is larger. I know
this because when I simplify
both fractions they are One Third both fractions they are One
is larger than One Third so and One Half, One Half is larger than
there for Eight Sixteenths is the answer.

Seventeen over Twenty Three is bigger because the percentage was larger

$$
\frac{12}{25} \text { or } 48 \% \text { or } 0.48 \quad \frac{17}{23} \text { or } 73.9 \%
$$

## Annotations

Compares fractions with unrelated denominators by simplifying.

Explains how simplifying can be used in comparing fractions using mathematical language.

Represents fractions as a percentage and decimal.

## Number - My number line

Select 3 positive integers and 3 negative integers and place them all on a number line.
Can you use <, > and = to create some true sentences using some of your integers?
(Eg. $3>-2$ )
How do you know where to place your numbers on the number line?
Why does $O$ hold a place on a number line?
When do we use negative integers in real life? Can you describe what some of these mean?

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
2,4,8 & -9,-6,-7 \\
-9<2 & 8>-6
\end{array} \quad 0>-1-10>100
$$

L knew where to place my numbers on my number tine pecaarse ? found the middle of my number tine and put 0 down and then wrote positive numbers up to th right and negtifive numbers backwards to the left. This is how 2 denth where 70 put my numbers on the number tine. The 0 holds a place on the number tine because if seperates the positive and the negitive numbers because it is right the the middle of the two.

We use negitive numbers integers in real life when we are mable say using the bonk if you are - $\$ 83$ you owe money to the bank. You could the referring fol the temperture

## Annotations

Identifies positive and negative integers.
Identifies positive integers being bigger than negative integers.

Records number sentences using mathematical symbols with positive and negative integers.

Explains the place of 0 in a number line with positive and negative integers.

Describes everyday contexts where negative numbers are used.

Number - My number line


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## Number - Fifth term

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## Summary of task

Throughout the term students had completed several units of work, one on the addition and subtraction of fractions with different denominators and another on creating and identifying patterns in number sequences. Students were given the following question as an assessment of concepts at the end of both units of work.

Kate created a subtraction pattern using fractions with different denominators.
If the fifth term in Kate's pattern was 1, what could her pattern look like?
The teacher asked the following questions to guide students through their thinking and working -
What is the rule for your pattern? How did you work it out? What other patterns can you create where 1 is the fifth term? Can you convert any of your fractions to decimals?

## Number - Fifth term


$14 / 3-12 / 3=34 / 3$

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23 / 5 \cdot 69=3
$$

$$
3-1 / 2 / 2=2 \mid k
$$

$$
42 / 2 / 5-h_{h}=12 / 3
$$

$$
51 / 3 \cdot 1 / 2 / 8=1
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$$
1-y_{6}=16
$$

$$
k_{s}-6 \sigma_{4}=-035
$$

$$
0335-16=0.997
$$

$$
0.07-16 y_{2}=-1 \mid 65
$$

$$
-166.99=233
$$

## Annotations

Creates a more complex subtraction pattern using two equivalent fractions.

Explains strategies used to calculate solutions to the problem.

Justifies the use of decimals when calculating.

Demonstrates an understanding of negative numbers.

## Geometry - Area

## Relevant parts of the achievement standard

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## Summary of task

Students had completed a unit of work on area of rectangles and compound shapes. The task was a mini assessment to guide next phase of teaching for the students for the unit of work. The students were required to calculate the area of rectangles and explain their thinking when calculating the area of a compound shape. The students were asked to complete the task in 20 minutes.

## Geometry - Area

3. Calculate the area of the following shapes.


Explain how you solved the problem above.
firstly I made the compound shape into a savare and a rectangle. Secondly $1 x$ the length by the width $6 \times 4=24$. Thirdly 1 did $3 \times 3=91$ knew the width was 3 because a savares sides are all the same. |astly ladder mu answers together $24+9=33$ and 33 would be the area.

## Annotations

Calculates area of simple shapes.

Demonstrates understanding of calculating area of compound shapes.

Explains process in calculating the area of a compound shape.

## Number - Calculations

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## Summary of task

Students had completed several units of work involving problem solving of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of whole numbers and decimals. Students on this occasion where given a formal pen and paper test that covered many of the concepts in the unit. They were required to estimate answers and demonstrate their thinking, using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division in single and multi-step problems.

## Number - Calculations

Solve these problems.

## Addition

a. '4 7. 2
+26.07
+73.27
b. $\quad 14{ }^{\prime} 5.178$
73.27

| +3.6 .55 |
| ---: |
| 82.33 |

Subtraction
a. $\quad 4^{\prime} 2.5$

b. $\quad 8 \frac{5}{5} \cdot 1_{2}$
$\begin{array}{r}-34.6 \\ \hline 51.6\end{array}$

Multiplication
a. $\quad \begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3.7\end{aligned}$
b. $2^{2} 2^{3} 4.5$

| $\times \quad 4$ |
| :--- |
| $4 \quad 8$ |

$x$
147
14.8
147.0

Division

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { n } & \frac{10.7}{8} \lcm{8.5} \\
\text { a. } & \text { b. } 5 \longdiv { 4 7 . { } ^ { 2 } 0 }
\end{array}
$$

Multiply these decimals by $\mathbf{1 0 , 1 0 0}$ and $\mathbf{1 0 0 0}$. Estimate first.

| 0.5 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 5 | 50 | 500 |  |
| 0.25 | 2.5 | 25 | 250 |  |
| 0.37 | 3.7 | 37 | 370 |  |
| 1.2 | 12 | 120 | 1200 |  |
| 7.34 | 73.4 | 734 | 7340 |  |

Divide these numbers by $\mathbf{1 0}, 100$ and $\mathbf{1 0 0 0}$. Estimate first.

|  | $1$ | Wox |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 50 | 5 | 0.5 | 0.05 |
| 25 | 2.5 | 0.25 | 2.025 |
| 37.2 | 3.72 | 0.372 | 0.0372 |
| 48.5 | 4.85 | 0.485 | 0.0485 |
| 542 | 54.2 | 5.42 | 0. 542 |

## Annotations

Uses knowledge of power of 10 to multiply and divide decimals.

Calculates division problems of decimals using whole numbers.

Calculates multiplication problems of decimals with whole numbers.

Calculates addition and subtraction problems with decimals.

## Number - Calculations

For the following operations you are required to complete three steps.

1. Estimate an answer and explain how you arrived at your estimate.
2. Calculate an answer.
3. Comment on whether your answer appears reasonable.


Is your answer reasonable? Explain

Subtraction
b. What is the difference between 3.4 and 7.171 ?

$$
\begin{array}{r}
6 \\
7.171 \\
-3.400 \\
\hline 3.771
\end{array}
$$


Is your answer reasonable? Explain.


## Annotations

Provides estimations when calculating with decimals.

Describes strategies used in estimating the calculation of decimals.

Calculates the addition of numerous decimals.

Compares estimations and calculated answers to check reasonableness of answers.

Uses a range of strategies suitable to the operation to estimate calculation of decimals.

## Number - Calculations



## Annotations

Divides a four digit number by a single digit number.

Justifies estimation by explaining appropriate mathematical thinking.

Multiplys decimals by a single digit.

Estimates and explains mathematical thinking.

## Number - Calculations

You and your friends are going to the movies and it's your shout. Look at the price list below and use a multiplication strategy of your choice to answer the following questions. Show your thinking:
a How much will it cost you for 4 "Under 13 " tickets?
$(10 \times 4=40)+(.50 \times 4)=42$

b Two of your friends each want a large drink and a medium popcorn. What will that cost you?

$$
3.50 \times 4=14.00
$$


c You and your other friend want a choc top and a large drink each. What will that cost?

d Halfway through the movie, you are all dying of thirst and you go out and buy 4 bottles of water. You pay for them with a $\$ 20$ note. How much change do you receive?


## Annotations

Records calculations.
Solves everyday multiplication problems involving decimals.

Records number sentences using brackets and calculates answer using order of operations.

Solves problems requiring multiple steps and operations.

## Geometry - 3D structure

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## Summary of task

Students had completed a unit of work on shape that involved constructing nets, three-dimensional shapes and identifying two-dimensional shapes within a three-dimensional shape. The task was given to the students a week after they had finished the unit of work to assess their knowledge of three-dimensional shapes. Students were asked to construct the net of a prism and a pyramid and create the object using straws. This task took several class lessons to complete.

## Mathematics

## Geometry - 3D structure



## Annotations

Identifies the three-dimensional shapes required in plan.
Constructs a complex three-dimensional shape using a prism and pyramids.

Designs a plan to construct a three-dimensional object

Accurately measures length of straws.

Identifies uses for the three-dimensional object.

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## Number - Percentages

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## Summary of task

Students had completed several units of work on fractions, decimals and percentages. One component was to calculate percentages of whole numbers, typically using shopping items on sale. Students were given the task to complete during a class lesson.

## Number - Percentages

6. Explain how you would calculate $20 \%$ of 250 .

| IMethod | $20=\frac{1}{5}$ | $250-50$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | $2 \sigma=\frac{2}{10}$ | $250 \div 10 * 2=50$ |
| 3 | $20=\frac{20}{100}$ | $250-100 \times 20=50$ |

$\qquad$
7. Calculate the discounted prices for these items.

$\$ 270$ $\qquad$ $\$ 30$
$\$ 40$ $\$ 30$ $4 \frac{30}{1120}$

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30 \times 3=90
$$

$$
120-90=30
$$

## Annotations

Explains how to calculate a common percentage of a quantity by creating three examples.

Calculates the amount of sale discount using common percentages.

Shows mathematical working to calculate the new price of an item with the percentage discount.

## Geometry - Sam's square

## Relevant parts of the achievement standard


#### Abstract

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## Summary of task

Students had completed a unit of work on integers and coordinates. At the end of the unit they were given the task to complete during one class lesson.

Teacher questioning with task:
Are there other possibilities?
Is there a pattern in your answers?
How will you record your responses?
What if he created other types of quadrilaterals? What would the coordinates be?

## Geometry - Sam's square

Sam plotted one point in each quadrant of a Cartesian plane. When he drew lines joining the points, they formed a square. What could the coordinates be?

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { the coordinates be? } \\
& \text { The firgt square is }(1,1)(1,-1)(-1,1)(-1,-1) \text { then yow can } \\
& \text { relate square number thinking, so there is a pattern } \\
& \text { you increase the number by one on each ascis and the } \\
& \text { coordinates all have to be the same. } \\
& \text { other quadraterals can be plotted myo redangle is }(3,1)(3,-1)(-3,1) \\
& (-3,-1) \text {. }
\end{aligned}
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## Annotations

Calculates the coordinates for a square on the Cartesian plane.

Relates mathematical knowledge to explain the pattern.

Plots a rectangle on a Cartesian plane.

Plots squares on a Cartesian plane.

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Students had completed lessons on relating probability to fractions, decimals and percentages so they could predict a mathematical chance of an event occurring.

Students had to create a spinner with colours that would give an unfair chance of colours occurring when spun. They had to calculate the mathematical chance of colours being spun and then spin the spinner a number of times and record the actual times colours were spun. Students were asked to graph the expected and actual results and then compare and explain the results.

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## Annotations

Describes probability using percentages.

Connects percentages, fractions and decimals.

Calculates a percentage and decimal from the results of a chance event.

Uses tally marks to record results of chance event.

Explains the results of compared expected frequencies with observed frequencies.

Draws a graph to show comparison of percentage results.

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## Annotations

