## Mathematics: Algebra Grade Ladder

| Year 7 | Year 8 | Year 9 | IGCSE: Year 10 and 11 |
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|  |  | 9A* | 9A*/8A* |
|  |  | - Use rules of indices for negative and fractional values to simplify expressions. <br> - Find formulae that approximately connect data. <br> - Solve simultaneous equations in two variables graphically where one equation is linear and the other is quadratic. <br> - Solve problems using intersections and gradients of graphs | - Expand expressions with three brackets and manipulate algebraic fractions. <br> - Find the nth term of geometric sequences. <br> - Use differentiation to find minima and maxima in simple situations. <br> - Find composite and inverse functions. |
|  | 9A* | 8A* | 8A/7A |
|  | - Formulate and solve linear equations. <br> - Use algebraic methods to solve simultaneous equations in two variables. <br> - Change the subject of a formulae where the subject appears in one term only. <br> - Work with algebraic expressions and use the rules of indices for integer values. <br> - Remove and insert brackets | - Formulate, use and solve linear equations. <br> - Use algebraic methods to solve simultaneous equations in two variables. <br> - Change the subject of a formula where the subject appears in one term only. <br> - Use the rules of indices for integral values. <br> - Remove and insert brackets when working with algebraic | - Uuse rules of indices for negative and fractional values. <br> - Find formulae that approximately connect data and express general laws in symbolic form. <br> - Solve simultaneous equations in two variables graphically where one equation is linear and the other is quadratic. <br> - Solve problems using intersections and gradients of |


|  | when working with algebraic expressions, formulae and equations. <br> - Find the nth term in a sequence when the rule is quadratic. <br> - Sketch and interpret graphs of functions, including functions that model real situations. | expressions, formulae and equations. <br> - Find the nth term rule in a sequence where the rule is quadratic. <br> - Sketch and interpret graphs of functions, including functions that model real situations. | graphs. <br> - Find the nth term of quadratic sequences. <br> - Use function notation. |
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| 9A* | 8A* | 8A/7A | 6B/5B |
| - Solve linear equations with whole number coefficients algebraically and graphically. <br> - Solve simple inequalities and represent the solution using a number line such as $-2 \leq x<3$. <br> - Remove brackets from and simplify when working with simple algebraic expressions, equations and formulae. <br> - Use 'trial and improvement' methods to solve simple polynomial equations. | - Solve linear equations with whole number coefficients algebraically and graphically. <br> - Express a function symbolically. <br> - Use graphical methods to solve simultaneous equations in two unknowns. <br> - Solve linear inequalities and represent the solution using a number line. <br> - Remove brackets when working with simple algebraic expressions, equations and formulae. <br> - Use 'trial and improvement' methods to solve simple polynomial equations. | - Solve linear equations with whole number coefficients algebraically and graphically. <br> - Use graphical methods to solve simultaneous equations in two unknowns. <br> - Solve simple inequalities and represent the solution using a number line. <br> - Remove brackets when working with simple algebraic expressions, equations and formulae. <br> - Use 'trial and improvement' methods to solve simple polynomial equations. | - Formulate, use and solve linear equations. <br> - Solve simultaneous equations in two variables. <br> - Change the subject of a formulae where the subject appears in one term only. <br> - Use the rules of indices for integer values. <br> - Remove and insert brackets when working with algebraic expressions, formulae and equations. <br> - Find the nth term of a linear sequence involving fractions. <br> - Sketch and interpret graphs of functions, including functions that model real situations. |
| 8A* | 8A/7A | 6B/5B | 5C/4C |
| - Find the nth term of a sequence | - Find the nth term of a sequence | - Find the nth term of a sequence | - Solve linear equations with |

where the rule is linear.

- Use index notation to express powers of whole numbers and understand and use the term square root.
- Interpret graphs from real situations.
- Use basic conventions, simplification and substitution with expressions, formulae and linear equations.
- Construct and use simple formulae and formulate and solve linear equations expressed in symbolic form with whole number coefficients.
where the rule is linear.
- Use index notation to express powers of whole numbers and evaluate square roots
- Represent and use simple functions and interpret graphs from real situations.
- Use basic conventions, simplification and substitution with expressions, formulae and linear equations.
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- Construct and use simple formulae and solve linear equations with whole number coefficients.
whole number coefficients algebraically and graphically.
- Express a function symbolically.
- Use graphical methods to solve simultaneous equations in two unknowns.
- Solve simple inequalities and represent the solution using a number line.
- Remove brackets when working with simple algebraic expressions, equations and formulae.
- Find the gradient and y-intercept of lines.
- Use terms such as square, cube and prime.
- Use a letter to stand for an unknown number.
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- Follow sets of instructions to generate a sequence and determine possible rules for generating sequences.
- Find the nth term of a sequence where the rule is linear.
- Use index notation to express powers of whole numbers and understand and find square roots.
- Represent and use simple functions and interpret graphs from real situations.
- Use basic conventions, simplification and substitution with expressions, formulae and linear equations.

|  |  |  | - Construct and use simple formulae and formulate and solve linear equations with whole number coefficients. |
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| 6B/5B | 5C/4C | 3D | 3E/2E |
| - Predict patterns and sequences of whole numbers, such as doubling and halving numbers. <br> - Can state what is meant by a multiple and factor. <br> - Use simple rules expressed in words. | - Predict patterns and sequences of whole numbers, such as doubling and halving numbers. <br> - Use number properties, such as multiple and factor. <br> - Use simple rules expressed in words. | - Predict patterns and sequences of whole numbers, such as doubling and halving numbers. <br> - Use number properties, such as multiple and factor. <br> - Use simple rules expressed in words. | - Use number properties such as square, cube and prime. <br> - Use a letter to stand for an unknown number. <br> - Follow sets of instructions to generate a sequence and determine possible rules for generating sequences. |
| 5C/4C | 3D | 3E/2E | 2F/1F |
| - Predict number patterns within 100, including those in the 2,5 and 10 times tables. <br> - Use function machines with one operation. | - Predict number patterns within 100 , including those in the 2,5 and 10 times tables. <br> - Use function machines with one operation. | - Predict number patterns within 100 , including those in the 2,5 and 10 times tables. <br> - Use function machines with one operation. | - Predict patterns and sequences of whole numbers, such as doubling and halving numbers. <br> - Use number properties, such as multiple and factor. <br> - Use simple rules expressed in words. |
| 3D | 3E/2E |  | 1G |
| - Use addition and subtraction patterns up to 10 and use these patterns to understand the relationship between addition and subtraction. | - Use addition and subtraction patterns up to 10 and use these patterns to understand the relationship between addition and subtraction. |  | - Predict number patterns up to 100 , including those in the 2,5 and 10 times tables. <br> - Use function machines with one operation. |


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| - Copy, continue and devise <br> repeating patterns using real <br> objects or pictures. | Learners lack the basic foundations in <br> order to calculate and solve problems <br> involving algebra. |  |

