# **COMMON FACTORS AND PRIME NUMBERS**

### TARGET To identify common factors and prime numbers.

#### Examples

Factors of 16 1, 2, 4, 8, 16 Factors of 40 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 40 Common factors 1, 2, 4, 8 Highest common factor 8

Prime numbers – 2 factors only e.g. 23 Composite numbers – more than 2 factors e.g. 24

Prime factors can be found by using a factor tree. Prime factors of 24:  $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3$ 



Find all the factors of each number. The number of factors is shown in brackets.



Write down the number(s) in each group which are not

## B

For each pair of numbers find:

- a) the common factors
- **b)** the highest common factor.

1 6, 15	7 36, 96
2 16, 24	8 40, 100
3 45, 60	9 28, 70
4 12, 18	10 32, 72
<b>5</b> 8, 12	11 18, 30
6 27, 36	12 24, 60
B List all the prime	

## C

For each group of numbers find:

- a) the common factors
- **b)** the highest common factor.



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