

## Solutions to the Olympiad Hamilton Paper

1. The required number is divisible by 12, so it is also divisible by 3 and by 4.  
 Since the number is divisible by 3 the sum of its digits is a multiple of 3. But the digits are all 0 or 1, hence at least three of the digits are 1.  
 Since the number is divisible by 4 the only possible final two digits are 00.  
 Hence the smallest number of the required form is 11100.

2. We know that  $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$  and the sum of the angles in triangle  $ABC$  is  $180^\circ$ .  
 Therefore

$$\angle QBC = 90^\circ - \angle ABQ. \quad (1)$$

Similarly, in triangle  $BPQ$ ,  $\angle BPQ = 90^\circ$  so that

$$\angle BQC = 90^\circ - \angle QBP. \quad (2)$$

But  $\angle ABQ = \angle QBP$  and hence from (1) and (2)  $\angle QBC = \angle BQC$ .

Thus the triangle  $QBC$  is isosceles, with  $CB = CQ$ .

3. Let the cost of a Fudge Bar be  $F$  pence, the cost of a Sparkle be  $S$  pence and the cost of a Chomper be  $C$  pence. Then,

$$4F + S + C = 100 \quad (1)$$

$$2F + S + 3C = 70 \quad (2)$$

$$F + 2S = 50. \quad (3)$$

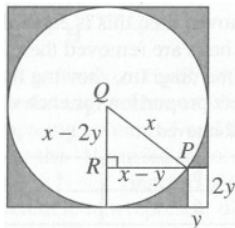
Subtracting equation (2) from three times equation (1) gives

$$10F + 2S = 230. \quad (4)$$

Now subtracting equation (4) from ten times equation (3) gives  $18S = 270$ , and hence  $S = 15$ .

Thus a Sparkle costs 15p. (A Fudge Bar costs 20p and a Chomper costs 5p.)

4. Let  $x$  be the radius of the circle so that the square has side  $2x$ .  
 Let  $y$  be the width of the rectangle so that the height of the rectangle is  $2y$ .



Applying Pythagoras' theorem to the triangle  $PQR$ , we have  $x^2 = (x - 2y)^2 + (x - y)^2$ . Rearranging gives  $x^2 - 6xy + 5y^2 = 0$ , which factorises to give  $(x - y)(x - 5y) = 0$ . Hence  $x = y$  or  $x = 5y$ .

However,  $x = y$  is impossible since there would then be no circle.

When  $x = 5y$  the ratio of the area of the square to the area of the rectangle is  $(10y)^2 : 2y^2$  which simplifies to  $50 : 1$ .

5. Let  $p$  be the number of pupils initially in the Academy.  
Let  $t$  be the number of teachers initially in the Academy.  
Therefore initially the number of pupils per teacher is  $p/t$ .

If 10 new teachers are employed, the number of pupils per teacher is  $p/(t + 10)$ . Hence

$$\frac{p}{t + 10} = \frac{p}{t} - 5. \quad (1)$$

If 20 new teachers are employed the number of pupils per teacher is  $p/(t + 20)$ . Hence

$$\frac{p}{t + 20} = \frac{p}{t} - 8. \quad (2)$$

From (1),  $p = \frac{1}{2}t(t + 10)$ . (3)

From (2),  $p = \frac{2}{3}t(t + 20)$ . (4)

Equating (3) and (4) gives  $5t(t + 10) = 4t(t + 20)$ , hence  $t(t - 30) = 0$ .

But  $t > 0$  so that  $t = 30$ , and substituting  $t = 30$  into (3) or (4) gives  $p = 600$ .

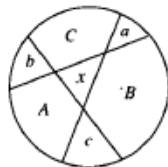
Thus there are 600 pupils at Abertawe Academy.

6. Label the numbers in each region  $a, b, c, A, B, C$ , as shown.  
Since  $1 + 2 + \dots + 6 + 7 = 28$ , the total of the numbers in the circle on each side of one of the chords is equal to 14. Hence

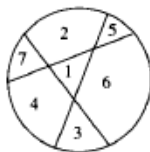
$$a + B + c = 14$$

$$\text{and } A + x + B + c = 14$$

from which we deduce that  $a = A + x$ . Similarly,  $b = B + x$  and  $c = C + x$ . Therefore three of the numbers in the circle,  $a, b$  and  $c$ , are greater than  $x$ . It follows that  $x$  is at most 4.



The following diagrams show that solutions are possible with  $x = 1, 2$  or  $4$ .



When  $x = 3$ , we have  $a = A + 3$ ,  $b = B + 3$  and  $c = C + 3$ . The possible pairs of values for  $(a, A)$ ,  $(b, B)$  and  $(c, C)$  are  $(4, 1)$ ,  $(5, 2)$ ,  $(6, 3)$  and  $(7, 4)$ . The pair  $(6, 3)$  is not allowed, since  $x = 3$ . Finally, since the three remaining pairs,  $(4, 1)$ ,  $(5, 2)$  and  $(7, 4)$ , do not include 6, there is no solution when  $x = 3$ .

Thus there are three possible values for  $x$ .