





Factors and HCF

WALT Find factors. Identify highest common factors.



- Highest common factor
- prime number
- cubes
- square roots
- factors
- square numbers
- multiples
- Lowest common multiple
- power
- cube roots







Tell us three of the key words!



What are factors?

Factors of a number are any numbers that divide into it exactly.



The factors of 16 are:

1, 2, 4, 8, and 16 NOTE: the number 1 and the number are always factors. e.g. 1 and 16



What are the factors of 25?

1, 5, and 25



What are the factors of 12?

1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 12



What are the factors of 36?

1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9 and 36



Is 13 a factor of 39?

Yes it is, $3 \times 13 = 39$

1,2,3,4,5,6,10,12,15,20,30,60

Interesting fact! That's why the hours are divided into 60 minutes and minutes are divided into 60 seconds. 12 factors!



What is a highest common factor?

The Highest Common Factor of two or more numbers is the largest number that can divide the numbers without any remainder.

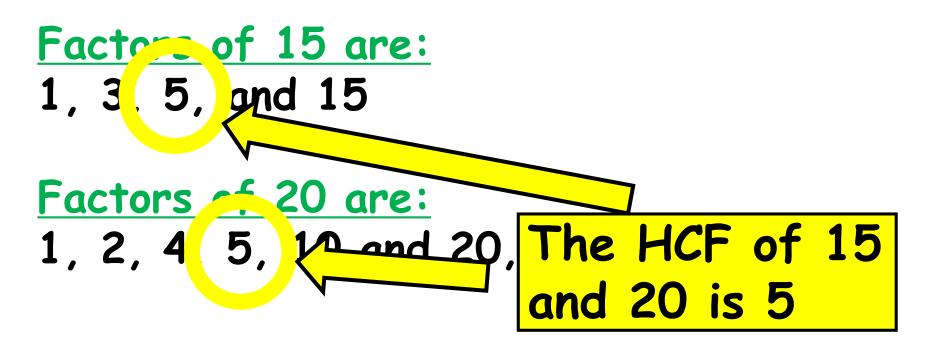


How to find the HCF of two numbers?

We list out all the factors of each number and select the HIGHEST factor that is common to all the lists.

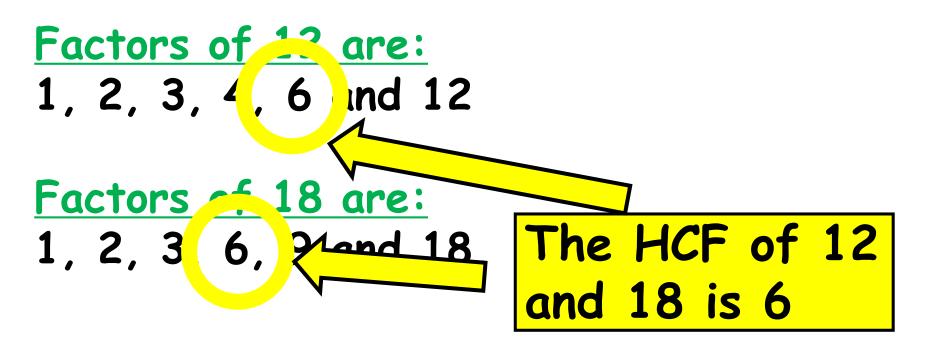


What is a highest common factor of 15 and 20?





What is a highest common factor of 12 and 18?



Question:

What is the HCF of 16 and 40?

Answer:

The factors of 16 are: 1, 2, 4, 8 and 16

The factors of 40 are: 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20 and 40

So the HCF of 16 and 40 is 8



Why are we never asked to find the LOWEST common factor?

Because the answer would ALWAYS be the number 1

The number 1 is a factor of EVERY number!



• What is a factor?

• How would you find the HCF?