



**Age 11+ Level ★★**  
**Worksheet 1 - Solutions**

**1. The Square of My Age**

Thom is 7 and Lauren is 13

[rich.maths.org/7187/solution](http://rich.maths.org/7187/solution)

**2. Square Triangle**

Only one triangle has three angles that are all perfect squares:

$$10^2 + 8^2 + 4^2 = 180$$

[rich.maths.org/6221/solution](http://rich.maths.org/6221/solution)

**3. Mini Cross-number**

$x = 4$

2	7
6	4

[rich.maths.org/10143/solution](http://rich.maths.org/10143/solution)

**4. Tenth Power**

(b)  $3^{10}$  is odd and (c)  $3^{10}$  is a square number, are both true

[rich.maths.org/2218/solution](http://rich.maths.org/2218/solution)

**5. Age of Augustus**

Born in 1806

[rich.maths.org/6747/solution](http://rich.maths.org/6747/solution)

**6. Square Percentage**

1%

[rich.maths.org/11657/solution](http://rich.maths.org/11657/solution)

**7. Maundy Money**

Total was  $2^{13}$

[rich.maths.org/6251/solution](http://rich.maths.org/6251/solution)

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**Worksheet 1 - Solutions**

**1. Pythagorean Quadruple**

a, b and c are 2, 6, 9 since  $2^2 + 6^2 + 9^2 = 121$

[rich.maths.org/7161/solution](http://rich.maths.org/7161/solution)

**2. Powers of Four**

$x = 15$  since  $4^{15} + 4^{15} + 4^{15} + 4^{15} = 4^{16}$

[rich.maths.org/5705/solution](http://rich.maths.org/5705/solution)

**3. Root 2017**

$\sqrt{2017}$  is between 44 and 45

[rich.maths.org/13221/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13221/solution)

**4. Megabytes and Kilobytes**

There are 1048576 bytes in a megabyte

[rich.maths.org/12812/solution](http://rich.maths.org/12812/solution)

**5. Power up to 1000**

$x = 3$  and  $y = 3$ , so  $x + y = 6$

[rich.maths.org/13711/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13711/solution)

**6. The Power of the Sum**

$n = 7$  since  $2^6 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^4 = 2^7$

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**7. The Square and the Root**

The remainder is 0

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**1. Rooted Via 10**

$$4\sqrt{7} \quad 5\sqrt{5} \quad 6\sqrt{3}$$

[rich.maths.org/2510/solution](http://rich.maths.org/2510/solution)

**2. Largest Expression**

$$x^4 < x^3 < x^2 < x^3 + x^2 < x^2 + x$$

[rich.maths.org/4985/solution](http://rich.maths.org/4985/solution)

**3. Doubly Powerful**

$$4^4 \text{ needs to be cubed, since } (4^4)^3 = 8^8$$

[rich.maths.org/11659/solution](http://rich.maths.org/11659/solution)

**4. Huge Powers**

$$6^{300} < 3^{500} < 2^{800} < 5^{400}$$

[rich.maths.org/12895/solution](http://rich.maths.org/12895/solution)

**5. Roots Near 9**

$64 < n < 100$ , so there are 35 different possibilities for  $n$

[rich.maths.org/13713/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13713/solution)

**6. Rough Root**

2.2 is the closest

[rich.maths.org/13596/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13596/solution)

**7. Big Product**

14 digits

[rich.maths.org/13406/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13406/solution)

**8. How Many Squares**

68 numbers

[rich.maths.org/13389/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13389/solution)

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**Worksheet 2 - Solutions**

**1. Which Power**

9, since  $16^9 = 64^6$

[rich.maths.org/13523/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13523/solution)

**2. Cube Factors**

7 perfect cubes

[rich.maths.org/13233/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13233/solution)

**3. Powerful Order**

$3^{11} < 8^8 < 2^{25}$

[rich.maths.org/7153/solution](http://rich.maths.org/7153/solution)

**4. Two in a Million**

$2^6$  is the highest power of 2

[rich.maths.org/13575/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13575/solution)

**5. Root Estimation**

0.45 is closest

[rich.maths.org/13394/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13394/solution)

**6. Powerful Expression**

$8 \times 4 \times 2 < 2(4^3) - 2 < 8^2 + 4^3 < 2^7 + 2$

[rich.maths.org/13578/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13578/solution)

**7. The Power of  $x$**

$x = 3$ , since  $2^4 - 2^2 = 12$

[rich.maths.org/13228/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13228/solution)

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**Worksheet 1 - Solutions**

**1. Know your Powers**

$$xy = 3$$

[rich.maths.org/12603/solution](http://rich.maths.org/12603/solution)

**2. Self-power Squares**

55 numbers

[rich.maths.org/11625/solution](http://rich.maths.org/11625/solution)

**3. Power of 3**

$$\star = 672, \text{ since } 3^{2016} + 9^{1008} + 27^{672} = 3^{2017}$$

[rich.maths.org/12464/solution](http://rich.maths.org/12464/solution)

**4. Powered Up**

$$pqrst = 2$$

[rich.maths.org/10134/solution](http://rich.maths.org/10134/solution)

**5. Power of Five**

$$x = 3, \text{ since } 5(5^3 + 5^3 + 5^3 + 5^3 + 5^3)^2 = 5^9$$

[rich.maths.org/13726/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13726/solution)

**6. Powerful 9**

The last digit is 9

[rich.maths.org/13220/solution](http://rich.maths.org/13220/solution)

**7. Great Power**

$10^{250}$  is greater

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