

Multiples

Things you need to learn

- Write down a general form of a number given the information about its division with remainder.
- Use these form to solve simple problems and write simple proofs.

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Reminder

Remember, if a number is divisible by m and n , then it is divisible by $\text{lcm}(m, n)$, but not necessarily by mn .

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Note: again, another possible way would be:

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If there are any questions or doubts, you can contact me via Librus or MS Teams.