Newman Catholic College

Introduction to Sparx Maths



Agenda:

Why Sparx Maths

How Sparx Maths Works

Supporting Your Child



"Time spent using Sparx Maths is positively and significantly associated with higher outcomes in maths"





<u>Microsoft Word - Independent Analysis of the Relationship Between Sparx Maths and Maths Outcomes</u> <u>key findings_FINAL.docx (cam.ac.uk)</u>



Sparx Maths creates an hour's worth of perfectly tailored practice homework for each student each week.

The practice is both challenging (to ensure students need to think) and achievable (so that students can be successful).

The practice uses spaced repetition and interleaving to support a change in students' long term memories.

Sparx is inclusive and can adapt to all students' current level of expertise. This promotes engagement, confidence and ultimately learning.



The Sparx Content Design Team is made up of teachers, mathematicians, data scientists, graphic designers and grammar experts. The team has spent 10 years working with schools and using qualitative and quantitative data to carefully design a library of over 45,000 mathematical questions and 10,000 videos to ensure that:

- genuine learning is promoted for all students;
- misconceptions are addressed;
- learners are carefully led step-by-step through every topic;
- links are built between topics where possible;
- and learners are prepared for their future.

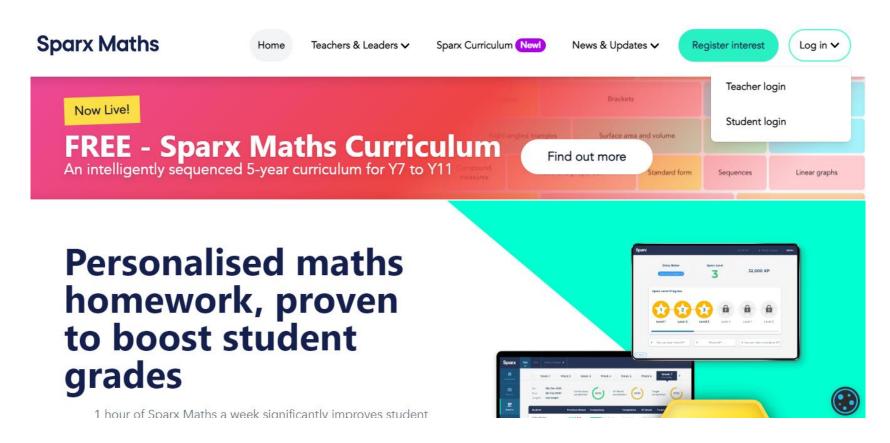


Bookwork codes - A unique and clever bookwork check technology to ensure that students habitually write workings down to foster good practice and aid memory.

10,000 videos - Every question is accompanied with a short nudge video to unstick students so they are supported and don't lose motivation.

100% completion target for all students - Empowered by our content and personalisation, which pitches homework appropriately for all students, we can set a fair expectation that all students complete 100% of their hour long compulsory homework every week. This clarity of mission empowers students, parents, teachers and schools to have the highest of expectations around home practice and promotes consistency across our schools.

In-built retrieval practice - Our systems create interleaved homework made up of topics from recent lessons and topics from further back to promote longer-term retrieval practice.

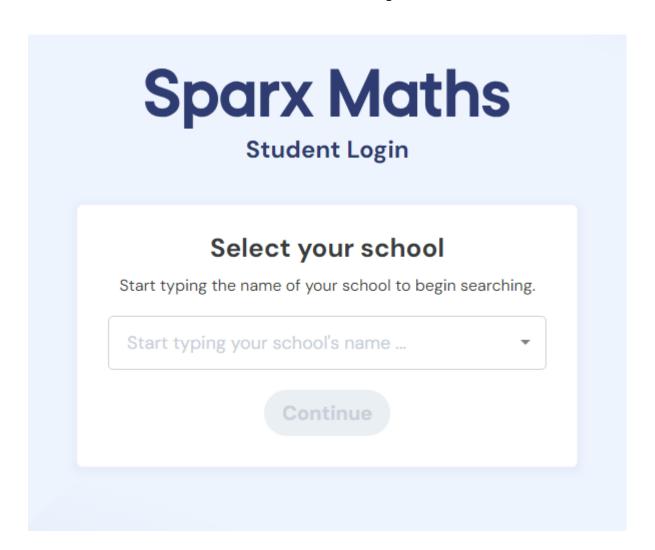


Go to www.sparx.co.uk

Click 'Log in'

Select 'Student login'





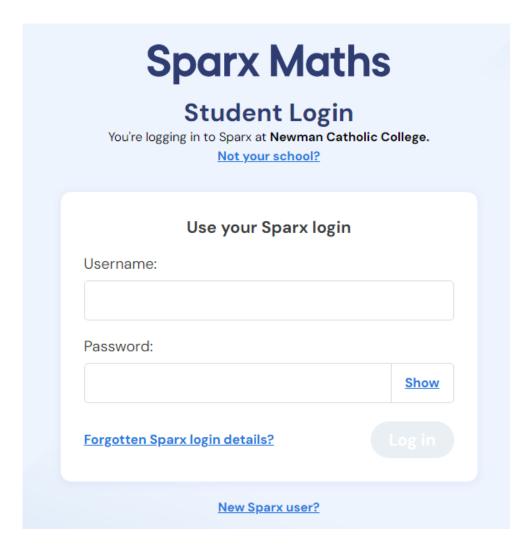
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Newman Catholic College London

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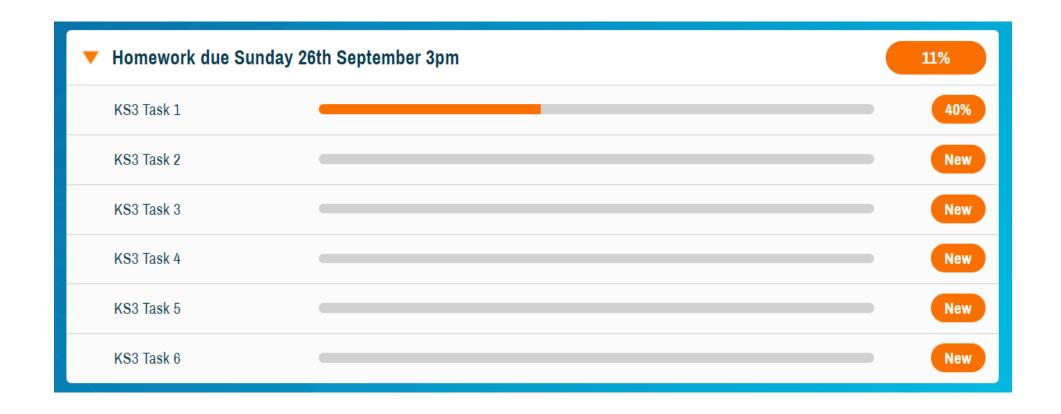


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Select 'forgot login details' to reset the password







Compulsory

- The questions in this sections must all be completed correctly

XP Boost

- The questions in this section are optional
- The level of challenge is similar to the compulsory section
- These questions will give students additional XP points (effort points)

Target

- The questions in this section are optional
- The level of challenge is higher than the compulsory section
- These questions will give students additional XP points (effort points)

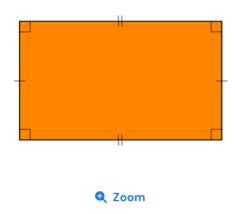


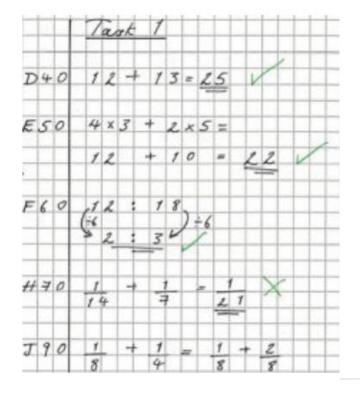
Bookwork codes, working out and answers must be written down.

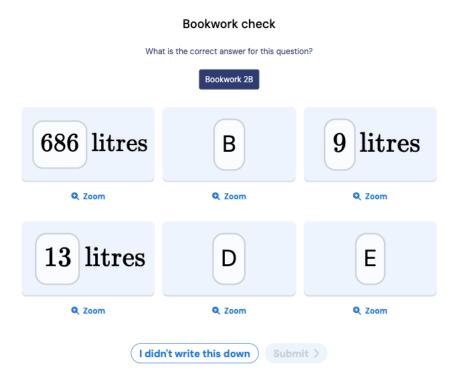




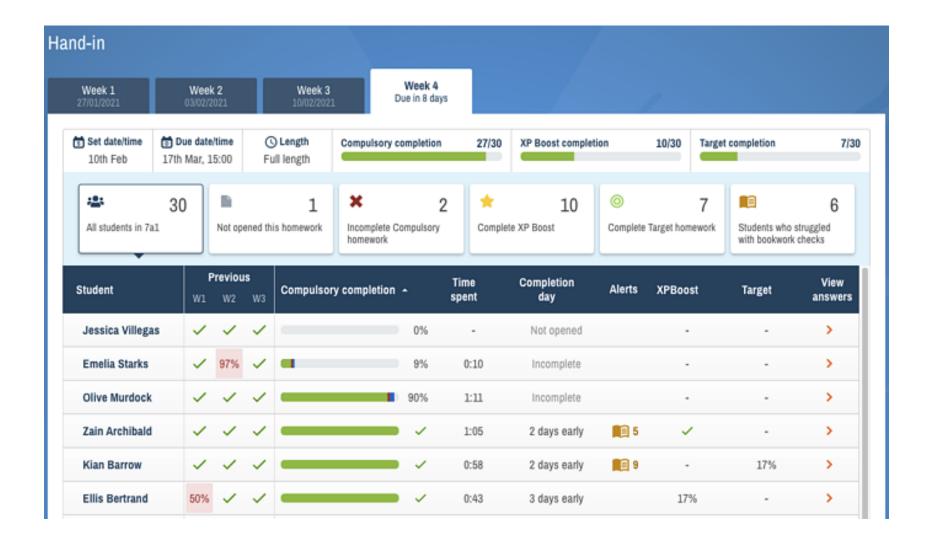
What is the mathematical name for this shape?













Supporting Your Child

Organisation:

- Homework is set weekly
- Encourage your child to start as soon as possible
- Homework takes at least 30 minutes
- Parent email updates are sent 3 days before homework is due



Supporting Your Child

How your son should approach questions:

- Try each question independently first
- If they get the question wrong they can:
 - Watch the support video on Sparx Maths
 - Review the relevant lesson on google classroom
 - Look back in their maths class book
 - Attend homework club
 - See their class teacher for help



Supporting Your Child

Sparx Maths use a sophisticated algorithm to select questions that are the appropriate level of challenge for each student. Therefore, it is very important that you do not help them to answer questions. If you do, the homework questions may become too challenging for them.



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