## Glossary

acute angle: an angle between 0° and 90°

**acute triangle:** a triangle where all angles are less than 90°



**amortization period:** the length of time over which a loan is paid off

**amortization table:** a detailed outline showing how much of each equal payment repays interest and principal and the loan balance after each payment

**amount of an annuity:** the ending balance after a designated amount of time; it is the principal plus interest; see *future value* 

**angle of depression:** the angle between the horizontal and a sightline to a point below eye level



**angle of elevation:** the angle between the horizontal and a sightline to a point above eye level



angle of inclination: see angle of elevation

**annuity:** a series of regular, equal payments paid into, or out of, an account

**area:** the number of square units needed to cover a surface; common units used to measure area include square centimetres and square metres **average:** a single number that represents a set of numbers: see *mean, median, mode* 

**balance:** for a budget, the difference when total expenses are subtracted from total income. Adjusting the balance so that expenses meet income is called balancing the budget.

**bar graph:** a graph that displays data using horizontal or vertical bars whose lengths are proportional to the numbers they represent

Average Rainfall in Toronto



**base:** the side of a polygon, or the face of a solid or object, from which the height is measured; also, in an expression of the form  $b^n$ , *b* is the base; see *exponent*, *power* 



**base value:** for an index, a set value used for comparisons across the index

**bearing:** the angle describing an object's position as measured clockwise from North, usually expressed using 3 digits

**bias:** an emphasis on characteristics that are not typical of the entire population

**budget:** a written plan to outline how money will be spent

**capacity:** the measure of how much liquid a container can hold. It can be measured in imperial or metric units. Imperial measures of capacity include fluid ounces (fl. oz.), pints (pt.), quarts (qt.), and gallons (gal.)

**categorical data:** data that are grouped by categories

**census:** the collection of data about every individual in a population

**circle:** the set of points in a plane that are a given distance (the radius) from a fixed point (the centre)



**circle graph:** a diagram that uses parts of a circle to display data, sometimes called a pie chart

## Favourite Colours of People in My Class



**circumference:** the distance around a circle; the distance around any region whose boundary is a simple closed curve

**cluster sampling:** sampling in which the data are organized into representative groups and one group is chosen as a sample

**composite figure:** a figure made up of two or more other figures

**composite object:** a 3-dimensional structure or object made up of two or more objects

**compound interest:** interest earned via a method of calculating interest in which the interest due is added to the principal and thereafter earns interest; calculated using the formula  $A = P(1 + i)^n$ , where *A* is the amount of the compound interest, *P* is the principal, *i* is the interest rate per compounding period as a decimal, *n* is the number of compounding periods

**concept map:** a graphic organizer that illustrates the connections among different terms or concepts



**cone:** a solid that is formed by a region (base of the cone) and all the line segments joining points in the base to a point not in the base



**congruent:** having the same size and shape, but not necessarily the same orientation

**constraint:** a condition that limits or restricts options

**convenience sampling:** sampling in which individuals who are easy to sample are chosen

**coordinate axes:** the horizontal and vertical number lines on a grid that represents a plane

**coordinates:** also called Cartesian coordinates; the numbers in an ordered pair that locate a point in the coordinate plane

**correlation:** the strength of a linear relationship between two variables

**correlation coefficient,** *r***:** a measure, between -1 and 1, of how closely data can be described by a certain type of function; the closer the value of *r* to 1 or -1, the more closely the data fits the function

**cosine:** for an acute  $\angle A$  in a right triangle, the ratio of the length of the side adjacent to  $\angle A$ , to the length of the hypotenuse; written cos A



**Cosine Law:** In any  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C$ 

This can also be written as:  $\cos C = \frac{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}{2ab}$ 

**cube:** a rectangular prism whose length, width, and height are all equal; see *rectangular prism* 



**cube number:** a power with exponent 3; for example, 8 is a cube number because  $2^3 = 8$ 

**cube root:** a number which, when raised to the power 3, results in a given number; for example, 3 is the cube root of 27, and -3 is the cube root of -27

**curve of best fit:** for a given scatter plot, the curve that passes most closely to the majority of points; the curve of best fit can be obtained by exponential or quadratic regression **cylinder:** a solid with two parallel, congruent, circular bases



**equation:** a mathematical statement indicating that two expressions are equal

**equilateral triangle:** a triangle with three equal sides; each angle is 60°

**expenses:** items that must be paid from income; for example, food, shelter, transportation

**exponent:** in an expression of the form  $b^n$ , n is the exponent; exponents that are positive integers indicate the number of times a factor is repeated in a product; for example, in  $3^4$ , the exponent 4 indicates that the base 3 is used as a factor 4 times; see *base, power* 

**exponential equation:** an equation in the form  $y = ab^x$ ; *a* is the initial value; *b* is the growth or decay factor

**exponential regression:** the process of identifying an exponential curve of best fit for a given set of data

**expression:** a meaningful mathematical phrase made up of numbers and/or variables which may include operation symbols

**extrapolate:** to estimate a value that lies beyond the known values



face: a flat surface of a 3-dimensional object

**fixed cost:** the same amount charged at regular intervals

**formula:** a rule that is expressed as a mathematical equation that relates two or more variables

**Frayer model:** a graphic organizer with 4 sections which can hold a definition, characteristics or facts, examples, and non-examples of a word or a concept



**function:** a rule that gives a single output number for each input number

**future value:** the principal and interest due when an investment matures; also referred to as *amount* 

Amount = Principal + Interest, or A = P + I

**horizontal intercept:** the horizontal coordinate of a point where the graph of a relation intersects the horizontal axis

**hypotenuse:** the side opposite the right angle in a right triangle



income: the money you earn

**income tax:** money paid as tax to the federal and provincial governments based on the amount of income earned

**index:** a comparative set of data used to track trends or establish guidelines for

a given situation; each value may be given as a percent of the base value (as in a stock index); or calculated using a formula (as in the body mass index)

**inflation:** the continuing rise in the general price of all goods and services; it is usually attributed to an increase in the volume of money and credit relative to available goods and services

**interest:** the fee paid by a borrower for the use of a lender's money

**interest rate:** the amount earned or paid for the use of money; usually given as a percent of the amount invested or borrowed per year

**interpolate:** to estimate a value between two known values



**inverse operation:** an operation that reverses another operation

**inverse ratios:**  $\sin^{-1}$ ,  $\cos^{-1}$ , and  $\tan^{-1}$  which are used to determine the measure of an angle when its trigonometric ratio is known

**judgement sampling:** sampling in which the person doing the sampling uses her or his judgement to create a representative sample

**landlord:** the owner of a property. He/she receives compensation from the tenant for use of his/her property.

**lease:** to rent an item from the owner; the lease payments cover the depreciation of the item over the course of the lease plus interest on the outstanding balance of the full purchase price **line of best fit:** a line that passes as close as possible to a set of plotted points



**linear correlation:** a trend where points may lie in the general direction of a line

**linear regression:** the process of identifying a line of best fit for a set of data

**margin of error:** the proportion that we add to and subtract from a result to create a range of possible values between which the result could lie

**mass:** a measure of the amount of material in an object: common units are grams or kilograms

**matrix:** a graphic organizer used to list and compare characteristics of different items

**mean:** one measure of the average of a set of numbers; to find the mean, divide the sum of the data by the number of data

**measure of central tendency:** the *mean*, *median*, or *mode* of a data set

**median:** the middle number of a set of data arranged in numerical order; if there are two middle numbers, the median is their average

**mode:** the most frequently occurring value in a set of data

**mortgage:** a long-term loan on real estate that gives the person or firm providing the money a claim on the property if the loan is not repaid

numeric data: data that always involve numbers

**oblique angle:** an angle that is not a multiple of 90°

**oblique triangle:** a triangle that does not contain a 90° angle



**obtuse angle:** an angle between 90° and 180° **obtuse triangle:** a triangle with one obtuse angle



**one-variable data:** a set of data that describes one attribute per item in a sample

**optimization:** the process of finding the most efficient use of available materials within given constraints

**ordered pair:** a pair of numbers, written as (x, y), that represents a point on the coordinate plane; see *coordinates* 

**ordinary simple annuity:** an annuity in which payments are made and interest is compounded with the same frequency; see *annuity* 

**outlier:** an observed value that differs markedly from the pattern established by most data in a set

**parabola:** the graph of a quadratic relation; see *quadratic regression* 

**parallel:** describing lines lying on the same plane that do not intersect

**parallelogram:** a quadrilateral with opposite sides parallel

**percentile:** tells approximately what percent of the data are less than a particular data value

**perimeter:** the distance around a closed figure **perpendicular:** intersecting at right angles (90°)

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**pi** ( $\pi$ ): the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter;  $\pi \doteq 3.1416$ 

**poll:** a survey or an investigation of a topic to find out people's views

**polygon:** a closed figure that consists of line segments that only intersect at their endpoints

**population:** the set of all things or people being considered

**power:** an expression of the form  $b^n$ , where *b* is the base and *n* is the exponent; for positive integer exponents, powers are a shortcut for repeated multiplication – for example,  $(-4)^3 = (-4) \times (-4) \times (-4)$ ; see *base*, *exponent* 

**present value:** the principal that must be invested today to obtain a given amount in the future; compare to *future value* 

**present value of an annuity:** the principal that must be invested today to provide the regular payments of an annuity

primary trigonometric ratios: sine, cosine, and tangent

**prime number:** a whole number with exactly two factors, itself and 1; for example, 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 29, 31, 43...

**principal:** the sum of money invested or borrowed

**prism:** a solid with two congruent and parallel faces (bases); all other faces are parallelograms



**property tax:** an amount that property owners pay to their municipal government

**pyramid:** a solid with one face that is a polygon (the base) and the other faces that are triangles with a common vertex



**Pythagorean Theorem:** for any right triangle, the area of the square on the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the areas of the squares on the other two sides;  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ 



**quadrants:** one of the four regions into which the coordinate axes divide the plane

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**quadratic regression:** a process of identifying the parabola of best fit for a given set of data

quadrilateral: a polygon with four sides

**quartile:** any of three numbers that separate a sorted data set into four equal parts

**radical form:** a number written using the root symbol:  $\sqrt{n}$  or  $\sqrt[n]{}$ , where n = 2, 3, ...

**rate:** a certain quantity or amount of one thing considered in relation to a unit of another thing

**rate of change:** the rate at which something is changing; it is often indicated by the slope of a graph

**ratio:** a comparison of two or more quantities with the same unit

**rectangle:** a quadrilateral with four right angles



**rectangular prism:** a prism with rectangular faces; see *prism* 

**regression:** the process of identifying a curve or a line of best fit for a set of data

**representative sample:** a sample which in certain respects is typical of the population from which it is chosen

**rhombus:** a parallelogram with four equal sides

right angle: a 90° angle

right triangle: a triangle with one right angle



**root of a number:** the *n*th root of a number is a number which, when *n* copies of the number are multiplied, results in a given number; for example, 3 is a cube root of 27

**sampling technique:** the process used to select the individuals from a population who will be studied; see *cluster sampling, convenience sampling, judgement sampling, simple random sampling, stratified sampling, systematic sampling, voluntary sampling* 

**savings:** money set aside for future use; in a budget, it is shown as an expense

**scatter plot:** a graph of data that are a series of points

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**sightline:** the line from an observer's eye to a specific object

**simple interest:** interest earned only on the principal, calculated using the formula I = Prt, where *I* is the simple interest, *P* is the principal, *r* is the annual interest rate as a decimal, *t* is the time in years; compare to *compound interest* 

**simple random sampling:** sampling in which individuals are chosen randomly from the entire population

**sine:** for an acute  $\angle A$  in a right triangle, the ratio of the length of the side opposite  $\angle A$ , to the length of the hypotenuse; written sin A

$$\sin A = \frac{\text{length of side opposite } \angle A}{\text{length of hypotenuse}}$$

**Sine Law:** In any  $\triangle ABC$ ,

 $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$  and  $\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$ 

**slope:** a measure of the steepness of a line; calculated as slope  $=\frac{rise}{run}$ 

**solve a triangle:** to determine the measures of all unknown sides and angles in a triangle

**sphere:** the set of points in space that are a given distance (the radius) from a fixed point (the centre)



square: a rectangle with four equal sides



**square of a number:** the product of a number multiplied by itself; a number to the power of 2

**square root:** a number which, when multiplied by itself, results in a given number; for example, 5 and -5 are the square roots of 25

**stratified sampling:** sampling in which data are grouped and a few individuals from each group are selected randomly

supplementary angles: 2 angles whose sum is 180°

**surface area:** the measure of the area of all the faces of an object

**systematic sampling:** sampling in which every *n*th individual is selected

**tangent:** for an acute  $\angle A$  in a right triangle, the ratio of the length of the side opposite  $\angle A$ , to the length of the side adjacent to  $\angle A$ ; written tan A

 $\tan A = \frac{\text{length of side opposite } \angle A}{\text{length of side adjacent to } \angle A}$ 

**tenant:** the user of a property owned by another person; he/she pays the landlord for use of the property

torus: an object shaped like a doughnut



**trends:** patterns of change; trends are often used to justify decisions and make predictions

triangle: a polygon with three sides

**triangular prism:** a prism with triangular bases, see *prism* 



**trigonometric ratios:** see *cosine*, *sine*, and *tangent* 

**two-variable data:** a set of data that gives measures of two attributes for each item in a sample

**utilities:** services such as heat, water, and electricity

**valid conclusion:** a conclusion that is supported by unbiased data that has been interpreted appropriately

**variable:** a letter or symbol used to represent a quantity that can vary

**variable cost:** operating costs that change depending on variables; compare to *fixed cost* 

**Venn diagram:** a graphical organizer with loops that group items to show similarities and differences



**vertical intercept:** the vertical coordinate of a point where the graph of a relation intersects the vertical axis

**volume:** the amount of space occupied by an object; measured in cubic units

**voluntary sampling:** sampling in which participants volunteer to be included in the sample

*x***-axis:** the horizontal number line on a coordinate grid

*x*-intercept: the *x*-coordinate of a point where a graph intersects the *x*-axis; see *horizontal intercept* 

*y***-axis:** the vertical number line on a coordinate grid

*y***-intercept:** the *y*-coordinate of a point where a graph intersects the *y*-axis; see *vertical intercept*