## MATHEMATICAL SKILLS

## AREA OF A SQUARE AND ASSOCIATED EXAMINATION QUESTIONS

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Definition: A square has four sides, with each being equal in length. Each of the four internal angles are right angles, 90 degrees.


## SAMPLE QUESTIONS

Calculate the area of the square shown opposite. The length of one side is 100 mm

AREA $=X^{2}$

AREA $=100 \mathrm{~mm} \times 100 \mathrm{~mm}$

AREA $=10000 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$

Calculate the area of the square shown opposite. The length of one side is 50 mm

AREA $=X^{2}$
AREA $=50 \mathrm{~mm} \times 50 \mathrm{~mm}$
AREA $=2500 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$


Calculate the area of the square shown opposite. The length of one side is 90 mm

AREA $=X^{2}$

AREA $=90 \mathrm{~mm} \times 90 \mathrm{~mm}$

AREA $=8100 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$

Calculate the area of the square shown opposite. The length of one side is 70 mm

AREA $=X^{2}$

AREA $=70 \mathrm{~mm} \times 70 \mathrm{~mm}$

AREA $=4900 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$

Calculate the area of the square shown opposite. The length of one side is 80 mm
$\operatorname{AREA}=\mathrm{X}^{2}$

AREA $=80 \mathrm{~mm} \times 80 \mathrm{~mm}$

AREA $=6400 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$

Calculate the area of the square shown opposite. The length of one side is 60 mm

AREA $=X^{2}$

AREA $=60 \mathrm{~mm} \times 60 \mathrm{~mm}$

AREA $=3600 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$

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A plywood panel for a cabinet is seen below.

1. Calculate the area of the plywood required, before it is cut to shape (the overall square of plywood required, before it is cut to an $L$ shape).
2. Calculate the area of the final $L$ shape.


First, calculate the area of the uncut plywood, by treating it as a square $500 \mathrm{~mm} x$ 500 mm .

AREA $=$ LENGTH OF SIDE X LENGTH OF SIDE
AREA $=500 \times 500$
AREA $=250000 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
Now, calculate the area of the smaller piece to be cut away, during the shaping of the panel

AREA $=$ LENGTH OF SIDE X LENGTH OF SIDE
AREA $=250 \times 250$
AREA $=62500 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
Now subtract the smaller area from the area of the uncut plywood.
$250000-62500=187500$

## AREA OF FINAL SHAPED PIECE IS $187500 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$

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An acrylic window for a school project seen below, is composed of two pieces, accurately cut to size on a laser cutter. They fit perfectly together.

1. Calculate the area of piece $A$
2. Calculate the area of piece. B


First, calculate the entire area of ' $A$ ', without the centre piece being removed, by treating it as a square $400 \mathrm{~mm} \times 400 \mathrm{~mm}$.

AREA = LENGTH OF SIDE X LENGTH OF SIDE
AREA $=400 \times 400$
AREA $=160000 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
Now, calculate the area of the smaller piece ' B ', which is also the size of the piece to be removed from ' $A$ '.

AREA = LENGTH OF SIDE X LENGTH OF SIDE
AREA $=200 \times 200$
AREA $=40000 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
Now subtract the smaller area ' $B$ ' from the area of ' $A$ '. The answer will be the area of ' $A$ ' with it's central window of material removed.
$160000-40000=120000 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
AREA OF FINAL SHAPED PIECE 'A’ WITHOUT CENTRAL PIECE IS $120000 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$ AREA OF PIECE 'B' IS $40000 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$

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