## GEARS

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$\begin{aligned} & \text { First work out the speed at Gear B. } \quad —_{\text {teeth }}^{\text {teeth }} \frac{B}{A}= \\ &=\underline{60 r p m}=\quad \text { revs } / \mathrm{min} \text { at 'B' }\end{aligned}$
(Remember $B$ is larger than $A$ therefore, $B$ outputs less revs/min and is slower)

Next, take B and C. C is smaller, therefore, revs/minute will increase and rotation will be faster.

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The diagram opposite shows a gear train composed of three gears. Gear A revolves at 90 revs/min in a clockwise direction.
What is the output in revolutions per minute at Gear C?
In what direction does GearC revolve?

| GEAR A | GEAR B | GEAR C |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 30 teeth | 90 teeth | 15 teeth |
| 90 rpm |  |  |

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