

Order of Operations (BIDMAS)

BIDMAS helps you remember the correct order to solve maths problems with more than one operation.

B – Brackets

I – Indices (Powers and Roots)

D – Division

M – Multiplication

A – Addition

S – Subtraction

BIDMAS keeps everyone solving problems the same way - just like grammar keeps sentences clear.

The Golden Rules

- Start with brackets – solve what’s inside first.
- Then handle powers or roots (like squares and square roots).
- Next, do multiplication and division – from left to right.
- Finally, do addition and subtraction – also from left to right.
- Work carefully through each step before moving on.

Quick Examples

- $(6 + 2)^2 \div 4 = 64 \div 4 = 16$
- $10 - 3 \times 2 = 10 - 6 = 4$
- $18 \div (3 \times 3) = 18 \div 9 = 2$

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