

Square / Cube Numbers

Square and cube numbers are special results you get when multiplying a number by itself - or by itself twice!

A square number is a number multiplied by itself once:

 $2 \times 2 = 4$, so 4 is a square number.

A cube number is a number multiplied by itself twice:

 $2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$, so 8 is a cube number.

Square numbers are linked to area (think of squares on a grid), while cube numbers are linked to volume (think of cubes in 3D). Both help us describe shapes, patterns, and real-world quantities in maths and science.

Common Square Numbers

$$1^{2} = 1$$
 $2^{2} = 4$ $3^{2} = 9$ $4^{2} = 16$ $5^{2} = 25$
 $6^{2} = 36$ $7^{2} = 49$ $8^{2} = 64$ $9^{2} = 81$ $10^{2} = 100$
 $11^{2} = 121$ $12^{2} = 144$ $13^{2} = 169$ $14^{2} = 196$ $15^{2} = 225$

Common Cube Numbers

$$1^{3} = 1$$
 $2^{3} = 8$ $3^{3} = 27$ $4^{3} = 64$ $5^{3} = 125$ $6^{3} = 216$ $7^{3} = 343$ $8^{3} = 512$ $9^{3} = 729$ $10^{3} = 1000$

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