



# **Unit: 6.3 Spreadsheets**

### **Key Learning**

- To use a spreadsheet to investigate the probability of the results of throwing many dice.
- To use a spreadsheet to calculate the discount and final prices in a sale.
- To use a spreadsheet to plan how to spend pocket money and the effect of saving money.
- To use a spreadsheet to plan a school charity day to maximise the money donated to charity.

## **Key Resources**





# **Key Vocabulary**

# **Average Function**

A feature that allows a user to find the average values of selected cells.

#### Advance mode

A mode of 2Calculate in which the cells have references and can include formulae.

# **Copy and Paste**

A way to copy information from the screen into the computer's memory and paste it elsewhere without re-typing.

# Columns

Vertical reference points for the cells in a spreadsheet.

#### Cells

An individual section of a spreadsheet grid. It contains data or calculations.

#### Charts

Use this button to create a variety of graph types for the data in the spreadsheet.

# Count (how many) tool

Counts the number of whatever value object is in the cell to its immediate left and puts the answer in the cell to its immediate right.

#### Dice

When clicked, this will simulate a dice roll by switching to one of the faces of a die.





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## **Equals tool**

Tests whether the entered calculation in the cells to the left of the tool has the correct answer in the cell to the right of the tool.

#### Formula

Use the formula wizard or type into the formula bar to create a formula in a cell, this will calculate the value for the cells based upon the value of other cells in the spreadsheet.

#### Formula Wizard

The wizard guides you in creating a variety of formulae for a cell such as calculations, totals, averages, minimum and maximum for the selected cells.

# **Key Vocabulary**

#### Move cell tool

This tool makes a cell's contents moveable by drag-and-drop methods.

#### Random tool

Click to give a random value between 0 and 9 to the cell.

#### Rows

Vertical reference points for the cells in a spreadsheet.

#### **Spin Tool**

Adds or subtracts 1 from the value of the cell to its right.

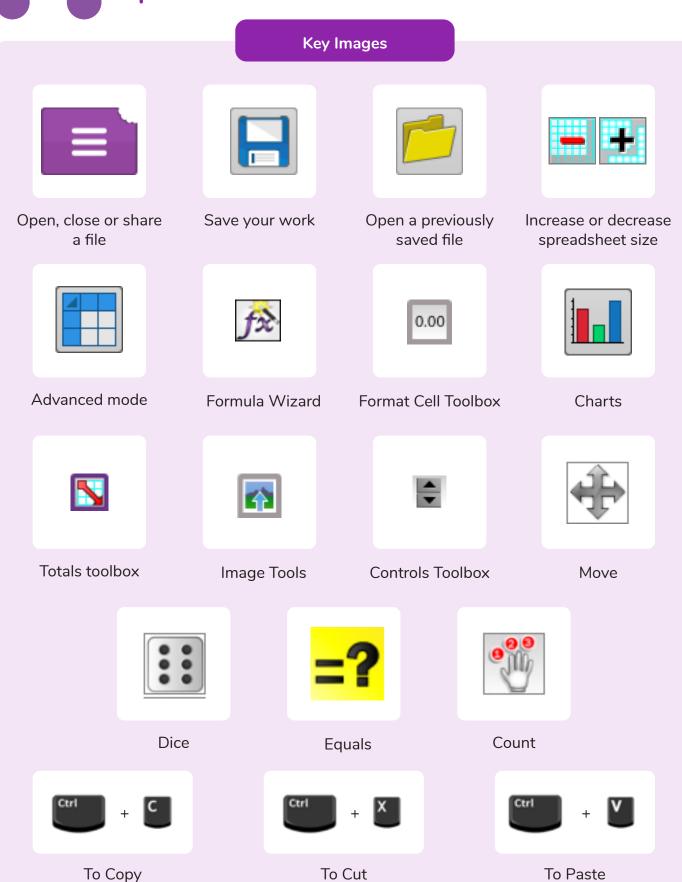
# Spreadsheet

A computer program that represents information in a grid of rows and columns. Any cell in the grid may contain either data or a formula that describes the value to be inserted based on the values in other cells.

#### Timer

When placed in the spreadsheet, click the timer to adds 1 to the value of the cell to its right every second until it is clicked again.







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How would you add a formula so that the cell shows the total of a column of cells?

Use the formula wizard advanced total tool or type a formula into the cell by using the '=' symbol, mathematical operators and cell references.

# **Key Questions**

What is a computational model and what it can be used for?

Modelling in Computing means creating or using a simulation (a model) of a real-life situation, on a computer. It represents the data of a situation. For example; budgeting for a party; working out how big a field needs to be for a certain number of animals; working out the best price for an item or using the existing data to predict what time your shadow will be a certain length.

If you were going to use a spreadsheet to plan your dream holiday, what data would you collect to cost the trip?

Ideas could include:
Travel; comparing the cost
of different methods, airports, airlines, different companies and discounts such as rail cards.
Cost of accommodation of different types, trips out, food, passports, immunisations.

