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Maths

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1. Simplify.
a) $\sqrt{8}$
b) $\sqrt{12}$
c) $\sqrt{50}$
2. Simplify fully.
a) $5 \sqrt{2}-\sqrt{8}$
b) $\sqrt{48}-\sqrt{12}$
c) $\sqrt{50}-\sqrt{32}$
3. Complete the missing numbers in these part whole models.


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4. The width of a rectangle is $\sqrt{108} \mathrm{~cm}$ shorter than its length.


Work out the width of the rectangle.
5. Here are 4 number cards.

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\sqrt{200}
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a) Which card will simplify to $6 \sqrt{5}$ ?
b) Which card is not a surd?
c) Work out the range for the cards.

Answers

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1. Simplify.
a) $\sqrt{8}=2 \sqrt{2}$
b) $\sqrt{12}=2 \sqrt{3}$
c) $\sqrt{50}=5 \sqrt{2}$
2. Simplify fully.
a) $5 \sqrt{2}-\sqrt{8}=5 \sqrt{2}-2 \sqrt{2}=3 \sqrt{2}$
b) $\sqrt{48}-\sqrt{12}=4 \sqrt{3}-2 \sqrt{3}=2 \sqrt{3}$
c) $\sqrt{50}-\sqrt{32}=5 \sqrt{2}-4 \sqrt{2}=\sqrt{2}$
3. Complete the missing numbers in these part whole models.


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3. The width of a rectangle is $\sqrt{108} \mathrm{~cm}$ shorter than its length.


Work out the width of the rectangle. $\sqrt{300}-\sqrt{108}=10 \sqrt{3}-6 \sqrt{3}=4 \sqrt{3} \mathrm{~cm}$
4. Here are 4 number cards.

a) Which card will simplify to $6 \sqrt{5}$ ? $\sqrt{180}$
b) Which card is not a surd? $\sqrt{100}$
c) Work out the range for the cards $8 \sqrt{2}$

