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Fast Track 4 Mathematics Workbook

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Statistics Database Available on Sigma's Website

In the Statistics chapter of this workbook you will be asked to investigate a database of information on New Zealand athletes. You can download the complete database from Sigma's website. You will require a computer with internet access and the microsoft spreadsheet program *Excel*.

Download instructions :

- 1] Go to Sigma's website at <u>www.sigmapublications.co.nz</u> and click on 'Secondary Maths Books' in the side panel menu.
- Click on the cover picture of <u>*Fast Track 4*</u> at the bottom of this page.
- 3] This will take you to the '<u>Fast Track 4</u>' page. At the bottom of this page you will find the NZ Olympic Athletes spreadsheet listed.
- 4] To download the database, click on the spreadsheet.

About this Book

A Choice of Standards

This mathematics workbook '*Fast Track 4*' prepares students to pass NCEA Level 2 Achievement Standards with merit or excellence. The work is drawn from levels 6 and 7 of the New Zealand Mathematics and Statistics curriculum.

There are a total of 14 Achievement Standards available at Level 2 Mathematics. It is expected that a full-time Level 2 student will study between 5 and 7 of these standards (about 20-24 credits). The selected standards that students sit at this level must cover the three strands of the curriculum : Number and Algebra, Geometry and Statistics. Most schools will make this selection based on the ability and interests of their students.

Since no Level 2 student is expected to do all 14 standards, it would be a waste of money and paper to ask able maths students to purchase a workbook containing enough material to cover the full range of 14 standards. Therefore, after consultation with Heads of Maths departments, I have selected the nine most popular achievement standards being taught to the vast majority of *able* Level 2 maths students.

'<u>Fast Track 4</u>' provides revision work for the following Achievement Standards :

AS 2.1 - Coordinate Geometry 2 credits
AS 2.2 - Graphical Methods 4 credits
AS 2.3 - Sequences & Series
AS 2.4 - Trigonometry 3 credits
AS 2.6 - Algebraic Methods 4 credits
AS 2.7 - Calculus Methods5 credits
AS 2.9 - Statistical Inference 4 credits
AS 2.12 - Probability Methods 4 credits
AS 2.14 - Systems of Equations 2 credits
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It is expected that students will use a range of technology throughout the year (graphing calculator, spreadsheet). This book includes some basic instructions for the *Casio fx9750 GII* graphic calculator and the *Microsoft Excel* spreadsheet. However, these explanations are brief and more detailed information can be found in the graphic calculator's instruction booklet and in *Excel's* help menu.

I wish you well with your studies this year.

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