Exemplar 11: Division

(Open-ended Question)

Learning Dimension: Number

Learning Unit: Division (I)

Key Stage: 1

Learning Objective: To perform division with divisor of 1 digit and dividend of 2 digits

Prerequisite Knowledge: Basic multiplication

Teaching Resources: Counters

Problem

40 pupils are to be divided into groups in a competition. The number of pupils in each group should be equal.

- (a) How many groups of the same number of pupils can be formed?
- (b) How many pupils are there in each group?

Notes for Teachers:

This is an open-ended question. Teachers can assess the performance of their pupils using the following criteria:

- 1. Do pupils understand the problem and solve the problem by using division?
- 2. Does the solution satisfy the requirements of the problem?
- 3. Can pupils give two or more solutions?
- 4. Can pupils present the solutions systematically?

This exemplar mainly involves the following generic skills:

1. Communication Skills

- Explain how groups are formed
- Explain how pupils know that their answers are correct
- Explain how the problems are solved

2. Numeracy Skills

• Demonstrate numeracy skills in dividing pupils into equal groups properly

3. Problem-solving Skills

- Transfer knowledge of basic multiplication and solve the problem
- Record results systematically