Theme 7

Champions

Pupil Activity Sheet 3

The Northern Ford Premiership Final Table 2001-2002

PART A

1. Which team finished first in the league?   _____

2. Which team did not win any matches?   _____

3. Which team finished 15th?   _____

4. Which team had an identical playing record in terms of wins, draws and defeats to:

       a) Sheffield Eagles   _____

       b) Hull Kingston Rovers   _____

       c) Doncaster   _____

5. Which team finished five places below Dewsbury?   _____

6. Which team finished six places above Oldham?   _____

7. How many teams lost less than ten matches?   _____

8. How many matches did Whitehaven win?   _____

9. True or false:

a) Huddersfield lost one of their matches against Leigh?   _____

b) Gateshead won one of their matches against Hunslet?   _____

10. How many drawn matches were there? (remember that
    a draw is recorded in the 'Drawn' column of both teams)   _____

PART B

The 'Points For' column is the total of all the points scored by a team. The 'Points Against' column is the total of all the points conceded by a team.

Which four teams:

1. scored more than 800 points?   _____

_____ _____ _____

2. conceded less than 560 points?   _____

_____ _____ _____

3. Which team scored exactly the same number
of points as it conceded?   _____

4. True or false:

a) The teams in the top half of the league all
scored more than 600 points.   _____

b) The teams in the bottom half of the league
all conceded more than 600 points.   _____

c) Huddersfield scored over 100 points more
than any other team.   _____

d) Huddersfield conceded over 200 points fewer
than any other team.   _____

5. Which team

a)
- did not play in a drawn match
- scored more than 400 but less than 500 points
- conceded less than 950 points?   _____

b)
- won more matches than it lost
- conceded more points than it scored?   _____

c)
- lost more matches than it won
- scored more points than it conceded?   _____

d)
- finished in the bottom half of the league
- won more matches than it lost
- scored more points than the team that finished fourth

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Barrow's points record can be represented by the following equation:

$$(12 \times 2) + (1 \times 1) = 24 + 1$$
$$= 25 \text{ points}$$

6. Fill in the gaps to complete the 'points equations' for the following clubs:

a) Swinton: $(6 \times 2) + (\text{\_\_\_} \times 1) = \text{\_\_\_} + \text{\_\_\_}$

$= 13 \text{ points}$

b) Oldham: $(13 \times 2) + (\text{\_\_\_} \times 1) = 26 + \text{\_\_\_}$

$= \text{\_\_\_ points}$

c) Leigh: $(\text{\_\_\_} \times 2) + (\text{\_\_\_} \times 1) = 42 + \text{\_\_\_}$

$= \text{\_\_\_ points}$

d) Dewsbury: $(\text{\_\_\_} \times \text{\_\_\_}) + (\text{\_\_\_} \times \text{\_\_\_}) = \text{\_\_\_} + \text{\_\_\_}$

$= \text{\_\_\_ points}$

e) Batley: $(\text{\_\_\_} \times \text{\_\_\_}) + (\text{\_\_\_} \times \text{\_\_\_}) = \text{\_\_\_} + \text{\_\_\_}$

$= \text{\_\_\_ points}$

PART C

1. How many matches did each team play? _____

2. How many teams were in the league? _____

3. If each team had played every other team just once,
how many matches would they have played? _____

4. If each team had played every other team twice,
how many matches would they have played? _____

5. Tick the sentence that explains how the Ford Northern Premiership fixtures (who played whom and how often) were organised.

A   Every team played every other team just once. ☐

B   Every team played some other teams once and some twice. ☐

C   Every team played every other team twice. ☐

6a) Do you think it is fair to organise a league in this way? Circle your answer.

yes / not entirely / no

6b) Why do you think this?

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7a) If all the teams in this league had played all the other teams twice each, which of the following changes to the league table might have happened, and which are very unlikely? Tick the table according to your decision.

Change to League Table	Might have happened	Very unlikely
Huddersfield would not have been champions		
Dewsbury would have finished higher		
Keighley Cougars would have finished higher		
Workington would have finished lower		
Gateshead would not have finished bottom		

7b) Write a sentence to explain why some of the above might have happened.

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7c) Write a sentence to explain why some of the above are very unlikely.

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