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Joe Wicks bags Guinness World Record

Joe Wicks has bagged a Guinness World Record after one of his online fitness classes was watched by nearly one million people - he only missed this figure by 44 842 viewers.

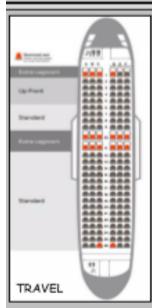
(a) How many viewers tuned in to this record breaking class?



While we're on the subject of Guinness World Records, the largest maths lesson was achieved in Leszno, Poland, on the 15th of May 2018. The main focus of the lesson was on mathematical 'Magic squares.'



(b) Using your estimating and rounding skills, can you guess how many students participated?



Easy Jet plans to keep middle seat free when flights resume

Easy Jet has announced plans to keep the middle seats on planes vacant when flights resume, with the company saying it believes this is what customers would 'like to see'.

While it is too soon for the low-cost airline group to predict when flights will go back to normal, it has said it plans to keep middle seats empty to continue some level of social distancing measures, which will no doubt prove a tempting set-up for prospective travellers.

Shown opposite is an Easy Jet Airbus A319. It has 26 rows and each row has 6 seats.

- (a) How many seats are normally available to passengers on an Airbus?
- (b) How many seats would be available if these planned restrictions come into operation?

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Ross Barkley takes on the 5k run challenge in just 16 minutes!

The '£5 for 5k Run For Heroes' challenge has gone viral on social media as it aims to raise money for the NHS amid the coronavirus outbreak.



And Premier League midfielder Ross Barkley has stunned football fans with his unbelievable effort taking just 16 minutes!

Without using your calculator, change 16 minutes into hours, leaving your answer as an exact value.

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A 99-year-old war veteran has raised over a staggering £25 million for NHS staff after reaching his goal of walking 100 laps of his garden.

The World War Two hero had aimed to make £1000 for the health service when he set out to complete 100 laps of his garden before his 100th birthday, a week this Thursday.



Currently the total he has raised stands at twenty five million, nine hundred and thirty four thousand and fifty seven pounds.

- (a) Write this figure as a number.
- (b) What is the date of Captain Tom's 100th birthday?



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