# Calculation Guidelines for Gifted and Talented Children Working Beyond Primary Level

#### **MULTIPLICATION**

## **Mental methods**

### **Use partitioning**

Partition either part of the product e.g.  $7.3 \times 11 = (7.3 \times 10) + 7.3 = 80.3$ 

OR

Use the grid method of multiplication (as below).

# Pencil and paper procedures (Written methods)

Use written methods to support, record or explain multiplication of:

- a three-digit number by a two-digit number
- a decimal with one or two decimal places by a single digit

#### Grid method

 $6.24 \times 8$  is approximately  $6 \times 8 = 48$ 

$$= 49.92$$

Grid lines can become optional