



STOP STRESSING

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STOP STRESSING — TAKE IT CALM

- Stressing out won't help
- Use problem solving routes and processes
- Puzzles should be fun, don't stress
- Stop the confusion
- Don't worry
- Think it through
- Smaller chunks
- One step at a time
- Keep in mind, there is a solution!

STEP BY STEP



Splitting into
manageable chunks



Start with extracting
what you can



Don't worry about
the final moment



Concentrate upon
each small task

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- Plan your steps, one by one, a piece at a time, nothing all at once
- Remember: it is the process, the calculations that matter, not the answer at this stage
- STEP 1: Split it down, gather information in a list
- Step 2: Euro Currency into £ for the first part, section by section
- Step 3: USDollars into £ for other parts, section by section
- Step 4: Understand The formula, look to see what is required, list it down
- Step 5: Cash and Assets to fit into the formula, obtain calculated information
- Step 6: Formula again, placing calculated information into the formula
- Step 7: Answer, only now do we let the flow provide the answer
- Step 8: Check calculations and each step

SPLIT DOWN — STEP BY STEP

- Don't give up before you have started
- Don't be blinded
- Use a rational method
- Understand the question from the information
- Patience
- Use a divider between steps, separate the steps
- Name the steps, give them purpose
- Work it through
- Mathematics is all about processes and steps

SUMMARY

- Split into smaller chunks
- Take the information from the text
- Note all the information first
- Understand each step – step by step
- Name/label each step
- Use knowledge from each topic required
- Gradually build to the answer
- Remember processes
- It is problem solving