## Pricewise Graphs

The graph below displays Tariq's Taxis deal

£ 1.50 call out
fee means the
minimum cost
of the taxi is

£1 per km for the first 5 km is shown in blue

80p for every km after that means a flatter slope

Understanding graphs
The graph shows how much water was in a bath over a period of time.


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## Year 8 Mastery Unit 7 - Real Life Graphs and Rates of Change

## Speed

Speed is a compound measurement combining distance and time

## Example

A car travels $\mathbf{1 2 0}$ miles in 2 hours and $\mathbf{3 0}$ minutes. Calculate the average speed of the car in mph.

The units of speed are miles per hour so the distance must be in miles and the time must be in hours.

Distance = 120 miles
Time $=2.5$ hours

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\begin{gathered}
\text { Speed }=\frac{\text { Distance }}{\text { Time }} \\
\text { Speed }=\frac{120}{2.5} \\
\text { Speed }=48 \mathrm{mph}
\end{gathered}
$$

The formula triangles can be used to help rearrange this equation to calculate distance or time.

## Speed



## Distance - Time Graphs

A speed-time graph shows the speed and direction an object travels over a specific period of time.


Gradient of a straight line
The gradient of a straight line describes the slope or steerness of the line.

The triangle goes from 2 to 8 on the $y$-axis, so has a height of 6 . It goes from to 3 on the $x$-axis, so has a width of 2 .

Gradient $=\frac{6}{2}=3$

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