Unit 109: Plastering and interior systems

# Worksheet 7: Providing a key (tutor)

Research the following backgrounds and identify the best methods for preparation to form a key.

Below is a guide for the points that should be raised in this activity. This is not an exhaustive set of answers and the tutor may feel that more points are needed.

1. Smooth concrete

Consider: scabbling, scoring, cleaning, spatterdash coat, SBR and cement slurry or bonding grit.

1. Composite background

Reinforcing with expanded metal lath.

1. Moisture-resistant plasterboard or cement board

Prior to plastering they need treating with a bonding grit.

1. Painted solid plastered wall

Can be treated with bonding grit.

1. Bare plaster wall

Can be treated with PVA (mixed to the manufacturer’s instructions) or a bonding grit.

1. Textured walls

Apply a bonding grit adhesive.

1. Clay brick

Rake joints and apply diluted PVA.

1. Stone walls

Raked, brushed and soaked with water before dubbing out.

1. Timber wall plate

Fix expanded metal to reinforce the background.