

Top Tips to Practise Spellings and Times Tables

Times Tables Online

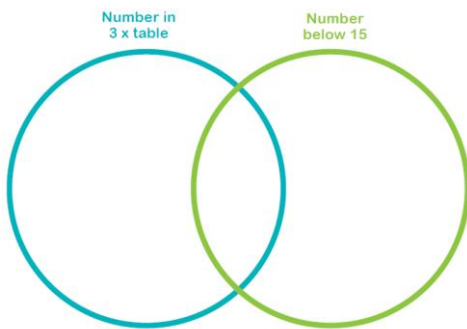
There are lots of great times table games online as well as free apps that you could try.

www.topmarks.co.uk - This website has lots of really good games for times tables including Hit the Button.

Practise answering times tables **out of sequence** to make sure you really know them.

e.g. 6×3 , 3×3 , 9×3

Answer a **missing number question** like $6 \times ? = 24$



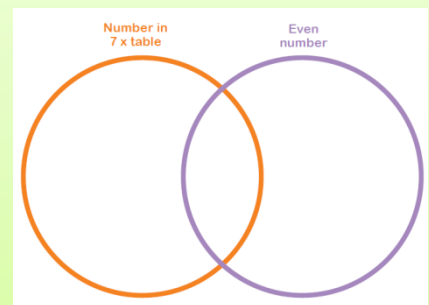
Sorting Numbers

Try writing down some numbers and sorting them to practise recognising numbers in each times table (multiples).

Where would you put 14?

Explain why.

Where would you put 21?



Right or Wrong?

Write down times table questions for somebody else to answer but include some errors for them to spot too.

Who can spot all of the mistakes in the fastest time?

	Right or Wrong?	Tick box if player is correct
$3 \times 4 = 15$	Wrong	☐
$5 \times 5 = 30$	Wrong	☐
$3 \times 3 = 9$	Right	☐
$7 \times 4 = 28$	Right	☐
$3 \times 9 = 28$	Wrong	☐
$9 \times 10 = 90$	Right	☐
$7 \times 7 = 42$	Wrong	☐
$8 \times 11 = 90$	Wrong	☐
$5 \times 6 = 30$	Right	☐
$12 \times 2 = 24$	Right	☐

Games to Play

Times Table Bingo - write down 6 numbers in a particular times table (e.g. 12, 60, 6, 30, 72 and 18 for the 6 times table). When a question is asked (3×6), cross off the answer if you have it. Cross off all 6 and shout Bingo!

4 in a row - draw a grid with 12 boxes and write down 12 numbers in a particular times table. When a question is asked, cross off the answer. Play against a partner and be the first to cross off 4 in a row.

12	30	24	18
36	3	21	15
9	33	6	27

Spelling online

www.topmarks.co.uk - This website has a wide range of games to practise spelling, grammar and punctuation for all ages.

www.worditout.com - Make a word cloud with all of your spellings. Write the trickiest ones lots of times to make them stand out in your word cloud.

Look, Say, Cover:

Write, Check



Look at your spelling, say the word, cover it up, have a go at writing it, then check. If your word is spelt correctly, well done! If you have made a mistake, work out where you have gone wrong, and have another go.

Repeat this for all of your spellings.

Sentences

As well as learning how to spell the words, it is very important to understand the meaning of these words too.

Practise writing each word in a sentence.

Can you include your word in a sentence that is about one of these things?



Remember to check for capital letters and full stops!

Write over and over again!

The more you write your spellings out, the more your brain will remember the pattern of the letters.

necessary necessary necessary necessary necessary necessary

Puzzles

Make your spellings into a word search. Write your words into a grid then hide them amongst other letters.

a	g	b	b	n	m
c	i	r	c	l	e
j	k	o	i	i	k
s	c	u	r	u	o
b	n	g	h	k	d
k	p	h	s	y	f
l	v	t	i	n	z

Make your spellings into a crossword and write a clue for each one.

Tests

Ask somebody to test you on your spellings. This will help you to work out which ones your need to practise further.

Tricky Bits

Find the tricky part of a word. Is there something that can help you to remember?

because - big elephants can't always use small exits

necessary - one collar (1 c), two sleeves (2 s)

believe - never believe a lie

Spelling Patterns

Which other words follow the same rule?

night, fright, sight, light, might