

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check 2024
Presentation for Parents, Carers & Guardians

Year 4 Multiplication Check (MTC)

- The MTC determines if Year 4 children can *fluently* recall their multiplication tables.
- They are designed to help schools identify which children require more support to learn their times tables.
- There is no 'pass' rate or threshold.
- Results are not published. Your child's result will be in their end of year report.
- The Department for Education (DfE) will create a report about the overall results across all schools in England, not individual schools.

When the check will take place

- There will be a 2 week window from Monday 3rd June to Friday 14th June 2023 for schools to administer the check.
- There is no set day to administer the check and children are not expected to take the check at the same time.
- All eligible Year 4 children in England will be required to take the check.

How the check is carried out

- The check will be *fully digital*.
- Answers will be entered using a keyboard, by pressing digits using a mouse or using an on-screen number pad.
- There will be *3 practice questions* before the check begins.
- There will be a total of *25 questions* with a *3 second pause* in-between questions.
- Usually, the check will take less than *5 minutes* for each child.
- The children will have *6 seconds* from the time the question appears to input their answer.

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Time left: 5

$6 \times 11 =$

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Enter

Specific Arrangements

Children with additional needs, who have similar provision in their day-to-day learning at school, may be allotted specific arrangements, including:

- Colour contrast;
- Font size adjustment;
- 'Next' button (alternative to 3-second pause);
- Removing on-screen number pad;
- An adult to input answers;
- Question reader;
- Audible time alert.

The check questions

- Each child will be *randomly assigned* a set of questions
- There will only be *multiplication* questions in the check, not division facts.
- The 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 times tables are *more likely* to be asked.
- Reversal of questions (e.g. 8×6 and 6×8) will not be asked in the same check.
- Children will not see their individual results when they complete the check.

More information about the questions

The Standards and Testing Agency (STA) state that they are classifying the multiplication tables by the first number in the question. For example, 8×3 would fall within the 8 times table.

5.2.1 Table 1 – Multiplication table limits in the MTC

Multiplication Table	Minimum number of items in each form	Maximum number of items in each form
1	Not applicable	Not applicable
2	0	2
3	1	3
4	1	3
5	1	3
6	2	4
7	2	4
8	2	4
9	2	4
10	0	2
11	1	3
12	2	4

- There won't be questions from the 1 times tables (although they might be included in the practice questions).
- There will be a maximum of 7 questions from the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
- There is a focus on the 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 times tables as they are the 'most difficult' multiplication tables

How can I support my child?

Remind them that the check should last no more than 5 minutes.

If you want to go over times tables, make them fun:

Climb the stairs counting in multiples
Listen and sing along to times tables songs.

Play time tables games verbally.
Play maths games online.

Websites:

www.timestables.co.uk

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/ttrs/dashboard>

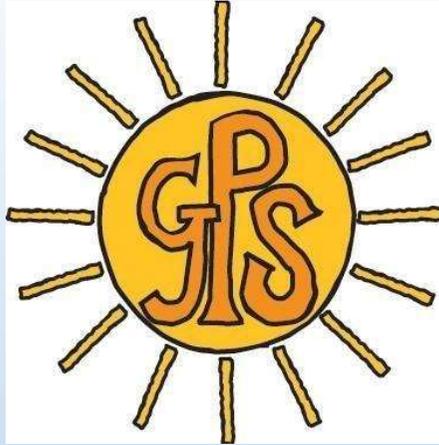
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

MTC practise websites:

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/ttrs/online/play/home/soundcheck> - sound check



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