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## $2 x$ table puzzle 1



Sally is at the fair．She has a bucket of wet sponges．She is allowed to throw any number of sponges at the frogs to knock them over，but she needs to get a score of 10 to win．

What combination of frogs would get her a score of $10 ?$ There is more than one possibility．See if you can work them out below．


## 2x table puzzle 2

Sally finds a stall at the fair where there is a pool full of ducks. Each one has the number 2 on its back:


She is given a stick with a hook and has to hook out as many ducks as she can in one minute.

After one minute, all the 2 s on the ducks she has fished out are added up.
Which scores could she NOT have got? Explain why:

| SCORE | Put a tick if you think Sally could have got this score. <br> Put a cross if you think she couldn't have. When you put a <br> cross, explain why Sally couldn't get this score. |
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## $2 x$ table puzzle 3

Note to parents: It's helpful to use a stack of $2 p$ coins and two small bags to help your child work out the different combinations in this puzzle.

At this stall at the fair, you have three hoops. You have to throw your hoops over the money bags to win what is inside. Each money bag is filled with different numbers of $2 p$ coins.


Jasmine throws her three hoops. One of the hoops misses all the bags, but she manages to get the other two hoops around two of the bags.

She opens the bags and finds she has won 20p.

How many $2 p$ coins could there have been in each of Jasmine's bags? See how many combinations you can find:

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## $3 x$ table puzzle 1

Note to parents：It may help your child to cut out the pictures of the books below，so that they can move them around to work out the different combinations．Make sure they record each combination as they go， otherwise they will forget what they have worked out！


Jack is in a bookshop．He has exactly $£ 18$ to spend．
Which of the above books could he buy？
See how many combinations you can find．

## Fast Factors

Suggested age range Children in year 2 (aged 6-7) and year 3 (aged 7-8)

## Number of players One

How ko prepare • Cut out all the cards on the following page. the game

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 game( Look at the Fast Factors cards on the next page. Each of the numbers in red is a multiple of the numbers following it in blue.

The numbers in blue are factors of the number in red.

Once you have cut out all the carts, space the red numbers out on a table or flat surface. Jumble up the blue numbers. Now see if you can put all the blue factors back with their multiples. How quickly can you complete the game? Time yourself and aim to beat your record every time you play.

## How does

 this game support Learning?Fast Factors will help your child practise the $2 x$ and $3 x$ table, as well as reinforce the use of the correct mathematical language.

The multiple of a number is the product of that number and any other whole number.

A factor is a number that divides exactly (without a remainder) into a larger number.


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## $3 x$ table puzzle 2



## Cut out the number cards above. Work out where each one should go in the Venn diagram.

## $3 x$ table puzzle 3

Note to parents: It may help your child to cut out the pictures of the sweets so they can move them around. Encourage a methodical way of working this out, for example: let's try first with five 3p sweets, now four $3 p$ sweets, now three 3p sweets, etc. This allows you to work out whether you have tried each combination, rather than doing it randomly.


## Jack has 12 p in his pocket.

What different combinations of the sweets above could he buy?

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## $4 x$ table puzzle 1

Elizabeth is trying to crack the code to open this safe and find out what's inside.

She has been given the following clues:

The code has four digits
The last digit is the answer to $1 \times 4$
The middle two digits add up to 4
The first digit is double the last digit
Each digit is in the $2 x$ table; one of them isn't in the $4 x$ table

Work out what the code is and put the answer in the boxes.


## 4x table puzzle 2

> In a room there are 24 legs. The room is full of sheep (each with 4 legs) and people (each with 2 legs).

How many sheep and people could there be? There are a few different combinations.
Cut out the cards below to help you work them out.

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## 4x table puzzle 3



Chloe has $£ 24$ to spend．
How many different combinations of the above items could she buy？（She can buy as many of each item as she likes．）

To make sure you have covered every possible combination， start with the biggest number first（16）and try adding it to itself．Then concentrate on adding the next biggest number to 16， then working down to the smallest number．Once you have worked out all possible combinations regarding 16，go onto 12 and do the same thing．Then work your way down to 4 ．Keep checking that you are not repeating combinations！

## Times Tables Dominoes

Suggested age range $\oslash$ Children aged 7 and up (from year 3).
Number of players $@ 1-4$
How ko prepare the game

- Print off the dominoes - ideally on card.
- Cut out each domino.

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( The dominoes are placed face down on the table and mixed up. Each player takes an even number of dominoes and keeps them hidden from the other players. The youngest player starts first and places a domino in the centre of the table. Play then works around the group in a clockwise direction. Players must match the number sentences on the dominoes (in arrays or numbers). If they cannot go, they knock on the table and play passes to the next player. The winner is the first person to get rid of all of their dominoes.

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This is a good game for children who have not quite grasped their times tables yet, as the dots help them to visualise the numbers they are making.




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## $5 x$ table puzzle 1

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On a stall at the fair you are given balls to throw into these cups．Each time a ball falls into a cup，you get the number of points written on the side of the cup．You need to try to get as high a score as possible．

Five children got the following scores．Which cups must they have thrown their balls into to get these scores？

The first one is done for you：

| CHILD | SCORE | CUPS BALL WAS THROWN INTO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maya | 12 | $5,5,2$ |
| Ben | 20 |  |
| Akram | 11 |  |
| Josh | 17 |  |
| Sam | 10 |  |

Could any of the scores above have more than one possible combination？Which ones？What are the combinations？

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## $5 x$ table puzzle 2

Josh is given two bags full of 5 p coins.


The total amount of money in both the bags is 30 p . How much money could be in each bag? Work out all the possible combinations in the table below:

| 1ST BAG | 2ND BAG |
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It might be helpful to use actual $5 p$ coins to help your child with this puzzle. First, get them to count out 30p in 5ps. Then ask them to find all the different ways of splitting the 5ps into two bags, recording in the table as they go. Remind them to keep telling you how much they are putting in each bag, each time, by counting the coins in 5 s .
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## 5x table puzzle 3

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Karen is given three darts．She throws them at the boards above．
Which three numbers would she need to hit，to get the following scores？ She could hit the same number more than once．

For each score，there may be only one answer or there may be several possible answers．

| SCORE | 3 NUMBERS HIT |
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| 30 |  |
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## $6 x$ table puzzle 1

Faye is trying to crack the code to open this safe in the wall． She has been given the following clues：

The code has four digits
Thefirstand second digits add upto make a multiple of 6

The third and fourth digits add up to makethesamemultipleas above

There is a difference of 6 between the first and second digits

The third and fourth digits are the same

There are no zeros in the code


The first digit is the smallest of the four

Work out what the code is and put the answer in the boxes．


# 6x table puzzle 2 



| CHILD | HIT | MISSES | WHICH <br> FROGS HIT？ | TOTAL <br> SCORE | PRIZE <br> WON？ |
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| Jack | 3 | 2 |  | 15 |  |
| Isobel |  | 4 |  | 3 |  |
| Nkechi |  |  |  | 27 |  |
| Louise |  | 2 |  | 15 |  |
| Robert |  |  | $6,6,3,3$ |  |  |


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## Times Tables Right or Wrong

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Suggested age range \(\oslash+\) (from year 3)
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Number of players 2 (one caller and one player)
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( One player needs to call out the times table number sentences on the tables on the next page. The other player says 'right' or 'wrong' depending on whether they think the caller has read out a correct sentence.

Every time the player correctly says 'right' or 'wrong', the caller gives them a tick or cross in the box next to the number sentence (they have the answers already on the table).

When you have finished, swap roles and play again on the second table. You can also make up your own tables to play with.

## How does

 this game support learning?Instant recall is vital in times tables; children need to know the correct answers without stopping to think about them. This activity can be played at speed and is a different way to test knowledge and confidence.

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

## 6x table puzzle 3



Mrs Brown the Baker makes 6 cakes on Monday.
Each day after that, she makes 6 more cakes than she made the previous day. She stops baking once she has made a total of 168 cakes.

How many days does she bake for altogether?

## $7 x$ table puzzle 1

Louise has to work out how many of each object Martin the Magician has in his box of tricks. It contains: magic wands, rabbits, packs of cards, rubber balls, handkerchiefs and hoops. He has a different number of each and each number is a multiple of 7 smaller than 84. He gives her the following clues:


There are twice as many magic wands as there are rabbits.
The number of hoops is also a multiple of 11 .
There are 7 more handkerchiefs than packs of cards.
The number of rubber balls is half the number of packs of cards.
The number of rabbits is also a multiple of 5 .
The total number of the handkerchiefs and packs of cards is the same as the number of rabbits.

Cut out the multiples of 7 below and then practise trying different combinations in the table to help you work this out:

| 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 | 35 | 42 | -49 | 56 | 63 | 70 | 77 |
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| Magic wands |  |
| :---: | :--- |
| Rabbits |  |
| Packs of cards |  |
| Rubber balls |  |
| Handkerchiefs |  |
| Hoops |  |



## 7x table puzzle 2



Frank has $£ 35$ to spend．
How many different combinations of the above items could he buy if he spent all his money？（He can buy as many of each item as he likes．）

## $7 x$ table puzzle 3

Even number

Number in
$7 \times$ table

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
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Cut out the numbers above. Work out where each one should go in the Venn diagram.

## $8 x$ table puzzle 1

Molly has a box full of packs of cans of pop. Some packs have 4 cans in them, some packs have 8 cans in them.


She knows the box contains 64 cans of pop. How many packs of 4 cans and how many packs of 8 cans could there be?

See if you can find all the combinations.

You could draw a table to help you record your combinations.
Make sure you have some kind of order to the way you work
this out, or you will get in a muddle!

## Times Table Pairs

Suggested age range 7+ (from year 3)
Number of players One or two

How ko prepare the game

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the game

- Cut out all the Times Tables Pairs cards on the next page.


## GAME 1

See if you can match up the pairs of times tables cards that have the same answers. You can play this game on your own or with another player.

## GAME 2

This game is more challenging; you need two players and one 'fact checker'.

Put all the Times Tables Pairs cards face down on a table or flat surface.
The first player starts by turning over any two cards, letting the other players see the cards. If the times tables on the two cards do not give the same answer, they need to turn the cards back.
If the times tables of the two cards turned give the same answer, they need to say what the answer is. The 'fact checker' checks if they are right using the answers on the next page. If they are correct, they can keep the pair of cards.
As the game progresses, both players should try to memorise where each card is and try to turn the correct pairs over when it is their turn.
The winner if the person with the most pairs at the end.

If you're looking for ways to consolidate your child's times tables learning, this game requires accuracy, speed and very good knowledge. Playing it will also add some excitement to practice time.

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## Times Table Pairs: Answers

$5 \times 6$ and $3 \times 10$ both equal 30
$8 \times 2$ and $4 \times 4$ both equal 16
$50 \times 2$ and $25 \times 4$ both equal 100
$10 \times 2$ and $5 \times 4$ both equal 20
$10 \times 5$ and $25 \times 2$ both equal 50
$3 \times 4$ and $2 \times 6$ both equal 12
$7 \times 4$ and $14 \times 2$ both equal 28
$6 \times 10$ and $12 \times 5$ both equal 60
$10 \times 4$ and $8 \times 5$ both equal 40
$6 \times 4$ and $8 \times 3$ both equal 24

## $8 x$ table puzzle 2

Daniel washes cars for 5 days. Each day, the number of cars he washes is a multiple of 8 . Every day, he washes 8 more cars than the previous day. By the end of the 5 days, he has washed a total of 240 cars. How many cars did he wash each day?


Helpful
hint:

## 8x table puzzle 3



At the fair，Louise has to hook as many ducks out of the pond as she can in 3 minutes．She gets a score of 24. Which ducks could she have hooked out in the 3 minutes？ See if you can find all the possible combinations．

## $9 x$ table puzzle 1



Holly


Holly's mum

Holly is 9.
Holly's mum is 9 years older than Holly's aunt.

Holly's granny is 9 times the age of Holly.
Holly was born when her mum was 27.

Work out the ages of Holly's mum, aunt and granny.

## 9x table puzzle 2



The weight of each box in kg is a multiple
of 9 no larger than 108 kg .
Box 1 weighs half of what box 2 weighs.
Box 3 weighs half of what box 1 weighs.

What could the three boxes weigh?

See if you can find all the possibilities.


## 9x table puzzle 3



The centre rectangle in this picture is a farmer's house. The eight rectangles around it, marked 1-8, are fields.

Each field contains a certain number of sheep. The number of sheep in each field is always a multiple of 9 . The largest number of sheep found in a field is 27.

From the windows at the front of the house, the farmer can see fields 1, 2 and 3 . He can see a total of 36 sheep.

From the windows at the right hand side of the house he can see fields 3, 4 and 5 . He can see a total of 54 sheep.

From the windows at the back of the house, he can see fields 5, 6 and 7. He can see a total of 45 sheep.

From the windows at the left hand side of the house he can see fields 7, 8 and 1. He can see a total of 36 sheep.


See if you can work out how many sheep could be in each field. There will be more than one way of doing this, but you only need to find one combination.

9x table puzzle 3
Answers:
Possible combinations:


## Times Tables Bingo

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Suggested age range@8+ (year 4 onwards)
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## Number of players 3

- Cut out the two nine-square grids on the next page (or you just draw them on paper) for the players.

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( The two players need a nine-square grid each. They need to write nine numbers chosen from this list - 4, $6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20,24$ - in the grid (they cannot write the same number twice).

The caller then calls out questions from the card on the next page.

If the players have the answer to the question being called, they cross them off on their grid.

The answers are on the sheet, so the caller will need to check players are crossing off the correct answers.

The first player to cross off all their numbers shouts bingo and is the winner.

## How does this game support Learning?

Make times tables drilling fun with Times Tables Bingo. You can write your own number list and caller card to test all the different tables, either one at a time or all at once.

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3 cars are parked outside, each with 4 wheels. How many wheels are there altogether?
What is the perimeter of a square with sides of 4 cm ?
There are four pairs of shoes in the window of a shop. How many shoes are there?

What is $2 \times 5$ ?
What is $2 \times 2 ?$
What is $2 \times 3 ?$
I buy 6 books,
What is $4 \times 5$ ?


## 10x table puzzle 1

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Four children are given five darts each．
They have to throw the darts at the numbers above and try to get the highest score possible．

This table shows their total scores．Write down which numbers they could have hit to get these scores（there will often be more than one possible combination）．

Remember that they will not always hit five numbers！

| NAME | SCORE | POSSIBLE NUMBERS HIT |
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| Carla | 20 |  |
| Jane | 25 |  |
| Peter | 15 |  |
| Jack | 30 |  |


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## 10x table puzzle 2



Sam only buys sweets on dates of the year that are a multiple of ten. Can you work out on how many days Sam buys sweets, from March to October?

## 10x table puzzle 3



A teacher cuts up pieces of squared paper into strips that are 10 squares long. Each square measures 1 cm along each side.

How many of these strips could you fit into a rectangle measuring 20 cm by 60 cm ?

What would the surface area of this shape be?

## 11x table puzzle 1



Brian buys a set of 20 square bricks that are 11 cm by 11 cm .

He arranges them in a 5 by 4 rectangle.
What is the perimeter of this rectangle?
What is the area?

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## 11x table puzzle 2



In the school dinners hall, each table has 11 children sat at it. There are 132 children in the hall altogether.

In the packed lunch hall, each table has 11 children sat at it. There are 99 children in the hall altogether.

How many more TABLES of children are there in the school dinners hall than the packed lunch hall?

## Jumbled Times Tables

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Suggested age range@7+ (year 4 onwards)
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Number of players One

How lo prepare the game

- Cut out the number sentences on the following page and jumble them up.
Start with a pile of jumbled up number sentences
cards. How fast can you get them back into the right
order?
Time yourself and see if you can beat your time with
your next attempt.

> How does this game support learning?

Arranging number sentences correctly will help your child practise tricky times tables and see patterns - for example, $9 \times 3$ and $3 \times 9$ have the same answer.


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## 11x table puzzle 3



Louise has a bag full of $10 p$ coins and $1 p$ coins. There are the same number of $10 p$ coins in the bag as there are $1 p$ coins.

She has $£ 1.43$ altogether.
How many 10ps and 1ps are there in the bag?

## 12x table puzzle 1



See if you can work out the four mystery numbers above with the following clues:

Each number is a multiple of 12.
The first, third and fourth numbers have two digits.
The second number has three digits.
None of the numbers are larger than 144.
Each number contains the digit 4.
The third number is half the first number.
The last number is 60 more than the third number.

## 12x table puzzle 2

Cut out and re-arrange these cards into the gaps below so that the number sentence makes sense:

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## 12x table puzzle 3

John has a bag with blue，red，yellow， orange and green sweets in it．He＇s given the following clues about how many sweets of each colour there are in the bag：

Each number of sweets is a multiple of 12，no bigger than 108.
Both the number of orange sweets and the number of green sweets have the digit 4 in them．

There are less than 40 red sweets．
There are twice as many yellow sweets than red sweets．
There are more than 50 yellow sweets．
There are twice as many green sweets as orange sweets．
The number of blue sweets has three digits．

| COLOUR OF SWEET | NUMBER OF SWEETS |
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| Red |  |
| Yellow |  |
| Orange |  |
| Green |  |

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## What's the Question?

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Suggested age range@8+ (year 5 onwards)
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## Number of players ${ }^{2}$

How to prepare the game

the
game

## How does this game support Learning?

- Cut up the What's the Question? cards and jumble them up. Lay them face down on a flat surface.

This game is played backwards - so you pick a number and then you have to give a times table question that matches it. For example, if you picked up 49 you would need to say: $7 \times 7$.

You need to play with one other player - it may be good to play with an adult so they can help you with questions if you get stuck.

Players are not allowed to use the one times table!

Note to parents: If you want to make the game harder, see if you can get your child to think about whether that is the only times table that matches the number or if there are others. Use the answers cards to check whether your child is correct.




[^1]Mhatisthe Question? cards






[^0]:    Helpful Draw a picture of the tiles arranged in the rectangle hint: to help you.

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