

**Multiplication tables check:**  
information for parents



  
Standards  
& Testing  
Agency

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Welcome to year 4 family learning:

Preparing for the MTC

## **Do you have a child in year 4 at primary school?**

If so, your child will be participating in the multiplication tables check (MTC) in June.

The purpose of the check is to determine whether your child can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also help your child's school to identify if your child may need additional support.

## **What is the MTC?**

The MTC is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times tables questions. Your child will answer 3 practice questions before moving on to the official check, and will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

## **What if my child cannot access the check?**

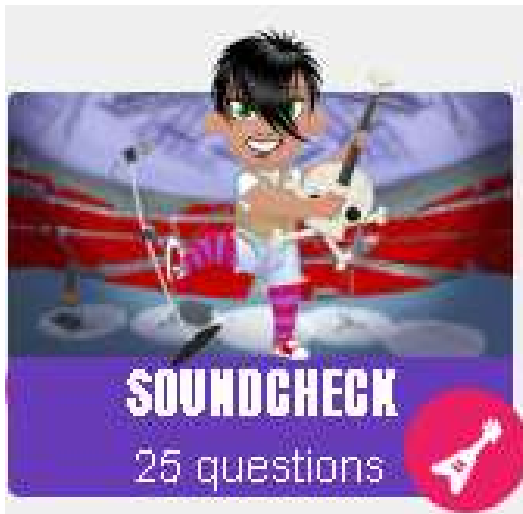
There are a number of accessibility features available in MTC to assist children with special educational needs and disabilities. These were developed with schools and pupils to ensure they do not disadvantage children that require additional support. Schools will be able to try these out with your child to ensure they are appropriate, prior to the check window in June.

However, there are some circumstances in which it may not be appropriate for a pupil to take the check. If you have any concerns about your child being able to access the MTC, you should talk to your child's headteacher.

## Do I need to do anything to prepare my child for the check?

No, you do not need to do anything additional to prepare your child for the check. As part of usual practice, teachers may ask you to practise times tables with your child.

Schools will have unlimited access to a try it out area from March. They can use this to make sure pupils have the necessary support required to access the check. This includes opportunities for pupils to familiarise themselves with the check application and try out any access arrangements that may be required.



The Soundcheck option on Times Tables Rockstars also replicates the format of the MTC.

This is a great way for the children to practice and get used to the format.

## **How will the results be used?**

Schools will have access to all their pupils' results, allowing those pupils who need additional support to be identified.

## **Will I receive feedback on my child's check?**

Yes. Your child's teacher will share your child's score with you, as they would with all national curriculum assessments. There is no pass mark for the check.

What we are doing to help prepare your children for the MTC:

- Regular practice sessions in class

- Learning times tables in class as part of regular maths lessons

- Daily mastering number sessions to deepen understanding of the structure of multiplication (and division)

## TIMES TABLES

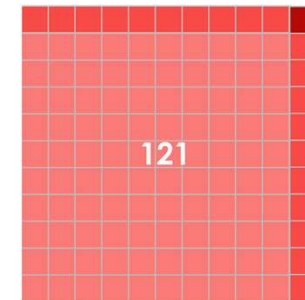
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1x2=2	2x2=4	3x2=6	4x2=8	5x2=10	6x2=12
1x3=3	2x3=6	3x3=9	4x3=12	5x3=15	6x3=18
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1x7=7	2x7=14	3x7=21	4x7=28	5x7=35	6x7=42
1x8=8	2x8=16	3x8=24	4x8=32	5x8=40	6x8=48
1x9=9	2x9=18	3x9=27	4x9=36	5x9=45	6x9=54
1x10=10	2x10=20	3x10=30	4x10=40	5x10=50	6x10=60
1x11=11	2x11=22	3x11=33	4x11=44	5x11=55	6x11=66
1x12=12	2x12=24	3x12=36	4x12=48	5x12=60	6x12=72
X7	X8	X9	X10	X11	X12
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7x2=14	8x2=16	9x2=18	10x2=20	11x2=22	12x2=24
7x3=21	8x3=24	9x3=27	10x3=30	11x3=33	12x3=36
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7x7=49	8x7=56	9x7=63	10x7=70	11x7=77	12x7=84
7x8=56	8x8=64	9x8=72	10x8=80	11x8=88	12x8=96
7x9=63	8x9=72	9x9=81	10x9=90	11x9=99	12x9=108
7x10=70	8x10=80	9x10=90	10x10=100	11x10=110	12x10=120
7x11=77	8x11=88	9x11=99	10x11=110	11x11=121	12x11=132
7x12=84	8x12=96	9x12=108	10x12=120	11x12=132	12x12=144

BestTimesTable.com

NCETM Mastering Number: GOING FOR GOLD

2x2
2x3 3x3
2x4 3x4 4x4
2x5 3x5 4x5 5x5
2x6 3x6 4x6 5x6 6x6
2x7 3x7 4x7 5x7 6x7 7x7
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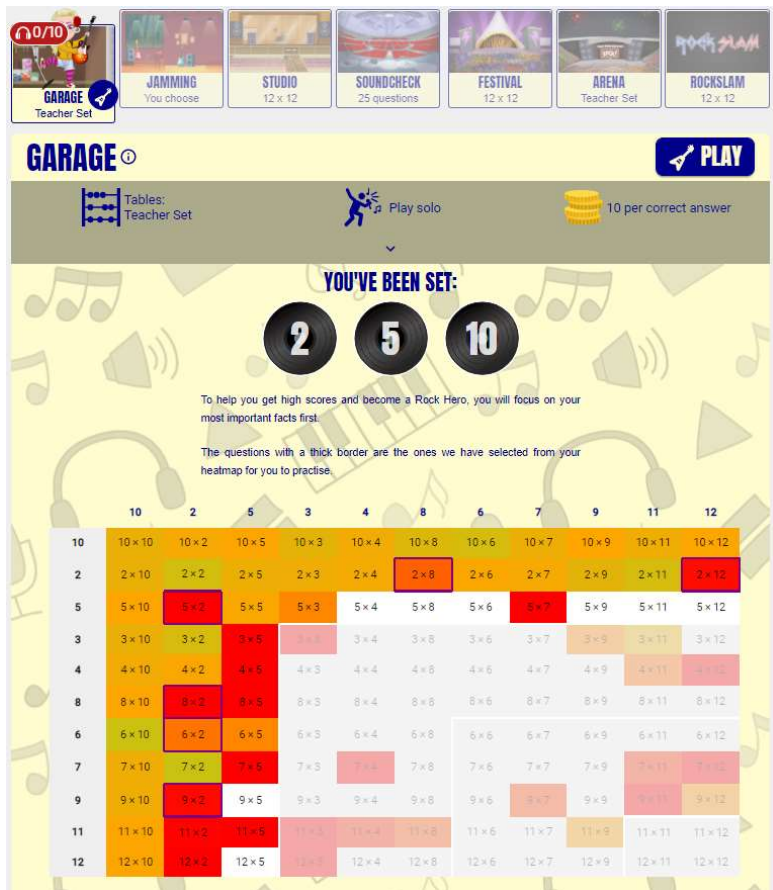
MATHSHUBS



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What you can do to help prepare your children for the MTC:

- Make sure children complete their targeted daily 5minutes Times Tables practice on TT Rockstars in Garage/Studio mode



*Those children in the 144 club should continue to practice daily in garage, studio and soundcheck modes*

- Use a chart/poster to practice and test your children regularly

- Challenge the children to use their multiplication skills in the real world, e.g. when shopping

X	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144



Every child has a “heatmap” which is a visual representation of where they are currently with their times tables.

This can be found in the fluency/“garage” section

	10	2	5	3	4	8	6	7	9	11	12
10	10×10	10×2	10×5	10×3	10×4	10×8	10×6	10×7	10×9	10×11	10×12
2	2×10	2×2	2×5	2×3	2×4	2×8	2×6	2×7	2×9	2×11	2×12
5	5×10	5×2	5×5	5×3	5×4	5×8	5×6	5×7	5×9	5×11	5×12
3	3×10	3×2	3×5	3×3	3×4	3×8	3×6	3×7	3×9	3×11	3×12
4	4×10	4×2	4×5	4×3	4×4	4×8	4×6	4×7	4×9	4×11	4×12
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Completing their daily practice will lead to children answering questions more quickly and accurately, which turns their heatmap green

You will get an up to date print out of your child’s progress today

**Thank you so much for  
listening.**

**Do you have any questions?**