

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check 2024 Thursday 22 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ February 2024

## Information about multiplication tables 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 which means that, unlike the Phonics Screening Check, children will not be expected to re-sit the check.
- 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 $3^{\text {rd }}$ June to Friday $14^{\text {th }}$ June 2024 for schools to administer the check.
- There is no set day to administer the check.
- Schools can decide how to administer the tests (small groups/1:1 etc).
- 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.
- 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.
- There will be a total of 25 questions with a 3 second pause in-between questions.
- There will be 3 practice questions before the check begins.


## Specific arrangements for the check

Some children may be eligible for specific arrangements:

- Colour contrast;
- Font size adjustment;
- 'Next' button (alternative to 3-second pause);
- An adult to input answers;


## 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. $8 \times 6$ and $6 \times 8$ ) will not be asked in the same check.
- Children will not see their individual results when they complete the check.



## Multiplication Tables Check

This activity exactly mirrors the 'Multiplication Tables Check' that will be given to children at the end of Year 4. They are tested on their multiplication tables up to 12 x 12. There are twenty-five questions and children have six seconds to answer each question and three seconds between questions. The questions are generated randomly using the same rules as the 'Multiplication Tables Check' (see below).

Results can be downloaded and printed at the end of the test.
A similar activity which tests recall of number bonds can be found here.
For more multiplication games click here.

| Multiplication Table | Minimum number of items in each | Maximum number of items in each |
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## QUESTIONS?



