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Making Maths Stick
End of year two


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## Making Maths Stick

## Did you know?

At Whizz Education, we've been examining our live learning data which shows that children can lose
2.6 months' worth of learning when their learning is disrupted for 6 weeks (say, because of the summer holiday or school closures)

This is known as learning loss and we've decided to do something about it.


## Turning learning loss into learning gains

We recommend children continue to use MathsWhizz throughout the year, achieving at least 3 Progressions each week (that's likely to take between 45 and 60 minutes per week). So, over several weeks, not only will children be able to maintain their maths knowledge, they will also make additional progress as well. For such a small amount of time each week the gains are huge!

## Making Maths Stick

We've created a handy chart for you to stick up at home as a way of tracking the Progressions your child has made on Maths-Whizz over the coming period.

We've also created a fun activity pack, full of ideas, activities and games to bring the maths your children have been learning at school to life, and all inspired by the outdoors! The activities and games can be done at home, in the local park, the wood, in the garden or (when the time is right) when you're on holiday or visiting friends.. Our activities involve a wide range of engaging, hands-on activities and games. Every activity aims to encourage enquiry, creativity and teamwork in making maths fun.

## Getting started

Everything you need can be found outdoors or in cupboards at home, so you can be creative! For rainy days or if you want to (or simply have to) stay indoors, you can use paper straws, spaghetti, pencils, beans or building blocks. If you're outside, remind children to be kind to the environment - be careful not to disturb or damage trees or plants, use what you find on the ground instead. And always wash your hands before handling food and drinks.

## What's in the pack?

There are 12 activities, for each year group - have a look through and you can choose the pack that matches the year group your child has just finished or the year group they will join in September. Try to complete two a week throughout the holidays.

## Connect with us!

Share what you have been up to with us through Twitter or Facebook - just search @MathsWhizzTutor. We will share the best of your posts with our followers each week! Most of all, have fun Making Maths Stick.

## Weekly Progression chart

## Maths-Whizz Progressions

Draw a tick over the stone for every Progression you make. How many did you make in total this week? Write it in the box!


## Activities

Put a tick in the box when you have completed the exercise in your 'Making Maths Stick' activity pack!

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 |

## Activity one - Counting stick

## Key skills

- To be able to count forwards and backwards from zero or any given number.
- To count in multiples.


## Have ready

- A stick, broom handle or pole at least a metre long, OR...
- Draw a chalk line on paving slabs, or even use the edge of a table and tape.
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- Using the resources, make a counting stick (no longer than a metre) and with your child work out how to divide it into 10 equal parts.
- Mark each division with a pen, tape or tie string. This is now ready for all sorts of counting.
- Each mark/division can represent whatever you want it to. Point to the division as you count.



## Activity two - Race to 40

## Key skills

- To regroup in tens and ones when adding.
- To exchange 10 ones for one ten.


## Have ready

- Small sticks, straws or cocktail sticks. Group the sticks into ten and tie together to make one group. Repeat this so you have 8 groups of ten and 10 single sticks.
- You could play this with a big pebble that represents one group of 10 and smaller pebbles/stones that represent 1.
- A spinner or a dice (See resources).


## Activity

- This is a game for two players. The winner of the game is first one to reach 40.
- Player one rolls the dice and picks up that number of sticks, then player two rolls the dice and also picks up that number of sticks.
- You are not allowed more than 9 sticks, so when each player has more than 9 sticks they have to exchange 10 single sticks for 1 group of 10 bundled sticks to continue. The winner will have 4 groups of ten sticks that make 40 !



## Activity three - Race to zero

## Key skills

- To regroup tens and ones when subtracting.
- To exchange one ten for ten ones.


## Have ready

- Small sticks, straws or cocktail sticks. Group the sticks into ten and tie together to make one group. Repeat this so you have 8 groups of ten and 10 single sticks.
- You could play this with a big pebble that represents one group of 10 and smaller pebbles/ stones that represent 1.
- A spinner or a dice (See resources).



## Activity

- This is a game for two players. The winner of the game is first one to reach zero.
- Same as activity two but this time you start with 4 groups of ten sticks.
- This time you will have to exchange a group of 10 sticks for 10 single sticks.



## Activity four - Pebble arrays

## Key skills

- To practise multiplication and division facts using materials.


## Have ready

- Lots of the same objects like pebbles, shells, pasta, beans, counters, toys.



## Activity

- You are going to make an array. First decide how many objects you want in a row, for example, 5 objects. Arrange these 5 objects in a row evenly spaced out.




- Now decide how many rows you want. For example, here we have 2 rows of 5 . We can also see 5 columns of 2 .




- When children are making arrays they must make sure that each row has the same number, each column has the same number and they are evenly spaced. We can now link this to multiplication.

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\begin{gathered}
1 \times 5=5 \\
2 \times 5=10 \\
\text { Or } \\
5 \times 1=5 \\
5 \times 2=10
\end{gathered}
$$

- You can continue to keep adding rows.
- Children need lots of practice with making and describing their own arrays using the language explored in the example. This is an ideal way to practise multiplication and division facts.


## Activity five - Follow the line

## Key skills

- To create a pattern.


## Have ready

- Pebbles, scrap paper cut into ovals/circles.
- Paint, chalk, pen, markers.


## Activity

- This activity gives your child the opportunity to explore and be creative. You can ask questions related to shapes they make, length and direction.

Draw a straight line across some of the pebbles.

Draw two lines meeting to form a right angle.

Draw 3 lines forming to make a ' $\mathrm{Y}^{\prime}$.

Draw 2 lines forming to make a ' T '.

- Now let your child explore what they can make by joining the lines up. What can the lines make?




## Activity six - Pick up sticks

Key skills

- To develop spatial awareness, fine motor control and develop mathematical vocabulary.


## Have ready

- About 20 sticks or alternatives.
- At least two players.



## Activity

- Get about 20 sticks and drop them into a pile.
- Take it in turns to remove a stick without moving any others. You could ask what shapes you see when you look down at the pile.




## Activity seven - What shapes can you make?



## Key skills

To identify and describe 2D shapes.
## Have ready

A selection of sticks.

## Activity

The challenge is to make as many different shapes as possible using the sticks.- Talk about the properties of the shapes and see if your child can name some of the shapes - triangle, square, rectangle, quadrilateral, polygon.
- Take a number of sticks, for example, 15 - how many rectangles can you make with 15 sticks?


## Activity eight - 3D shapes

## Key skills

- To identify and describe 3D shapes.


## Have ready

- Sticks.
- Playdough/string/ masking tape.


## Activity

- Look around - what 3D shapes do you see?
- Using the sticks make a cube, cuboid or square based pyramid 3D shape.



## Activity nine - Patterns

## Key skills



To copy, repeat and create a pattern.

## Have ready

- A collection of different materials.
Activity
- Get your child to...


Copy a pattern you make.
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Repeat the pattern you make.
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Make their own pattern.

- How many times does the pattern repeat?

What will the 10 th object be?

- Make your own repeating patterns.



## Activity ten - Dotty six (Nrich)

## Key skills

- To consolidate basic number facts combined with an element of strategic thinking.


## Have ready

- You need a partner.
- 1-6 dice.
- Stones/dots.
- $3 \times 3$ grid (see resources). You could also draw this grid in the sand or draw with chalk on pavement.


## Activity

- Take turns to throw the dice and put the stones in the box.
- Each box totals 6 stones.
- You can put your stones anywhere but you have to put all of the stones for that throw in one box.
- You can add to stones already in a box.
- If there is nowhere to place the stones you miss a turn.
- Three boxes in a row, diagonal or column, each containing 6 stones, wins the game.



Now, can you change the game to make your own version? Perhaps change the total in each box, numbers on the dice, or try it with a $4 \times 4$ grid.



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## Activity eleven - Fractions



## Key skills

- To recognise, find and name fractions.

| Have ready |
| :---: |
| - Sticks or alternatives. |
| Activity |

- Using the sticks, make a fraction wall showing 1 whole, 2 halves, four quarters.
- Find half and quarter of quantities of leaves, acorns, conkers, sticks, vegetables, pebbles, seeds, berries, flowers etc.
- You could even place the materials on the fraction wall.


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## Resources



1-6 spinner


1-9 spinner

1-6 dice


## $3 \times 3$ grid




## Glossary



## Acute angle



An angle smaller than a right angle. It is an angle between $0^{\circ}$ and $90^{\circ}$.


The area of a shape is a measure of how much surface it has.
Area $=$ length $\times$ width

Circle


A shape with every point at its edge at exactly the same distance from the centre.

## Angle



An amount of turn. Angles are measured in degrees.

Array


A regular arrangement of numbers or objects. It has rows and columns usually in the form of a rectangle.

## Clockwise



Turning the same way as a clock.

Anti-clockwise


Turning the opposite way to the clock.

## Ascending



Going up or increasing in order from smallest to largest.

## Corner



A corner is a point where two or more lines meet.

## Cuboid



Solid shape with six rectangular faces.

## Diagonal



A straight line that joins any two corners which are not adjacent.

Hexagon


Any polygon with six straight sides.

## Denominator



The number below the line in a fraction.

Diameter


A line that passes from one side of a circle through the centre to the other side.

Horizontal


Same direction as the horizon.

Descending


Half


One of two equal parts. When something is divided into two equal parts, each part is one half.

## Irregular polygon



Shapes that do not have all their sides the same length. They have different sized angles.

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## Numerator



The number above the line in a fraction.

## Parallel lines



Lines that stay at the same distance apart.

Obtuse angle


An angle that measures between $90^{\circ}-180^{\circ}$.

Perimeter


The distance around the outside of the shape.


A property of a shape is a particular fact or feature of it that makes it part of a group with the same properties.

Octagon


Any polygon with eight straight sides.

## Perpendicular lines



One line is at right angles to another line.


Any polygon that has four sides. The four angles add up to $360^{\circ}$.


Is one of four equal parts.

## Radius



Is the length of a straight line from the centre of a circle to its circumference.

Rectangle


A four-sided flat shape. It has two pairs of opposite, equal parallel sides and each angle is a right angle.

Right angle


An angle of $90^{\circ}$. It is a quarter turn.

## Square-based pyramid



Has a face that is square and the other four faces are triangles.

Side


A side of a shape is the line that forms part of the edge or perimeter.

## Straight lines



A straight line is half a turn. It is two right angles.


The 'Line of Symmetry' is the imaginary line where you could fold the image and have both halves match exactly.

Turn


When something turns it spins, rotates, revolves, or whirls.

## Three-dimensional shape



Three-dimensional shapes are solid shapes.

## Two-dimensional

 shape

Two dimensionsal shapes are flat shapes.

## Volume

Volume of an object is the amount of space it fills. To find the volume you multiply the length by the width by the height.
Volume $=\mathrm{l} \times \mathrm{w} \times \mathrm{h}$


Triangle


Any polygon with three sides. The angles of a triangle add up to $180^{\circ}$.

Unit fraction


Has a numerator of 1 and any number as a denominator.

## Vertical



At right angles to a horizontal line.

