



## Let's Focus on Maths (Second Level)



**How can I help my child?**

# Top Tips for helping with Maths

Maths is a life skill. There are many strategies that can be used to help develop maths skills. Here are some ways you can help at home.

Practice recall of multiplication tables.

Find a percentage of a number.  
Encourage quick recall of percentage facts  
 $10\% = 1/10$   
 $20\% = 1/5$   
 $50\% = 1/2$   
 $75\% = 3/4$   
 $100\% = 1$

Practice quick ways to add and subtract  
 $43 + 19 = 43 + 20 - 1$

Practice reading and writing large numbers. Look for large numbers in newspapers, TV programmes.



Make the link between multiplication and division.  
 $4 \times 3 = 12$   
 $12 \div 3 = 4$   
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Practice telling the time.  
Convert 24 hour clock to 12 hour clock.  
Plan journeys.  
Count how long until an event e.g. how many minutes until dinner.

Use a calendar to identify dates for family birthdays and other events. Count months/weeks/days until an event happens e.g. how many weeks until a holiday.

Find practical applications for measuring e.g. measuring for a new carpet, weighing ingredients for baking.

## Useful Websites

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)

[maths/zone.co.uk](http://maths/zone.co.uk)

[www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk](http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk)

[www.bbc.co.uk/schools](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools)

[www.ictgames](http://www.ictgames)



Further information about Numeracy and Maths can be found in our Numeracy and Maths policy which is on our school website:

<http://www.oxgang.e-dunbarton.sch.uk> > School Info > Plans and Policies section.