



Key Instant Recall Facts KIRFs

To help develop children's fluency in mathematics, we ask them to learn Key Instant Recall Facts each half term. Children should aim to practise their KIRFs at least 3 times a week.

Please see attached lists of KIRFs which align to the new maths curriculum. They are intended to be challenging and where possible that children will be taught the necessary maths in lessons beforehand.



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Key Instant Recall Facts

Year 6 – Autumn 1

I know the multiplication and division facts for all times tables up to 12×12

By the end of this half term, children should know the following facts. The aim is for them to recall these facts **instantly**.

Please see separate sheet for all times table facts.

This is a chance for Year 6 children to consolidate their knowledge of multiplication and division facts and to increase their speed of recall.

Key Vocabulary

What is 12 **multiplied by** 6?

What is 7 **times** 8?

What is 84 **divided by** 7?

They should be able to answer these questions in any order, including missing number questions e.g. $7(\otimes) = 28$ $(\text{or}) \div 6 = 7$.

Children who have already mastered their times tables should apply this knowledge to answer questions including decimals e.g. $0.7(\otimes) = 4.2$ $(\text{or}) \div 60 = 0.7$

Top Tips

The secret to success is practising **little and often**. Use time wisely. Can you practise these KIRFs while walking to school or during a car journey? You don't need to practise them all at once: perhaps you could have a fact family of the day. If you would like more ideas, please speak to your child's teacher.

Speed Challenge – Take two packs of playing cards and remove the kings. Turn over two cards and ask your child to multiply the numbers together (Ace = 1, Jack = 11, Queen = 12). How many questions can they answer correctly in 2 minutes? Practise regularly and see if they can beat their high score.

Online games – There are many games online which can help children practise their multiplication and division facts. www.conkermaths.org is a good place to start.

Use memory tricks – For those hard-to-remember facts, www.multiplication.com has some strange picture stories to help children remember.



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Key Instant Recall Facts

Year 6 – Autumn 2

I can identify common factors of a pair of numbers.

By the end of this half term, children should know the following facts. The aim is for them to recall these facts **instantly**.

The factors of a number are all numbers which divide it with no remainder.

E.g. the factors of 24 are 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, and 24.

The factors of 56 are 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 14, 28 and 56.

The common factors of two numbers are the factors they share.

E.g. the common factors of 24 and 56 are 1, 2, 4 and 8.

The greatest common factor of 24 and 56 is 8.

Key Vocabulary

factor

common factor

multiple

greatest common factor

Children should be able to explain how they know that a number is a common factor.

E.g. 8 is a common factor of 24 and 56 because $24 = 8 \times 3$ and $56 = 8 \times 7$.

Top Tips

The secret to success is practising **little** and **often**. Use time wisely. Can you practise these KIRFs while walking to school or during a car journey? If your child is not yet confident with identifying factor pairs of a number, you may want to refer to the Year 5 Summer 2 sheet to practise this first. If you would like more ideas, please speak to your child's teacher.

There are many online games to practise finding the greatest common factor, for example: <http://www.fun4thebrain.com/beyondfacts/gcfsketch.html>

Choose two numbers. Take it in turns to name factors. Who can find the most?



Key Instant Recall Facts

Year 6 – Spring 1

I can convert between decimals, fractions and percentages.

By the end of this half term, children should know the following facts. The aim is for them to recall these facts **instantly**. Children should be able to convert between decimals and fraction (tenths and hundredths).

$$\frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$

$$\frac{1}{100} = 0.01$$

How many tenths is 0.8?

$$\frac{1}{4} = 0.25$$

$$\frac{7}{100} = 0.07$$

How many hundredths is 0.12?

$$\frac{3}{4} = 0.75$$

$$\frac{21}{100} = 0.21$$

Write 0.75 as a fraction.

$$\frac{1}{10} = 0.1$$

$$\frac{75}{100} = 0.75$$

Write $\frac{1}{4}$ as a decimal.

$$\frac{2}{10} = 0.2$$

$$\frac{99}{100} = 0.99$$

$$\frac{6}{10} = 0.6$$

$$\frac{9}{10} = 0.9$$

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Play games - Make some cards with pairs of equivalent fractions and decimals. Use these to play the memory game or snap. Or make your own dominoes with fractions on one side and decimals on the other.



Key Instant Recall Facts

Year 6 – Spring 2

I can identify prime numbers up to 50.

By the end of this half term, children should know the following facts. The aim is for them to recall these facts **instantly**.

A prime number is a number with no factors other than itself and one.

The following numbers are prime numbers:

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23,
29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47

A composite number is divisible by a number other than 1 or itself.

The following numbers are composite numbers:

4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20,
22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 32, 34, 35, 36,
38, 39, 40, 42, 44, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50

Key

**Vocabulary prime
number composite
number factor
multiple**

Children should be able to explain how they know that a number is composite.

E.g. 39 is composite because it is a multiple of 3 and 13.

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It's really important that your child uses mathematical vocabulary accurately. Choose a number between 2 and 50. How many correct statements can your child make about this number using the vocabulary above?

Make a set of cards for the numbers from 2 to 50. How quickly can your child sort these into prime and composite numbers? How many even prime numbers can they find? How many odd composite numbers?