Ideas for helping you learn your tables...

Use the following ideas (or any of your own of course!) to learn or keep up practise of your tables.

Flashcard Frenzy!

Write your tables out on flashcards (bits of paper) with the answers on the back. Get someone to hold up the cards one at a time for you to answer. Put the ones you get right in one pile and the ones you need to work on in another. Get your helper to repeatedly hold up the cards you are working on until they can be moved into the other pile. Once you have remembered them all, work on getting faster.



Make (or print) a multiplication grid.

Fill the grid in with each table you are working on. Highlight or colour the ones you are confident with. Be sure to look at the higher tables as you can score of some of

these too. For example, when you know 2x9, you can also check-off 9x2.

Learn about patterns and tricks!

There are lots of patterns and tricks you can learn about tables. Find out about some. For example:

- 2 times table its's the same as doubling! All the answers are even numbers
- 4 times table is double the 2, and the eight times table is double the 41
- 6 times table is double the 3
- 9 times table this is the most fun! If you add the digits of the answers together, you always get 9! Write the answers one under the other. Look at how the tens and units digits go up and down by one. See if you can find out the trick you can use with your fingers to get the answers.



Sing it Out!

Look up Mr. DeMaio Multiplication Songs on YouTube. Enjoy singing, dancing and learning the songs! Three Times Table Song (Cover of Uptown Funk by Mark Ronson and

Bruno Mars) - YouTube



Get Creative!

Draw a 'Waldorf Multiplication flower' for the table you are working on.

High Five!

Write the tables sums on pieces of paper or cards. Blu-tac them on different doors, window or walls in your house. Every time you go past a sum, you need to high-five it and call out the answer

Play Multiplication War

Using a deck of playing cards, split the pack in half. Both players turn over the top card. The first person to multiply the numbers and call out



the answer gets to keep the cards. The person with the biggest pile at the end is the winner!

Make Some Fact **Flips**

Write out the sums on a piece of paper and fold over the answers. Use these to test vourself and reveal the answer to check if you are correct!



Division

Once you are confident with a table, make sure you practise the inverse. Start with the answers and recall the factors which can make that answer. You can use your flashcards to help with this too.