## TEACHING TIMES TABLES IN TEN MINUTES

The New Tables						
9×2		5 x 2			6 x 2	
3×9		4×5			4×6	
9×4		5×6			6 x 6	
5×9		8 x 5		8×6		
9×6		2 x 2		3×4		
7×9		3×2		7×8		
9×8		7 x 3			7×6	
9 x 9		8×4		8 x 8		
3 x 3	3	x5	2×7		4×2	
6 x 3	5×7		4×7		8 x 2	
8 x 3	5×5		7×7		4×4	

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 The mind is a pattern making and a pattern using system(Edward De Bono)

#### 2. Mnemonics

Anything to aid one's memory, especially if its funny or outrageous! (Professional Memory Training Principles)

The 9-Partners 1 2 3 4 8 7 6 5

The 9 Recipe: Think 1 Less and the Partner

9x2=18 9x3=27 9x4=36 9x5=45 9x6=54 9x7=63 9x8=72 9x9=81

Remember

Apply

Example

9x7

63

5 and Even
Half the
Number
and Zero
5x2=10
5x4=20
5x6=30
5x8=40

Recognise

Apply
The recipe

Example

5x4

20

6 and Even
Half the
Number and
the Number
6x2=12
6x4=24
6x6=36
6x8=48

Recognise

Apply
The recipe

**Example** 

6x4

24

Count to Eight.
Answers in Front.

1 2 3 4
5 6 7 8

12=3x4

56 = 7x8

Answers Behind.

73218432

7x3 = 21

8x4 = 32

Answers Behind.

7 6 4 2

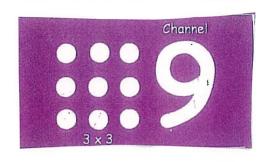
8 8 6 4

EVEN EVEN

7x6=42

8x8 = 64

3x3



### Close your eyes & visualise

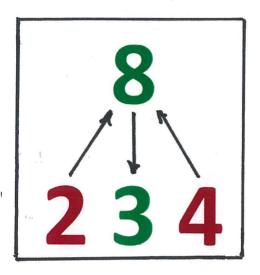
**Professional Memory Training Technique** 

### **The 9-Partners**

Half 36=18

3x6=18

## Close your eyes & visualise



See and say:

$$2x4=8$$
 $8x3=24$ 

Say aloud: if 2 fours =8

4 fours=2 eightssss sixteen

### Close your eyes & visualise

5 10 15 20 25

### See & remember

Odd x 5 ends in 5

1. 
$$5x5=....5$$

How many 5's do you see? 2

2. Recipe: odd number in front and 5

2x7 = 2 weeks=fortnight=14 nights

4x7 = 4 weeks = shortest month

February = 28

12345678

2<sup>nd</sup> month

8 letters

**7x7** – a week & a week = a fortnine

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# Close your eyes & visualise

9x7 = 63

63:7=9

63:9=7

#### **Recipes instead of tables**

- Knowledge of the four basic numerical operations is an essential for answering scholastic Maths questions efficiently.
- The use of a calculator disturbs the flow of the necessary thoughts.
- Copying tables umpteen times has only worked for some because, as a chore, it can never generate interest, the key to learning. That's why all teenagers get their driver's licence!
- For the past 200 years the subject has been more important than the student. It cannot be called Education; even training would be a misnomer!
- To many students, tables are like a forest you can't see for the trees. The brain cannot absorb pure data; it has to be seen through the spectacles of an idea (Edward De Bono).

• The recipes, each one refers to one particular group of facts. It has nothing to do with understanding of concepts. Only eyes and memory are involved. It's like recognising fellow students and remembering their names; you can only do one at any time. In a Maths question you only need one fact, not the whole table; that's where students get lost. Example: if x=3, find 4x. You only need to remember to count to 4, to get the answer!

Nobody else has ever discovered ways to remember the basic number facts. With tables, you know or you don't. Besides, my discoveries are more stimulating for modern children.

Please note: recipes for the other three numerical operations appear in "Numbers in a Nutshell" and in the 'Math & Memory" books.