

Why is it important to know your times tables off by heart?





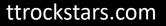
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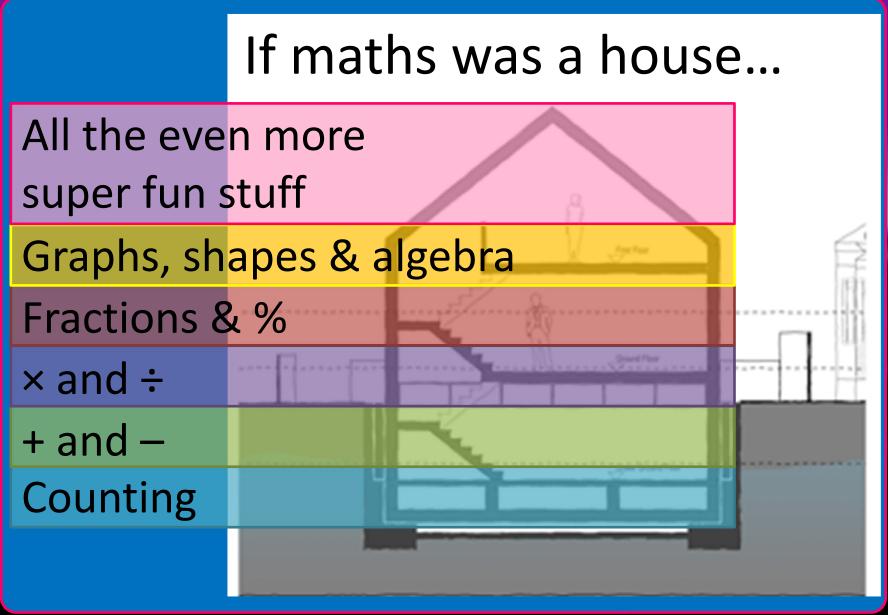
You can take pupils' responses for the "why is it helpful" question although most will say that it helps you with shopping, which is really only true if you're buying lots of the same item or working in sales. We've offered two possible reasons on the next few slides:

- Times tables are one of the foundations/building blocks of maths. You need it to access/support all the even more interesting maths that sits on top.
- 2. The multiplicative relationship between amounts is usually more interesting and helpful than the additive relationship as they allow you to describe patterns and make predictions.

The second argument may be lost on younger children so don't feel you have to use it.







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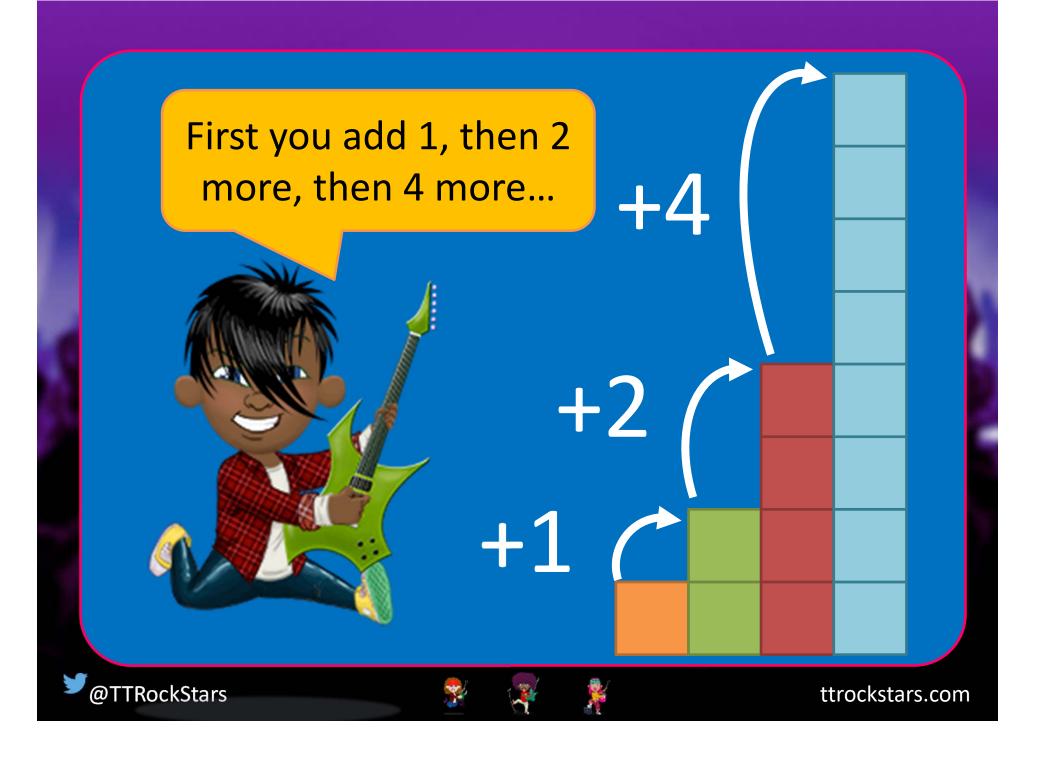


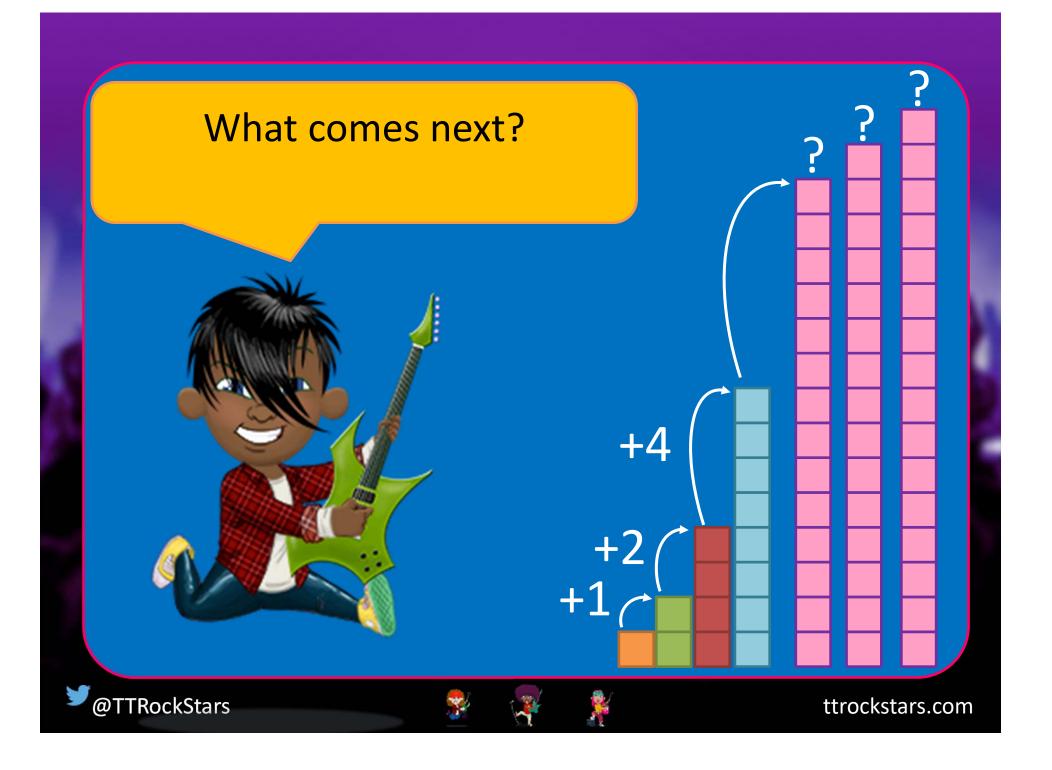
The times tables are the basics of maths. If you know the basics, you'll find the rest much much easier.



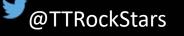






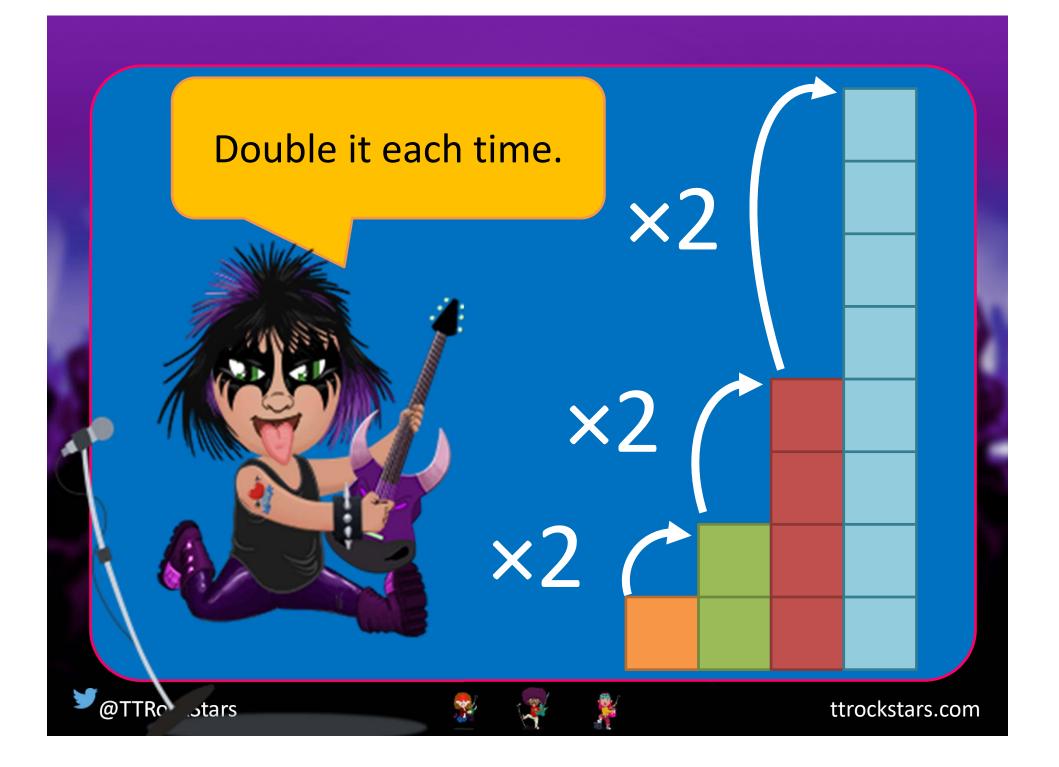


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What comes next? The pattern is easy to see.





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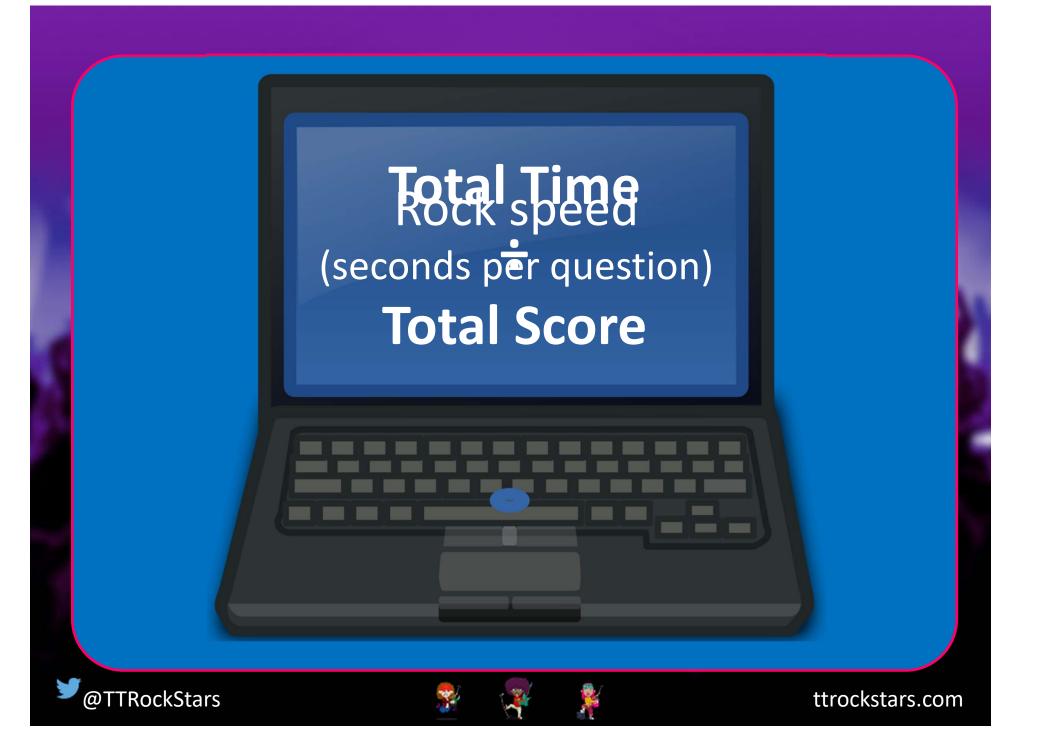
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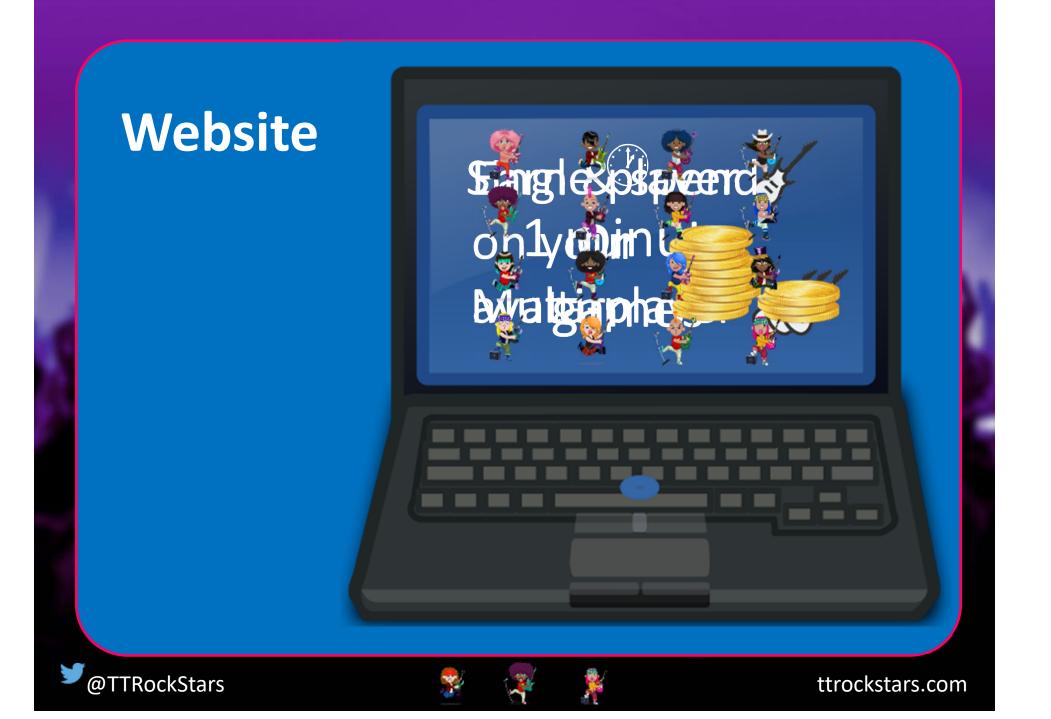
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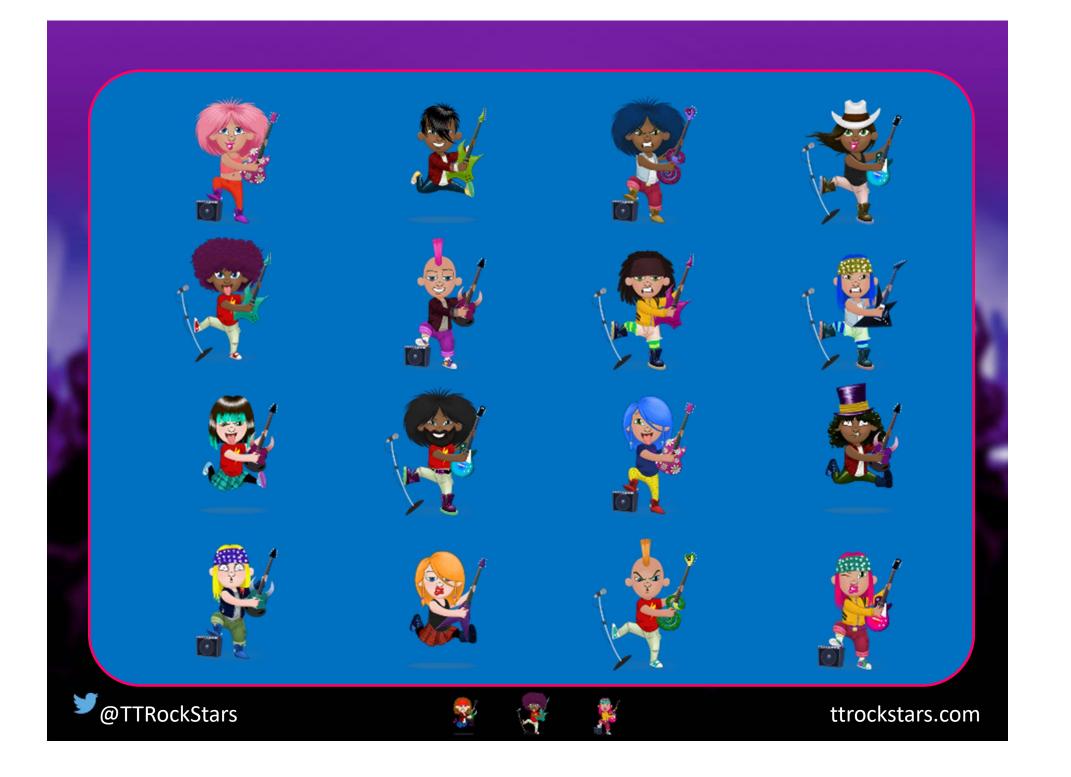
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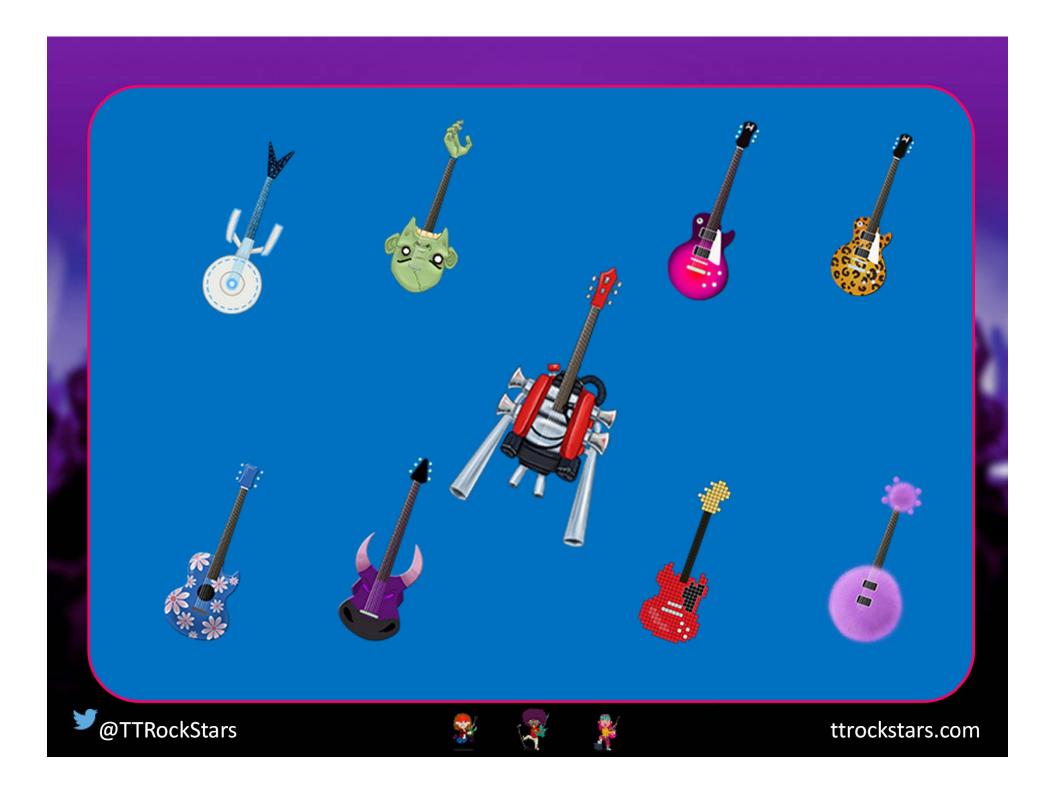
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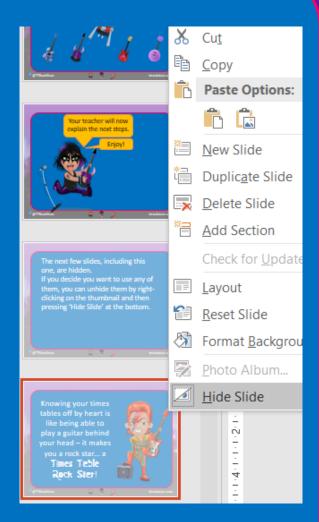
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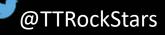
Knowing your times tables off by heart is like being able to play a guitar behind your head – it makes you a rock star... a **Times Table Rock Star!**



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I've played in some amazing concert venues in my time and let me tell you, performing to a crowd of 90,000 screaming fans gives you the most incredible feeling; the only thing I can compare it to is the feeling I get from knowing my multiplication facts.

Speak to any of my rock legend friends, McCartney, Hendrix, Bono, Collins, Springsteen, Rose, etc., and they will tell you the hours they spent practising guitar chords and drumming riffs. It's just the same with times tables - all wannabe rock stars need to



practise and practise and practise. So, I say to you, pick up your hairbrush, your air guitar and your pots-and-pans drumkit, get your friends together and start making music! And while you're at it, why not learn your times tables? **Ziggy Stardust**