## Securing level 4 in mathematics

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# Securing level 4 in mathematics 

These materials are intended to support you in ensuring that as many children as possible reach level 4 by the end of Key Stage 2. The guidance identifies key areas of learning that children need to secure to attain level 4 in mathematics. While you will integrate the ideas from these materials into your ongoing planning, you could also use them to plan targeted support for particular groups of children. To help you there is a double-page spread for each of the six areas of mathematics:

- Securing mental skills
- Understanding and using place value
- Calculating with money and time
- Reading scales
- Interpreting tables and graphs
- Naming and transforming shapes.


## Remember:

Every day is a mental mathematics day - ensure that children engage in 10-15 minutes of mental work each day to practise and reinforce knowledge and skills in mathematics. Don't expect quick recall if the practice and repetition has not taken place.
Hands-on learning is still important - provide appropriate practical equipment for children to use and manipulate, to help them to explore how and why things work and to learn to visualise, describe and represent what is in front of them. Don't just talk about measuring jugs, use one; using apparatus is better than imagining how it works.
Seeing mathematics through models and images supports learning - help children to see how mathematics works and can be represented through a physical object, picture or diagram such as place-value cards, number sticks, number lines, representations of fractional parts. Don't expect children to visualise and 'see' how something works if they have no models and images to draw from.

Talking mathematics clarifies and refines thinking - give children the vocabulary and language of mathematics; provide activities and time for them to discuss mathematics, using this language. Teach children the precision of language, for example, using: regular, equals, factor and how to express their reasoning using language such as: if ... then ...; because, cannot be, never, sometimes, always. Don't expect children to explain or provide reasons if they have no opportunity to use, develop and refine the language to do so.

Make mathematics interesting - share your interest in mathematics with the children. Give children mathematics that engages them in: testing out ideas such as deciding which quadrilaterals have diagonals that bisect one another; explorations such as finding numbers that can be divided by the sum of their digits, for example, 12, 45; answering intriguing questions such as how long it takes for a million heart beats. Don't expect children to be interested in mathematics if you don't share an interest and all their mathematics is routine and dull.

Learning from mistakes should build up children's confidence - look out for mistakes and encourage children to recognise that making mistakes is something everyone does. Show children common errors and get them to identify and correct them. Encourage children to work with a partner and share their work. Don't just tell children something is wrong; help them to see what went right and to identify when it went wrong.

## Securing mental skills

## Level 4 standards to be achieved:

Use mental methods for appropriate calculations in all four operations

| Use known facts and place value to answer simple calculations involving decimals <br> Draw number lines or make other jottings to support accurate mental calculation <br> Choose an efficient method for a calculation from a repertoire of mental strategies <br> Use mental strategies to solve problems involving numbers, shapes and measures <br> Make sensible choices between using mental, written or calculator methods for particular <br> calculations or problems |
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## For children to attain level 4, they need to:

- understand and use language associated with the four operations, for example, difference, sum, total, product, multiple, share equally, factor, remainder
- build on what they know, for example, as $624 \div 6=600 \div 6+24 \div 6=100+4=104$
- recognise cases where particular strategies will be effective, for example, using rounding to work out that $£ 1.99 \times 3=£ 6.00-3$ p
- answer simple decimal calculations, using their relationship to number facts, for example, $0.7 \times 3=2.1$ as 7 tenths $\times 3=21$ tenths or $2.1 ; 5.4 \div 9=0.6$ as $9 \times 6=54$ and $9 \times 0.6=5.4$
- use number lines and other jottings to record working clearly
- build up speed with practice for calculations that can be done mentally
- answer questions mentally involving units, for example, find the ml in $1 / 5$ of a litre.


## Make sure that:

children rehearse addition/subtraction and multiplication/division facts regularly as part of daily oral and mental work
you build regular opportunities to count in whole-number and decimal steps into daily oral and mental work
children consider whether calculations can be done mentally before deciding on a written or calculator method
children understand division as grouping, for example, reading $100 \div 7$ as 'How many sevens can be made from 100?'
children are secure in using counting on and back methods for subtraction and to find differences
children have regular opportunities to explain their methods, compare alternative strategies and check
you pick up on common calculation errors. Ask children to identify what has gone wrong and suggest strategies to use, for example, discuss why $62-37$ is not 35 or $1.2 \div 6$ is not 2 .

## Teaching and learning resources



Number lines


Make numbers spreadsheet


Multiplication/division facts spreadsheet


Difference ITP


Counting sticks

## Springboard 6

## Lesson 12

Overcoming barriers in mathematics - level 3 to 4
Can I multiply/divide by 10 and 100 and 1000 ?
Can I add and subtract two numbers in my head quickly?
Can I use my tables to multiply and divide?

## Wave 3 materials

+/- Year 6 booklets 3, 4a and 4b
$\mathrm{x} / \div$ Year 6 booklets 1 and 3
Intervention materials

## Assessment checklist

| II can'statements | Assessment examples |
| :--- | :--- |
| I can use mental calculation <br> strategies for addition, <br> subtraction, multiplication <br> and division | What number is 199 more than 428 ? <br> What is the difference between 1999 and 4003? <br> One orange costs 15 p. How much would five oranges cost? <br> Y4 optional test 1998 Mental test level 4. © QCA <br> Four pineapples cost $£ 3.40$. Calculate the cost of one pineapple. <br> Y4 optional test 2003 Paper A level 4.® QCA |
| I can use mental methods <br> for calculations that involve <br> decimals | Multiply nought point seven by nine. <br> Subtract one point nine from two point seven. <br> KS2 2003 Mental test level 4. © QCA <br> Find the total of $0.2,0.4$ and 0.6. <br> What is half of three point six? <br> KS2 1998 Mental test level 4. © QCA |
| I can record my working for <br> mental methods that involve <br> several steps | A bottle holds 1 litre of lemonade. Rachel fills 5 glasses with lemonade. <br> She puts 150 millilitres in each glass. How much lemonade is left in the bottle? <br> KS2 2003 Paper A level 4. © QCA |
| I can choose when to use <br> mental methods, when to use <br> written methods and when to <br> use a calculator | Would you use a mental, written or calculator method to solve each of <br> these? Explain your choice. <br> $23.5 \times \square=176.25$ <br> How many cartons of juice costing 30p each can I buy with $£ 2$ ? <br> What is the total cost if I buy food costing $£ 3.86$ and $£ 8.57 ?$ |

## Understanding and using place value

## Level 4 standards to be achieved:

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Read, write, order and round large numbers and numbers with up to three decimal places
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Understand the effect of multiplying and dividing numbers by 10, 100 and 1000

## Use understanding of place value to calculate accurately and solve problems

## For children to attain level 4, they need to:

- find the value of each digit in large numbers and decimals
- order a set of numbers by identifying significant digits
- position numbers on a number line
- round whole numbers to the nearest 10,100 or 1000
- round decimal numbers to the nearest whole number
- use rounding to find an approximate answer before tackling tricky calculations
- multiply and divide whole numbers by 10, 100 or 1000
- use a known fact to answer linked decimal facts
- create and continue number sequences involving decimal numbers
- interpret decimal numbers in the context of measures such as money and length
- add and subtract numbers with up to two decimal places
- explain their steps in calculation methods referring to the value of digits.


## Make sure that:

children regularly use partially-numbered and blank number lines as part of daily oral and mental work
you use models such as place-value charts or grids to teach children about place value (Watch for children who believe that the column to the left of thousands represents millions. Stress that the value of each column gets ten times bigger as you move to the left.)
you reinforce decimal place value, using visual models such as bead strings or base 10 apparatus and contexts such as length and money
children have regular opportunities to describe their methods of solving calculations and problems involving decimals to each other and you (Encourage them to use accurate place-value language to describe each step.)
children describe the value of decimal digits, using the language of both decimals and fractions, for example, 'nought point nought two' and 'two hundredths'
children do not describe the effect of multiplying by 10 as 'adding a nought'
you regularly include decimal number facts and counting in daily oral and mental work.

## Teaching and learning resources



Place-value cards


Place value chart spreadsheet


Decimal number line ITP


Moving digits ITP

## Springboard 6

## Lesson 1

Overcoming barriers in mathematics - level 3 to 4
Can I read, write, partition and order decimal numbers?
Can I use my tables to work out $\times /$, facts with decimals?
Can I multiply and divide by 10 and 100 and 1000?

## Wave 3

+/- Year 6 booklets 1, 2 and 3
$\times / \div$ Year 6 booklet 2
Intervention materials

## Assessment checklist

| 'I can' statements | Assessment examples |
| :---: | :---: |
| I understand what each digit in a large/decimal number is worth and can explain how I know | What is the value of the 3 in the number 235 107? <br> Suggest a number between 3.4 and 3.5. <br> How many tenths could be made altogether from 8.4? |
| I can find a missing number in a decimal sequence |       <br> Find the missing number on this number line. $\square$   10 10.2 <br>    10.4   |
| I can explain how I order a set of decimal numbers | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Put the correct symbol, }<\text { or }>\text {, in each box. } & 3.03 \square 3.3 & 0.37 \square 0.327\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Order these numbers: } & 0.27 & 0.207 & 0.027 & 2.07 & 2.7\end{array}$ |
| I can round the numbers in a calculation to find an approximate answer | What is 3528 rounded to the nearest $10 / 100 / 1000$ ? <br> I buy 6 books that cost $£ 4.99$ each. How much will I pay to the nearest pound? How do you know? |
| I can describe each step I do to complete a decimal calculation or problem | Explain how you know which two numbers total 0.12: <br> $\begin{array}{llllll}0.1 & 0.5 & 0.05 & 0.7 & 0.07 & 0.2\end{array}$ <br> Explain how you find the missing number: $\quad 11.07+\square=18.45$ |
| I can multiply/divide a number by 10/100/1000 and explain how I know the answer | How many hundreds are there in two thousand four hundred? <br> Y5 optional test 2003 Mental test level 4 . © QCA <br> Write what the four missing digits could be: $\square$ $\square$ $\square$ $\square 10=3$ $\square$ <br> KS2 1997 Paper A level 4. © QCA |
| I can use number facts to give some linked decimal facts | If $7 \times 8=56$ what is $0.07 \times 8$ ? Give some other decimal facts that are linked to this multiplication fact. What number multiplied by 8 gives 4.8 ? |

## Calculating with money and time

## Level 4 standards to be achieved:

Interpret and use times written in analogue and digital notation, 12- and 24-hour clock
Read and interpret timetables and calendars to solve problems

Understand the relationships between units of time and use this to solve problems
Solve time problems that involve calculation, for example, find the difference between two times

Solve multi-step problems that involve money, using a calculator where appropriate

## For children to attain level 4, they need to:

- read and write the same time, using alternative notations, for example, digital, 12- or 24-hour clock
- locate required information in a timetable or a calendar
- convert between units of time, for example, recognise that 140 secs $=2$ mins 20 secs
- add times and find time differences, converting between units of time as necessary
- draw time lines to support accurate calculation involving time
- break money problems into steps and identify each calculation required
- record working for each stage of multi-step problems involving money
- use calculators to solve money problems, recording each calculation that is done
- interpret calculator displays in the context of money, recognising, for example, that 4.2 in pounds represents $£ 4.20$ or that 10.6666667 would round up to $£ 10.67$.


## Make sure that:

## you include counting up in time intervals in your mental and oral work

children appreciate that the units of time are not decimal, so they need to take care with time calculations
you exploit opportunities to solve real problems, for example, getting the children to calculate the pricing and schedule for a school visit
children use real data; collect price lists and timetables such as those from the local sports centre
children consider whether calculations can be done mentally (with or without jottings) before deciding on a written method; counting on, for example, is often an effective method for working out change
children link money notation to decimal place value, understanding, for example, that the 2 in $£ 4.27$ has value of 2 tenths of a pound or 20p
children have regular opportunities to describe their methods for solving problems involving time or money to each other and you
children are familiar with common shopping terminology, including: 'best buy, 3 for the price of 2 and price per 100g'.

## Teaching and learning resources

| 24 hours <br> What time is it <br> one hour after <br> midday? | $1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> What is quarter <br> past 3 in digital <br> notation | 3:15 <br> What time is it 10 <br> minutes before <br> quarter past 4? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 past 4 <br> What is half <br> past 1 in digital <br> notation? | $1: 30$ <br> What is 2:45 <br> in analogue <br> notation? | Quarter to 3 <br> How many hours <br> are there in a day? |

Follow-me cards


Time lines
11:00 11:40 12:20

Counting sticks

| PIZZAS |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Small | Medium |
| Ham | $£ 4.20$ | $£ 5.50$ |
| Salami | $£ 4.40$ | $£ 5.75$ |
| Mushroom | $£ 4.50$ | $£ 6.00$ |
| Cheese | $£ 3.80$ | $£ 4.95$ |
| Tuna | $£ 4.25$ | $£ 5.40$ |
| Extra tomato 50 p |  |  |
| Extra cheese 50 p |  |  |

Price lists and catalogues


Geared demonstration clocks


Tell the time ITP


Calculators

## Springboard 6

Lessons 5, 6, 12, 13, 23, 24, 25
Overcoming barriers in mathematics - level 3 to 4
Can I interpret the numbers on a calculator display?
Can I use a calculator to solve problems with more than one step?

Intervention materials

## Assessment checklist

| 'f can' statements | Assessment examples |
| :---: | :---: |
| I can solve problems that involve time, recording my calculation methods clearly | These are the start and finish times on a video cassette recorder. <br> START 14:45 FINISH 17:25 <br> For how long was the video recording? K52 1999 Paper B level 4.0 QCA |
| I can read a timetable/ calendar in order to solve a problem | Simon's birthday is on 26 August. He always has a party on the last Saturday of August. What was the date of the party in 1998? In what year will the party next fall on his actual birthday? <br> Tina's birthday is on 9 September. On what day of the week was her birthday in 2008? |
| I can solve problems that involve money, recording my working for each step | A packet of crisps costs 32 p. Josh buys three packets. <br> How much change does he get from $£ 1$ ? <br> KS2 2005 Mental test level 4. © QCA <br> Ryan buys sunglasses for $£ 4.69$ and a sun hat. <br> How much change does he get from $£ 10$ ? <br> KS2 2004 Paper A level 4. © QCA |
| I can use a calculator effectively to solve money problems | How much change will I get from $£ 10$ if I buy groceries costing $£ 2.29, £ 1.42,76$ p and $£ 3.83$ ? <br> A pencil costs 48 p. Jake works out the cost of five pencils by entering $48 \times 5$ into a calculator. If the calculator display says 240 what answer should Jake give? |

## Reading scales

## Level 4 standards to be achieved:

Read and interpret scales presented in different contexts and orientations; scales cover various ranges, not always starting at 0 , and may or may not include units

| Read values from scales that have numbered and unnumbered intervals |
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| Use scales to measure length, width and capacity accurately to answer questions and solve problems |

Interpret scales on graphs and charts and use readings to answer questions and solve problems

## For children to attain level 4, they need to:

- work out the size of each interval, count along the scale to check and label marks
- recognise how the value of each interval changes when the start or end label changes
- identify points between two marks and estimate their value
- read values from scales that are horizontal, vertical or circular as on a clock face
- interpret scales on graphs and charts, annotating the scale to support accuracy
- use measuring equipment accurately in the context of length, weight and capacity
- use their readings to calculate differences and solve problems involving scales
- use the relationship between units of measure to convert units, where appropriate.


## Make sure that:

scales are displayed and accessible so that children can handle and use them regularly
children are taught to identify where a scale starts and ends and how to use division to find what the interval size represents
you regularly use scales as part of your daily oral and mental work
children have a strategy to check estimated values by counting up and down the intervals
children are expected to annotate scales and write in missing values on unnumbered marks
children understand the link between number lines and scales; they count up and down scales, including using alternative units, for example, $0 \mathrm{~g}, 100 \mathrm{~g}, 200 \mathrm{~g} \ldots 0 \mathrm{~kg}, 0.1 \mathrm{~kg}, 0.2 \mathrm{~kg} . .$.
children use scales in different orientations; show them how scales can be rotated if this is helpful
children have regular opportunities to solve problems that involve reading scales; encourage them to explain their methods orally and in writing.

## Teaching and learning resources



Number lines


Measuring cylinder ITP


Measuring scales ITP


Counting stick with further options spreadsheet


Measuring equipment

## Springboard 6

Lessons 15 and 16
Overcoming barriers in mathematics - level 3 to 4
Can I read and use a scale on a thermometer, protractor, ruler, weighing scale and measuring cylinder?
Can I convert between units?
Intervention materials

## Assessment checklist

| 'I can' statements | Assessment examples |
| :---: | :---: |
| I can work out the size of each interval on a scale and check, using counting | What is one interval worth on this scale? How do you know? <br> This scale shows the weight of Fred's cat. How much does Fred's cat weigh? <br> KS2 2004 Paper B level 4. © QCA |
| I can work out the value of any marked point on a scale | Which jug contains more water, A or B ? <br> How much more does it contain? <br> Explain how you worked it out. <br> 2003 Y7 progress test Paper B level 4. © QCA |
| I can estimate the value of a point that falls between two marks on a scale | Sophie poured some water out of a litre jug. Look how much is left in the jug. <br> Estimate how many millilitres of water are left. Y5 optional test 2003 Paper A level 4. © QCA |
| I can read a scale to solve problems involving length, weight and capacity | Use this one apple to work out approximately how many apples you would get in a 1 kg bag. |

## Interpreting tables and graphs

## Level 4 standards to be achieved:

Read and interpret a wide range of graphs and charts, including line graphs

| Identify and find relevant information in a table or graph |
| ---: |
| Work out what each interval on a scaled axis is worth and read data accurately |
| Decide what calculations need to be done in order to use data to answer a question or solve a problem |
| Explain orally and in writing how data were used to solve a problem |

## For children to attain level 4, they need to:

recognise different types of graphs and charts and understand their key features

- use all of the relevant information, including titles, headings and labels, in order to understand what information a graph is presenting
- work out the value of each interval on the scale, annotating the axis for accuracy
- estimate the value of points between two marks on the scale of an axis
- locate the required information to answer a question
- draw lines onto line graphs to read required information accurately
- identify the calculation(s) that need to be carried out, using the data collected in order to answer questions and problems
- describe and record the steps involved in solving a problem using data.


## Make sure that:

| children annotate graphs, for example, writing intermediate values along the axes |
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| children are used to graphs shown in different orientations, for example, horizontal bar charts |
| children understand the importance of reading scales on graphs accurately and have the skills to do so |
| children have opportunities to interpret a wide range of tables, graphs and charts, including: timetables, <br> Carroll and Venn diagrams, pictograms, bar charts, bar line graphs, line graphs and pie charts |
| children have opportunities to make up their own questions based on a graph |
| you exploit opportunities to consolidate data-handling skills through other subjects such as science |
| children have regular opportunities to answer questions that involve calculating with data, such as: How <br> many more...? How many...altogether? |

## Teaching and learning resources



Use 'real-life' examples, taken from appropiate print publications or online resources


Number lines to practise reading scales


Carroll and Venn diagrams


Line graph ITP


Pie chart spreadsheet

## Springboard 6

Lessons 18 and 30

## Overcoming barriers in mathematics - level 3 to 4

Can I sort and interpret data in Venn and Carroll diagrams?
Can I explain what information a graph or chart is showing?
Can I draw a conclusion from a graph or chart?
Can I interpret what the sectors in a pie chart represent?
Intervention materials
Data handling ITP

## Assessment checklist

| 'I can' statements | Assessment examples |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I can find the information in a table or graph to answer a question | The table shows the cost of coach tickets to different cities. <br> What is the total cost for a return journey to York for one adult and two children? <br> KS2 2002 Paper B level 4. © QCA |  |  | Hull | York | Leeds |
|  |  | Adult <br> Child | single | £12.50 | £15.60 | £10.25 |
|  |  |  | return | £23.75 | £28.50 | £19.30 |
|  |  |  | single | £8.50 | £10.80 | £8.25 |
|  |  |  | return | £14.90 | £17.90 | £14.75 |
| I can read data accurately from a graph | Here are some children's long jump results. <br> Sue jumped 212 cm . <br> Draw Sue's long jump result on the graph. <br> Use the graph to estimate how much further Sam jumped than Jan. <br> KS2 1996 Paper A level 3. © QCA | Long jump results <br> Raj $\square$ |  |  |  |  |
| I can work out what calculations I need to do to answer questions, using data |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Tom } \\ \text { Sam } \\ \text { Jan } \\ \text { Sue } \end{gathered}$ | $\frac{1}{25}$ | $510$ | $\because$ | $\bigcirc$ |

## Naming and transforming shapes

## Level 4 standards to be achieved:

Name, describe and classify 2-D and 3-D shapes using knowledge of their properties
Draw and construct 2-D and 3-D shapes accurately using knowledge of their properties
Reflect 2-D shapes accurately in a mirror line
Rotate a 2-D shape through $90^{\circ}$ or $180^{\circ}$ about a vertex or its centre
Translate 2-D shapes in a given direction

## For children to attain level 4, they need to:

- describe 2-D shapes using a wide range of properties including number of sides, equal sides, number of right angles, equal angles and number of lines of symmetry
- describe 3-D shapes using number and shape of faces, number of edges and vertices, equal edges
- recognise parallel and perpendicular lines, including in 2-D shapes
- classify a set of shapes using various criteria and record using diagrams including Venn diagrams, Carroll diagrams and tree diagrams
- draw 2-D shapes accurately using different grids or using rulers and protractors
- build 3-D shapes using construction kits or by drawing nets
- visualise the result of reflecting, rotating or translating a 2-D shape and test their ideas
- recognise that the length of each side and the size of each angle do not change when a shape is reflected, rotated or translated.


## Make sure that:

you include shape and space activities in your daily oral and mental work, especially visualisation

> you display shape vocabulary and model how it is used; plan talk-rich activities in which children have to use the vocabulary accurately
children have lots of opportunities to make and handle shapes
children use different grids (square, triangular...) to draw and transform shapes
children recognise irregular shapes such as irregular hexagons
children have opportunities to reflect shapes in diagonal mirror lines; ask children to explain how they know the exact point to which each vertex will be reflected
children recognise shapes in different orientations
children regularly solve shape problems
children know how to use mirrors to check reflection and how to use tracing paper to check rotation.

## Teaching and learning resources



Carroll diagram spreadsheet


Polygon ITP


Carroll and Venn diagrams


Symmetry ITP


Shape sets


Isometric grid ITP

## Springboard 6

Lesson 11
Intervention materials

## Assessment checklist

| 'I can' statements | Assessment examples |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I can name shapes and describe their properties, using mathematical language | Imagine a triangular prism. <br> How many faces does it have? <br> KS2 1999 Mental test level 4 . © QCA <br> This diagram shows the diagonals of a quadrilateral. <br> What is its name? KS2 2003 Paper A level 4. © QCA |  |
| I can draw or make shapes accurately | On squared paper, draw a pentagon that has three right angles. <br> Draw two straight lines from point $A$ to divide the shaded shape into a square and two triangles. <br> KS2 2003 Paper B level 4. © QCA |  |
| I can explain how I have sorted a set of shapes | Select two 'sorting' cards, such as: has exactly two equal sides and has exactly two parallel sides. Can you show me a polygon that fits both of these criteria? What do you look for? |  |
| I can reflect a shape accurately in a given mirror line | This grid is made of hexagons. <br> Draw the reflection of the shaded shape on the grid. KS2 2005 Paper B level 3. © QCA |  |
| I can rotate a shape about a vertex or its centre | This pattern is made by turning a shape clockwise through $90^{\circ}$ each time. Draw the two missing triangles on the third shape. <br> KS2 2005 Paper B level 4. © QCA |   |
| I can describe where a shape will be after translation | This triangle is translated two squares to the left and one square down. <br> Give the co-ordinates of its vertices in the new position. |  |

## Where can I find the resources?

## ICT resources

ITPs (Interactive Teaching Programs)


Line graph ITP

These programs can be downloaded from www.standards.dcsf.gov.uk/nationalstrategies/primary. Navigate to the Mathematics Framework area and then to the Mathematics resource library. Refine the results by filtering down to the Interactive Teaching Programs.

## Spreadsheets



Carroll diagram spreadsheet

These programs can be downloaded from www.standards.dcsf.gov.uk/nationalstrategies/primary. Search for Spreadsheets and refine your search to display those relevant to Key Stage 2.

## Intervention materials

## Springboard 6

These materials provide lessons to support intervention for those children who are working just below level 4 in Year 6. They can be downloaded from www.standards.dcsf.gov.uk/nationalstrategies/primary. Navigate to the Mathematics Framework area and then to the Mathematics resource library. Refine the results by filtering down to the initiative Springboard.

## Overcoming barriers in mathematics - helping children move from level 3 to level 4

This is a booklet with a CD-based set of materials designed to help teachers move children from level 3 into level 4 by the end of Key Stage 2. The materials can be ordered online on the teachernet publications website:
publications.teachernet.gov.uk/default.aspx?PageFunction=productdetails\&PageMode=publications\& Productld=DCSF-00695-2007\&

## Supporting children with gaps in their mathematical understanding - Wave 3

The Wave 3 mathematics pack aims to help teachers identify and address gaps in learning for children who are working significantly below age-appropriate levels. They can be downloaded from www.standards.dcsf.gov.uk/nationalstrategies/primary. Navigate to the Mathematics Framework area and then to the Mathematics resource library. Refine the results by filtering down to Mathematics Wave 3.

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