Mathematical Vocabulary by Term

Year 4



Autumn

Place Value	Addition and Subtraction	Perimeter	Time
units, ones	add, addition, more, plus,	length, width, height, depth,	time
tens, hundreds, thousands	increase	breadth	days of the week: Monday, Tuesday
ten thousand, hundred thousand, million	sum, total, altogether	long, short, tall, high, low	months of the year: January,
digit, one-, two-, three- or four-digit number	score	wide, narrow, deep,	February
numeral	double, near double	shallow, thick, thin	seasons: spring, summer, autumn,
'teens' number	how many more to make?	longer, shorter, taller,	winter
place, place value	subtract, subtraction, take	higher and so on	day, week, fortnight, month
stands for, represents	(away), minus, decrease	longest, shortest, tallest,	year, leap year, century, millennium
exchange	leave, how many are	highest and so on	weekend, birthday, holiday
the same number as, as many as	left/left over?	far, further, furthest, near,	calendar, date, date of birth
equal to	difference between	close	morning, afternoon, evening, night
Of two objects/amounts:	half, halve	distance apart/between,	am, pm, noon, midnight
>, greater than, more than, larger than, bigger than	how many more/fewer is	distance to from	today, yesterday, tomorrow
<, less than, fewer than, smaller than	than?	edge, perimeter	before, after, next, last
Of three or more objects/amounts:	how much more/less is?	kilometre (<i>km</i>), metre (<i>m</i>)	now, soon, early, late, earliest, latest
greatest, most, largest, biggest	equals, sign, is the same as	centimetre (<i>cm</i>), millimetre	quick, quicker, quickest, quickly
least, fewest, smallest	tens boundary, hundreds	(<i>mm</i>)	fast, faster, fastest, slow, slower,
one ten one hundred one thousand more/less	boundary	mile	slowest, slowly
compare, order, size	inverse	ruler, metre stick, tape	old, older, oldest, new, newer, newest
first tenth twentieth		measure	takes longer, takes less time
last, last but one			how long ago? how long will it be
before, after, next			to?
between, half-way between			how long will it take to?
guess how many, estimate			timetable, arrive, depart
nearly, roughly, close to, about the same as			hour, minute, second
approximate, approximately			o'clock, half past, quarter to, quarter
just over, just under, exact, exactly			past
too many, too few, enough, not enough			clock, watch, hands
round (up or down), nearest			digital/analogue clock/watch, timer
round to the nearest tenhundred			how often?
integer, positive, negative			always, never, often, sometimes,
above/below zero, minus			usually

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REAL PROPERTY OF SCHOOL

Spring

Multiplication and Division	Area	Fractions
lots of, groups of	area, covers, surface	part, equal parts
times, multiply, multiplication, multiplied by	square centimetre (<i>cm2</i>)	fraction
multiple of, product		one whole
once, twice, three times ten times		half, quarter, eighth
times as (big, long, wide and so on)		third, sixth
repeated addition		fifth, tenth, twentieth
array		proportion, in every, for every
row, column		
double, halve		
share, share equally		
one each, two each, three each		
group in pairs, threes tens		
equal groups of		
divide, division, divided by, divided into		
remainder		
factor, quotient, divisible by		
inverse		

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Summer

Decimals	Money	Time
part, equal parts	Money, coin, note	time
fraction	penny, pence, pound (£)	days of the week: Monday, Tuesday
one whole	price, cost	months of the year: January,
half, quarter, eighth	buy, bought, sell, sold	February
third, sixth	spend, spent, pay, change	seasons: spring, summer, autumn,
fifth, tenth, twentieth	dear, costs more, more/most expensive	winter
proportion, in every, for every	cheap, costs less, cheaper, less/least expensive	day, week, fortnight, month
decimal, decimal fraction	how much? how many?	year, leap year, century, millennium
decimal point, decimal place	total, amount, value, worth	weekend, birthday, holiday
		calendar, date, date of birth
Statistics	Position and Direction	morning, afternoon, evening, night
count, tally, sort, vote	position	am, pm, noon, midnight
survey, questionnaire, data	over, under, underneath	today, yesterday, tomorrow
graph, block graph, pictogram	above, below, top, bottom, side, on, in, outside, inside, around, in front,	before, after, next, last
represent	behind, front, back, before, after, beside, next to opposite, apart,	now, soon, early, late, earliest, latest
group, set	between, middle, edge, centre, corner	quick, quicker, quickest, quickly
list, chart, bar chart, tally chart	direction, journey, route, map, plan	fast, faster, fastest, slow, slower,
table, frequency table	left, right, up, down, higher, lower	slowest, slowly
Carroll diagram, Venn diagram	forwards, backwards, sideways, across, close, far, near	old, older, oldest, new, newer, newest
label, title, axis, axes	along, through, to, from, towards, away from	takes longer, takes less time
diagram	ascend, descend	how long ago? how long will it be
most popular, most common	grid, row, column, origin, coordinates	to?
least popular, least common	clockwise, anti-clockwise	how long will it take to?
	compass point, north, south, east, west (N, S, E, W)	timetable, arrive, depart
	north-east, north-west, south-east, south-west	hour, minute, second
	(NE, NW, SE, SW)	o'clock, half past, quarter to, quarter
	horizontal, vertical, diagonal	past
	movement, slide, roll	clock, watch, hands
	whole turn, half turn, quarter turn, rotate	digital/analogue clock/watch, timer
	angle,is a greater/smaller angle than	how often?
	right angle, degree	always, never, often, sometimes,
	straight line, stretch, bend	usually
	ruler, set square, angle measurer, compasses	



Shape

shape, pattern flat, line curved, straight

round

hollow, solid

sort make, build, construct, draw, sketch

perimeter centre surface

angle, right-angled base, square-based size bigger, larger, smaller symmetry, symmetrical, symmetrical pattern

line symmetry

reflect, reflection pattern, repeating pattern

match

regular, irregular

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2D Shapes	3D Shapes	
2-D, two-dimensional corner, side point, pointed rectangle (including square), rectangular, oblong rectilinear circle, circular triangle, triangular equilateral triangle, isosceles triangle, scalene triangle pentagon, pentagonal	3-D, three-dimensional face, edge, vertex, vertices cube, cuboid pyramid sphere, hemisphere, spherical cone cylinder, cylindrical prism, triangular prism tetrahedron, polyhedron	
hexagon, hexagonal heptagon octagon, octagonal quadrilateral parallelogram, rhombus, trapezium polygon right-angled parallel, perpendicular		

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Mathematical Vocabulary by Term Mastery, Reasoning and Problem Solving Language

EYFS	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
pattern	pattern	pattern, puzzle, problem
puzzle	puzzle, problem	calculate, calculation
answer	answer, explain	mental calculation
right, wrong	right, wrong	method, known facts, degree of accuracy
what could we try next?	what could we try next?	answer, explain
how did you work it out?	how did you work it out?	right, correct, wrong
count, sort	count out, share out, left, left over	what could we try next?
group, set	number sentence	how did you work it out?
match	sign, operation	number sentence
same, different		sign, operation, symbol, equation
list		
	Year 2: calculate, calculation	USK2: strategy
	mental calculation	
How do you know?	What method did you use?	What does this represent?
Can you show me in a different way?		Can you tell me a story?
Is your partner right?	What does this represent?	Can you prove it?
What can you see?	Can you represent it differently?	True or false
Is it equal to?	Can you tell me a story?	What did this person do? How did they get there?
	Can you prove it?	What mistake did I make?
	True or false	What method did you use?
	What did this person do? How did they get there?	
	What mistake did I make?	