



# Welcome to the First Mathematics Challenge



## What is the FMC?

The First Mathematics Challenge (FMC) has been specifically created to give all pupils, UK and worldwide aged 7-9, the opportunity to take part in a fun Mathematical Challenge.

## When is the Challenge?

The Challenge can take place over the following two weeks: 16th - 27th June 2025.

## The Challenge paper

There are 20 multiple-choice questions in this Challenge. The questions will begin with easier ones to boost the students' confidence in their abilities and gradually increase in difficulty.

Students will have 45 minutes to complete all the questions. They can use as much scrap paper as they wish, but no calculators, rulers, or other aids are permitted. The questions will encourage pupils to think outside the box and approach problems logically.

## How does my child take part?

Have a look at the example past papers attached and allow your child time to complete them to see if they are confident in answering the questions. If they are up for the challenge, ask your child to come and sign up on the form in my classroom at a suitable time.

## Then what?

The papers will be marked in school and the data will be sent back to the Maths Association along with feedback – the children's names will not be sent, just the number of marks scored by those who took part. Children will be informed of their score and given a certificate.