



FIRST MATHEMATICS CHALLENGE 2025

INSTRUCTIONS PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Please be aware that the MA holds the copyright for the question papers. You are allowed to photocopy only the number of papers you have purchased and must not distribute them elsewhere.

Students participating in the Challenge must be 9 years old or younger by the end of the school year.

The Challenge can be taken anytime between **JUNE 16TH AND JUNE 27TH, 2025.**

Please DO NOT publish the paper on any social media platforms until after the 27th June when everyone has had a chance to complete the Challenge.

Taking the Challenge:

- FMC papers may be enlarged, and translators may be used.
- Adults may read out questions to pupils but should not interpret or rephrase the questions in any way.
- 45 minutes is allowed for the paper itself; 10 minutes extra time at the beginning of the Challenge will be needed for the practice questions. Use this time to help pupils understand what to do and where to write the answers.
- Rough paper must be provided. Rulers, calculators, and all other aids are not permitted.
- After the practice questions are done, no talking is allowed. Pupils work on their own.
- Pupils choose only one option of A B C D or E for each of their answers to questions 1 – 20 in the box provided.

After the FMC, the teacher in charge should:

-Mark the papers. Correct answers to all questions get one mark each.

-Award certificates

Or

-If online, check the results using the login provided

-Award certificates.

Returning your results and feedback:

You will receive an email containing a link to a secure Google Form. We **do not** ask for any names; all we ask for is the number of children scoring each mark from 1 – 20.

e.g.

No. of Marks Scored	No. of Children earning the mark
1 Mark	0
2 Marks	5
3 Marks	4
4 Marks	0
5 Marks	2

The form will also include the feedback submission.

Please take time to fill this in. The more feedback we receive the better, so we can make FMC even better for you and your pupils! This is available online.

Certificates

The certificates will be available for you to download.

We will suggest how you award your certificates, but you may also award them as you would like to.

Badges are also now available in the MA Shop.