## Skillswise



## The 9 × table: tips

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1	×	9	=	9		
2	×	9	=	18		
3	×	9	=	27		
4	×	9	=	36		
5	×	9	=	45		
6	×	9	=	54		
7	×	9	=	63		
8	×	9	=	72		
9	×	9	=	81		
10	×	9	=	90		

## Have a look at these timesavers.

Look at the numbers on the right-hand side of the table above. Notice how the **tens go up** but the **units go down**.

There's a good way to remember this table. All the digits in the 9 × table add up to 9.

18 = 1 + 8 = **9** 27 = 2 + 7 = **9** 36 = 3 + 6 = **9** 

What's  $9 \times 7$ ? You can use the **9 method** here. Hold out all 10 fingers and lower or bend the 7th finger.

There are 6 fingers to the left (6 tens) of the bent finger and 3 fingers to its right (3 units). The answer is 63.

Try **reversing the** order if you're having problems.  $9 \times 8$  is the same as  $8 \times 9$  (= **72**) so you can use the  $8 \times$  table if you know it better.

Look at the pattern to the right: the units column goes **down** one at a time and the tens column goes **up**.

You can also see how the 9 x table reverses itself!

(1	×	9)	09	~	90	(10	×	9)
(2	×	9)	18	~	81	(9	×	9)
(3	×	9)	27	~	72	(8	×	9)
(4	×	9)	36	~	63	(7	×	9)
(5	×	9)	45	~	54	(6	×	9)
(6	×	9)	54	~	45	(5	×	9)
(7	×	9)	63	~	36	(4	×	9)
(8	×	9)	72	~	27	(3	×	9)
(9	×	9)	81	~	18	(2	×	9)
(10	×	9)	90	~	09	(1	×	9)