

Making mistakes mastering maths



This display shows the process for learning and mastering a new maths skill and how making mistakes along the way is expected. Making mistakes in maths isn't a bad thing, it helps us to learn.

Following the flowchart to learn a new skill, firstly, we practise the skill. It is through completing multiple questions that we explore all approaches to a particular skill. If we make a mistake it is important that we ask 'do you understand why?' If not, you must ask your teacher for help, be honest with your teacher and only say you understand if you do. Then you must correct your mistakes before moving onto more questions. If you do understand your mistake then you don't need to seek help, just correct your mistake. Teachers like to see what mistake was made so that we can help you learn, do not use correcting fluid - just make your correction in a different colour pen.

Making mistakes and understanding why is key to mastering maths.

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