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# Calculation policy for multiplication

Y1

## Revisit

Count up to 20  
Count objects accurately  
Write numbers

## NC objectives

Pupils should be taught to:

- solve one-step problems involving multiplication, by calculating the answer using concrete objects, pictorial representations and arrays with the support of the teacher.

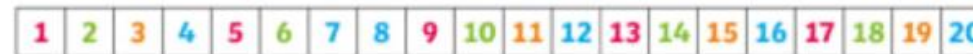
## Vocabulary

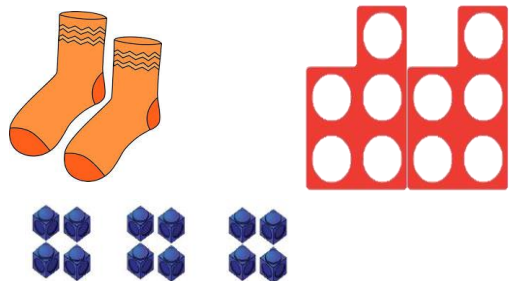
Groups      Lots of  
Repeated addition      Array  
Times      Rows      Columns

## Resources



My 1 to 20 Number Track

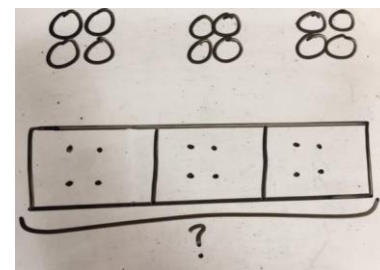




Recognise and make equal groups



Coloured groups of objects to be placed on top of the number line to aid counting



Children to represent the practical resources in a picture and use a bar model.

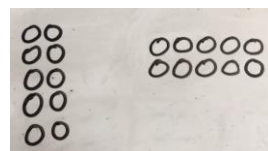
Children to represent the calculation as repeated addition

$$2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 8$$

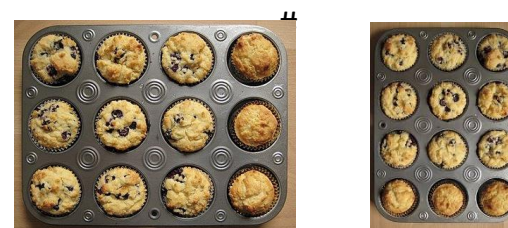
Children to represent the array as repeated addition and identify commutative law

$$2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 10$$

$$5 + 5 = 10$$



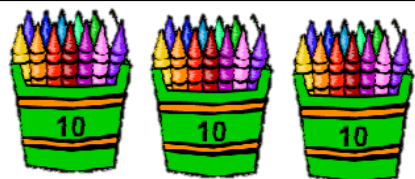
Children draw arrays to show commutative law of multiplication



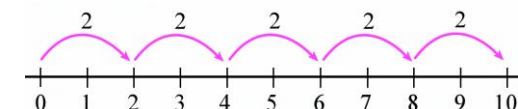
Use arrays to highlight the commutative law of multiplication



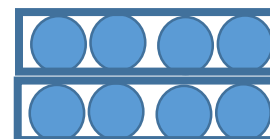
Children notice arrays in real life and make using object



Children use real life objects to solve problems



Children to represent answers to real life problems on number line



Children to solve real life problems using arrays and link to bar model

Children to show answers to real life problems as repeated addition



# Y2

## Revisit

Recognise an array

Count mentally in multiples of 2, 5 and 10

Write multiplication as repeated addition

## NC objectives

Pupils should be taught to:

- recall and use multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers
- calculate mathematical statements for multiplication within the multiplication tables and write them using the multiplication ( $\times$ ), and equals ( $=$ ) signs
- show that multiplication of two numbers can be done in any order (commutative)
- solve problems involving multiplication using materials, arrays, repeated addition, mental methods, and multiplication facts, including problems in contexts.

## Vocabulary

Groups

Lots of

Repeated addition

Array

Times

Rows

Columns

Multiple – Multiply - Multiplication

Resources

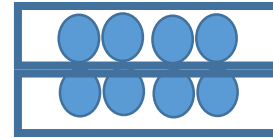
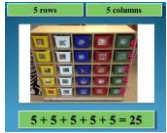


**NC Objective:** recall and use multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers

**Small Step:** Recognise equal groups

**Vocabulary:** Groups      Lots of      Repeated addition      Array  
Times      Rows      Columns  
Multiple – Multiply - Multiplication

### Representations

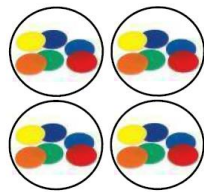


Children to solve real life problems using arrays and link to bar model

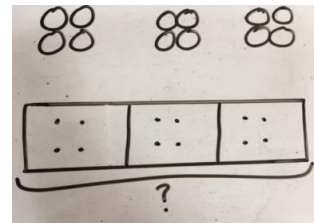
### Misconceptions

Still counts in ones to find how many there are in a collection of equal groups; does not understand vocabulary, for example, 'groups of', 'multiplied by'.

Children notice arrays in real life and make using objects



Continue to use groups to find unknown amounts



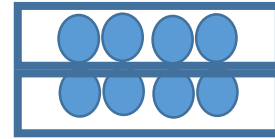
Children to represent the practical resources in a picture and use a bar model.

**NC Objective:** recall and use multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers

**Small Step:** Make equal groups

**Vocabulary:** Groups      Lots of      Repeated addition      Array  
Times      Rows      Columns  
Multiple – Multiply - Multiplication

**Representations**

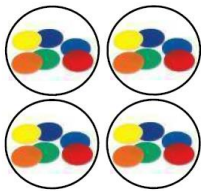


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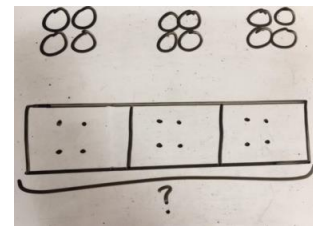
Children to solve real life problems using arrays and link to bar model

**Misconceptions**

Does not link counting up in equal steps to the operation of multiplication; does not use the vocabulary associated with multiplication.



Continue to use groups to find unknown amounts



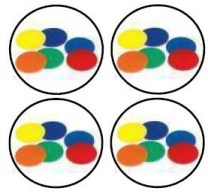
Children to represent the practical resources in a picture and use a bar model.

**NC Objective:** calculate mathematical statements for multiplication within the multiplication tables

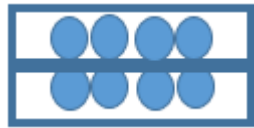
**Small Step:** Repeated addition

**Vocabulary:** Groups      Lots of      Repeated addition      Array  
Times      Rows      Columns  
Multiple – Multiply – Multiplication

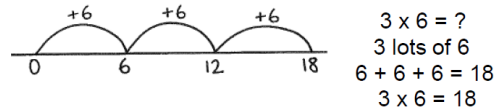
### Representations



Continue to use groups to find unknown amounts



Children to solve real life problems using arrays and link to bar model

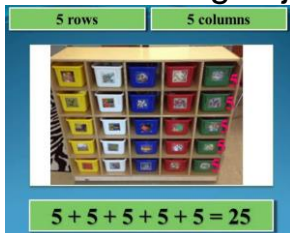


Children begin to show their understanding on a blank number line

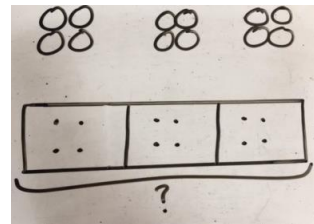
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Children notice arrays in real life and make using objects



Link to symbolic representation



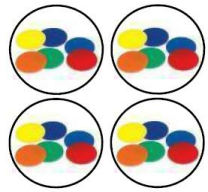
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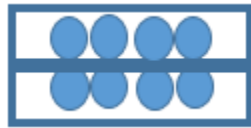
**Small Step:** Introduce multiplication symbol

**Vocabulary:** Groups      Lots of      Repeated addition      Array  
Times      Rows      Columns  
Multiple – Multiply – Multiplication

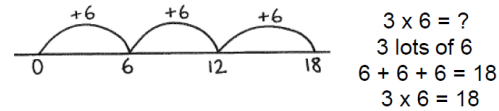
### Representations



Continue to use groups to find unknown amounts



Children to solve real life problems using arrays and link to bar model

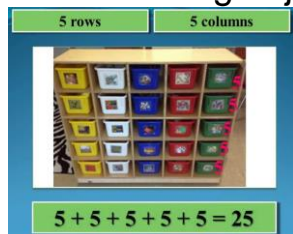


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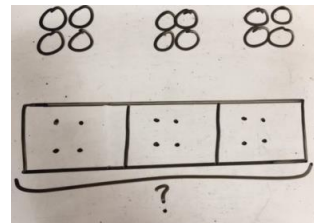
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Children notice arrays in real life and make using objects



Link to symbolic representation



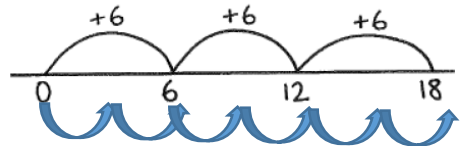
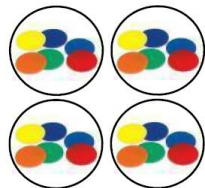
Children to represent the practical resources in a picture and use a bar model.

• **NC Objective:** show that multiplication of two numbers can be done in any order (commutative)

**Small Step:** use different representations to show commutative law

**Vocabulary:** Groups Times Rows Multiple – Multiply – Multiplication  
 Lots of Columns  
 Repeated addition  
 Array

**Representations**

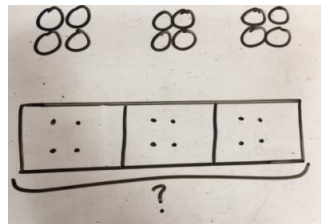
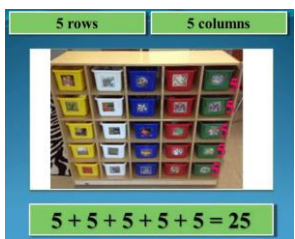


Find 4 groups of 3 and 3 groups of 4 – what do they notice?

Children to solve real life problems using arrays and link to bar model

Children begin to show their understanding on a blank number line

Children notice arrays in real life and make using objects



Link to symbolic representation

Children to represent the practical resources in a picture and use a bar model.

**Misconceptions**

Children inaccurate when displaying arrays of cubes/objects and so pattern is not clear. Link not clear between the array and the seemingly abstract number given as the answer.

# Y3

## Revisit

Partitioning numbers  
Number line to subtract  
2, 5 and 10 times tables  
and related division facts

## Resources



## NC objectives

Pupils should be taught to:

recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables

write and calculate mathematical statements for multiplication using the multiplication tables that they know, including for two-digit numbers times one-digit numbers, using mental and progressing to formal written methods

solve problems, including missing number problems, involving multiplication and division, including positive integer scaling problems and correspondence problems in which  $n$  objects are connected to  $m$  objects.

## Vocabulary

Groups

Lots of

Repeated addition

Array

Times

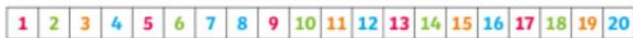
Rows

Columns

Multiple – Multiply – Multiplication

partition grid method inverse

My 1 to 20 Number Track



## Misconceptions

$$\begin{array}{r} 36 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline 98 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

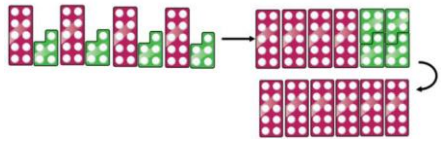
Forgetting to add on the one that has been exchanged.

$$\begin{array}{r} 30 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline 93 \end{array}$$

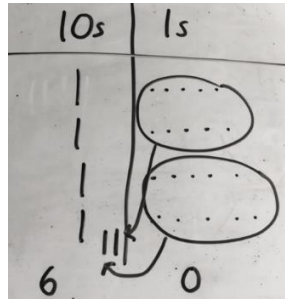
**from  $0 \times 3 = 3$**

$$\begin{array}{r} 51 \\ \times 4 \\ \hline 24 \end{array}$$

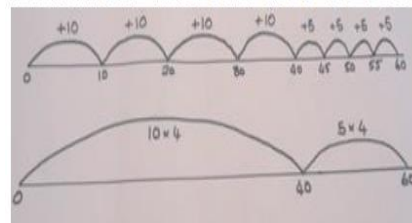
**' $5 \times 4 = 20$  and 20 is 2 tens so 2 goes in Tens column'**



Partition to multiply using Numicon, base 10 or Cuisenaire rods.  
 $4 \times 15$



Use base 10 picture to show groups of...



Children show working on blank number line

$$4 \times 15$$

$$10 \quad 5$$

$$10 \times 4 = 40$$

$$5 \times 4 = 20$$

$$40 + 20 = 60$$

Children to be encouraged to show the steps they have taken.

Formal written method

$$6 \times 23 =$$

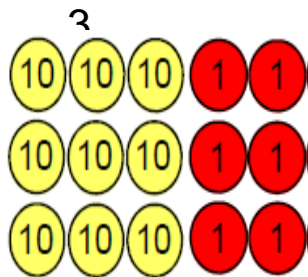
$$\begin{array}{r} 23 \\ \times 6 \\ \hline 138 \\ 11 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 23 \\ \times 6 \\ \hline 120 \text{ (} 20 \times 6 \text{)} \\ 18 \text{ (} 3 \times 6 \text{)} \\ \hline 138 \end{array}$$

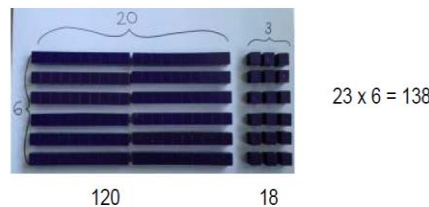
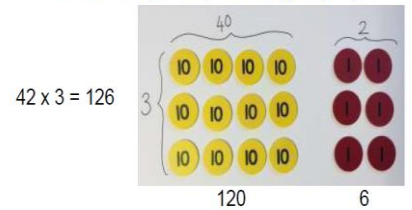
Children draw their own PV table and counters/base 10 to represent the number before crossing out as appropriate

10s	1s
00	000
00	000
00	000
6	9

Formal column method with place value counters.  $32 \times$



Initially, base 10 resources or place value counters should be used to teach this procedure to ensure children gain a deep understanding of its principles.



$$12 \times 3 = 36$$

x	3	
10		30
2		6
		36

# Y4

## Revisit

Partitioning numbers  
Fact Families  
Expanded notation  
Multiply by 1, 10 and 100

## Resources



## NC objectives

Pupils should be taught to:

recall multiplication facts for multiplication tables up to  $12 \times 12$

use place value, known and derived facts to multiply mentally, including: multiplying by 0 and 1; dividing by 1; multiplying together three numbers

recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations

multiply two-digit and three-digit numbers by a one-digit number using formal written layout

solve problems involving multiplying and adding, including using the distributive law to multiply two digit numbers by one digit, integer scaling problems and harder correspondence problems such as  $n$  objects are connected to  $m$  objects.

## Vocabulary

Groups

Lots of

Repeated addition

Array

Times

Rows

Columns

Multiple – Multiply – Multiplication

partition grid method inverse

## Misconceptions

Pupils do not understand that  $\times 10$  and then  $\times 10$  again, is the same as  $\times 100$ . Prefer to learn 'add a zero' and so limited understanding.

Children need to understand the connection between  $6 \times 3$  and  $60 \times 3$ , understanding that the answer is 10x bigger because the number being multiplied is 10x bigger.

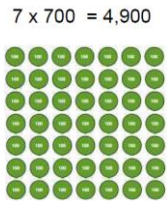
Children are introduced to formal written methods before fully understand the concept, becomes a test of their memory to remember the 'rule', and have no strategies to rely upon when they are 'stuck'. Problems with place value can cause difficulties with written work.

Children not understand the meaning of 'lots of' or 'groups of'. Children see it as a test of their memory, not linking tables facts.

$$7 \times 7 = 49$$

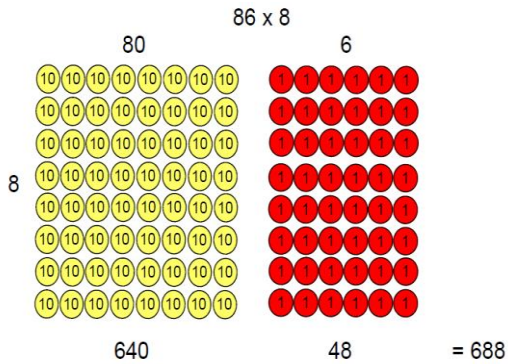
- $70 \times 7 = 490$
- $70 \times 70 = 4,900$
- $7 \times 700 = 4,900$
- $70 \times 700 = 49,000$

Place value counters can be used to support the children with this.



Using known multiplication and division facts, children should be able to derive other associated facts for multiples of 10 and 100.

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x			6	
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2	7	1	8	
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	3	1		



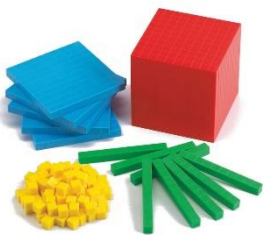
	4	5	3		
x			6		
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		1	8	(6 x 3)	
	3	0	0	(6 x 50)	
2	4	0	0	(6 x 400)	
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2	7	1	8		

	6	9		
x		7		
<hr/>				
	6	3	(7 x 9)	
4	2	0	(7 x 60)	
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4	8	3		

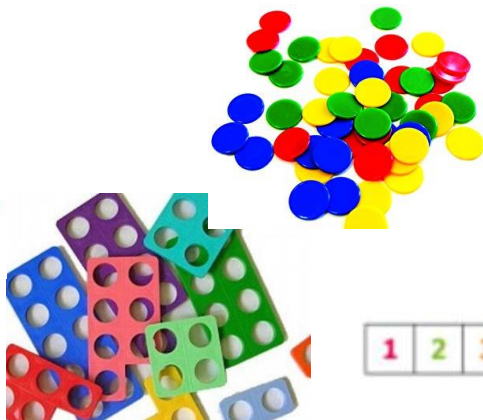
# Y5

## Revisit

Partitioning numbers  
Times tables up to  $12 \times 12$   
Fact Families e.g.  $5 \times 2 = 10$  so  $5 \times 20 = 100$   
Expanded notation  
Multiply by 1, 10 and 100



Resources



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use place value, known and derived facts to multiply mentally, including: multiplying by 0 and 1; dividing by 1; multiplying together three numbers

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## Vocabulary

Groups

Lots of

Repeated addition

Array

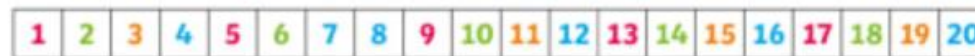
Times

Rows

Columns Multiple – Multiply – Multiplication

cube numbers, prime numbers, square numbers, common factors, prime factors, composite numbers, common factors, short division, inverse, power of.

My 1 to 20 Number Track



## Misconceptions

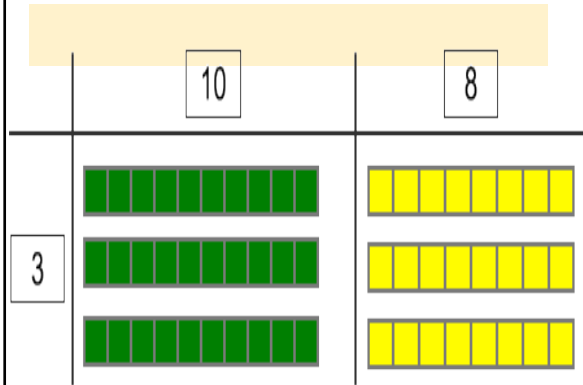
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Children not understand the meaning of 'lots of' or 'groups of'. Children see it as a test of their memory, not linking tables facts.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3624 \\
 \times \quad 4 \\
 \hline
 14496 \\
 \hline
 \begin{array}{r}
 2 \quad \quad \quad 1 \\
 \hline
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{r}
 53 \\
 \times 24 \\
 \hline
 12 \quad (4 \times 3) \\
 200 \quad (4 \times 50) \\
 60 \quad (20 \times 3) \\
 1000 \quad (20 \times 50) \\
 \hline
 1272
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 472 \\
 \times 24 \\
 \hline
 1888 \\
 9440 \\
 \hline
 11328
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3624 \\
 \times \quad 4 \\
 \hline
 16 \quad (4 \times 4) \\
 80 \quad (4 \times 20) \\
 2400 \quad (4 \times 600) \\
 12000 \quad (4 \times 3000) \\
 \hline
 14496
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 472 \\
 \times 24 \\
 \hline
 8 \quad (4 \times 2) \\
 280 \quad (4 \times 70) \\
 1600 \quad (4 \times 400) \\
 40 \quad (20 \times 2) \\
 1400 \quad (20 \times 70) \\
 8000 \quad (20 \times 400) \\
 \hline
 11328
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 53 \\
 \times 24 \\
 \hline
 212 \\
 1060 \\
 \hline
 1272
 \end{array}$$



# Y6

## Revisit

Partitioning numbers – including decimals

Times tables up to  $12 \times 12$

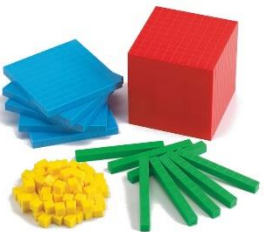
Fact Families e.g.  $5 \times 2 = 10$  so  $0.5 \times 20 = 10$

Expanded notation

Multiply by 1, 10 and 100

Short multiplication

## Resources



## NC objectives

Pupils should be taught to:

- multiply multi-digit numbers up to 4 digits by a two-digit whole number using the formal written method of long multiplication
- identify common factors, common multiples and prime numbers
- use their knowledge of the order of operations to carry out calculations involving the four operations
- multiply one-digit numbers with up to two decimal places by whole numbers

## Vocabulary

Groups

Lots of

Repeated addition

Array

Times

Rows

Columns

Multiple – Multiply – Multiplication

cube numbers, prime numbers, square numbers, common factors, prime factors, composite numbers, common factors, short division, inverse, power of.

## Misconceptions

Misunderstand the concept of making a number 10/100/1000 times bigger, prefer to learn 'add a zero'. Causes difficulties when working with decimal numbers and fractions.

Ignore decimal point, perform calculation, then 'count how many digits after the point'. Effective shortcut, but difficulty when applying to mental work – encourage 'why does it work?'

Children are taught to multiply single digits and count the number of zeros.  $20 \times 50 = 100$  is a common mistake as children don't know what to do with the 'extra' zero

Place value errors when performing written calculations can cause problems for even able pupils.

		9	.	2	2
	x			3	7
	6	4	.	5	4
2	7	6	.	6	0
3	4	1	.	1	4

o		t	h	
I	I	0.1	0.01	0.01
YOU	YOU	YOU	YOU	YOU
I	I	0.1	0.01	0.01
YOU	YOU	YOU	YOU	YOU
I	I	0.1	0.01	0.01
YOU	YOU	YOU	YOU	YOU