

Introduction

The **Schofield & Sims Maths Practice Reception Question Book** uses step-by-step practice to develop children's understanding of key early mathematical concepts.

The structure

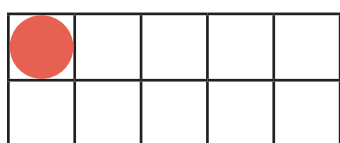
This book focuses on ensuring secure knowledge of the numbers 1 to 20 in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage Early Learning Goals. There is a particular emphasis on the numbers 1 to 10. Children address each numeral with a set of questions dedicated to learning to write, count and recognise the number.

In addition to its focus on number, this book offers children the opportunity to extend their skills to ensure they are confident as they progress into Year 1. Early calculation is introduced through simple, age-appropriate questions. Children can improve their position, shape and measure skills, look for patterns and make connections. They also see maths used in topics connected to everyday life, such as coins and time, which encourages development of a positive attitude towards maths.

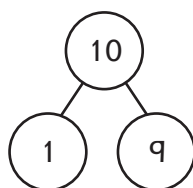
At the back of the book, there is a 'Final practice' section. Here, mixed questions are used to check children's understanding of the knowledge and skills acquired throughout the book and identify any areas that need to be revisited.

A mastery approach

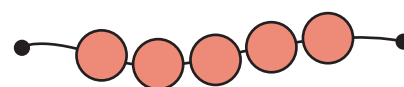
The **Primary Practice Maths** series follows a knowledge-based mastery approach. Children deepen their learning by applying and representing their knowledge and skills in multiple ways. This approach reinforces number concepts, nurtures fluency and strengthens both reasoning and problem-solving skills. Integral to this approach is the use of visual representations of mathematical concepts. Some of the most common visual representations used in this book are:



ten-frame



part-whole model



bead string

Writing numbers

The number units provide children with the opportunity to develop their handwriting skills for the digits 0 to 9. Children practise by tracing numbers to ensure they form numbers smoothly. Tracing patterns include a dot to indicate where letter formation begins. Children then progress to copying numbers independently and finally to answering problems involving the numbers they have practised.



Online answers

Answers for every question in this book are available to download from the **Schofield & Sims** website. The answers are accompanied by detailed explanations where helpful. There is also a progress chart, allowing children to track their learning as they complete each set of questions, and an editable certificate.