



## Develop your maths & numeracy skills

Being confident about your numeracy skills will help to widen your job opportunities and is essential if you are thinking of setting up your own business. Use the embedded hyperlinks to go straight to the materials.

### If you want to brush up your maths but don't need a qualification

**BBC - Learning - Maths learning resources and online courses** provides information and links to other sites providing on-line maths help, including **BBC - GCSE Bitesize – Maths Topics** an interactive revision resource for GCSE maths including **Algebra, Data Handling, Number, Shape, space and measurements** and a **mock examination**.

**The Free Mathematics How-to Library** includes Money Maths with business related problems and worked examples including discount, profit & loss, simple and compound interest.

For higher levels, **Open Learn** provides free access to parts of the Open University's maths and statistics courses.

With **Move On** you can test your basic maths skills online and prepare for the National Certificate in Adult Numeracy (level 1). If you don't need the certificate, use the materials to build up your confidence before starting a GCSE course.

If you're setting up your own business, go to Business Link's advice about **business finance**.

### If you want a maths qualification

#### National Careers Service

Use the **courses and learning** facility to find a suitable course near where you live or work. Type '**mathematics**' into the course search box, put in your **post code** and press enter. You can then add detail about how far you are prepared to travel, what start date you want and whether you are looking for full-time or part time study.

#### Distance learning courses

Search **Learn Direct** for local maths courses. The **Open University** short course **Starting with Maths** covers some very basic maths skills with one-to-one telephone support from a personal tutor. You can find details of other OU maths courses from the **Open University's mathematics and statistics website**.