

# Clash of the Classes: Ace the Race!

## For math facts coaches, teachers, and parents.

This is the most exciting, fun, and motivating activity.

Picture *The Math Facts Mad Dash*, with Olympic qualifying, and a class vs class show down. Here's how it works:

1) Teachers reach an agreement with a colleague or a friend, and complete the challenge form on page two. This can be at the same school, or not.

2) Children have two weeks to study and practice.

3) During try-outs, every student takes a turn.

4) The three top scores make the team, along with one other student.

All students who get 100% correct are placed in a drawing.

If their name is chosen, they become the fourth member of the team.

This means that ANY child can make the team.

### **Double the fun! Add a second team.**

This second team is made up of three students who got 100%, and had their names picked in a drawing.

The fourth player is their teacher!

### **During the next week the teams practice.**

The Math Facts Coach can practice with the first team.

The teacher can practice with his or her team.

If you are in the same building, you can race side-by-side.

If you are in different places, you can video-chat while each team takes a turn.

If not, each side can take a video and exchange it.

Or you can just share the scores and declare the winners.

In the spirit of *The Math Facts Mad Dash*, if the team that finishes second gets 100%, they are winners too.

I suggest a pizza celebration for all teams.

### **Contact another class ASAP. Who would it be fun to challenge?**

This challenge will motivate children to learn to study at home.

All teachers need to do is send the other teacher a copy of this document, and agree on terms.

### **Tell me about your Clash and I may provide a pizza celebration.**

Send me an e-mail, and tell me some of the details, and how things are going.

I may supply pizza for a celebration.

### **Do it right now!**

Who should you challenge? Someone you went to college with? Are any of your former teachers still teaching?

The other class does not have to be the same grade level. Each team can have its own set of facts. Clashing with another class is fun and motivating, both for teachers and students.

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## The Agreement

The goal of this competition is to motivate children to study and learn math facts on their own. It is about teamwork and sportsmanship. It is about working hard while having fun.

### The Teams

_____ vs _____
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**The Facts** Choose 10-12 facts. I suggest ten facts for the first Clash. We want children to prove to themselves that they can learn a set of facts on their own.


### Rules, Dates, and Options

1) Time Limit per fact: _____ seconds.	2) <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Choice or <input type="checkbox"/> Exact Answer
3) Date of Try-Outs: _____	4) Date of Finals: _____
5) Location of finals: _____	
6) Prizes: _____	

**Events** You can choose either or both.

<input type="checkbox"/> Four Students vs Four Students
<input type="checkbox"/> Three Students and a Teacher vs Three Students and a Teacher

**Contact Info** For both classes.

Name: _____	E-mail: _____	Cell: _____
Name: _____	E-mail: _____	Cell: _____

# Clash of the Classes: Ace the Race! For Parents

During tryouts, each child answers all of the facts below, while running a relay race.  
Any child who answers all the facts correctly, within the time limit, can make the class team.  
The top three scores make the class team.  
The two class teams race against each other.

## The Teams

_____ vs _____
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## The Facts

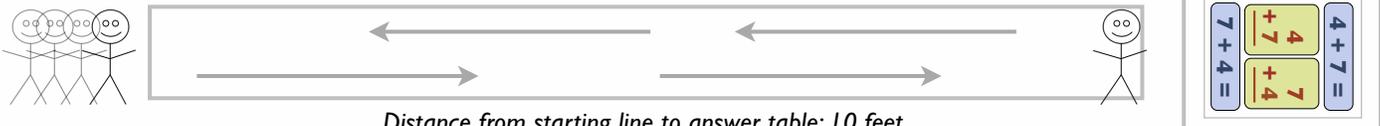

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Parents,

Help your children set up a Math Facts Mad Dash Station, like the one pictured below.  
Encourage them to study and practice. Watch them. It only takes a minute to do the dash.  
You can use the dash in a challenge. See *A Parent's Challenge*, and get free Flashcard Kits at [studysmart.com](http://studysmart.com)

### The Math Facts Mad Dash: A relay race with math facts.



Distance from starting line to answer table: 10 feet.

Players begin at the starting line, run to the table, answer a question, run back to the starting line, and repeat. If there is more than one player, when the first player gets back to the starting line, the next player goes. You can use flashcards or an app.