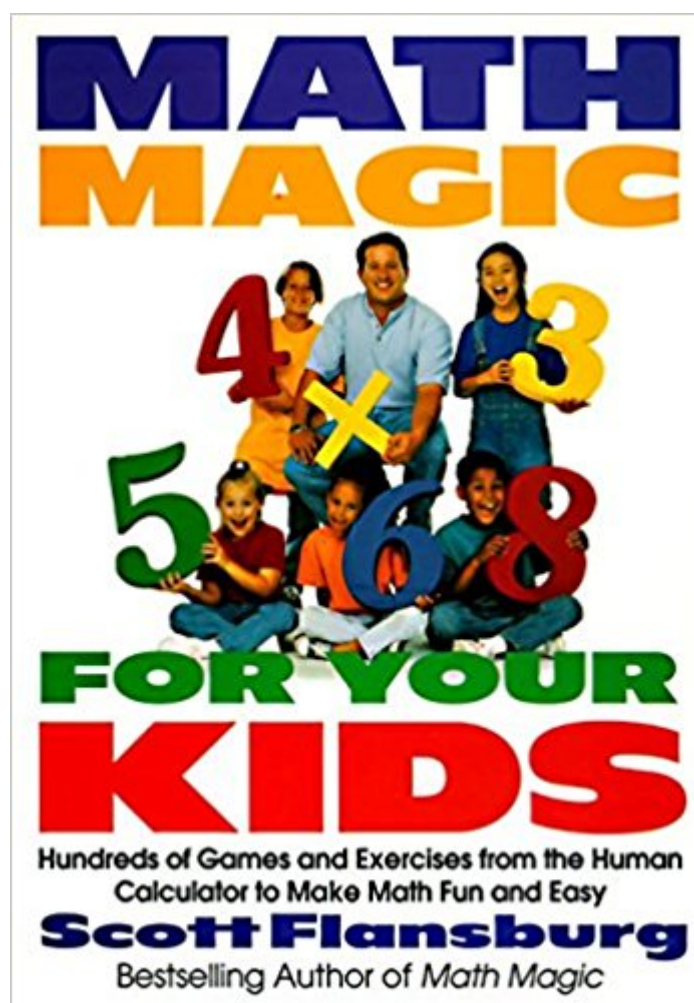


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# Math Magic For Your Kids: Hundreds Of Games And Exercises From The Human Calculator To Make Math Fun And Easy



## Synopsis

In Math Magic, his New York Times bestseller, Scott Flansburg demonstrated his universal ability to make math fun and easy for adults. Now in Math Magic for Your Kids, the Human Calculator does the same for elementary school children. Measuring flour for a birthday cake, setting the dinner table, counting change -- learning these simple skills daunts millions of children. And helping them along can be frustrating for parents. In Math Magic for Your Kids, Scott Flansburg comes to the rescue. With entertaining games and tricks, this proven method helps kids develop a positive attitude about numbers, the necessary foundation on which they will build math skills for the rest of their education. Children will discover hours of independent amusement, while parents will find activities they can do with their children to supplement their schoolwork and to help them get better grades, including:

- Innovative counting exercises that teach addition and subtraction
- Writing activities that reinforce math concepts
- Shortcut methods that provide "magic tricks" for learning math skills
- Riddles and puzzles that activate logic and math basics
- Games and drills that introduce and perfect multiplication and division

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This book has complex problems and exercises for Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division. With the exercises and advice, this book teaches you the basics of doing Mental Calculation. Although Scott Flansburg only explains how to make the numbers 0 to 12 more sense to you, every child can enjoy math-because Scott, the Human Calculator, actually makes it fun!

Though math was never a problem for me, I discovered that this book not only made math easier and faster, but it also caused the numbers to take on some practical meaning. I recommend the book for anyone who wants to understand the reason numbers work.

The book was ok however, I wanted a book for older students. This is recommended for 6 th 8 year olds. The book is in an easy to read format and has breaks to complete exercises to practice what you learned.

I homeschool my kids who like the ideas behind math but find drilling real agony!!! They are beginning to see the fun in it and don't mind repetition any more. Thanks and praise to Scott Flansberg!!!

Mr.Flansburg's methods of stressing basic math skills are new and important before algebra or higher math will make sense. His new web site [thehumancalculator.com](http://thehumancalculator.com) also offers more information about his goal to wipe out innumeracy. He taught me it's never to late to conquer math phobia and fulfill my career goals that never materialized because of math avoidance.

There's honestly nothing wrong with this book. A lot of reviewers have used it and found it helpful for their children. My problem is that it's written for children, but it's in an adult format, meaning it's in a hard bound book measuring about 5" by 8" and written in a fairly small type. My 6 year old would have trouble reading "Harry Potter" by herself, she'd have a hard time reading this one too. The writing is at about the same level. And yet the book starts out with kindergarten and 1st grade level work. The book is written in a way that you could read the games and stories to your kindergarten aged child, but the presentation isn't kindergarten level, it's more 2nd grade level. I wish the book was in a workbook form, with a lot of child-friendly illustrations and places to write. Instead you either have to have your child write in pencil and erase, or photocopy each exercise to keep the book clean. It isn't just that I'm a clean freak, writing in a book this thick isn't easy, especially for a 6 year old. In the end the math concepts, games and fun drawings could draw children in and get them excited about math, but the book form and presentation could be much more child friendly.

Great inspiration to include in the tool box of teaching math whether home schooling or a school teacher. I've been both. As a homeschool parent I partnered MM with workbooks by McGraw Hill and the School House Rock videos and computer programs offered at the time in the mid 90's. I also

used the concepts to teach my Prekindergarten students. Parents were amazed by how their children were doing advanced addition and subtraction along with multiplication once I planted basic concept seeds using MM as one of the tools in my arsenal of information for them. I especially appreciate the price, too. Definitely worth the purchase.

I really enjoyed listening to Scott Flansburg in person and thought that this book would have some helpful tips for my kids, but this is really directed at first to fourth graders. If you have kids of that age, this might work for you.

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