4 Times Table Five-Day Plan

About 10 minutes a day. Each day names the facts to practice and one thing to do away from the screen. Tick the box when the day is done.

☐ **Day 1: the first half**

Say 4 x 1 to 4 x 6 out loud, then skip count by 4s: 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24.
Tip: Double it, then double it again: for 4 x 7, double 7 to get 14, then double 14 to get 28. Say both steps out loud at first.
Away from the screen: Count the legs of chairs around the table in fours: one chair is 4 legs, two chairs is 8, up to six chairs.

☐ **Day 2: the second half and the turnarounds**

Say 4 x 7 to 4 x 12, then flip each one: 7 x 4, 8 x 4 and 9 x 4 have the same answers.
Pattern: Every answer is even, and the last digits cycle through 4, 8, 2, 6, 0. Every fourth answer is also in the 8 times table.
Away from the screen: Count car wheels in a parking lot or a picture book: seven cars have 28 wheels. Keep going up to twelve cars.

☐ **Day 3: the 3 hardest facts**

Say 4 x 7, 4 x 8 and 4 x 6 five times each, then go through the whole table once in mixed order.
Why these: 4 x 7, 4 x 8 and 4 x 6 are where most errors land. The double-double trick turns each one into two easy steps.
Away from the screen: Fold a sheet of paper into four boxes and write 4 x 6, 4 x 7 and 4 x 8 in three of them. Say the double, double steps for each.

☐ **Day 4: the whole table, mixed**

Ask all 12 facts of the 4 times table in mixed order, out loud. Repeat any miss at the end.
Away from the screen: Toss a beanbag back and forth. The thrower calls out a 4s fact and the catcher answers before throwing it back.

☐ **Day 5: the self-check**

Answer the 12 questions below on paper, with no help and no timer.
Away from the screen: Keep the answer key face down until the end. Answer the 12 questions with a pencil, then check them together. Practice each miss three more times.

1. 4 × 6 = _____	2. 4 × 4 = _____	3. 4 × 11 = _____	4. 4 × 12 = _____
5. 8 × 4 = _____	6. 4 × 10 = _____	7. 4 × 9 = _____	8. 7 × 4 = _____
9. 4 × 5 = _____	10. 4 × 1 = _____	11. 3 × 4 = _____	12. 4 × 2 = _____

Answer key: 4 times table self-check

Check each answer together. Practice every miss three more times tomorrow.

1. 4 × 6 = 24
2. 4 × 4 = 16
3. 4 × 11 = 44
4. 4 × 12 = 48
5. 8 × 4 = 32
6. 4 × 10 = 40
7. 4 × 9 = 36
8. 7 × 4 = 28
9. 4 × 5 = 20
10. 4 × 1 = 4
11. 3 × 4 = 12
12. 4 × 2 = 8