8 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 8 x 1 to 8 x 6 out loud, then skip count by 8s: 8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48.
Tip: Double, double, double: for 8 x 6, double 6 to 12, then 24, then 48. Once that feels easy, practice saying the answer straight away.
Away from the screen: Count spider legs in a picture book: one spider has 8 legs, two spiders have 16. Keep going to six spiders.

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

Say 8 x 7 to 8 x 12, then flip each one: 7 x 8, 9 x 8 and 10 x 8 have the same answers.
Pattern: The last digits count down by twos: 8, 6, 4, 2, 0, then repeat. Every answer is also in the 4 times table.
Away from the screen: Stack building bricks in towers of eight and count each tower by eights from seven towers up to twelve.

☐ **Day 3: the 3 hardest facts**

Say 8 x 7, 8 x 6 and 8 x 12 five times each, then go through the whole table once in mixed order.
Why these: 8 x 7, 8 x 6 and 8 x 12 are the ones most often missed. Pair 8 x 7 = 56 with the counting rhyme 5, 6, 7, 8.
Away from the screen: Say double, double, double out loud for 8 x 6, 8 x 7 and 8 x 12, writing each step on a scrap of paper.

☐ **Day 4: the whole table, mixed**

Ask all 12 facts of the 8 times table in mixed order, out loud. Repeat any miss at the end.
Away from the screen: Walk up the stairs and say one 8s fact on every step, in mixed order. Start again at the bottom if one is missed.

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

Answer key: 8 times table self-check

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

1. 8 × 6 = 48
2. 1 × 8 = 8
3. 8 × 11 = 88
4. 8 × 5 = 40
5. 9 × 8 = 72
6. 8 × 7 = 56
7. 8 × 4 = 32
8. 3 × 8 = 24
9. 8 × 2 = 16
10. 8 × 10 = 80
11. 8 × 8 = 64
12. 8 × 12 = 96