How to Study Math

Prepare Your Work Space:

- 1. quiet area without music or television or noisy voices
- 2. paper, sharp pencil, eraser, and pencil sharpener
- 3. a calculator for marking your work

Get Started:

- 1. Get some questions to do:
 - ✓ Take home a practice sheet.
 - ✓ Ask your parents to make up some questions for you.
- 2. Do 1 question, carefully showing your work:
 - Is it right? Do 2 more questions.
 - Is it wrong? Go back and figure out what went wrong.
 - O Did you make a silly mistake?
 - \checkmark Yes = do the question again more carefully.
 - O Do you not know your times tables?
 - ✓ Use a times tables chart while you do the questions.
 - ✓ Spend 10 minutes *every* night learning the times tables by heart.
 - o Do you not know how you went wrong?
 - ✓ Go back and read your study sheets again.
 - ✓ Ask your parent to look at your work to see what went wrong.
 - ✓ Keep doing the question until you can figure out how to get the right answer.
- 3. Do 2 more questions, carefully showing your work:
 - Are they right? Do 5 more questions.
 - Are they wrong? Go back and figure out what went wrong.
 - o Did you make silly mistakes?
 - ✓ Yes = do the questions again more carefully.
 - o Do you not know how you went wrong?
 - ✓ Go back and read your study sheets again.
 - ✓ Ask your parent to look at your work to see what went wrong.
 - ✓ Keep doing the questions until you can figure out how to get the right answer.
- 4. Keep doing more questions until you can correctly complete 5 questions in a row.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT