





A Prime Number Sieve

Prime numbers are special numbers that appear in no times table apart from their own.

Apply this algorithm to the table to find the primes.

- 1. Colour in all the numbers in the 2 times table in turn, apart from 2
- 2. Colour in all the numbers in the 3 times table in turn, apart from 3
- 3. Colour in all the numbers in the 4 times table in turn, apart from 4
- 4. Colour in all the numbers in the 5 times table in turn, apart from 5
- 5. Colour in all the numbers in the 6 times table in turn, apart from 6
- 6. Colour in all the numbers in the 7 times table in turn, apart from 7
- 7. Colour in all the numbers in the 8 times table in turn, apart from 8
- 8. Colour in all the numbers in the 9 times table in turn, apart from 9 The numbers left uncoloured are the prime numbers.

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

Are there any steps in the algorithm that didn't remove any new numbers? Cross out those steps from the algorithm to make a faster algorithm.

