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# Multiplication Table Hands - on Activities for Developing Mathematics Achievement in Learning Multiplication of Grade 2 Students

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#### Abstract

This research aimed to study on mathematics achievement in learning multiplication for grade 2 students by using multiplication table hands-on activities and study on the satisfaction of the students towards learning trough the designed multiplication table hands-on activities. The sample were 43 grade 2 students who studied in the first semester of 2022 academic year in Bankhoktanod school, Nongchik district, Pattani province selected by purposive sampling technique. Pretest was given to the students followed by learning trough the designed multiplication table hands-on activities and posttest was given to the students after learning. Finding reveals that the mathematics achievement of grade 2 students after learning multiplication table hands-on activities is significantly higher than before learning at .05 level of significant and the satisfaction of the students towards learning is at very satisfied level.

Keywords: Multiplication, Hands-on activities, Mathematics, Achievement

#### Introduction

Mathematics plays a very important role in the development of human thinking and supports humans in developing variety of thinking such as creative thinking, rational thinking, systematic thinking and be able to analyze problems or situations carefully. Mathematics is also an important foundation for studying advanced mathematics or many other fields and lead the learners to be able to apply the knowledge as a learning tool for studying in higher education levels as well as solving problems in their real life (Ministry of Education, 2017). Therefore, improving thinking skills is an important goal in education reform which is mentioned in the National Education Act of 1999 and its amendment (2<sup>nd</sup> edition) of 2002 which mentioned the guidelines for educational management according to section 22 that "Educational management must adhere to the principle that all learners have the ability to learn and develop themselves. The learners are considered to be the most important and the educational management

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process must encourage the learners to develop themselves with their full potential." (Office of the National Education Commission, 2002)

Although mathematics is important, it is still found that most students have lower achievement in learning mathematics subjects than the specified criteria. It can be observed from the test results of the students from National Test (NT) organized by the Office of Basic Education Commission (OBEC) from 2019 - 2021 which found that the mean score of grade 3 students were 34.56, 45.64, and 49.44 respectively which were lower than the specified criteria of 50 (National Institute of Educational Testing Service, 2021). This indicated that the mathematics achievement of the students still be at low level. Moreover, the report summarizing of the students' achievement of Bankhoktanod school in 2021 academic year reveals that the students' mathematics achievement in learning multiplication at grade 2 was very low (Bankhoktanod school, 2022). This might because of students lack of numeracy skills and problem-solving skills. Another reason is partly from teaching and learning which is not consistent with the level of learning ability of the students as well as teachers lack of the use of instructional media which allows students to have the opportunities to practice the skills and create a body of knowledge by themselves. As a result, students become bored with their studies, lack of motivation to learn which were affected to the student's achievement in learning multiplication to learn which were

From the aforementioned problems, it is essential for teachers to find a way to solve problems in order to develop the students' achievement in mathematics on multiplication. The researchers therefore studied on mathematics instructional management strategies and effective learning materials to help in solving learning problems by designing multiplication table hands-on activities which is a learning strategy that can encourage students to be interested and have a good interaction with the instructor. The researchers prepared multiplication table hands-on activities to be used as teaching aids in classroom which encouraged students to create their own body of knowledge in learning multiplication and help students to understand the concepts of multiplication which will lead to the effective learning of the students.

Learning management through hands-on activity is a concept which became popular in the late 21<sup>st</sup> century by using a student-centered teaching method which based on a suitable learning process to the nature of the brain. This encourages learners to practice thinking, doing, and solving problems which can create enthusiasm in learning and stimulate student's thinking skills and lead to an effective teaching and learning. Hands-on activities are activities focusing on students to practice, learn from doing, and understand concepts from concrete to abstract. The use of practical activities also helps students to practice in teaching and learning and learning and it also encourages students to participate in teaching and learning activities in the classroom (Santoro, 2004).

For the reasons mentioned above, the researchers then prepared a learning management plan by using multiplication table hands-on activities for developing mathematics achievement in learning multiplication of grade 2 students which is a guideline for an effective teaching and learning multiplication for primary level students.

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## Objectives

1. To study on mathematics achievement of grade 2 students in learning multiplication through multiplication table hands - on activities.

2. To study on the satisfaction of grade 2 students towards learning multiplication through multiplication table hands - on activities.

## Methods

## 1. Population and Sample

1.1 Population

Population of this study were 85 grade 2 students who studied in the first semester of 2022 academic year in 3 schools under Pattani Primary Education Service Area 1, Nongchik district, Pattani province.

1.2 Sample

The sample were 43 grade 2 students who studied in the first semester of 2022 academic year of Bankhoktanod school, Nongchik district, Pattani province selected by purposive sampling technique.

## 2. Variables

2.1 Independent Variable

Lesson plans for learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities for grade 2 students.

2.2 Dependent Variables

- Mathematics achievement of grade 2 students in learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities.

- Satisfaction of grade 2 students towards learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities

#### 3. Instruments

3.1 Four Lesson plans for learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities for grade 2 students which were validated by the experts and some amendments were made based on the experts' suggestions.

3.2 Pretest and posttest for assessing mathematics achievement of grade 2 students in learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities which were verified by the experts to determine their content validity. Then it was tried out and found that the reliability, level of difficulty, and power of discrimination are in line with the criteria.

3.3 A questionnaire on the satisfaction of grade 2 students towards learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities which was verified its content validity by the experts. Then, it was tried out and found that the reliability is in line with the criteria.

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# 4. Data Collection



4.1 The researchers explained the details of the experiment which employed one group pretest-posttest design to the samples.

4.2 Pretest was given to the students by using mathematics learning achievement test on multiplication for grade 2 students.

4.3 Implementing the teaching according to 4 Lesson plans for learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities for grade 2 students.

4.4 Posttest was given to the students by using mathematics learning achievement parallel test on multiplication for grade 2 students.

4.5 After finished learning through the 4 lessons plans, the questionnaire on the satisfaction of grade 2 students towards learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities was given to the students.



Figure 1 Multiplication table hands-on activities for grade 2 students



Figure 2 Introducing multiplication table hands-on activities by the teacher

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Figure 3 Doing activities through multiplication table hands-on activities



Figure 4 Student's learning through multiplication table hands-on activities

# 5. Data Analysis

The data obtained from the pretest, posttest, and questionnaire were analyzed as follows:

5.1 Descriptive statistics were used to find the frequency and percentage of the number of the samples.

5.2 Pair Sample t-test was used to compare mathematics achievement of grade 2 students before and after learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities.

5.3 Mean and standard deviation were used to describe the satisfaction of grade 2 students towards learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities by using the following criteria;

mean score	1.00-1.80	means	very satisfied
mean score	1.81-2.60	means	satisfied
mean score	2.61-3.40	means	neutral
mean score	3.41-4.20	means	dissatisfied
mean score	4.21-5.00	means	very dissatisfied

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Results

The results are as follow:

Table 1. Number and percentage of student samples

Sex	Number	Percentage
Male	25	58.14
Female	18	41.86
Total	43	100

Table 1 shows that from 43 grade 2 student samples of Bankhoktanod school, there are 25 male students which were accounted for 58.14 percent and 18 female students which were accounted for 41.86 percent.

**Table 2.** Comparing mathematics achievement of grade 2students before and after learningmultiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities

Test	Number of	Mean	S.D	t	p-value
	Student				
Pretest	43	8.47	2.49	20 103	0.00
Posttest	43	15.35	2.43	29.195	

\* p < 0.05

Table 2 shows that there is a significant different between mathematics achievement of grade 2 students before and after learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities at 0.05 level of significant (p-value < 0.05) and the mean score of posttest was greater that pretest.

 Table 3. The satisfaction of grade 2 students towards learning multiplication through multiplication table

 hands-on activities

ltems	n = 43		Level of
	Mean	S.D.	satisfaction
Teaching the content			
1. Learning the content through multiplication table hands-on	152	0.88	Very
activities facilitate student's understanding.	4.52		satisfied
2. Learning the content through multiplication table hands-on			Von
activities is interesting.	4.23	1.08	very
			satisfied

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ltems	n = 43		Level of
-	Mean	S.D.	satisfaction
3. Teaching the content is properly sequential.		0.76	Very
	4.55	0.76	satisfied
4. The content is consistent with the time teaching.	4.18	0.97	Satisfied
5. The steps of teaching the content through multiplication	4.55	0.76	Very
table hands-on activities are easily to understand.			satisfied
6. Students have the opportunity to exchange ideas with peers.	4.30	0.09	Very
	4.52	0.98	satisfied
7. Students participated in the activities enthusiastically with full	A 4E	0.95	Very
potential.	4.45		satisfied
8. Learning the content through multiplication table hands-on		0.89	Vori
activities make students' understanding than the traditional	4.66		very
teaching.			satistieu
Instructional media			
1. The instructional media using multiplication table hands-on	1 73	0.95	Very
activities are interesting.	4.73		satisfied
2. The multiplication table hands-on activities are in line with	1 9 2	1.02	Very
the learning content.	4.02		satisfied
3. The multiplication table hands-on activities facilitate the	4.05	1.28	Very
participation of students.	4.25		satisfied
Measurement and evaluation			
1. Posttest allow teacher to know students' progress in their	1 10	1.45	Very
learning.	4.48		satisfied
Measurement and evaluation are consistent with the content.	4 5 7	1 66	Very
	4.37	1.00	satisfied
Satisfaction	1 19	1.04	Very
Sausiaction	4.40		satisfied

Table 3 shows that the satisfaction of grade 2 students towards learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities is in very satisfied level (Mean = 4.48, S.D. = 1.04). The issue that the students were most satisfied was the multiplication table hands-on activities are in line with the learning content (Mean = 4.82, S.D. = 1.02) which was in the very satisfied level followed by the instructional media using multiplication table hands-on activities are interesting (Mean = 4.73, S.D. = 0.95) which was in the very satisfied level as well.

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#### Discussion

The results indicated the positive effects of the treatment in this research that learning multiplication of grade 2 students through multiplication table hands-on activities enables students to enhance their mathematics achievement and have satisfaction towards learning. These because of learning management emphasizing the hands-on activities were practical activities that emphasizing students to do and summarize the concepts by themselves. These consistent with the research of Kaewsoongnern and Supap (2016) who found that the positive effects of hands-on learning activities were the student's learning achievement and the student's mathematical connection ability after hands-on learning activities. Moreover, it is also consistent with the research of Kama et al. (2021) who found that students' mathematics achievement in learning vector in 3 dimensions and the addition and subtraction of vector in 2 dimensions after learning was significantly higher than before learning at .05 level of significant and the satisfaction of the students in learning through the lessons is in the high level.

#### Conclusion and Suggestion

This research revealed that there is a significant different between mathematics achievement of grade 2 students before and after learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities at 0.05 level of significant and the mean score of posttest was greater than pretest and the satisfaction of grade 2 students towards learning multiplication through multiplication table hands-on activities is in very satisfied level. The issue that the students were most satisfied was the multiplication table hands-on activities are in line with the learning content followed by the instructional media using multiplication table hands-on activities are interesting. These indicated that multiplication table hands-on activities can enhance students' mathematics achievement in learning multiplication and also have satisfaction towards learning at the same time. However, in implementing the multiplication table hands-on activities, the teacher should have a good knowledge in designing the process of teaching mathematics by emphasizing students' practice and let them learn by doing, have sufficient knowledge and understanding of the teaching content, have preparation of learning materials before teaching, have well ordering of the lesson plans, be flexible in organizing activities based on the different learning skills of the students, enables students to discover the knowledge by themselves, should be as the facilitators, and the teacher should make conclusions at the end of teaching in order to lead students to have the right concepts of the teaching content together. The further research should create and study on the effectiveness of the created hands-on learning activities on other skills such as problem-solving skills, reasoning skills, or communication skills.

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