

Who needs maths anyway?

Some fun maths errors – could be used for assembly.

I believe this list was collated by one of the maths teachers at Bilborough Sixth Form College, Nottingham, (UK!). Possibly they were extracted from ColemanBalls books.

So that's 57 runs needed by Hampshire in 11 overs, and it doesn't need a calculator to tell us that the run rate required is 5.1818 recurring.

Norman Demesquita

And Ian Greig's on 8 including two fours.

Jim Laker

And Meade had a hat-trick. He scored two goals.

Richard Whitmore

There is no change in the top six in Division II except that Leeds United have moved into the top six.

Fred Dinage

So it means mathematically, Southampton have 58 points.

Peter Jones

....and with eight minutes left the game could be won or lost in the next five to ten minutes.

Jimmy Armfield

And Ritchie has scored 11 goals, exactly double the number he scored last season.

Alan Parry

...the lead is now 6.9 seconds. In fact it's just under 7 seconds.

Murray Walker

The gap between the two cars is 0.9 of a second which is less than a second.

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Attached to the bottom corner is a rope of finite length.

Gordon Burns

It is now 5 past 12, sometime on Sunday night.

Tom Boswell

Of course Kirkpatrick will serve nowhere near the 900 years to which he has been sentenced because the system in Northern Ireland allows for up to 50% remission for good behaviour.

Northern Irish correspondant

And for those who wish to deal in metric that's a girth of 22 feet and a height of about 230 feet.

David Bellamy

Peter Powell: So your son was born on the very day Radio 1 actually started! Caller: Yes, that's correct. He was born 16 years ago today. Peter Powell: How old is your son now?

It was like the 60's but it wasn't the 60's it was 1969.

Jimmy Saville

In those days, number two was in a funny sort of way, also number one.

Jimmy Saville

And you can't get nearer to the top ten than number twelve.

Jimmy Saville

....and Dusty Hare kicked 19 of the 17 points.

David Coleman

Ninety-nine times out of a thousand he would have potted that ball.

Ted Lowe

Bill Tindall has done a bit of mental arithmetic with a calculator.

John Arlott

The Test Match begins in 10 minutes, that's our time of course.

David Coleman

The dart is almost diametrically in the middle of the treble twenty.

Dave Lanning

....only one word for that - magic darts!

Tony Green

We are now in the third and final quarter of this game.

Irish TV commentator

The speed of light is very fast.

Carl Sagan

53% of all cars coming into Britain for the first time are imported.

Monty Modlyn

At seven Eamon will approach another surprised personality with his famous three words "This is your life".

Kath Secher

That one sounds as if it was made in 1965, but in fact it's older than that - it came out in 1972.

Jimmy Saville

And at number five, down seven places, the Gibson Brothers.

Kid Jensen

...and it's exactly 9 minutes past 9 - and that doesn't happen very often.

Tim Boswell

There's one minute sixty seconds to go.

Eddie Waring

He made a break of 98 which is almost one hundred.

Alan Weekes

We've had three other snooker centuries - this will make the fifth.

Ted Lowe

Oh, that cross court angle was so acute it doesn't exist.

Dan Maskell
