

Introducing Brain-Busting Maths Problems in a Box!

BEAM are pleased to announce the release of three ***Brain Buster Maths Boxes***. Devised by experts at NRICH, the highly regarded Cambridge University maths education project, these irresistible hands-on problem solving kits provide mind-stretching mathematical problems for children to solve - and a challenge for all!

The ***Brain Buster Maths Boxes*** provide everything a teacher needs to provide their class with a good maths investigation once a fortnight. There are plenty of resources for the class, with A4 laminated cards for pairs to share and the option of printing out multiple copies from the CD-ROM provided, enough equipment for a class working in pairs, a teachers' book and a CD-ROM of the problems, activity sheets and notes – all in a neat storage box.

The problems will certainly create a buzz in the class, as they have been specifically designed to promote children's use of mathematical language and discussion. Watch pairs of children talk about the right way to order their magic square, debate the best route for the robot, justify their matchstick pattern or chat about whether there's more than one solution to their number problem.

This innovative new teaching resource is available in three age ranges, for Years 1 & 2, 3 & 4 and 5 & 6. Each problem is classified according to its type – finding all possibilities, finding rules and describing patterns, logic puzzles, diagram problems and visual puzzles.

- 30 problems presented on laminated A4 full-colour cards
- Extension activity sheets and recording sheets on a CD-ROM
- Five or six different types of equipment
- 48-page teachers' book, including an analysis of the problems and skills children need to solve them

Brain Buster Maths Box is priced at £150.00 + VAT per box. Buy all three boxes for the reduced rate of £425.00 + VAT.

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