

Kit's Computing Challenge: Understanding Spreadsheets

Learning objective: To explain what a spreadsheet is and how it helps us organise information.

Follow the prompts below to write about how Kit the fox uses a spreadsheet to track his puzzle collection. Use the word bank to help you write your sentences.

A spreadsheet is a clever computer programme that helps us keep information neat and tidy.

Word bank: spreadsheet · cell · data · column · row · calculate · total · organised · because · also

1. What does a spreadsheet look like? Start your sentence with: A spreadsheet is made up of... (2 marks)

2. What is a 'cell' in a spreadsheet? Start your sentence with: A cell is the box where... (2 marks)

3. Why is it helpful to use a spreadsheet for maths? Start your sentence with: It is helpful because... (2 marks)

4. How could you use a spreadsheet in your own life? Start your sentence with: I could use a spreadsheet to... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you have a shop. List three items you would put in a spreadsheet and how much they cost in £.