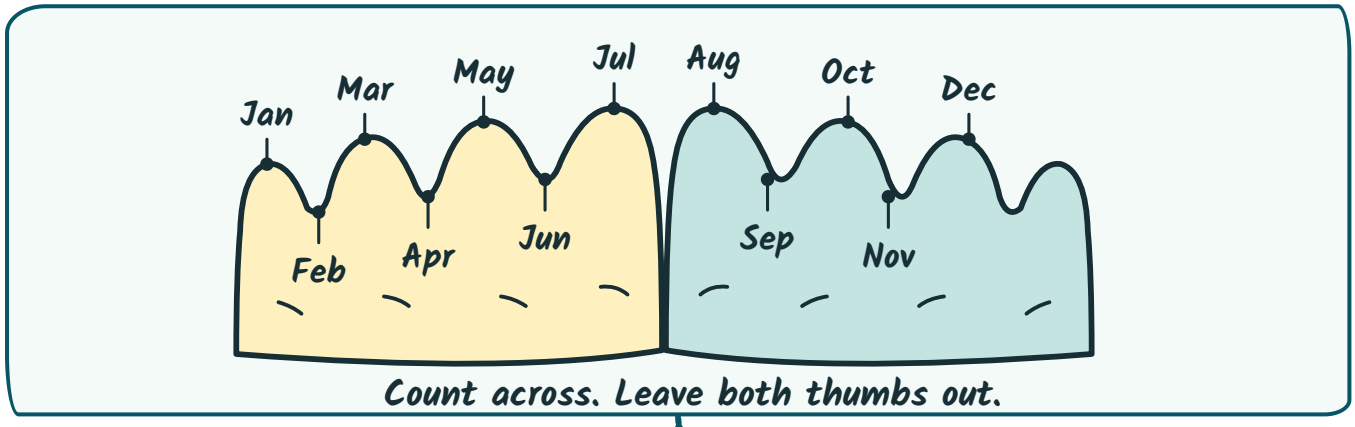
WORKED REVISION MAP

Count the months on your knuckles

Two fists can help you remember a whole year.



1 Set up

Make two loose fists with the knuckles facing up. Put your index fingers side by side. Skip both thumbs.

2 Walk the months

Start January on your left little-finger knuckle. Count knuckles and dips towards the other hand. July and August land on the two index-finger knuckles.

3 Read the answer

A knuckle has 31 days. A dip has 30 days, except February. February has 28 days, or 29 in a leap year.

Try it from memory

Which two months in a row both have 31 days in the middle of the year?

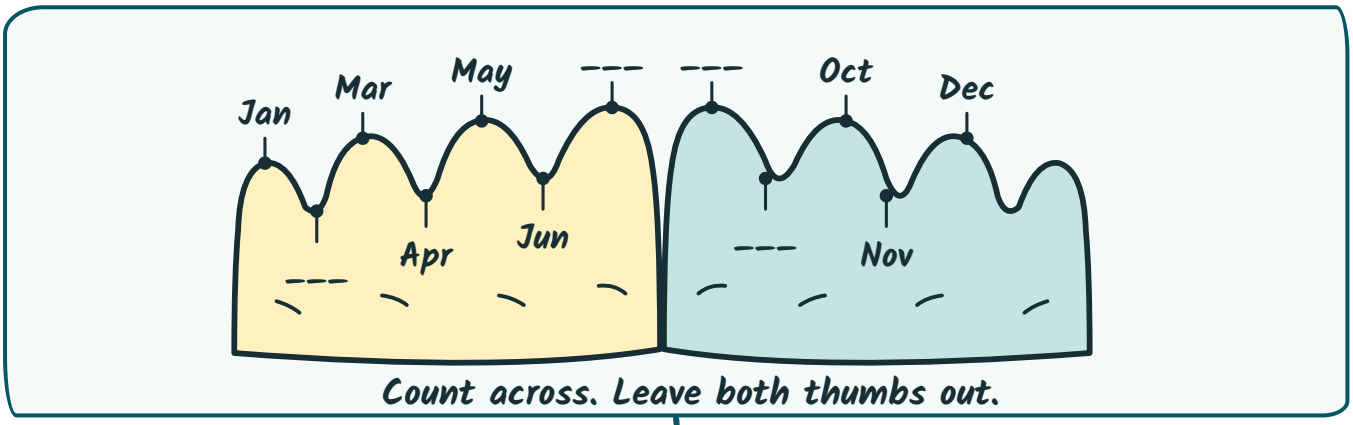
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Follow the months across two fists.
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YOUR TURN · LEARNER MAP

Count the months on your knuckles

Cover the worked map. Write or sketch your answers, then check them on the first page.



1 Set up

Where do you start January?

2 Walk the months

Which two months sit on neighbouring knuckles?

3 Read the answer

How many days can February have?

MATHS · CARD 1

Remember the method

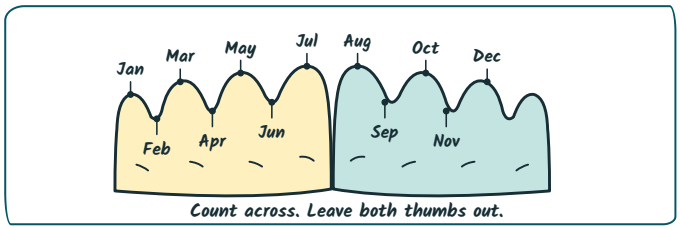
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ANSWER · CARD 1

July and August.

July lands on the last knuckle of one fist. August starts on the first knuckle of the other fist.

Picture the worked example



MATHS · CARD 2

Try a new example

Mina reads one page every day in September and October. How many pages does she read?

ANSWER · CARD 2

61 pages.

September is a dip with 30 days. October is a knuckle with 31 days. Add 30 and 31.