

Schulte Table Grid Size and Result Interpretation Guide

A practical reference for understanding grid size, task length, timing conditions, mistakes, and personal trend metrics without turning a browser task into an ability score.

Schulte Table Grid Sizes at a Glance



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Compare results within the same grid size.
Total time does not transfer directly across different sizes.

1. Grid size changes the task

The number of cells is size x size. A 3x3 grid has 9 targets, a 5x5 grid has 25, and a 10x10 grid has 100. Larger grids create longer sequences and often smaller on-screen targets when the same viewport is used.

The next page provides a complete 3x3-to-10x10 reference table. Compare total times within the same size rather than treating different task lengths as interchangeable.

Grid-size reference

Grid	Cells	Sequence	Comparison note
3x3	9	1-9	Compare with the same size and similar setup.
4x4	16	1-16	Compare with the same size and similar setup.
5x5	25	1-25	Compare with the same size and similar setup.
6x6	36	1-36	Compare with the same size and similar setup.
7x7	49	1-49	Compare with the same size and similar setup.
8x8	64	1-64	Compare with the same size and similar setup.
9x9	81	1-81	Compare with the same size and similar setup.
10x10	100	1-100	Compare with the same size and similar setup.

A 10x10 grid contains four times as many targets as a 5x5 grid (100 versus 25). This is one reason raw total times from those sizes should not be merged into a single like-for-like series.

2. Device and input method matter

Mouse, touch, keyboard support, screen size, orientation, browser zoom, target size, and interruptions can change a result. A faster value on one device should not automatically be treated as an improvement over a value collected under another setup.

Mouse and Touch Are Different Input Setups

Desktop + mouse

8	1	6	3	5
4	9	2	7	10
11	16	12	15	14
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- Pointer position remains visible
- Physical target size depends on display
- Mouse movement path differs from touch

Phone + touch

8	1	6	3	5
4	9	2	7	10
11	16	12	15	14
13	21	17	19	18
20	23	22	24	25



- Finger can cover part of a target
- Phone orientation changes available space
- Touch movement path differs from mouse

Compare personal times only when the grid, device, input method, zoom, and rules are similar.

A useful personal comparison keeps the grid size, mode, device, input method, browser zoom, and error rules as stable as practical.

3. Read time together with mistakes

A completion time is only one part of the round. Incorrect selections add accuracy context. For example, 29 seconds with four mistakes and 33 seconds with zero mistakes are two different speed-accuracy outcomes; neither should be converted into a clinical or cognitive verdict.

Attempt	Time	Mistakes	Plain interpretation
A	33.0 s	0	Slower raw time, no recorded wrong selections.
B	29.0 s	4	Faster raw time, more recorded wrong selections.
C	31.5 s	1	Intermediate time with one wrong selection.

Keeping raw time and mistakes visible is more transparent than hiding them behind an unexplained single score.

4. Personal progress metrics

The current Progress Tracker separates records with filters and summarizes completed attempts with personal best, average, median, recent average, mistakes, and a consistency measure. These are summaries of your own saved task data.

Schulte Table Progress Metrics

How the current tracker summarizes your own filtered, completed attempts

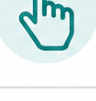
Metric	What it summarizes	How the current tracker defines it
Personal best	Fastest completed round in the active filters	Minimum completed duration
Average	Mean time across all completed rounds in the filters	Sum of completed durations ÷ completed count
Median	Middle duration after the filtered times are sorted	Middle value; for an even count, midpoint of the two center values
Recent average	Recent local results under the active filters	Average of the latest 7 completed attempts
Mistakes	Incorrect selections recorded by the task rules	Shown beside timing so speed is not read without accuracy context
Consistency (CV)	How closely the filtered completion times cluster	Population standard deviation ÷ average × 100%
Use these metrics for like-for-like personal review. They are not population norms, clinical scores, or ability rankings.		

Current tracker definitions: recent average uses the latest seven completed attempts; consistency is the population standard deviation of completed durations divided by their average, shown as a percentage. These definitions should be rechecked if the site implementation changes.

5. Browser, print, and PDF are different setups

Interactive browser rounds can record timer and error data automatically in supported modes. Printed sheets and prepared PDFs rely on manual timing and manual notes. Paper scale and pointing method also change the physical task.

Browser **vs** Printable Schulte Tables

 Browser	 Printable / PDF
 Built-in timer	 Paper workflow
 Automatic mistake count	 Manual timing
 Local history	 Manual notes
 Quick reshuffle	 Easy classroom use
 Touch or mouse	 Print scale matters

 Use the same setup when you want more comparable attempts.

Keep browser and paper results in separate comparison groups unless you intentionally control and document the setup.

6. What a result does not establish

- A browser or paper completion time is not a diagnosis.
- It is not an intelligence score, attention score, eyesight score, reading-speed score, or population percentile.
- Different grid sizes and modes should not be merged into one raw score.
- A personal trend is most interpretable when the task conditions are similar.
- If a task becomes uncomfortable, stop and adjust the setup rather than treating discomfort as part of the goal.

Related site tools: [Progress Tracker](#), [Score Calculator](#), [Time Guide](#), [Printable Sheets](#), [PDF Download](#), and [size-specific Schulte Table](#) pages.