

Bowling in PE

How to Keep Score

Symbols Defined:

- = open frame
- / = spare – all pins knocked down in two rolls of ball
- X = strike – all pins knocked down on first roll of ball

3 Basic Rules:

- Rule #1:** If not a spare or a strike – just add.
- Rule #2:** If a spare, 10 plus the **next ball** rolled.
- Rule #3:** If a strike, 10 plus the **next two balls** rolled.

Sample Score Sheet:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
5 2	7 1	4 /	8 1	X	4 3	X	5 /	2 1	8 1
7	15	33	42	59					110

Now let's complete this score sheet frame by frame...

Remember to go back and add the total of the preceding frame. You are getting a cumulative score.

Frame 1:

Rule #1 applies– just add. 5 pins were knocked down on the first roll, 2 pins were knocked down on the second roll.

- Total of Frame #1 is $5 + 2 = 7$.

Frame 2:

Rule #1 applies– just add. 7 pins were knocked down on the first roll, 1 pin was knocked down on the second roll.

- Total of Frame #2 is $7 + 1 = 8$ (then add preceding frame of 7) = 15.

Frame 3:

This is a "spare". Rule #2 applies. The first ball rolled knocked down 4 pins. The second ball rolled knocked down the remaining 6 pins. The rule states that the score for the frame is 10 plus the next ball rolled; which knocked down 8 pins.

- Total of Frame #3 is $10 + 8$ (then add preceding frame of 15) = 33.

Frame 4:

Rule #1 applies – just add.

- Total of Frame #4 is $8 + 1 = 9$ (then add preceding frame of 33) = 42.

Frame 5:

This is a "strike". Rule #3 applies. The next two balls rolled are 4 and 3.

- Total of Frame #5 is $10 + 4 + 3 = 17$ (then add preceding frame of 42) = 59.

Score (complete) frames 6, 7, 8, and 9. 110 is the total score for this game of bowling.