

Excavation

Excavation is the ability in McMMO related to using a shovel to dig anything on the soil chart, including exotic materials like Soul Sand. High-level Excavators can produce diamonds from dirt easily. (Like most McMMO abilities, it will only work if McMMO drops can spawn on the blocks, and not if they are funnelled into the player's inventory like with some plugins.)

- **The mcMMO Excavation Skill Level is maxed at level 1000 on United Factions.**

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You level up by digging materials that are mined faster with a shovel.












Scouring the entire surface, or at least large hills, is the fastest way to level Excavation.

Another good way is to stock up on shovels and make a trapped snowman. This will allow you to dig the snow underneath it which is constantly refreshed. As the snow is fast to break, it will wear out your tools very quickly, but it will also help you to level very quickly in the comfort of your own home without having to worry about finding stuff to excavate. Keep an iron block nearby and use an iron shovel to clear the snow. When you are running low on durability, just repair the shovel and keep on digging. This method trains up Excavation and [Repair](#) at the same time. Stone can also be used at the cost of maintenance and XP. With the right scripting tools and settings, this can be automated as a client-side bot. It can also be automated with dispensers and a timer, and shovels can be gained through a mob grinder if you're lucky, or in the newest update of Minecraft, automatically crafted from iron ore, coal, and wood through hoppers and recipe selection.

You can also use Giga Drill Breaker in bursts to speed up digging, at the expense of extra durability wear on your shovel. To counteract this, use diamond shovels. Past level 350, it is more common than not to get at least 1 diamond from a single Giga Drill Breaker, allowing you to repair the shovel whenever durability starts to drop.

Drops	Block	Skill Req.	XP Rewarded	Chance
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 Dirt	 Grass	unknown	0	40	100%
 Dirt	 Mycelium	unknown	0	40	100%
 Dirt	 Dirt	unknown	0	40	100%
Snow	Snow Layer	0	20	100%	
 Gravel	 Gravel	unknown	0	40	90%
 Flint	 Gravel	unknown	0	40	10%
 Sand	 Sand	unknown	0	40	100%
 Soul Sand	 Soul Sand	unknown	0	40	100%
 Clay (x4)	 Clay Block	unknown	0	40	100%
 Empty Map	 Clay Block	unknown	25	200	2%
 Glowstone Dust	 Grass	unknown	25	80	5%
 Glowstone Dust	 Mycelium	unknown	25	80	5%
 Glowstone Dust	 Dirt	unknown	25	80	5%
 Glowstone Dust	 Sand	unknown	25	80	5%
 Gunpowder	 Gravel	unknown	75	30	10%
 Slimeball	 Clay block	unknown	150	10	1%
 Bone	 Gravel	unknown	175	30	10%
 Egg	 Grass	unknown	250	100	1%
 Music Disc (13)	 Any	unknown	250	3000	0.05%
 Apple	 Grass	unknown	250	100	0.1%

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 Soul Sand	 Sand	650	80	0.5%
 Spider web	 Clay block	750	150	5%
 Cake	 Any	750	3000	0.05%
 Netherrack	 Gravel	850	3000	0.5%
 Nether Quartz	 Any	850	3000	0.5%

Block	Average XP/block
Dirt	80.33
Gravel	95.account6for \4

*Calculated with assuming you can receive every drop and your excavation level is over 900. XP/block can vary between servers as it's configurable by server admins.

Leveling Table (Theoretical Time)

Level	Total Blocks	Total XP	Total Time (seconds)
1	107.5	4300	
10	695	27800	500
25	1970	78800	900
50	4290	171600	1400
75	7500	300000	1900
100	11422.5	456900	3000
150	21392.5	855700	3500
175	27445	1097800	9300
250	49860	1994400	16300
350	80537.5	3221500	28100
500	149355	5974200	36100

650	187812.5	7512500	45600
750	224747.5	8989900	78886
850	293855	15260000	64100
1000	350245	19731200	71900

This table does not account for earning bonus items or dirt, or for breaking blocks besides dirt for more XP or different drops. Times may also vary based on the player's focus and efficiency at aiming and mining new blocks continuously, what enchants are used, , on tick lag, block lag, and latency, the player's skill level, and whether Giga Drill Breaker is in use continuously.

*It's calculated without receiving drops other than dirt from it. Times may vary depending on the shovel used or other variables, such as accuracy. These variables can be negated using client-side bots.

Trivia

- The 'Giga Drill Breaker' ability is a reference to the move 'Giga Drill Breaker' from the anime "Tengen Topka Gurren Lagann".
 - The original name of the move was "Giga Drill Break" but "Giga Drill Breaker" stuck with the public due to Japanese pronunciation of English. It also was not used to harvest materials, instead being relegated to combat.

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