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Working with whole numbers

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New resources available for further support
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Visit our website www.edexcel.com/fs then:
• for the specification and assessments: under Subjects, click on Mathematics (Levels 1–2)
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You should already know how to:
✓ count, read, write, order and compare numbers up to 1000
✓ add and subtract whole numbers with up to three digits
✓ multiply and divide two-digit numbers by single-digit numbers
✓ approximate by rounding.

By the end of this section you will know how to:
read, write, order and compare large numbers
understand the symbols for greater than or less than
round numbers to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000
use a range of methods to add, subtract, multiply or divide
recognise squares and multiples
recognise negative numbers in context
use a calculator to check answers.

### Learn the skill

Every digit in a number has a value, depending on its position in the number. This is called its **place value**.

You can use a **place-value table** to work out the value of each digit. Write the digits, beginning from the right.

**Example 1:** Write the number 87 529 in words.

First, put the number in a place-value table.

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The number 87 529 has 8 ten thousands, 7 thousands, 5 hundreds, 2 tens and 9 units.

**Answer:** eighty-seven thousand, five hundred and twenty-nine
When you write a cheque you have to write an amount in words and figures.

**Example 2:** Write the number five million, one hundred and two thousand and forty-five in figures.

Draw a place-value table and fill in the digits, from the right.

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Answer: 5 102 045

**Try the skill**

1. Ring the correct way of writing each number in words.
   a. 4 322
      A. Forty-three thousand and twenty-two
      B. Four thousand, three hundred and twenty-two
   b. 16 308
      A. Sixteen thousand, three hundred and eight
      B. One hundred and sixty-three thousand and eight
   c. 816 395
      A. Eight million, sixteen thousand, three hundred and ninety-five
      B. Eight hundred and sixteen thousand, three hundred and ninety-five
   d. 1 455 372
      A. One million, four hundred and fifty-five thousand, three hundred and seventy-two
      B. One hundred and four million, fifty-five thousand, three hundred and seventy-two

2. The population of a town was worked out to be twenty-three thousand, four hundred and thirty. Write this number in figures.

3. Five hundred and sixty-six thousand, two hundred and fifteen people visited a museum over the holiday period. What is this number in figures?

4. In one year, a shop sold two million, four hundred and twenty thousand, seven hundred and two music CDs. Write this number in figures.
Ordering and comparing whole numbers

Learn the skill

You can put whole numbers in order by comparing the size of their digits, as long as they are in the same place value.

**Example 1:** write these numbers in order of size, starting with the smallest.

303 203 330 320 33 332

First put the numbers into a place value table.

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Compare digits in the H Th column. The first two numbers both begin with 3, but there isn’t an entry for the third number. This means that 33 332 is the **smallest number**.

To find the next size number, look for the smallest digit in the T Th column. This is zero, shown in red above. This means that the next size number is 303 203.

Answer: 33 332 303 203 330 320

Try the skill

1. Put these numbers in order of size, starting with the smallest.
   a. 4320 4302 43022
   b. 707707 700777 70770
   c. 82258 80528 82288

2. A garage has three cars for sale. Their mileages are:

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Which car has done the least mileage?

3. Three houses are for sale on the same street. The asking prices are £249 995, £259 599 and £249 959.

Which is the smallest selling price?

4. The table shows the lottery prize draw amounts for the last four weeks.

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<td>£2 605 506</td>
<td>£2 065 005</td>
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Which week had the highest amount in its prize draw?
Learn the skill

You can round numbers to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000.

The value of the key digit tells you whether to round the number up or down:

- The key digit is immediately to the right of the place value you are rounding to.
- Round up when the key digit is 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9.
- Round down when the key digit is 1, 2, 3 or 4.

If you are rounding to the nearest ten, then the key digit is the units digit.

**Example 1:** Round 3457 to the nearest ten.

The key digit is to the right of the tens digit: 3457
The key digit, 7, is more than 5 so round up, from 57 to 60.

Answer: 3460

If you are rounding to the nearest hundred, then the key digit is the tens digit.

**Example 2:** Round 3457 to the nearest hundred.

The key digit is the tens digit: 3457
The key digit is 5 so round up, from 457 to 500.

Answer: 3500

If you are rounding to the nearest thousand, then the key digit is the hundreds digit.

**Example 3:** Round 3457 to the nearest thousand.

The key digit is the hundreds digit: 3457
As 4 is less than 5, round down, from 3457 to 3000.

Answer: 3000

Try the skill

1. Round these numbers to the nearest ten.
   a) 124
   b) 349
   c) 3985
2. How many miles are shown on this car’s mileometer, to the nearest ten miles?

3. Ring the number which is 725 rounded to the nearest ten:
   a 700    b 720    c 730

4. Ring the number which is 8307 rounded to the nearest ten:
   a 8000    b 8300    c 8310

5. Round each of these numbers to the nearest hundred.
   a 3885 _____    b 1946 _____    c 12011 _____

6. Using a calculator, a bricklayer has worked out that he needs 14675 bricks for a job. What is this number to the nearest hundred?

7. Ring the number which is 4356 rounded to the nearest 100:
   a 4300    b 4350    c 4400

8. Ring the number which is 69049 rounded to the nearest 100:
   a 69000    b 69050    c 69100

9. Round each of these numbers to the nearest thousand.
   a 1500 _____    b 13499 _____

10. Round each of these numbers to the nearest thousand.
    a 3357 _____    b 45601 _____    c 21075 _____

11. A woman earns £23498 per year. How much is this, to the nearest thousand pounds?

12. Ring the number which is 1995 rounded to the nearest thousand:
    a 1000    b 1900    c 2000

13. Ring the number which is 33744 rounded to the nearest thousand:
    a 30000    b 33000    c 34000
Adding whole numbers

Learn the skill

Here are two different ways of adding numbers:

- The “traditional, column” method
- The “partitioning” method.

Both methods give the same answer.

The traditional way to add numbers is to write them in a column, with digits of the same place value lined up. You add each column of digits, starting from the right.

The “traditional, column” method

**Example 1:** Work out $78967 + 7827$

Align the place values:

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Work right to left:

7 + 0 + 1 = 8
8 + 7 + 1 = 16, write 6, carry 1.
9 + 8 = 17, write 7, carry 1.
6 + 2 + 1 = 9
7 + 7 = 14, write 4, carry 1.

Answer: 86 794

The “partitioning” method

The partitioning method breaks the numbers up into parts that have the same place value. You then add these parts.

**Example 2:** Work out $78967 + 7827$

$78967 + 7827$

Units: $7 + 7 = 14$
Tens: $60 + 20 = 80$
Hundreds: $900 + 800 = 1700$
Thousands: $8000 + 7000 = 15000$
Tens of thousands: $70000 + 0 = 70000$

Answer: 86 794

Try the skill

Use your preferred method to add the following numbers.

1. $13236 + 2592$
2. a 3 708 + 29 142  
    ________________  
  b 50 019 + 102  
    ________________  

3. 12 789 + 18 521  
    ________________  

4. a 2 067 + 34 120  
    ________________  
  b 21 997 + 10 985  
    ________________  

5. 869 + 1 037 + 43 454  
    ________________  

6. A band played for two nights in the same town. The audience figures for the two nights were 5879 and 4233. How many people saw the band?

7. In three rounds of a computer game a boy scored 2346 points, 4559 points and 3008 points. How many points did he score in total?

8. At two semi-final football matches, the attendances were 34 236 and 19 474. How many attended the two matches in total?

Mental strategies for adding: Using number bonds

Example 1: 90 + 18 + 10 + 4 + 12 + 16  

= 90 + 10 + 18 + 12 + 4 + 16  
= 100 + 30 + 20  
Answer: 150

Regrouping numbers like this makes it easier to add them in your head.

Try the skill

Add these numbers in your head.

1. 2 + 15 + 8 + 5  
   ________________  
2. 23 + 9 + 7 + 11  
   ________________  
3. 18 + 36 + 12 + 14  
   ________________  
4. 56 + 17 + 44 + 3  
   ________________  

Tip
It may help to use a place-value table to help you align the digits for the partitioning method.

Tip
Addition questions usually use the words total or altogether.

Tip
Try to add pairs of numbers which will give you an answer that is easy to remember e.g. 4 + 16 = 20
Subtracting whole numbers

Learn the skill

Here are two methods for subtracting numbers:

- The “traditional, column” method
- The “adjust and amend” method.

In the traditional method you write the bigger number above the smaller number, lining up digits with the same place values. Then subtract the digits in each column, starting from the right.

The “traditional, column” method

**Example 1:** Work out 2373 – 676

Write the numbers in place-value columns. Subtract each column, starting from the right.

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & 2 & 3 & 7 \\
5 & 2 & 6 & 7 \\
\hline
1 & 8 & 4 & 7 \\
\end{array}
\]

**Thousands:** 1000 – 0 = 1000

**Hundreds:** You can’t take 500 from 300 so take 1000 from 2000 (change 2 to 1):
1300 – 500 = 800

**Units:** You can’t take 6 from 3 so take 10 from 70 (change 7 to 6):
13 – 6 = 7

Answer: 1847

The “adjust and amend” method

**Example 2:** 757 – 668

Adjust 757 to 768 because 768 – 668 is easier to subtract.

To do this you need to add 11.

Now do the subtraction: 768 – 668 = 100

Amend this answer by subtracting 11.

Answer: 100 – 11 = 89

Tip

Choose a method you like and can use to get the correct answer.

Remember

When you subtract one number from another, you are finding the difference between them.

Tip

You don’t have to adjust 757 to 768. You can adjust either number as you want: the aim is to make the subtraction easier!

Remember

You need to subtract 11 here to make up for adding 11 earlier.
Try the skill

Use your preferred method to find the answers.

1. 13436 – 7392

2. a 25355 – 18261 b 72300 – 41856

3. a 16502 – 8169 b 63713 – 37088

4. a 27405 – 18637 b 80326 – 79488

Mental strategies for subtracting:
using counting on

To count on in jumps, you jump from the smaller number to the bigger number. Add the jumps together to work out the difference between the two numbers.

Example 2: Work out 1373 – 676

The number line below shows how to work out the jumps.

Count on from 676 to 700: 24
Count on from 700 to 1300: 600
Count on from 1300 to 1373: 73 +

Add: 697

Answer: 697

Try the skill

Subtract these numbers in your head.

1. 602 – 493

2. 12303 – 898

3. 18497 – 502

4. 953 – 368

Tip

Check your answer makes sense. 13436 – 7392 is about 13000 – 7000 = 6000. Is your answer close to 6000?

Tip

You don’t have to ‘jump’ like this. You could for example jump from 600 to 1000 and then to 1200. Choose jumps which you feel comfortable with.

Tip

‘Counting on’ is a good method to use if you prefer adding to subtracting.
You can multiply numbers in any order.

**Example 1:** Work out $3 \times 5 \times 12$

Here are two different ways.

1. First work out $3 \times 5 = 15$.  
2. First work out $5 \times 12 = 60$.

Then work out $15 \times 12 = 180$. Then work out $3 \times 60 = 180$.

Answer: 180

The second way is probably the easiest, because the second multiplication, $3 \times 60$, is easier than $15 \times 12$.

When you multiply a number by 10, all the digits in the number move one place to the left.

**Example 2:** Work out $86 \times 10$

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So, $86 \times 10 = 860$

Answer: 860

20 = $2 \times 10$. To multiply by 20, multiply by 2 first, then multiply by 10.

**Example 3:** Work out $25 \times 20$

$25 \times 20 = 25 \times 2 \times 10 = 50 \times 10 = 500$

Answer: 500

When you multiply a number by 100, all the digits in the number move two places to the left.

When you multiply a number by 1000, all the digits in the number move three places to the left.

**Example 4:** Work out $a$ $86 \times 100$ $b$ $86 \times 1000$

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$a$ $86 \times 100 = 8600$  
Answer: 8600

$b$ $86 \times 1000 = 86000$  
Answer: 86000

Tip

Look for combinations of numbers that are easy to multiply.

Remember

100 = $10 \times 10$  
1000 = $10 \times 10 \times 10$  
Use these to break down the calculation.
Try the skill

See which of these questions you can work out in your head

1. a Work out \( 8 \times 6 \times 5 = \) __________
   b School meals cost £3.00 a day. How much will it cost a student to have school meals for four weeks?

2. Work out:
   a \( 23 \times 10 = \)  
   b \( 890 \times 10 = \)  
   c \( 10 \times 64 = \)  

3. Photocopy paper costs £8 per box. How much do ten boxes cost?

4. Work out:
   a \( 21 \times 40 = \)  
   b \( 47 \times 20 = \)  
   c \( 122 \times 30 = \)  

5. Potatoes cost 72 pence per kilogram. A cook buys a 50 kg sack of potatoes. How much does he have to pay?

6. Work out:
   a \( 3 \times 100 = \)  
   b \( 15 \times 100 = \)  
   c \( 100 \times 26 = \)  

7. Fifteen friends each put in £100 to buy a birthday present. How much can they spend on the present?

8. Work out:
   a \( 35 \times 200 = \)  
   b \( 56 \times 300 = \)  
   c \( 400 \times 14 = \)  

9. Twenty charity workers each raise £200. How much do they raise in total?

10. Work out:
    a \( 24 \times 1000 = \)  
    b \( 60 \times 1000 = \)  
    c \( 1000 \times 302 = \)  

11. Carol earns £2000 per month as a part-time store manager. How much does she earn in one year?

12. Work out:
    a \( 13 \times 2000 = \)  
    b \( 12 \times 5000 = \)  
    c \( 108 \times 3000 = \)  

Tip

Some people remember how to multiply whole numbers by 10 by writing zero on the end of the number: e.g. \( 15 \times 10 = 150 \)
Do you think this is a good idea?

Tip

\[ 20 = 2 \times 10 \]
\[ 30 = 3 \times 10 \]
\[ 40 = 4 \times 10 \]

Remember

Don’t forget to include units (for money or measurements) in your answers.
Squares and multiples

Learn the skill

Multiples

These numbers are taken from the three times table.

3, 6, 9, 12, 15, ...

(1x3) (2x3) (3x3) (4x3) (5x3)

These numbers are called multiples of 3.

**Example 1:** Write down the first four multiples of 4.

1x4, 2x4, 3x4, 4x4

Answer: 4, 8, 12, 16

Squares

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Area = 3 × 3 = 9

1, 4 and 9 are called square numbers.

Square numbers are the answers you get when you multiply whole numbers by themselves.

**Example 2:** What is the next square number after 9?

4 × 4 Answer: 16

Remember

Multiples and squares are always whole numbers.

Try the skill

1. 6, 12, 18, 24 are the first four multiples of six. What are the next two multiples?

2. Write down the first five multiples of
   a 5  ______________________
   b 10 ______________________
   c 7  ______________________

3. What is the next square number after 16? __________

4. Circle all the square numbers in this box.

   | 4 49 25 30 7 |
   | 1 64 56 36 100 |
Here are two different ways of multiplying numbers.

**The “traditional, column” method**

Write each number, one below another, with digits of the same place value lined up, and use long multiplication.

**Example 1:** Work out $48 \times 32$

Write 48 and 32 in the grid. Line up the units.

Add: $96 + 1440 = 1536$

Answer: **1536**

**The “grid” method**

Use place value to break or partition each number in the multiplication into different parts.

**Example 2:** $48 \times 32$

Partition each number:

- $48 = 40 + 8$
- $32 = 30 + 2$

Multiply by 2 first:

- $8 \times 2 = 16$, write 6, carry 1
- $4 \times 2 = 8$, $8 + 1 = 9$

Multiply by 30:

- write 0 in the units column
- $3 \times 8 = 24$, write 4, carry 2
- $3 \times 4 = 12$, $12 + 2 = 14$

Adding: $96 + 1440 = 1536$

Answer: **1536**
Try the skill

1. a $46 \times 35 = \quad b \quad 23 \times 19 = \quad c \quad 84 \times 67 =

2. Twenty-seven friends each pay £25 for a day-trip on a boat. How much do they pay in total?

3. Two hundred and fifty people each buy a £15 ticket for a concert. How much was raised from ticket sales?

4. a $64 \times 27 = \quad b \quad 58 \times 45 = \quad c \quad 85 \times 36 =

5. On average, 275 people attend a local swimming pool every week. How many people go swimming in a year?

6. A company employs 55 security guards. Each guard earns £7 an hour and works for 5 hours per day. How much does the company pay in total per day?

Tip

52 weeks = 1 year.
Dividing whole numbers

Learn the skill

You should know how to divide by small numbers.

Example 1: Work out $60 \div 4$

$60 \div 4$ can be written as: 

$$
\begin{array}{c}
\phantom{0}1 \quad \phantom{0}5 \\
4 \quad \overline{6} \\
\hline
\phantom{0}2 \\
\phantom{0}20 \\
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\phantom{0}2 \\
\end{array}
$$

$6 \div 4 = 1$ with remainder $2$, write $1$ above the $6$, carry the $2$.

$20 \div 4 = 5$, write $5$ above the $0$.

Answer: $15$

When you divide a number by $10$, all the digits in the number move one place to the right.

Example 2: $250 \div 10$

All the digits move one place to the right.

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\begin{array}{c|c|c|c}
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2 & 5 & 0 & \\
\hline
\phantom{0}2 & \phantom{0}5 & \phantom{0}0 & \div 10
\end{array}
$$

Answer: $25$

When you divide a whole number by $100$, all the digits in the number move two places to the right.

Example 3: $4800 \div 100$

All the digits move two places to the right.

$$
\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c}
\text{Th} & \text{H} & \text{T} & \text{U} & \\
\hline
4 & 8 & 0 & 0 & \\
\hline
\phantom{0}4 & \phantom{0}8 & \phantom{0}0 & \div 10 & \div 100
\end{array}
$$

Answer: $48$

$20 = 2 \times 10$. To divide by $20$, divide by $10$ then divide by $2$.

Example 4: $240 \div 20$

Divide the number by $10$ first, then divide the result by $2$.

$$
240 \div 20 = 240 \div 10 \div 2
= 24 \div 2 = 12
$$

Answer: $12$
Whole numbers

Try the skill

Work out these divisions:

1. a 24 ÷ 8 = __________  b 36 ÷ 4 = __________
   c 64 ÷ 4 = __________  d 96 ÷ 6 = __________
2. a 7  ) 63  b 9  ) 72
3. a What is twenty-five divided by five?
   __________
   b Share £45 equally among five people.
   __________
   c Split £72 into six equal shares.
   __________

4. a 200 ÷ 10  b 1560 ÷ 10  c 2030 ÷ 10
   __________  __________  __________

5. a 230 ÷ 10  b 4050 ÷ 10  c 600 ÷ 10
   __________  __________  __________

6. a 1300 ÷ 100  b 24 600 ÷ 100  c 30 500 ÷ 100
   __________  __________  __________

7. Circle the correct answer.
   a 75 300 ÷ 100 = A 753  B 7503  C 7530
   b 120 400 ÷ 100 = A 1204  B 2040  C 1240

8. a 360 ÷ 30  b 2700 ÷ 90  c 5400 ÷ 20
   __________  __________  __________

9. Circle the correct answer.
   a 450 ÷ 50 = A 9  B 90
   b 6400 ÷ 80 = A 8  B 80  C 800

10. a 1500 ÷ 300  b 4800 ÷ 400  c 56 000 ÷ 800
    __________  __________  __________

11. Circle the correct answer.
    a 35 000 ÷ 500 = A 70  B 700  C 7000
    b 28 000 ÷ 200 = A 14  B 140  C 1400

Tip
You can make divisions in question 1 easier by halving both numbers.
   e.g. 32 ÷ 8 is the same as 16 ÷ 4 or 8 ÷ 2
   Answer: 4

Tip
A question that includes shares or sharing usually means you need to divide.

Tip
Some people remember how to divide whole numbers by 10, by removing the zero from the end: e.g. 150 ÷ 10 = 15
   Does this always work?

Tip
If a whole number ends with 2 zeros, dividing this number by 100 is the same as removing 2 zeros: e.g 1500 ÷ 100 = 15

Tip
30 = 3 x 10
50 = 5 x 10
80 = 8 x 10
90 = 9 x 10
Here are two useful methods for dividing by bigger numbers:

- The “traditional method”
- The “repeated subtraction” method.

The “traditional, column” method

This method is similar to short division.

**Example 1:** Work out 672 ÷ 12

Set it out as a normal short division.

```
  5 6
12) 6 7 2
```

Or set it out as long division like this.

```
 5 6
12) 6 7 2
   6 0
   7 2
```

12 won’t divide into 6, try 12 into 67. 60 ÷ 12 = 5, so write 5 above the 7.

Take 60 from 67 and write 7 on the next line.

Bring down the 2, to give 72 on the bottom.

72 ÷ 12 = 6, so write 6 above the 2.

**Answer:** 56

The “repeated subtraction” method

In this method, you break the division into smaller steps, by subtracting until there is nothing left.

**Example 2:** Work out 672 ÷ 12

```
12) 6 7 2
   6 0
   7 2
```

Subtract the highest multiple below 672 (600). 672 – 600 = 72.

```
12) 5 7 2
   6 0
   7 2
```

Subtract the highest multiple below 72 (60). 72 – 60 = 12.

```
12) 1 2
   1 2
   0
```

Subtract 12: 12 – 12 = 0.

**Answer:** 56

**Tip**

Choose the method you prefer and that gives you the right answer.

**Tip**

This short method of division can be difficult if you don’t know your tables very well.

**Tip**

Draw up a table of multiples:

- 2 × 12 = 24
- 5 × 12 = 60
- 10 × 12 = 120
- 20 × 12 = 240
- 50 × 12 = 600
- 100 × 12 = 1200

**Remember**

Multiples are the answers in the times tables.
Try the skill

1. Use your preferred method to work out these divisions.
   
   a \[ 13 \div 234 \]  
   b \[ 11 \div 517 \]  
   c \[ 14 \div 322 \]  
   d \[ 15 \div 255 \]  
   e \[ 405 \div 15 \]  
   f \[ 875 \div 25 \]  
   g \[ 592 \div 16 \]  
   h \[ 1512 \div 24 \]  

Tip

There are different ways of dividing with larger numbers. It is important to choose a method that you like and can use to get the correct answer.
Learn the skill

When given word problems to solve:

■ Find the important information so you can write the correct calculation
■ Decide whether to add, subtract, multiply or divide.

Example: At a football match there were 15 687 ‘home’ fans and 8 622 ‘away’ fans. How many fans were at the match altogether?

This question needs addition to solve it.

Write the calculation, using numbers and the correct symbols.

\[
15\ 687 + 8\ 622 = 24\ 309
\]

Answer: 24 309

Try the skill

1. Alan has saved £837 and wants to spend some of his money. He wants to leave £195 in his account. How much can he take out?

Tip

■ Take often means subtract.

■ How many more or how much more usually tells you to subtract.

2. In 2006, a bookstore sold 34 236 books. The store aims to sell 19 474 more in 2008. What is the bookstore’s target for 2008?

3. A car has done 33 778 miles. It needs to be serviced when it has done 46 000 miles. How many more miles can it do before it is serviced?

4. Jackie has £473 in a bank account. She pays in £46. Then she writes out one cheque for £289 and another for £67. How much is in the account after each transaction?

Tip

Break the problem down into separate addition and subtraction calculations.
5. Robina takes out a loan and agrees to pay back £85 per month for 36 months. How much will she pay back in total?

6. A gym charges £49 per month for membership. What will be the total cost of membership for one year?

7. a Sandra needs to save £595 to pay for a holiday. He can save £35 per week. How many weeks will it take him to save the money he needs?

b Twenty-four friends split the hire of a party hall equally. The hire cost comes to £840. How much does each person pay?

8. A householder pays £384 for electricity in a year. She pays in twelve equal monthly instalments. How much does she pay each month?

9. A business woman’s profit for one year is £230 222. One year later it is £235 749. How much more profit did she make in the second year?

10. Over a weekend, a computer expert earns £480 for working 12 hours. How much does she earn per hour?
Checking answers to calculations

Learn the skill

You can check answers using different methods.

1. Check using opposite calculations

   Add and subtract are opposite calculations.

   **Example 1:** Check that 425 – 36 = 389 is correct.

   Start with the answer: 389.
   Do the opposite of the calculation.
   You took away 36 so, to check, you add 36: 389 + 36.
   When you do the addition, you get: 389 + 36 = 425.
   425 is the number you started with.

   **Answer:** The calculation is correct.

2. Check using estimation

   This means using numbers that have been rounded up or down, to see if an answer is ‘about right’.

   **Example 2:** Is the answer to 2104 × 19 = 21080 correct?

   Check by rounding the numbers to the nearest ten.
   2104 rounded to the nearest ten is 2100.
   19 rounded to the nearest ten is 20.
   2100 × 20 = 42000
   The answer of 21080 is nowhere near the estimated answer of 42000.

   **Answer:** No.

3. Check using a calculator

   **Example 3:** twenty four friends split the hire of a party hall equally. The hire cost comes to £840.
   How much does each person pay? Answer: £35. Check this answer is correct.

   The problem can be solved on a calculator using division.
   Key in \[8 \div 4\, 5 \div 2\, 4 = \]
   The display shows 35 so the answer is correct.

   **Tip**
   Multiplication and division are opposite calculations.

   **Tip**
   Do not be put off by all the keys on a calculator. You only need to use + – × ÷ keys and the number keys at this point.

   **Tip**
   If there isn’t an ON key, most calculators can be switched on using the AC button.
Try the skill

Use opposite calculations to check the answers in questions 1 and 2.

1. a 256 + 462 = 718  
   b 343 – 219 = 124  
   c 4133 + 2167 = 6300  
   d 2577 – 1568 = 1008

2. a 15 × 48 = 720  
   b 672 ÷ 21 = 32  
   c 25 × 25 = 650  
   d 3312 ÷ 24 = 138

Use estimation in questions 3 and 4 to decide if the answers given might be correct or if they are definitely wrong.

3. a 345 × 22 = 7590  
   b 17 × 3402 = 5883  
   c 1689 + 1022 + 3449 = 6160

4. 3241 people each paid £11 to attend an arts event held over three days. The manager calculates ticket sales to be £356 510. Is his calculation likely to be correct?

Use a calculator to check the answers in questions 5 and 6.

5. A pilot has flown 276 000 miles in one year. He flies the same number of miles every month. He calculates the monthly distance to be 23 000 miles. Is he correct?

6. Samir has £479 in his bank account. He writes a cheque for £150 and pays in £85. He works out that the balance should be £414. Is he correct?
**Learn the skill**

Most of the numbers you deal with every day are positive, for example, the counting numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5...

In some practical situations, such as temperature, numbers can be negative.

Temperatures below zero are icy, and are shown as negative numbers.

A negative or minus sign written in front of a number, for example, –5, shows that it is negative.

–8°C is colder than –4°C, so –8 is less than –4.

**Try the skill**

1. Here is a map of Great Britain showing the temperatures in some cities.
   - a) In which cities are temperatures above zero?
   - b) Which city has the lowest temperature?
   - c) Which city is warmer than London?

2. A woman has an overdraft facility of £200 with her cheque account. She has a balance of £85 and writes a cheque for £160. What is her new balance?

3. Is –5 more than –4? Yes/No

4. Circle which of these statement’s are true

   \[
   4 > 3 \quad 2 > 0 \quad -2 > 0 \\
   -12 < -10 \quad -12 < 10 \quad -10 < -12 \\
   -3 > -2 \quad -4 > -3
   \]

**Tip**

A common mistake is to think that –8 is bigger than –4, because 8 is greater than 4. Picture the numbers on a number line, to see which is bigger.
Remember what you have learned

First complete this ...

Every digit in a number has a value, depending on its position in the number. This is called its 

The key digit is immediately to the right of the place value you are rounding to.

Round _____ when the key digit is 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9.

Round _________ when the key digit is 1, 2, 3 or 4.

When you multiply a number by 10, all the digits in the number move _____ place to the left.

When you multiply a number by 100, all the digits in the number move _____ places to the left.

When you multiply a number by 1000, all the digits in the number move ________ places to the left.

When you divide a number by 10, all the digits in the number move _____ place to the right.

When you divide a whole number by 100, all the digits in the number move _____ places to the right.

Add and ___________ are opposite calculations.

Multiply and ___________ are opposite calculations.

A negative or minus sign written in front of a number, for example, –5, shows that it is ____________.

Tip

- Addition questions usually use the words total or altogether.
- More usually means you need to add.
- Take often means subtract.
- How many more or how much more usually tells you to subtract.
- A question that includes shares or sharing usually means you need to divide.

Use the skill

1. A customer’s car needs a service at 48 000 miles. His car has done 33 650 miles.
   How many more miles can he drive the car before its service is needed?

   A 14 350          C 15 350
   B 14 450          D 16 650

2. A cable television company has 67 045 customers.
   What is this number in words?

   A six million, seven thousand and forty-five
   B sixty-seven thousand and forty-five
   C six thousand, seven hundred and forty-five
   D sixty-seven hundred and forty-five
3. At a football match, 44,645 fans attended. What is this figure to the nearest hundred?

   A 44,650  
   B 44,600  
   C 44,640  
   D 44,700

4. Rosie has £450 in her current account. In one day she spends £659 on a holiday and pays a cheque into her account for £121. Use a calculator to work out what the new balance should be.

   A £330  
   B -£330  
   C -£88  
   D £88

5. Thirty-nine thousand and five households receive a free newspaper every week. What is this number in figures?

   A 39,005  
   B 3905  
   C 390,005  
   D 30,905

6. One weekend, 86,000 people visited Clacton. The following weekend 139,270 people visited Clacton. How many more people went on the second weekend than the first?

   A 216,270  
   B 990,270  
   C 53,270  
   D 44,270

7. Deklan sells 14 pictures for £50 each. How much money does he collect?

   A £140  
   B £70  
   C £700  
   D £64

8. A group of seven friends win a total lottery prize of £2583. They each have an equal share of £369. Which calculation can they use to check if this is correct?

   A 2583 × 369  
   B 369 ÷ 7  
   C 2583 × 7  
   D 369 × 7
9. A hotel charges £65 for one room for one night. How much in total will it charge for two rooms for three nights?

A £195
B £130
C £390
D £325

10. The table shows the average temperatures in Paris between November and February.

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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Nov</th>
<th>Dec</th>
<th>Jan</th>
<th>Feb</th>
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<tr>
<td>Temperatures in Paris (°C)</td>
<td>−4</td>
<td>−2</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

What is the lowest temperature?

A −4°C
B −2°C
C 0°C
D 4°C

11. A householder pays £876 a year in house insurance. She pays in twelve equal monthly instalments. How much does she pay per month?

A £70.50
B £76
C £86
D £73

12. A business makes £38457 profit in June. What is this amount, to the nearest thousand?

A £38 000
B £38 500
C £39 000
D £40 000

13. A music store sells 760 CDs in one week, then 907 and 952 in the following two weeks. How many CDs does it sell in the three weeks?

A 2509
B 2519
C 2609
D 2619

14. What is the correct way to use rounding to check the answer to $28 \times 832$?

A $20 \times 830$
B $30 \times 830$
C $20 \times 840$
D $30 \times 840$