



Mathematics Calculation Policy

This policy has been largely adapted from the White Rose Maths Hub Calculation Policy with further material added. It is a working document and will be revised and amended as necessary.

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**Striving for excellence, caring for all
Within a loving and caring Christian environment.**

Our maths Vision

We aim to foster positive attitudes in our pupils towards mathematics, recognising its creativity and the relevance of it in everyday life. Our aim is that all children will reach their full potential – every child can achieve in maths! We deliver high-quality mathematics education, providing our pupils with firm foundations to understand the world and reason mathematically.

“He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.” Psalm 40:2

Our Rationale

Abbey Academies Trust follows the mastery maths curriculum where children are taught to be both procedurally and conceptually fluent within their year group expectations, enabling pupils to be supported and challenged appropriately. This is partly achieved through a CPA (concrete, pictorial, abstract) approach to maths teaching. Children are initially taught using manipulatives where they are able to physically represent mathematical structures. They then move on to representing and visualising these structures in a variety of pictorial ways. Finally, when children have built up their conceptual understanding via these approaches, they will learn to represent the mathematical structure solely using the relevant numerals and symbols. This includes formal, procedural written methods. This calculation policy outlines how teachers can follow a CPA approach to teach the different objectives involving the four operations of number. It is broken down into year groups and complements our long and medium term planning including the use of White Rose Maths teaching resources.

This ensures all pupils' needs are met and reflects our 'Flying High' approach to all aspects of teaching and learning.

As a RRS (Rights Respecting School – UNICEF) this upholds the following articles from the UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child):

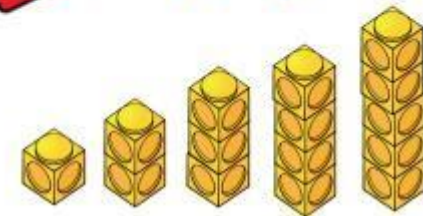
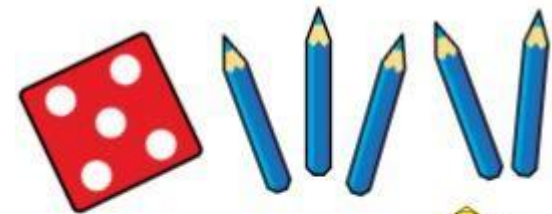
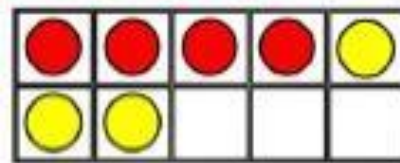
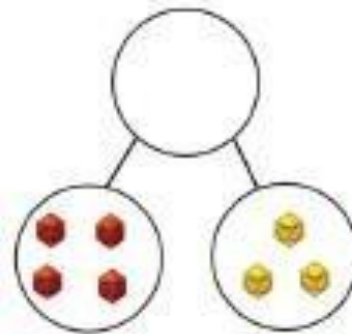
Article 29: Every child has the right to be the best that they can be.

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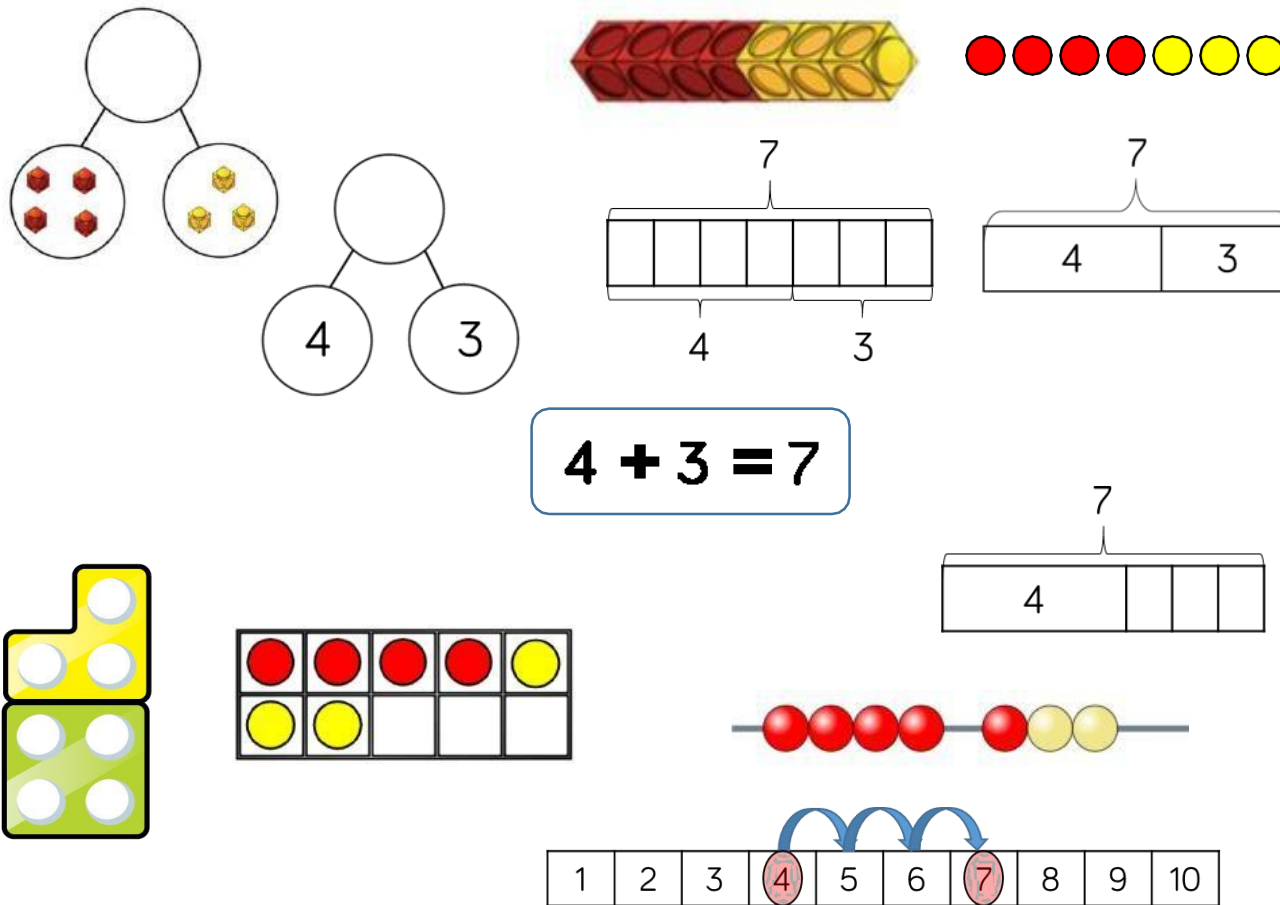
EYFS

Throughout our Early Years Foundation Stage, it is important that children have the opportunity to work with real-life objects. When adding, they may begin by adding two groups together and counting all of them in order to find the total. They will then move on to adding two single-digit numbers by subitising then counting on in order to find the total. There are many different representations used in our Early Years but some of our representations and models could include:



Skill: Add 1-digit numbers within 10

Year: 1



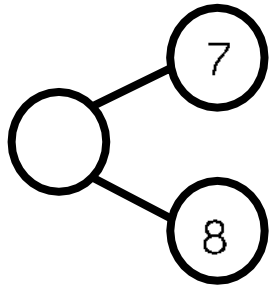
When adding numbers to 10, children can explore both aggregation and augmentation.

The part-whole model, discrete and continuous bar model, number shapes and ten frame support aggregation.

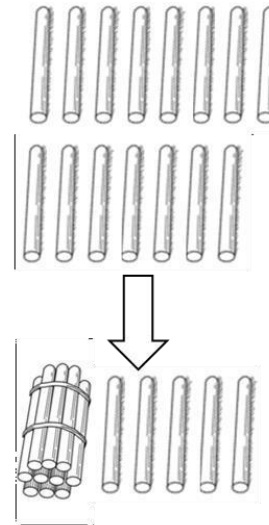
The combination bar model, ten frame, bead string and number track all support augmentation.

Skill: Add 1 and 2-digit numbers to 20

Year: 1/2

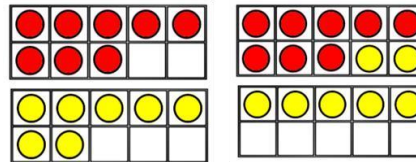
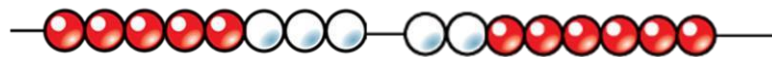
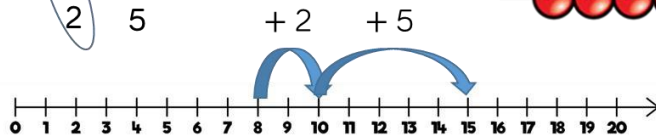


$$8 + 7 = 15$$



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2 5



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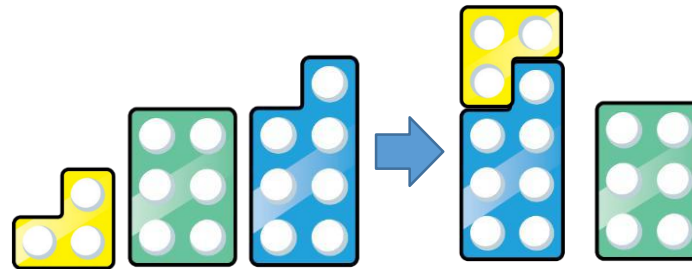
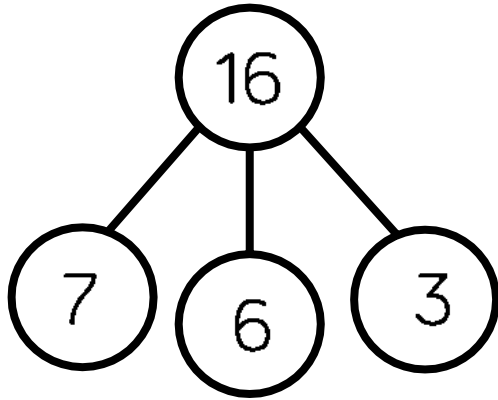
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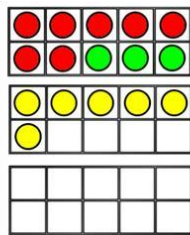
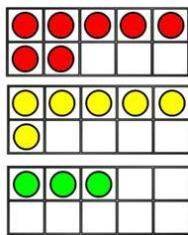
Different manipulatives can be used to represent this exchange. Use concrete resources alongside number lines to support children in understanding how to partition their jumps.

Skill: Add three 1-digit numbers

Year: 2

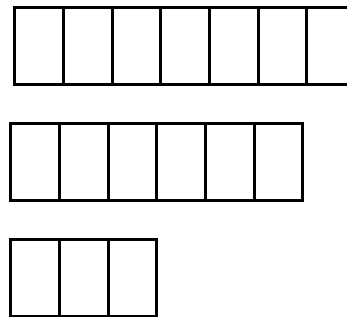


$$7 + 6 + 3 = 16$$



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10



16

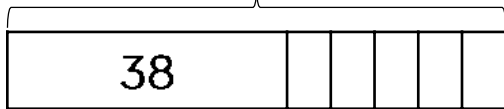
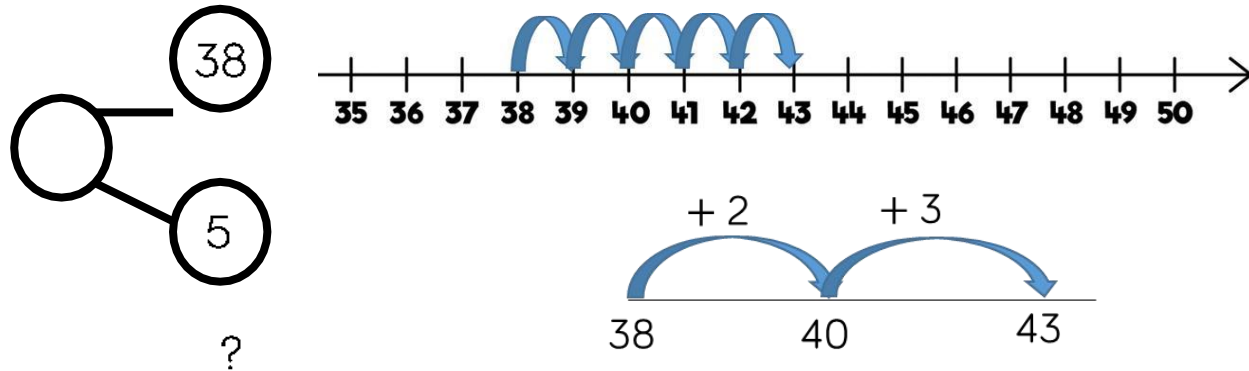
When adding three 1-digit numbers, children should be encouraged to look for number bonds to 10 or doubles to add the numbers more efficiently.

This supports children in their understanding of commutativity.

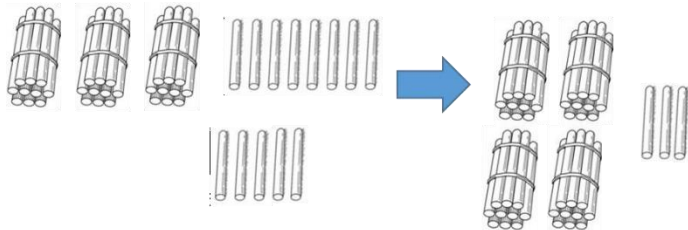
Manipulatives that highlight number bonds to 10 are effective when adding three 1-digit numbers.

Skill: Add 1-digit and 2-digit numbers to 100

Year: 2/3



$$38 + 5 = 43$$



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
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91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

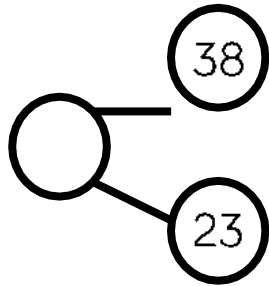
When adding single digits to a two-digit number, children should be encouraged to count on from the larger number.

They should also apply their knowledge of number bonds to add more efficiently e.g. $8 + 5 = 13$ so $38 + 5 = 43$.

Hundred squares and straws can support children to find the number bond to 10.

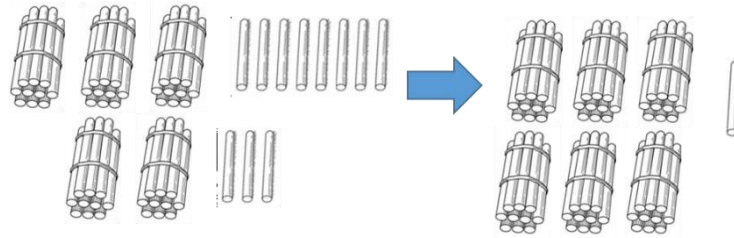
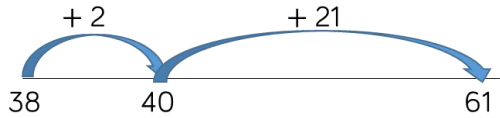
Skill: Add two 2-digit numbers to 100

Year: 2/3



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38	23
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$$38 + 23 = 61$$

Tens	Ones

$$\begin{array}{r} 38 \\ + 23 \\ \hline 61 \\ 1 \end{array}$$

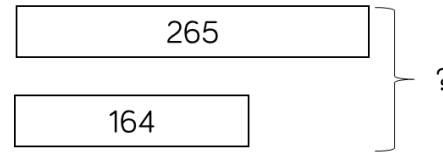
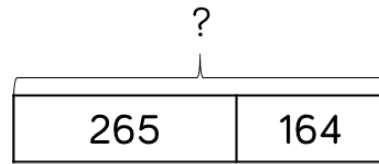
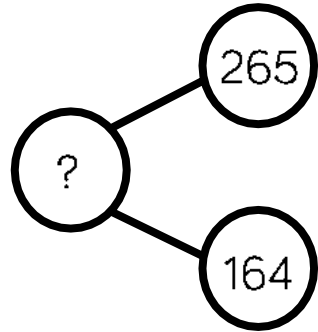
Tens	Ones

At this stage, encourage children to use the formal column method when calculating alongside straws, base 10 or place value counters. As numbers become larger, straws become less efficient.

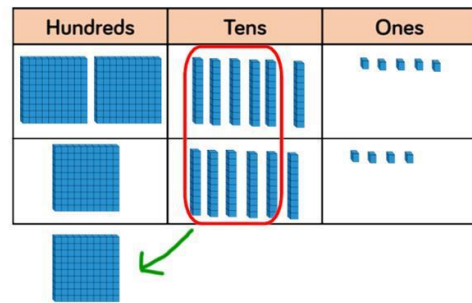
Children can also use a blank number line to count on to find the total. Encourage them to jump to multiples of 10 to become more efficient.

Skill: Add numbers with up to 3 digits

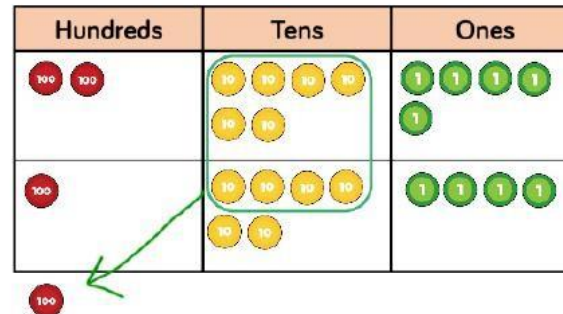
Year: 3



$$265 + 164 = 429$$



$$\begin{array}{r} 265 \\ + 164 \\ \hline 429 \\ 1 \end{array}$$



Base 10 and place value counters are the most effective manipulatives when adding numbers with up to 3 digits.

Ensure children write out their calculation alongside any concrete resources so they can see the links to the written column method.

Plain counters on a place value grid can also be used to support learning.

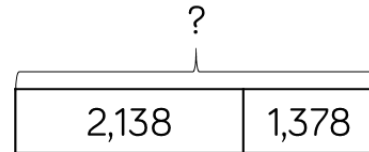
Skill: Add numbers with up to 4 digits

Year: 4

1,378

2,148

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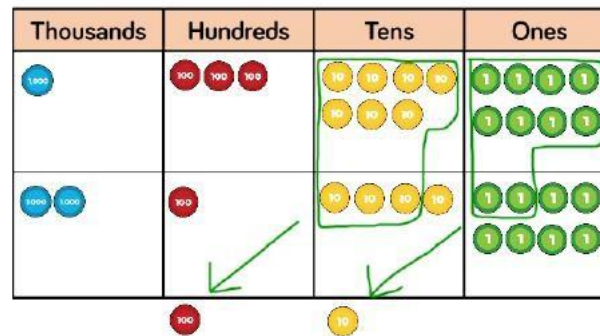
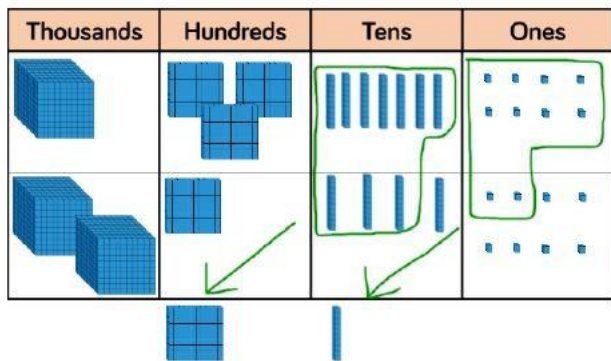


2,138

1,378

	1	3	7	8
+	2	1	4	8
	3	5	2	6
		1	1	

$$1,378 + 2,148 = 3,526$$



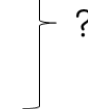
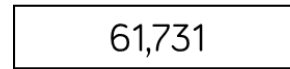
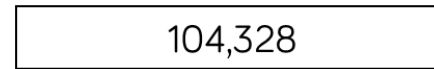
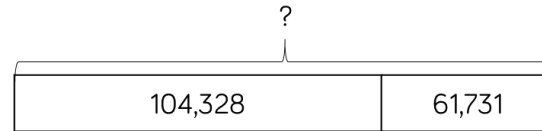
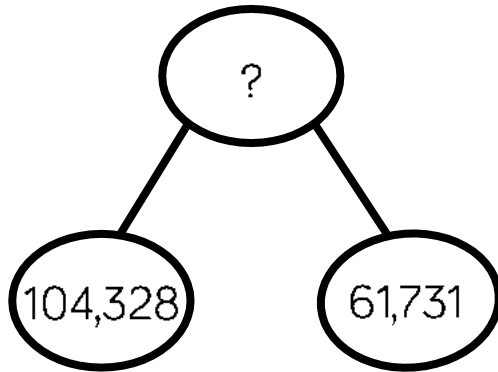
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Skill: Add numbers with more than 4 digits

Year: 5/6



$$104,328 + 61,731 = 166,059$$

HTh	TTh	Th	H	T	O
100,000		1,000, 1,000, 1,000, 1,000	100, 100, 100	10, 10	1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1
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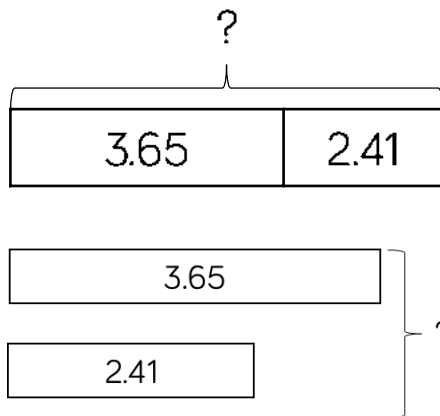
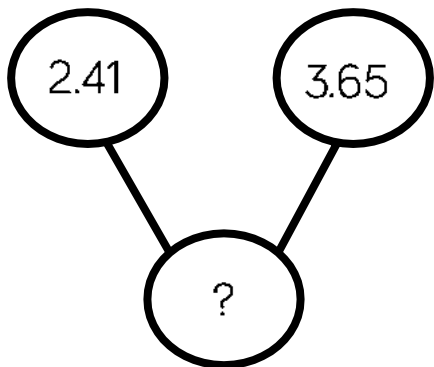
1	0	4	3	2	8
+	6	1	7	3	1
1	6	6	0	5	9
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Place value counters or plain counters on a place value grid are the most effective concrete resources when adding numbers with more than 4 digits.

At this stage, children should be encouraged to work in the abstract, using the column method to add larger numbers efficiently.

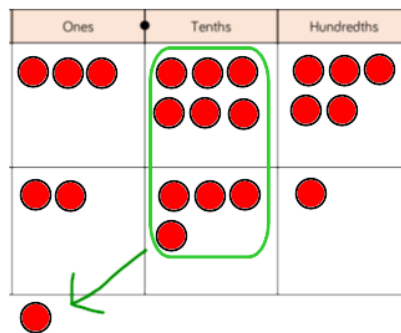
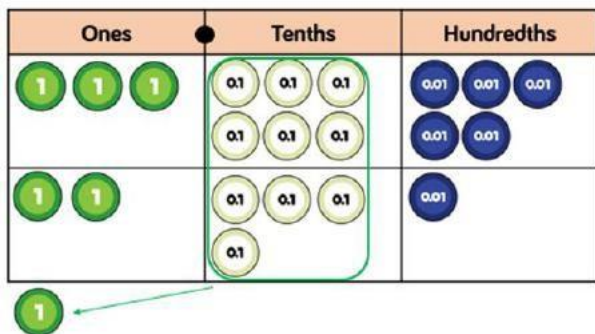
Skill: Add with up to 3 decimal places

Year: 5/6



$$\begin{array}{r} 3.65 \\ + 2.41 \\ \hline 6.06 \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$3.65 + 2.41 = 6.06$$



Place value counters and plain counters on a place value grid are the most effective manipulatives when adding decimals with 1, 2 and then 3 decimal places.

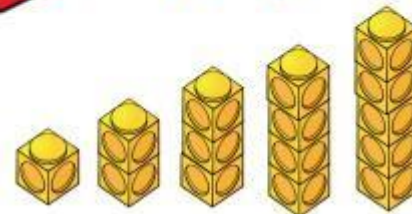
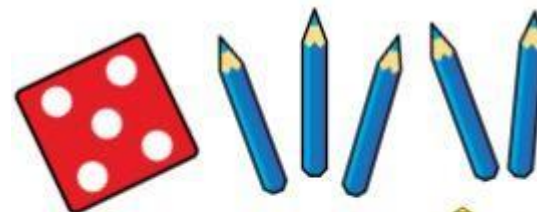
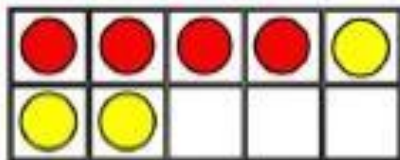
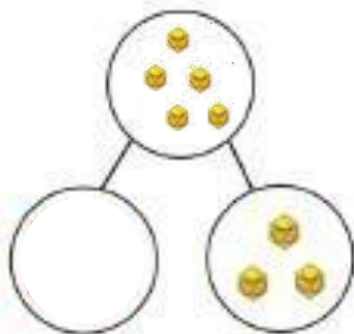
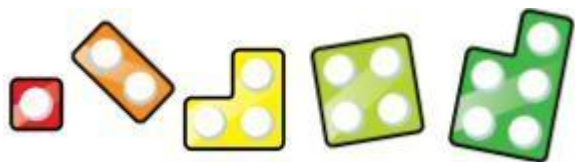
Ensure children have experience of adding decimals with a variety of decimal places. This includes putting this into context when adding money and other measures.

Subtraction

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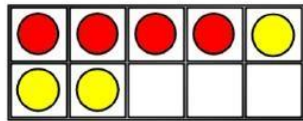
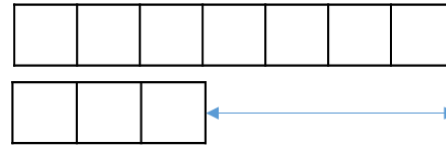
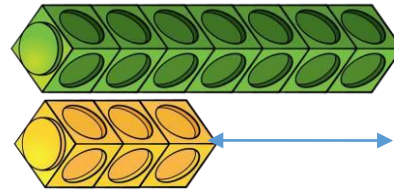
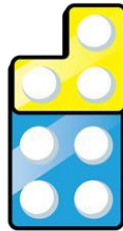
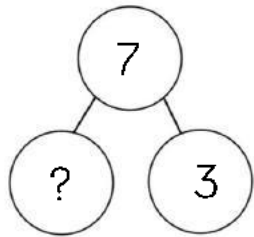
EYFS

Throughout our Early Years Foundation Stage, it is important that children have the opportunity to work with real-life objects. When subtracting, they begin with a group of objects from which they will remove a set number of items before counting how many they have left. They will then move on to subtracting two single-digit numbers by counting back. There are many different representations used in our Early Years but some of our representations and models could include:

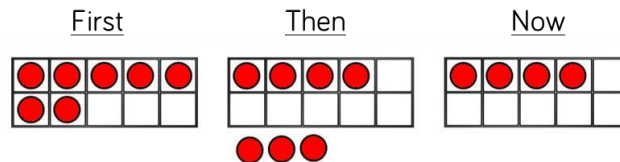
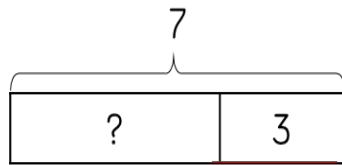
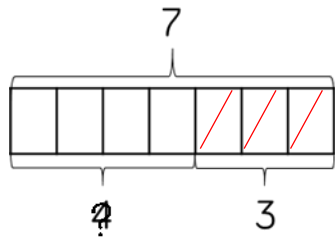


Skill: Subtract 1-digit numbers within 10

Year: 1



$$7 - 3 = 4$$



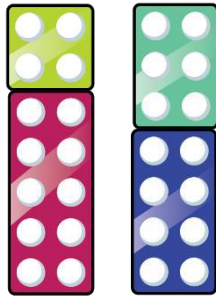
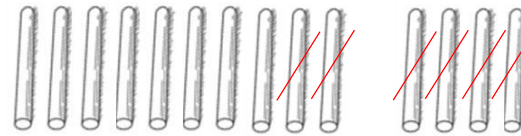
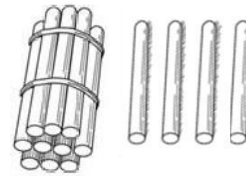
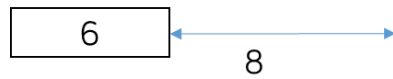
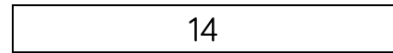
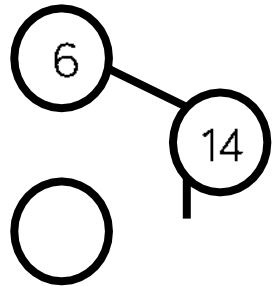
Part-whole models, bar models, ten frames and number shapes support partitioning.

Ten frames, number tracks, single bar models and bead strings support reduction.

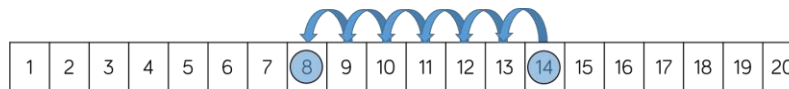
Cubes and bar models with two bars can support finding the difference.

Skill: Subtract 1 and 2-digit numbers to 20

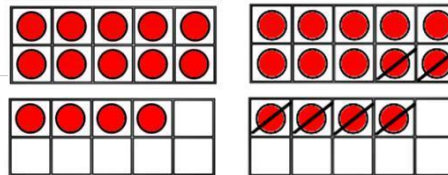
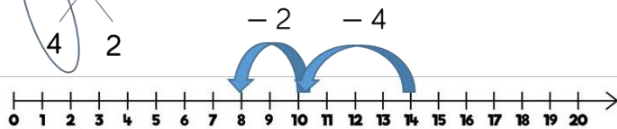
Year: 1/2



$$14 - 6 = 8$$



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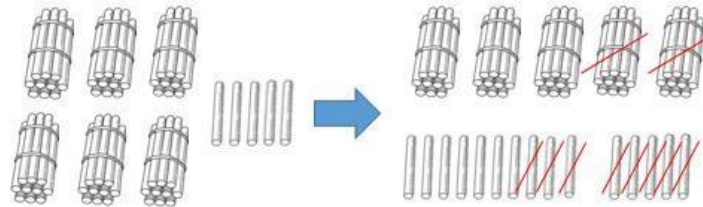
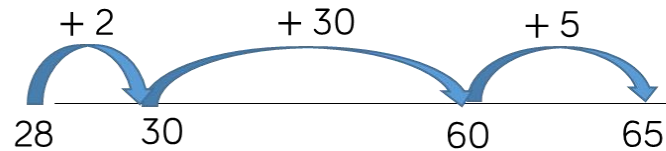
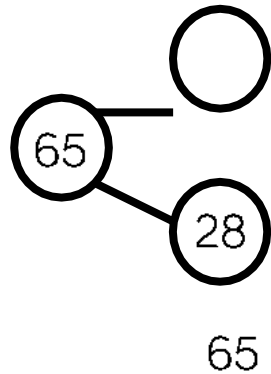
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When subtracting one-digit numbers that cross 10, it is important to highlight the importance of ten ones equalling one ten.

Children should be encouraged to find the number bond to 10 when partitioning the subtracted number. Ten frames, number shapes and number lines are particularly useful for this.

Skill: Subtract 1 and 2-digit numbers to 100

Year: 2



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$$65 - 28 = 37$$

Tens	Ones

$$\begin{array}{r} 5 \ 1 \\ 65 \\ - 28 \\ \hline 37 \end{array}$$

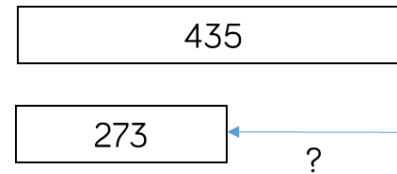
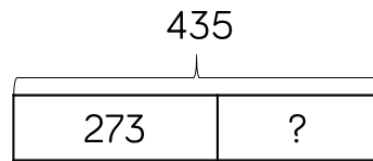
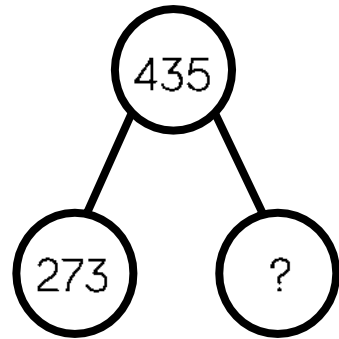
Tens	Ones

At this stage, encourage children to use the formal column method when calculating alongside straws, base 10 or place value counters. As numbers become larger, straws become less efficient.

Children can also use a blank number line to count on to find the difference. Encourage them to jump to multiples of 10 to become more efficient.

Skill: Subtract numbers with up to 3 digits

Year: 3



$$435 - 273 = 262$$

Hundreds	Tens	Ones

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \quad 1 \\ 435 \\ - 273 \\ \hline 262 \end{array}$$

Hundreds	Tens	Ones

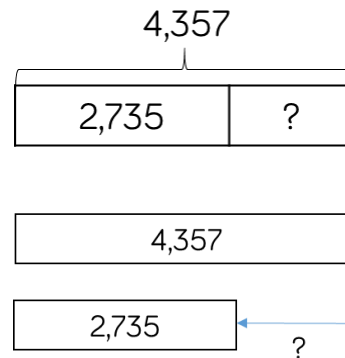
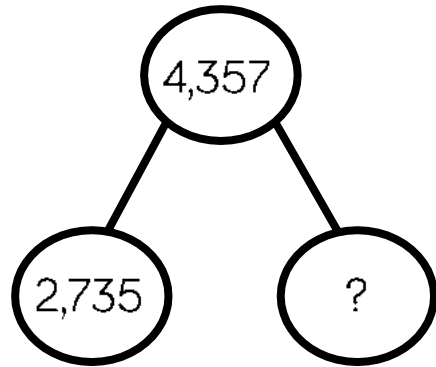
Base 10 and place value counters are the most effective manipulative when subtracting numbers with up to 3 digits.

Ensure children write out their calculation alongside any concrete resources so they can see the links to the written column method.

Plain counters on a place value grid can also be used to support learning.

Skill: Subtract numbers with up to 4 digits

Year: 4



$$\begin{array}{r}
 \begin{array}{cc} 3 & 1 \end{array} \\
 \cancel{4}357 \\
 - 2735 \\
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 1622
 \end{array}$$

$$4,357 - 2,735 = 1,622$$

Thousands	Hundreds	Tens	Ones

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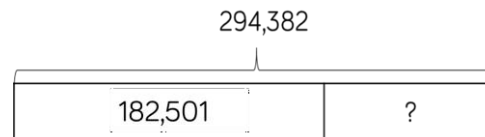
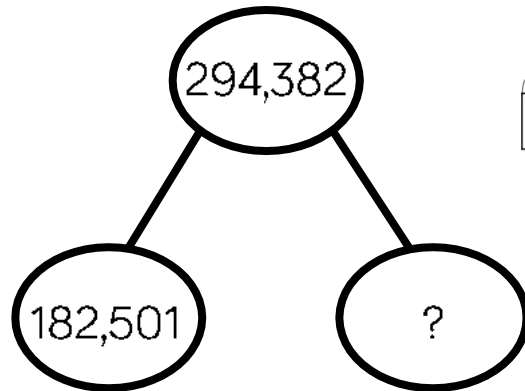
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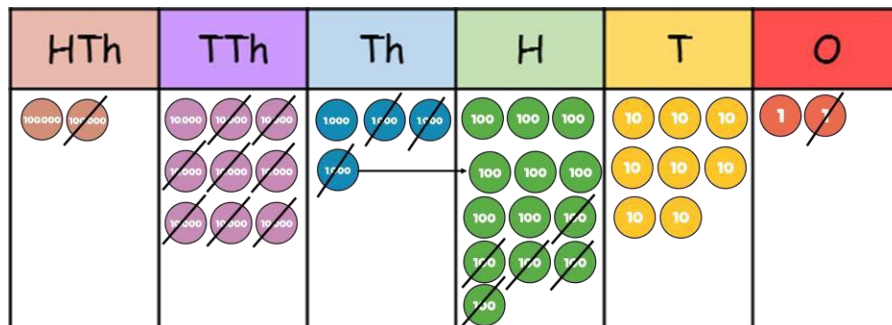
Plain counters on a place value grid can also be used to support learning.

Skill: Subtract numbers with more than 4 digits

Year: 5/6



$$294,382 - 182,501 = 111,881$$



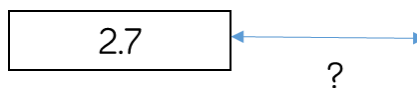
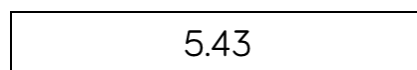
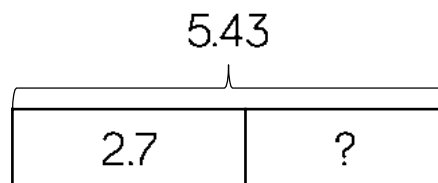
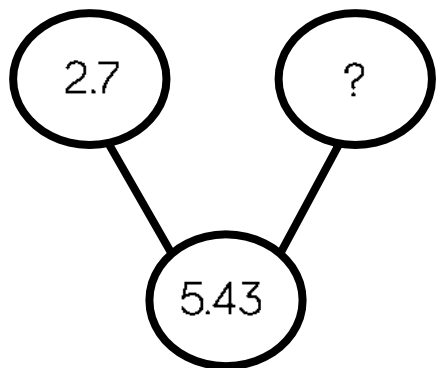
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-	1	8	2	5	0	1
	1	1	1	8	8	1

Place value counters or plain counters on a place value grid are the most effective concrete resource when subtracting numbers with more than 4 digits.

At this stage, children should be encouraged to work in the abstract, using column method to subtract larger numbers efficiently.

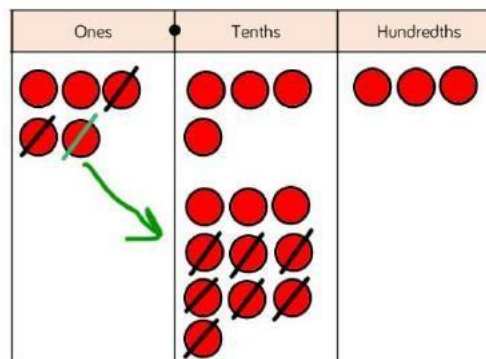
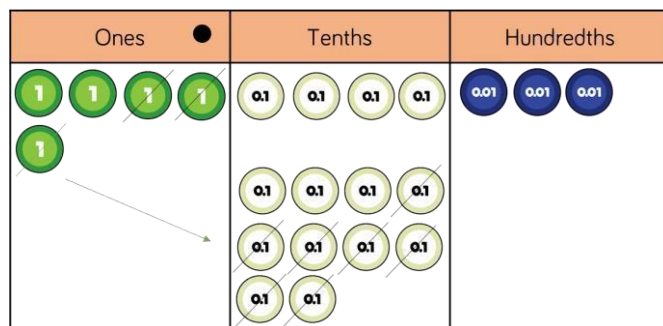
Skill: Subtract with up to 3 decimal places

Year: 5



$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overset{4}{5}.\overset{1}{4}3 \\
 - 2.7 \\
 \hline
 2.73
 \end{array}$$

$$5.43 - 2.7 = 2.73$$



Place value counters and plain counters on a place value grid are the most effective manipulative when subtracting decimals with 1, 2 and then 3 decimal places.

Ensure children have experience of subtracting decimals with a variety of decimal places. This includes putting this into context when subtracting money and other measures.

Glossary

Addend - A number to be added to another.

Aggregation - combining two or more quantities or measures to find a total.

Augmentation - increasing a quantity or measure by another quantity.

Commutative - numbers can be added in any order.

Complement - in addition, a number and its complement make a total e.g. 300 is the complement to 700 to make 1,000

Difference - the numerical difference between two numbers is found by comparing the quantity in each group.

Exchange - Change a number or expression for another of an equal value.

Minuend - A quantity or number from which another is subtracted.

Partitioning - Splitting a number into its component parts.

Reduction - Subtraction as take away.

Subitise - Instantly recognise the number of objects in a small group without needing to count.

Subtrahend - A number to be subtracted from another.

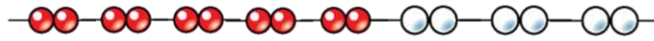
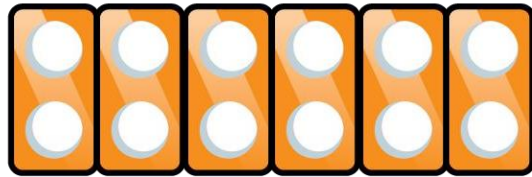
Sum - The result of an addition.

Total - The aggregate or the sum found by addition.

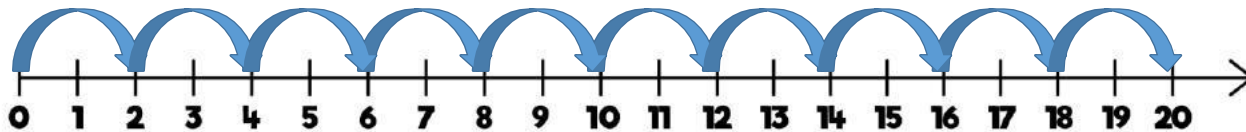
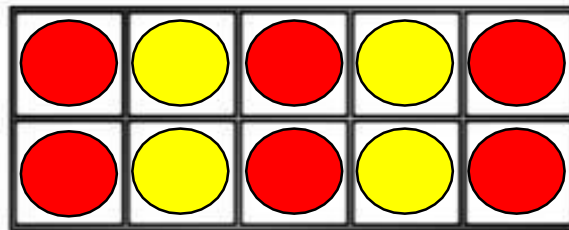
Times Tables

Skill: 2 times table

Year: 2



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50



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Look for patterns in the two times table, using concrete manipulatives to support. Notice how all the numbers are even and there is a pattern in the ones.

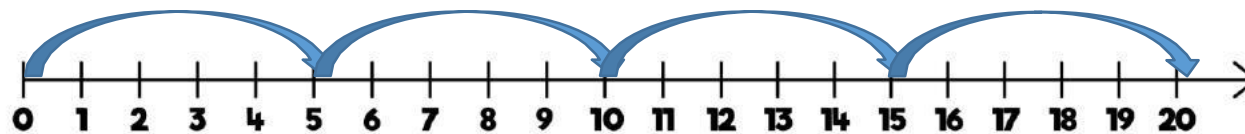
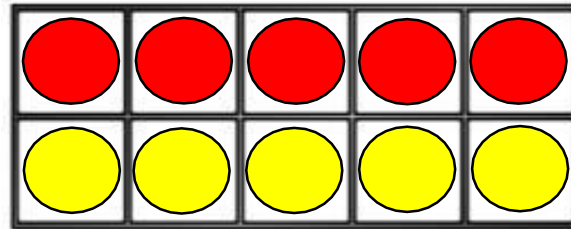
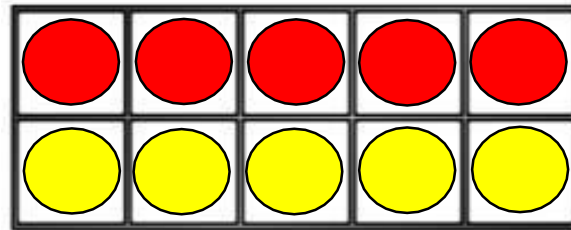
Use different models to develop fluency.

Skill: 5 times table

Year: 2



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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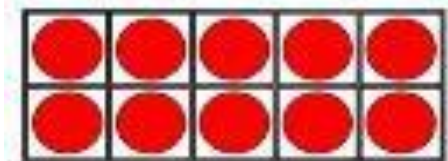
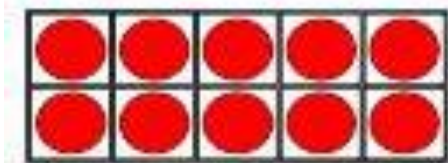


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Look for patterns in the five times table, using concrete manipulatives to support. Notice the pattern in the ones as well as highlighting the odd, even, odd, even pattern.

Skill: 10 times table

Year: 2



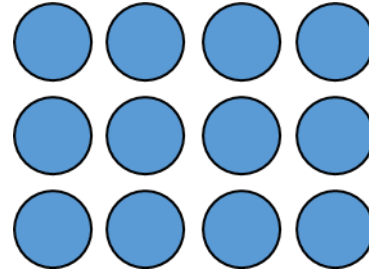
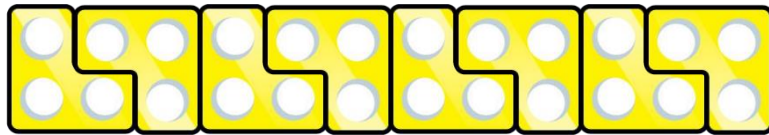
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51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
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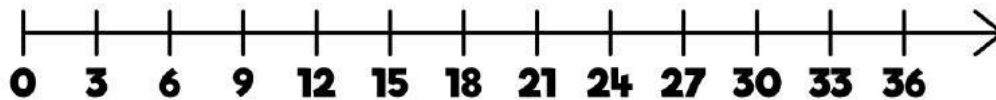
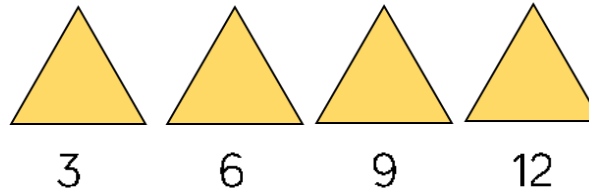
Look for patterns in the ten times table, using concrete manipulatives to support. Notice the pattern in the digits—the ones are always 0, and the tens increase by 1 ten each time.

Skill: 3 times table

Year: 3



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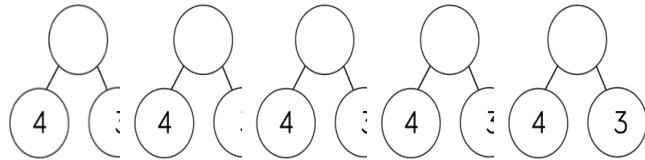


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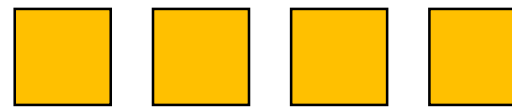
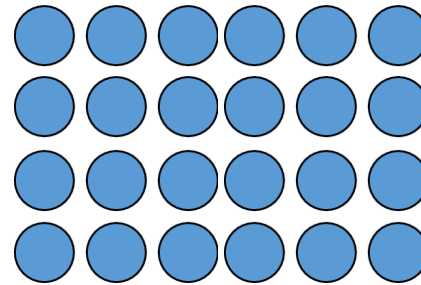
Look for patterns in the three times table, using concrete manipulatives to support. Notice the odd, even, odd, even pattern using number shapes to support. Highlight the pattern in the ones using a hundred square.

Skill: 4 times table

Year: 3

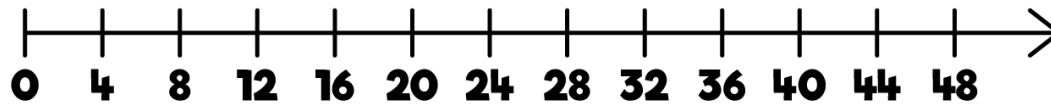


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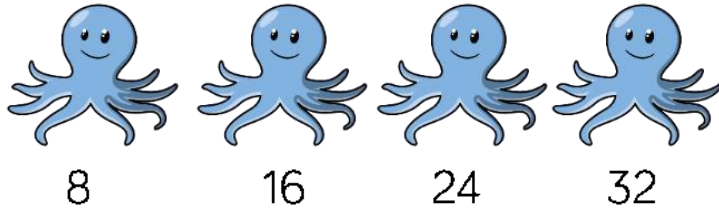
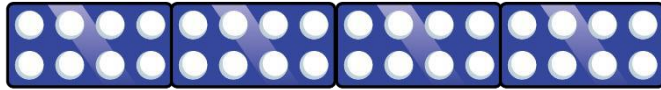
4	8	12	16	20
24	28	32	36	40
44	48	52	56	60



Encourage daily counting in multiples, supported by a number line or a hundred square. Look for patterns in the four times table, using manipulatives to support. Make links to the 2 times table, seeing how each multiple is double the twos. Notice the pattern in the ones within each group of five multiples. Highlight that all the multiples are even using number shapes to support.

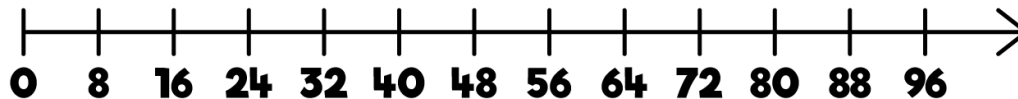
Skill: 8 times table

Year: 3



8	16	24	32	40
48	56	64	72	80

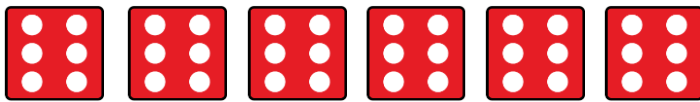
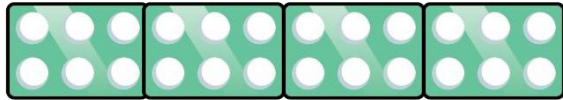
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81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100



Encourage daily counting in multiples, supported by a number line or a hundred square. Look for patterns in the eight times table, using manipulatives to support. Make links to the 4 times table, seeing how each multiple is double the fours. Notice the pattern in the ones within each group of five multiples. Highlight that all the multiples are even using number shapes to support.

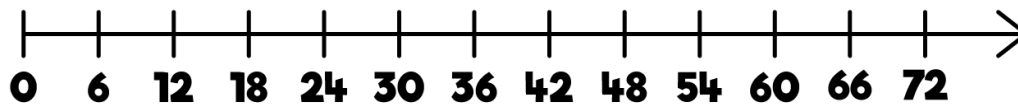
Skill: 6 times table

Year: 3



6	12	18	24	30
36	42	48	54	60
66	72	78	84	90

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Encourage daily counting in multiples, supported by a number line or a hundred square. Look for patterns in the six times table, using manipulatives to support. Make links to the 3 times table, seeing how each multiple is double the threes. Notice the pattern in the ones within each group of five multiples. Highlight that all the multiples are even using number shapes to support.

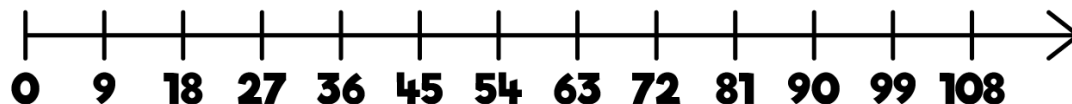
Skill: 9 times table

Year: 3



9	18	27	36	45
54	63	72	81	90

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Encourage daily counting in multiples both forwards and backwards. This can be supported using a number line or a hundred square. Look for patterns in the nine times table, using concrete manipulatives to support. Notice the pattern in the tens and ones using the hundred square to support as well as noting the odd, even pattern within the multiples.

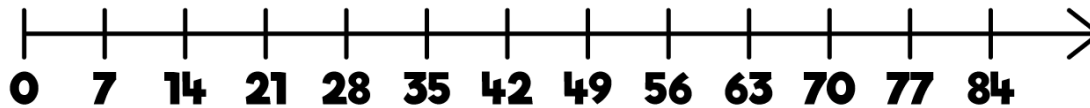
Skill: 7 times table

Year: 4



7	14	21	28	35
42	49	56	63	70

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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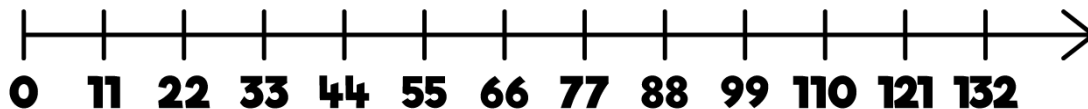
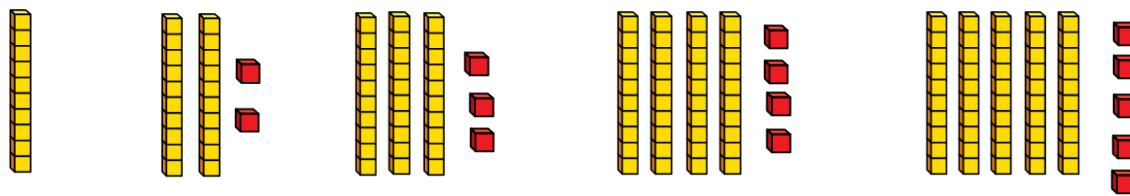
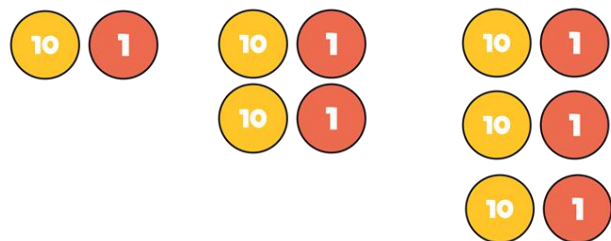
Encourage daily counting in multiples both forwards and backwards, supported by a number line or a hundred square. The seven times table can be trickier to learn due to the lack of obvious pattern in the numbers, however they already know several facts due to commutativity. Children can still see the odd, even pattern in the multiples using number shapes to support.

Skill: 11 times table

Year: 4

11	22	33	44	55	66
77	88	99	110	121	132

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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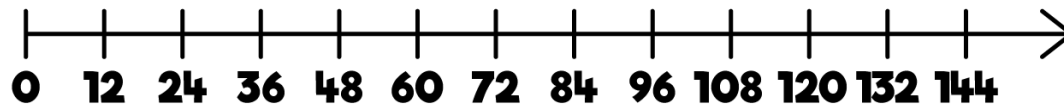
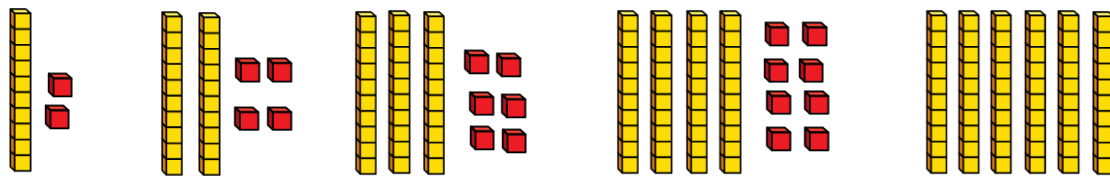
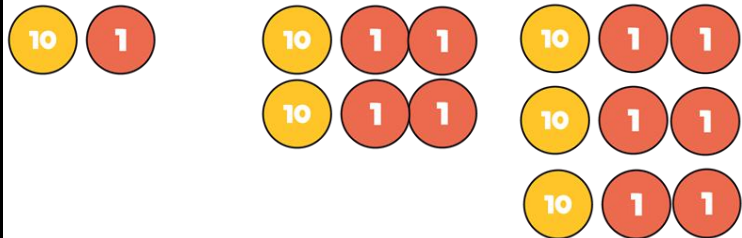
Look for patterns in the eleven times table, using concrete manipulatives to support. Notice the pattern in the tens and ones using the hundred square to support. Also consider the pattern after crossing 100

Skill: 12 times table

Year: 4

12	24	36	48	60
72	84	96	108	120
132	144			

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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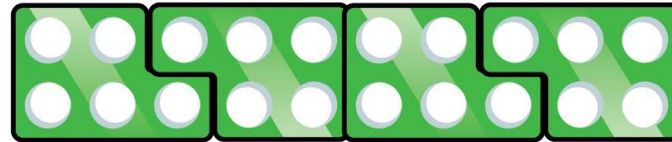
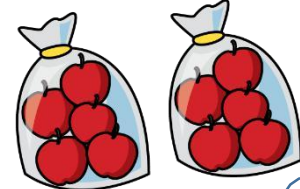
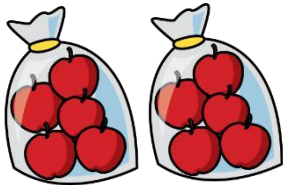


Encourage daily counting in multiples, supported by a number line or a hundred square. Look for patterns in the 12 times table, using manipulatives to support. Make links to the 6 times table, seeing how each multiple is double the sixes. Notice the pattern in the ones within each group of five multiples. The hundred square can support in highlighting this pattern.

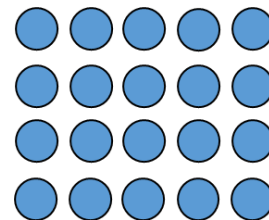
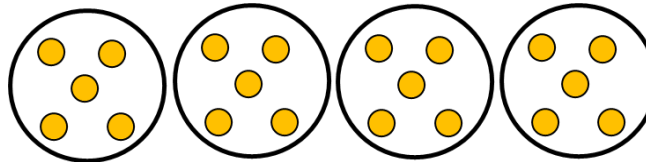
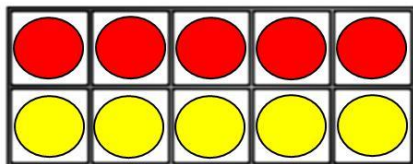
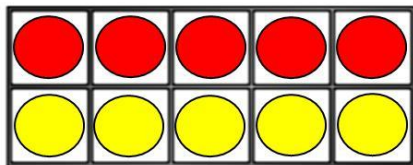
Multiplication

Skill: Solve 1-step problems using multiplication

Year: 1/2



One bag holds 5 apples.
How many apples do 4 bags hold?



$$5 + 5 + 5 + 5 =$$

$$4 \times 5 = 20$$

$$5 \times 4 = 20$$

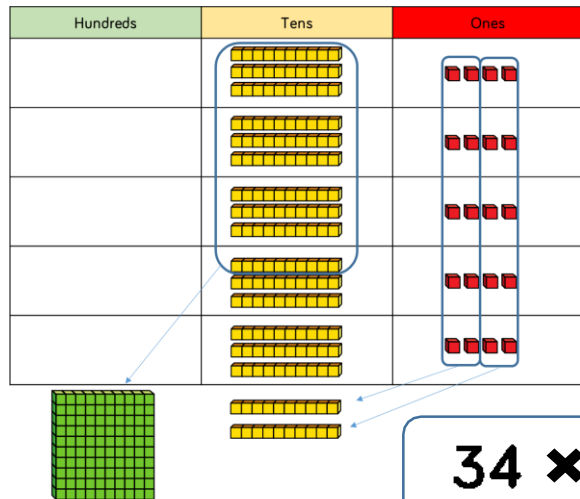
Children represent multiplication as repeated addition in many different ways.

In Year 1, children use concrete and pictorial representations to solve problems. They are not expected to record multiplication formally.

In Year 2, children are introduced to the multiplication symbol.

Skill: Multiply 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers

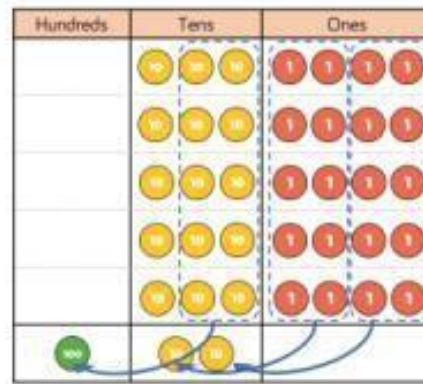
Year: 3/4



	H	T	O	
		3	4	
x			5	
		2	0	(5 × 4)
+	1	5	0	(5 × 30)
	1	7	0	

$$34 \times 5 = 170$$

	H	T	O	
		3	4	
x			5	
	1	7	0	
	1	2		

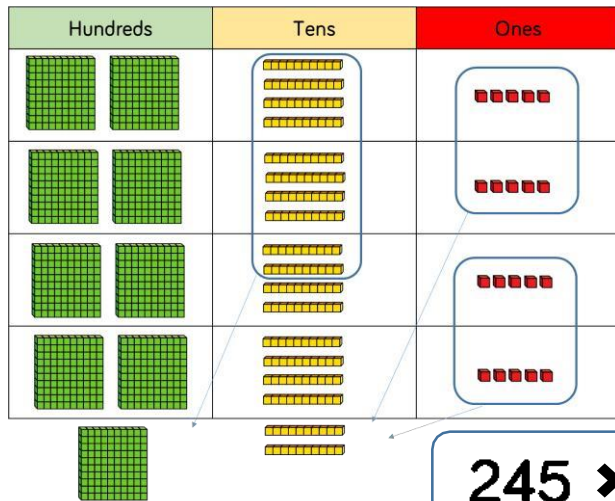


Teachers may decide to first look at the expanded column method before moving on to the short multiplication method.

The place value counters should be used to support the understanding of the method rather than supporting the multiplication, as children should use times table knowledge.

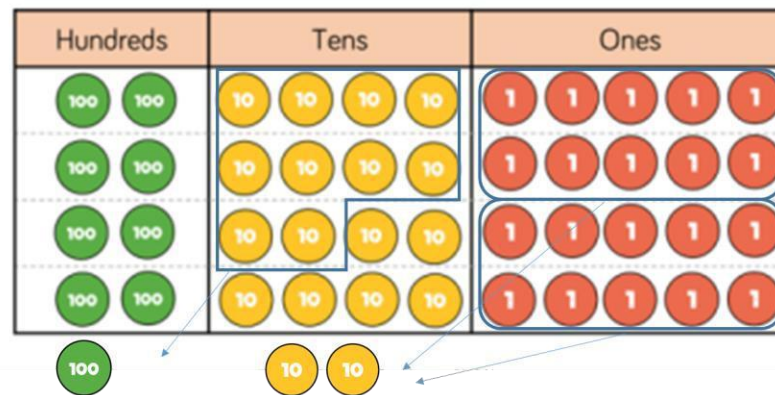
Skill: Multiply 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers

Year: 3/4



	H	T	O
	2	4	5
×			4
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	9	8	0
	1	2	

$$245 \times 4 = 980$$



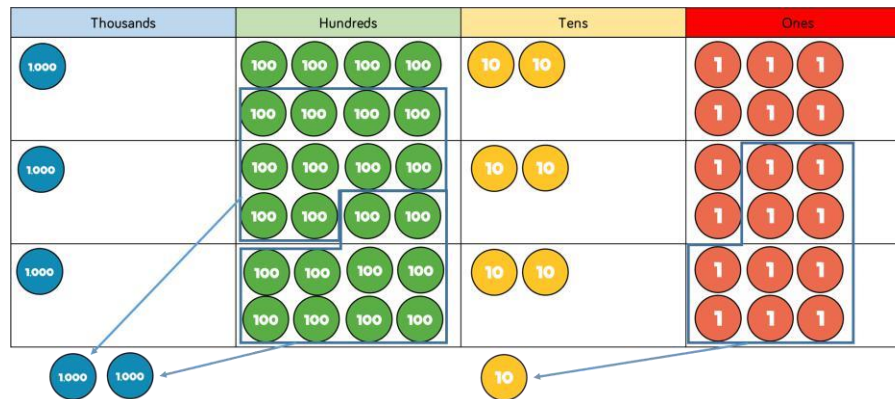
When moving to 3-digit by 1-digit multiplication, encourage children to move towards the short, formal written method.

Base 10 and place value counters continue to support the understanding of the written method.

Limit the number of exchanges needed in the questions and move children away from resources when multiplying larger numbers.

Skill: Multiply 4-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers

Year: 5



$$1,826 \times 3 = 5,478$$

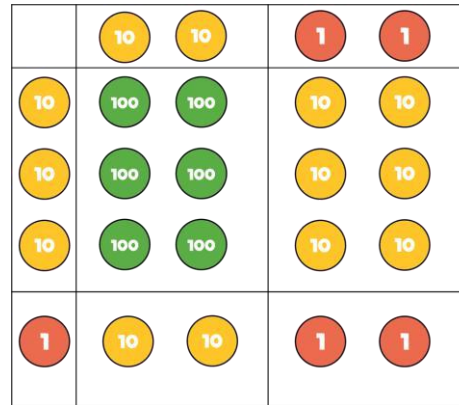
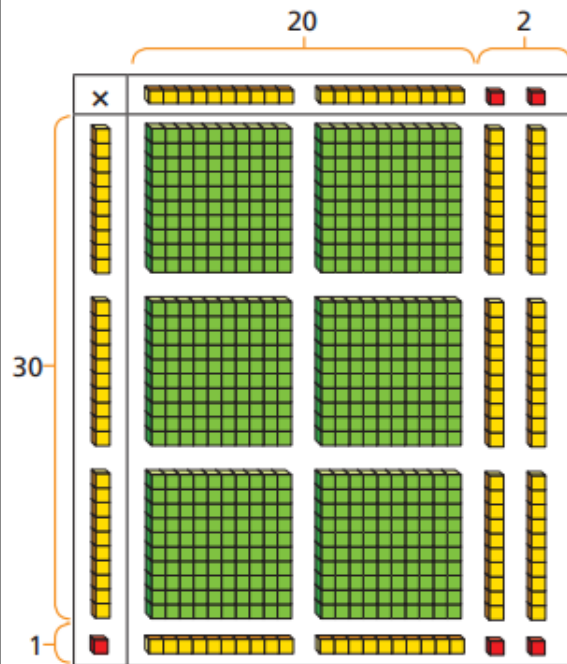
	Th	H	T	O
	1	8	2	6
×				3
	5	4	7	8
	2		1	

When multiplying 4-digit numbers, place value counters are the best manipulative to use to support children in their understanding of the formal written method.

If children are multiplying larger numbers and struggling with their times tables, encourage the use of multiplication grids so children can focus on the use of the written method.

Skill: Multiply 2-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers

Year: 5



×	20	2
30	600	60
1	20	2

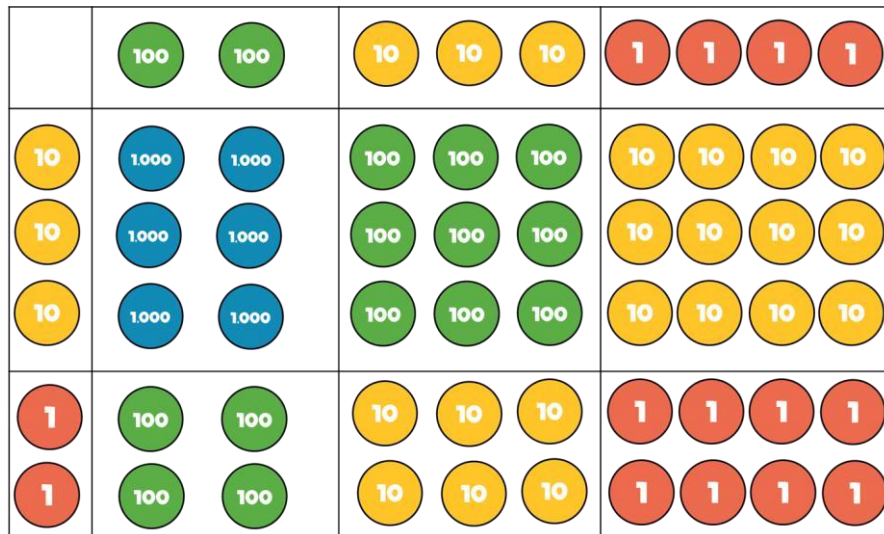
	H	T	O
		2	2
×		3	1
		2	2
	6	6	0
	6	8	2

$$22 \times 31 = 682$$

When multiplying a multi-digit number by 2-digits, use the area model to help children understand the size of the numbers they are using. This links to finding the area of a rectangle by finding the space covered by the Base 10. The grid method matches the area model as an initial written method before moving on to the formal written multiplication method.

Skill: Multiply 3-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers

Year: 5



	Th	H	T	O
		2	3	4
×			3	2
		4	6	8
1 7	1 0	2	0	
7	4	8	8	

Children can continue to use the area model when multiplying 3-digits by 2-digits. Place value counters become more efficient to use but Base 10 can be used to highlight the size of numbers.

Encourage children to move towards the formal written method, seeing the links with the grid method.

$$234 \times 32 = 7,488$$

×	200	30	4
30	6,000	900	120
2	400	60	8

Skill: Multiply 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers

Year: 5/6

	TTh	Th	H	T	O
		2	7	3	9
×				2	8
	2	1	9	1	2
	₂	₅	₃	₇	
	5	4	7	8	0
	₁		₁		
	7	6	6	9	2

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$$2,739 \times 28 = 76,692$$

When multiplying 4-digits by 2-digits, children should be confident in the written method.

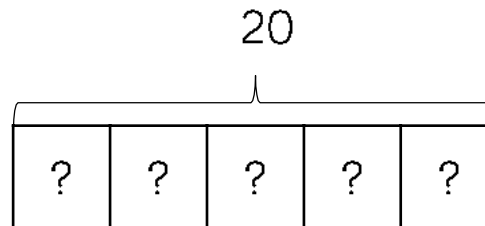
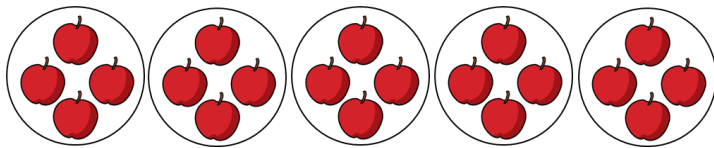
If they are still struggling with times tables, provide multiplication grids to support when they are focusing on the use of the method.

Consider where exchanged digits are placed and make sure this is consistent.

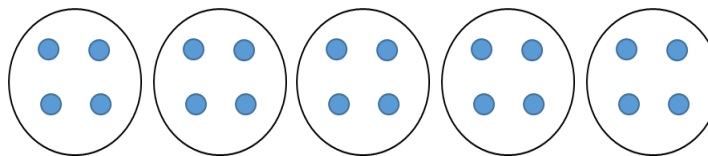
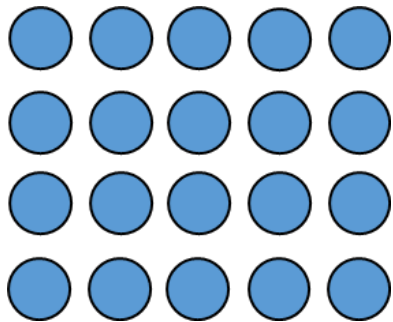
Division

Skill: Solve 1-step problems using multiplication (sharing)

Year: 1/2



There are 20 apples altogether.
They are shared equally between 5 bags.
How many apples are in each bag?



$$20 \div 5 = 4$$

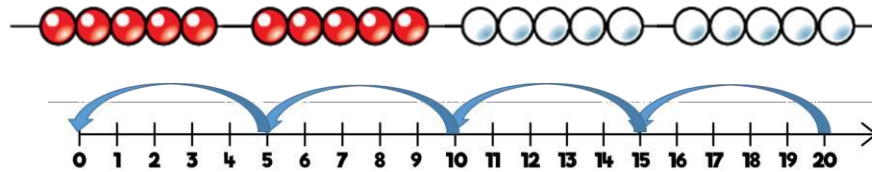
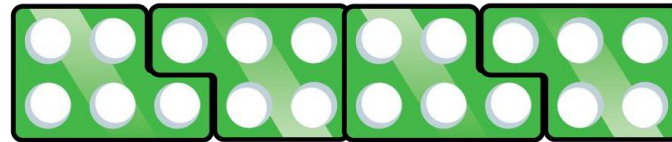
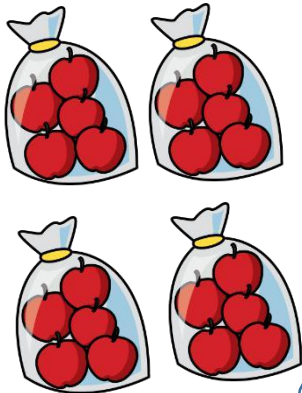
Children solve problems by sharing amounts into equal groups.

In Year 1, children use concrete and pictorial representations to solve problems. They are not expected to record division formally.

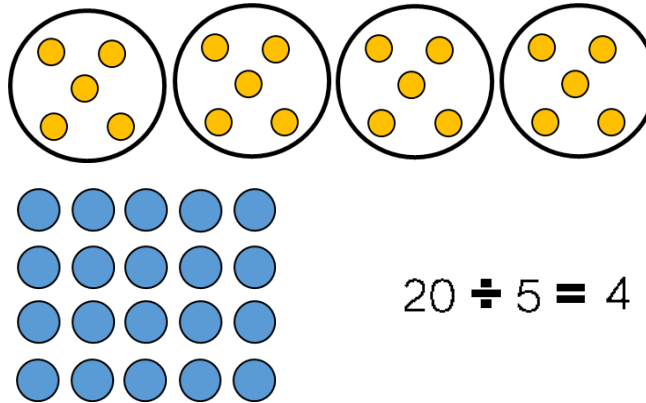
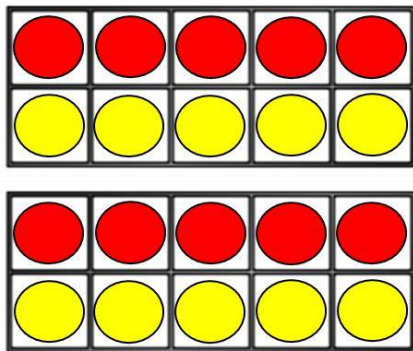
In Year 2, children are introduced to the division symbol.

Skill: Solve 1-step problems using division (grouping)

Year: 1/2



There are 20 apples altogether.
They are put in bags of 5.
How many bags are there?



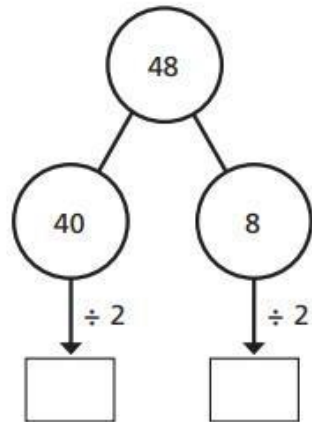
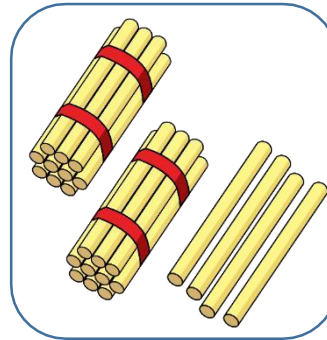
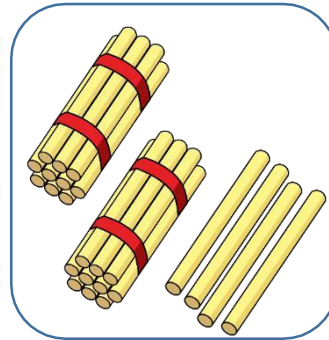
$$20 \div 5 = 4$$

Children solve problems by grouping and counting the number of groups. Grouping encourages children to count in multiples and links to repeated subtraction on a number line. They can use concrete representations in fixed groups such as number shapes which helps to show the link between multiplication and division.

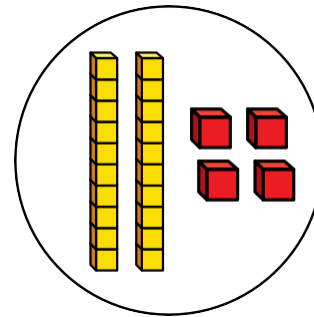
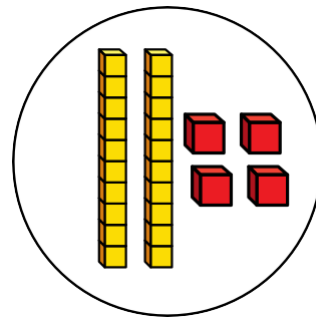
Skill: Divide 2-digits by 1-digit (sharing with no exchange)

Year: 2

Tens	Ones
	
	



$$48 \div 2 = 24$$



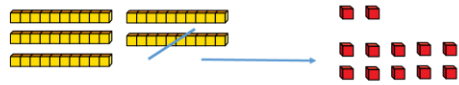
When dividing larger numbers, children can use manipulatives that allow them to partition into tens and ones.

Straws, Base 10 and place value counters can all be used to share numbers into equal groups.

Part-whole models can provide children with a clear written method that matches the concrete representation.

Skill: Divide 2-digits by 1-digit (sharing with exchange)

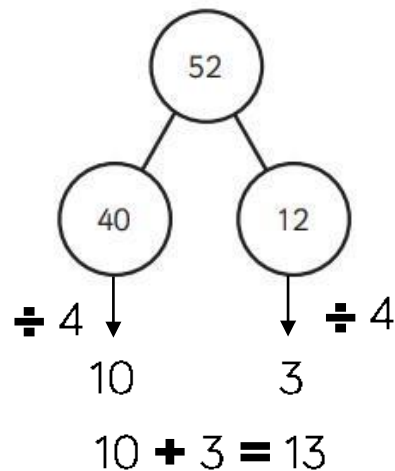
Year: 3/4



Tens	Ones

52			
?	?	?	?

$$52 \div 4 = 13$$



Tens	Ones

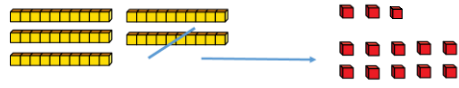
When dividing numbers involving an exchange, children can use Base 10 and place value counters to exchange one ten for ten ones.









Children should start with the equipment outside the place value grid before sharing the tens and ones equally between the rows.

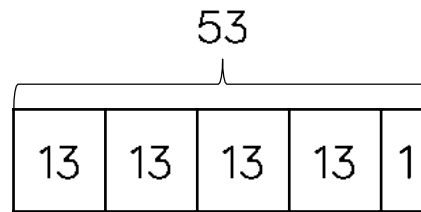
Flexible partitioning in a part-whole model supports this method.

Skill: Divide 2-digits by 1-digit (sharing with remainders)

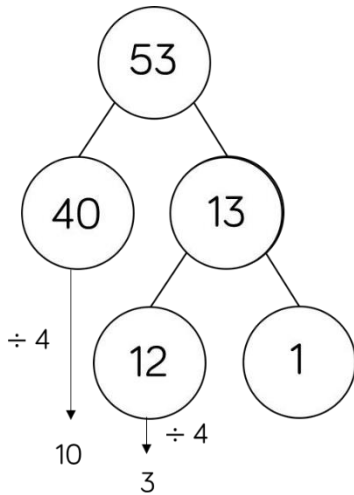
Year: 3/4











Tens	Ones
	
	
	
	



$$53 \div 4 = 13 \text{ r}1$$

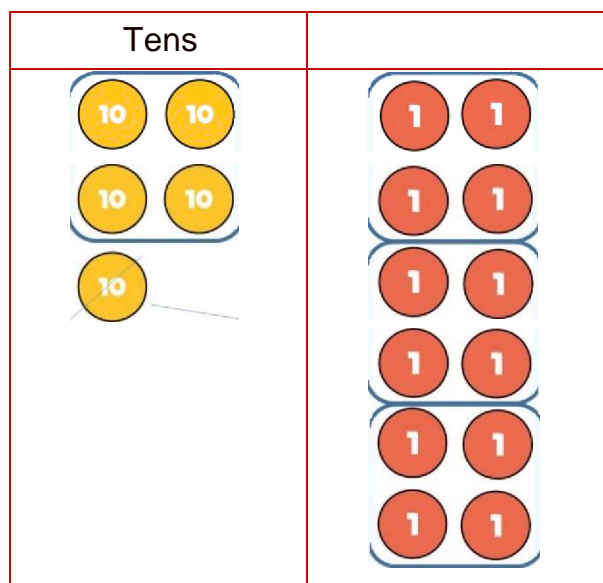


Tens	Ones
	
	
	
	

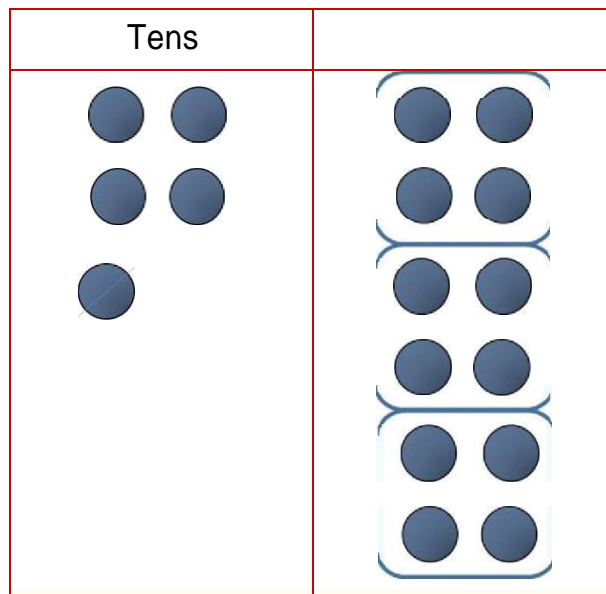
When dividing numbers with remainders, children can use Base 10 and place value counters to exchange one ten for ten ones. Starting with the equipment outside the place value grid will highlight remainders, as they will be left outside the grid once the equal groups have been made. Flexible partitioning in a part-whole model supports this method.

Skill: Divide 2-digits by 1-digit (grouping)

Year: 4/5



$$\begin{array}{r} 13 \\ 4 \overline{) 52} \\ \underline{4} \\ 12 \\ \underline{12} \\ 0 \end{array}$$



$$52 \div 4 = 13$$

When using the short division method, children use grouping. Starting with the largest place value, they group by the divisor.

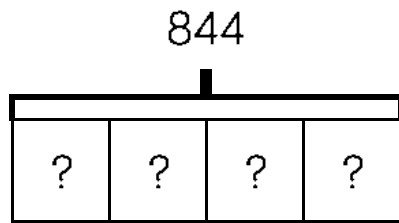
Language is important here. Children should consider 'How many GROUPS of 4 tens can we make?' and 'How many groups of 4 ones can we make?'












Remainders can also be seen as they are left ungrouped.

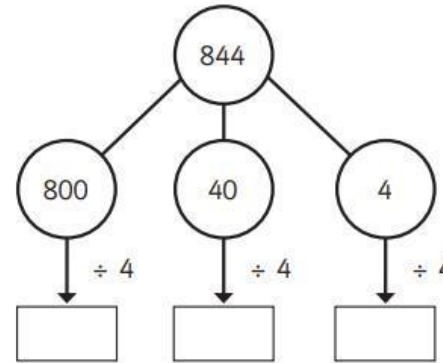
Skill: Divide 3-digits by 1-digit (sharing)

Year: 4

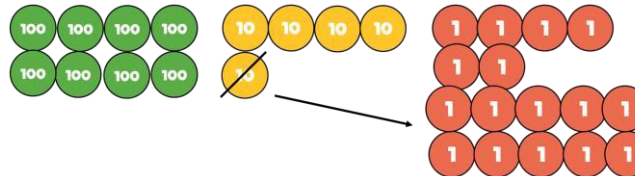
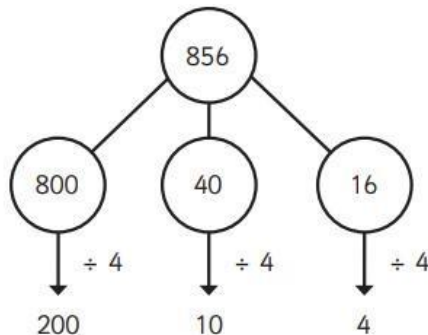
$$844 \div 4 = 122$$



H	T	O
 		
 		
 		
 		



$$844 \div 4 = 122$$

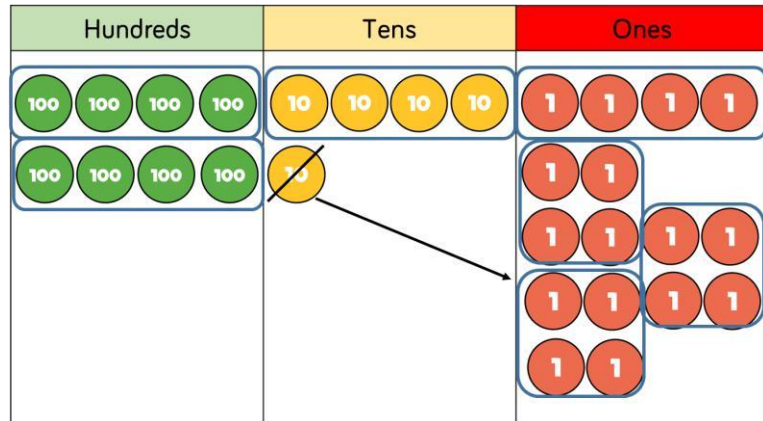


Hundreds	Tens	Ones
 		   
 		   
 		   
 		   

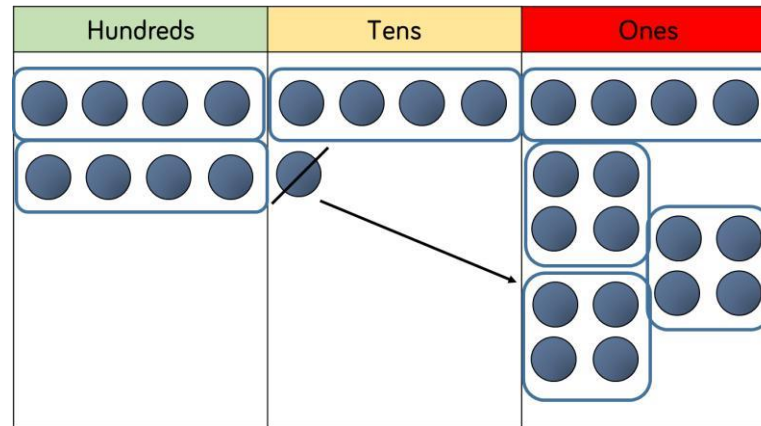
Children can continue to use place value counters to share 3-digit numbers into equal groups. Children should start with the equipment outside the place value grid before sharing the hundreds, tens and ones equally between the rows. This method can also help to highlight remainders. Flexible partitioning in a part-whole model supports this method.

Skill: Divide 3-digits by 1-digit (grouping)

Year: 5



		2	1	4
	4	8	5	16



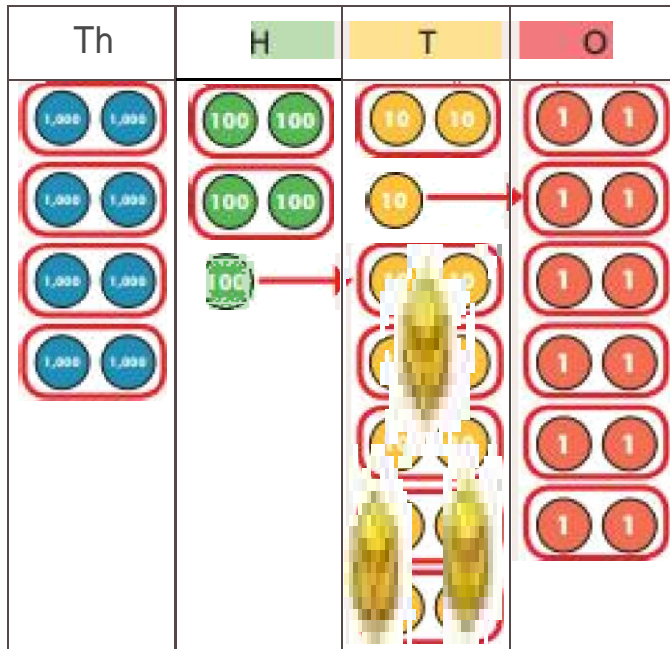
$$856 \div 4 = 214$$

Children can continue to use grouping to support their understanding of short division when dividing a 3-digit number by a 1-digit number.

Place value counters or plain counters can be used on a place value grid to support this understanding. Children can also draw their own counters and group them through a more pictorial method.

Skill: Divide 4-digits by 1-digit (grouping)

Year: 5



$$2 \overline{) 8532}$$

$$8,532 \div 2 = 4,266$$

Place value counters or plain counters can be used on a place value grid to support children to divide 4-digits by 1-digit. Children can also draw their own counters and group them through a more pictorial method.

Children should be encouraged to move away from the concrete and pictorial when dividing numbers with multiple exchanges.

Skill: Divide multi-digits by 2-digits (long division)

Year: 6

		0	3	6
1	2	4	3	2
	-	3	6	0
			7	2
	-		7	2
				0

(x30)

$$12 \times 1 = 12$$

$$12 \times 2 = 24$$

$$12 \times 3 = 36$$

$$12 \times 4 = 48$$

$$12 \times 5 = 60$$

(x6)

$$12 \times 6 = 72$$

$$12 \times 7 = 84$$

$$12 \times 8 = 96$$

$$12 \times 7 = 108$$

$$12 \times 10 = 120$$

$$432 \div 12 = 36$$

$$7,335 \div 15 = 489$$

		0	4	8	9
15		7	3	3	5
-		6	0	0	0
		1	3	3	5
-		1	2	0	0
			1	3	5
-			1	3	5
					0

(x400)

$$1 \times 15 = 15$$

$$2 \times 15 = 30$$

$$3 \times 15 = 45$$

$$4 \times 15 = 60$$

$$5 \times 15 = 75$$

(x80)

$$10 \times 15 = 150$$

(x9)

Children can also divide by 2-digit numbers using long division.

Children can write out multiples to support their calculations with larger remainders.

Children will also solve problems with remainders where the quotient can be rounded as appropriate.

Skill: Divide multi digits by 2-digits (long division)

Year: 6

$$372 \div 15 = 24 \text{ r}12$$

			2	4	r	1	2
1	5	3	7	2			
	-	3	0	0			
			7	2			
	-		6	0			
			1	2			

- $1 \times 15 = 15$
- $2 \times 15 = 30$
- $3 \times 15 = 45$
- $4 \times 15 = 60$
- $5 \times 15 = 75$
- $10 \times 15 = 150$

When a remainder is left at the end of a calculation, children can either leave it as a remainder or convert it to a fraction. This will depend on the context of the question.

Children can also answer questions where the quotient needs to be rounded according to the context.

			2	4	$\frac{4}{5}$
1	5	3	7	2	
	-	3	0	0	
			7	2	
	-		6	0	
			1	2	

$$372 \div 15 = 24 \frac{4}{5}$$

Glossary

Array – An ordered collection of counters, cubes or other item in rows and columns.

Commutative – Numbers can be multiplied in any order.

Dividend – In division, the number that is divided.

Divisor – In division, the number by which another is divided.

Exchange – Change a number or expression for another of an equal value.

Factor – A number that multiplies with another to make a product.

Multiplicand – In multiplication, a number to be multiplied by another.

Partitioning – Splitting a number into its component parts.

Product – The result of multiplying one number by another.

Quotient – The result of a division

Remainder – The amount left over after a division when the divisor is not a factor of the dividend.

Scaling – Enlarging or reducing a number by a given amount, called the scale factor